



TAKE OUT KILLERS BODY — Policemen remove the body of Fred Cowan from the Neptune Moving Co. in New Rochelle, N.Y. Cowan killed himself after reportedly slaying five persons including one policeman Monday.

(AP WIREPHOTO)

Boss said the target of black-hating gunman

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — "He kept asking people if they knew where I was — thank God nobody did," said the supervisor who Nazi-sympathizing sharpshooter Fred Cowan was hunting for during a rampage in which he killed five persons.

"I heard the shots, and I knew he was after me," said Norman Bing, who dove under a desk Monday when the Army-trained sharpshooter set out to avenge his two-week suspension in a siege that he ended by putting a bullet in his own brain. About 300 police and federal agents had been held at bay for 10 hours.

Bing said he suspended 33-year-old Cowan from his job as a trucker's helper at a moving company warehouse because he had "refused to move a refrigerator." But he said that Cowan had caused no other trouble

during his 11 years with the firm. "He was a very gentle man who loved children," said a sister-in-law, Mary Ellen Cowan. Added a neighbor in this Westchester County community about 1 1/2 miles north of the New York City line: "He was always a nice boy."

But others remembered the hulking, six-foot, 250 pounder, who attended Catholic grammar and high schools and was described as a brilliant student, an avid gun collector and lover of Nazi uniforms.

He covered his body with tattoos — swastikas, German crosses, knives, chains, thunder, lightning, lions, and panthers — and festooned the walls of his room with swastikas.

"He hates blacks," said one neighbor, Roland Lersch. "He hates Jews." Cowan's victims included two blacks, an Indian, and one white, all

fellow employees at the Neptune Worldwide Moving Co., where the gunman worked as a furniture mover. The fifth victim was New Rochelle police officer Allan McLeod, 29, married and the father of two children.

Five persons were injured, including three other policemen.

The siege began shortly before 5 a.m. at the two-story warehouse in a commercial neighborhood of small industrial buildings, interspersed with filling stations and garages.

Cowan was to have returned to work Monday, the end of a two-week suspension caused by a difference with a supervisor.

He returned to the warehouse while about 50 others were reporting to work. But upon his arrival, in the words of fellow employee Clint Wynant, "He just started shooting and everybody started running all over the place."

He shot the first two employees he encountered and then shot a third coworker who tried to escape, killing all of them.

McLeod was the first patrolman on the scene and drove into the truck loading area. He was gunned down by Cowan as he made an initial rush toward the warehouse entrance.

As more police cars pulled up, Cowan, an Army-trained sharpshooter, retreated to the second floor of the warehouse and began spraying the outside area with his M16 automatic rifle.

Shortly before 6 p.m., a task force of 30 New Rochelle, New York City and FBI law enforcement agents, emboldened by hours of silence from within the warehouse, decided to chance a showdown with Cowan.

"In the last 45 minutes we were searching the building room by room, and then we found him," said Police Commissioner William Hegerty. "He was dead in a room in the north corner of the building. He shot himself in the head."

Constable Cash to testify

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (AP) — Port Aransas Constable Ben Cash said he expects to testify today before a grand jury looking into the disappearance of grain dealer Robert Johnson.

Friends said Johnson fell from a pleasure boat and drowned in the Gulf of Mexico off Port Aransas last January 3.

But Cash launched an investigation that took him from North Texas to Belize in Central America, then announced that Johnson was still alive and hiding in Mexico after undergoing facial surgery.

State and federal investigators began their own investigation and found Johnson's North Texas grain elevators short a large amount of grain. They also found that he had taken out large life insurance policies and cashed several large checks prior to his disappearance.



WEIGHTLIFTER-GUNMAN — This photograph of Fred Cowan, who police identified as the gunman who stormed a New Rochelle, N.Y., warehouse Monday killing a policeman and four other men, appears in the March issue of Muscle Training magazine. Neighbors said Cowan was an avid weightlifter with a fixation on Adolph Hitler's Nazi philosophy.

'Roots' triggered rampage?

CINCINNATI (AP) — "Roots," the televised epic inspired by a black man's search for his ancestry, triggered Jesse Coulter's rampage, says the lawyer for the 42-year-old man accused of taking eight hostages in an attempt to reunite his family.

"This man sat on this for 20 years, and the dynamite was 'Roots,'" said attorney Eugene Smith.

During the siege that began Friday night at the Catherine Booth home for unwed mothers, Coulter demanded the return of a son born at the home 20 years earlier. The child had been put up for adoption.

Smith said his client, who is black, had been frustrated over the loss for some time.

"Jessie told me when he saw Chicken George (a character in "Roots") get his own family back together, he couldn't help himself," Smith said. "He had to come back to Cincinnati and get the kid."

As it turned out, the effort was in

vain. The siege ended when an undercover Cincinnati detective fooled Coulter and his ex-wife Rita Gibran into thinking he was their long-lost son and they surrendered.

Coulter and Mrs. Gibran were arraigned Monday in Criminal Court and their cases were continued until Friday. Bond was set at \$1 million each.

The television program was based on a book in which author Alex Haley traced the history of his family from black Africa through the days of slavery in the South. The dramatization concluded 12 days before Coulter came here.

Smith said, after Monday's hearing, that the Utica, Mich., man saw similarities between his life and the serial. "He had seen how families were split up in slavery, and he was bitter about his own family being split up," Smith said.

Smith also said Mrs. Gibran was forced to come to Cincinnati and did

not know where she and Coulter were headed. Coulter concurred at the arraignment, but the prosecution argued that Mrs. Gibran had been a willing participant.

Authorities say that when Coulter arrived at the home, he produced a sawed-off shotgun and herded seven women and a man into an X-ray room. Mrs. Gibran, 37, said she did not try to run away because she hoped to have a calming influence on her former husband.

Dallas cop nabbed with funny money

DALLAS (AP) — A series of weekend arrests, including that of a Dallas police officer, has resulted in the seizure of over \$1 million in counterfeit bills, according to spokesmen for the U.S. Secret Service and Dallas police.

Calvin E. Eley, 31, a Dallas police investigator, was arraigned before a U.S. magistrate in Austin Monday on charges of passing counterfeit reserve notes.

Dallas Police Chief Don Byrd said his department had been advised of the investigation since its inception in December and had assisted the Secret Service in the probe.

Eley was relieved of his police credentials Sunday night, Byrd said. Ronald Towns, Dallas Secret Service agent in charge, said more than \$1.1 million in bogus \$50 and \$20 bills were seized.

Towns said the quality of the bills ranged from "fairly deceptive" to "poorer quality."

He added that very few of the bills had been passed on to the public.

Also arrested were Mack Cotton, 39, and his wife, Anna Marie, 46, both of Irving; Joyce Ann Read, 21, of Irving; Terry Joe Williams, 35, of Houston; B.J. Brown and David Thomas Krause, both of Austin.

described as "imminent."

But one week later, the final impact statement is still being held up.

No one seems certain for the reason, and a Pentagon spokesman could offer no explanation at all.

One Air Force source speculated that the delay was caused by the Air Force's taking time to get several minor errors out of the final document so it can be as perfect as possible.

This source guessed that the Air Force does not feel as pressed to file the final statement with the Council on Environmental Quality, thus making it public, since no secretary of the Air Force has yet been nominated by President Carter. The new secretary, yet to be named, has been described as the person who will make the final decision on Webb.

The final impact statement is reported to contain no major surprises and be very similar to the draft copy except nine inches taller. The final version contains input from the six communities whose bases are being considered either candidates or alternates for closure.

After the final impact statement is filed, a decision on the future of Webb

'Safe' town shocked

HOLLANDSBURG, Ind. (AP) — Talk in the Raccoon Lake bar usually runs to fishing, politics and country music. That was gone today, shattered by shock at the execution-style slayings of four young brothers in a town where crime has always been something that happens somewhere else.

"This is supposed to be a nice, safe community," said Virginia Tyler, whose husband owns the bar and restaurant on the fringe of the Raccoon Lake recreation area.

"Everybody is just shocked. They were super-fine boys."

Ralph Spencer, 14; Reeve B. Spencer, 16; Raymond M. Spencer, 17, and Gregory B. Brooks, 22, a stepbrother, were found Monday face-down on the blood-soaked floor of their mobile home.

Each had been killed by a shotgun blast to the head. Their mother escaped by playing dead after gunshots tore through her wig, police said.

Grand jury probes mystery money case

ALICE, Tex. (AP) — The legal battle lines have been drawn today as a grand jury opens a special investigation into the two Alice boys and \$486,000 in mystery money.

Both boys—Percy Garcia, 15, and 16-year-old Dean Bridges—were subpoenaed to appear before the Jim Wells County grand jury, but lawyers for the pair filed quash motions on the grounds the youths were juveniles.

"The only way they can get him to testify is to declare him an adult," says Garcia's lawyer, Charles Barrera of Alice.

The two boys were stopped in Waco on Jan. 31 for running a red light. Officers discovered the cash stuffed in two suitcases in the trunk of their just-purchased Thunderbird.

Officers also found a small quantity of marijuana and a semi-automatic pistol.

The boys reportedly told police they had dug up the money in the backyard of an Alice-area ranch belonging to Bridges' father, James E. Hiroms of Corpus Christi.

"We are interested in determining whether any criminal offenses were committed," says Assistant Dist. Atty. Rolando Ramirez who adds that several persons were subpoenaed and are expected to testify today.

Hiroms' lawyer, Phil Westergren of Corpus Christi, criticized the local police for indicating during the past two weeks that Hiroms had disappeared and could not be found.

"I told the Alice police, the Waco police and the Texas Rangers that I was in touch with my client and my client was not trying to hide," he says.

Law enforcement officers and the district attorney's office say they are searching tax and title records to determine who owns the ranch or had legal possession of it when the money was found.

The two boys are currently in the custody of their parents until a Feb. 26 hearing in Waco. Juvenile petitions have accused the pair of possessing a gun and marijuana.

The Internal Revenue Service filed a \$330,705 tax lien against the \$486,000 and the Texas attorney general's office says it should have the cash in accordance with narcotics laws. The money is being held by authorities in Waco until it is determined who it belongs to.

No explanation for delay?

What's holding up the release of the final environmental impact statement on Webb Air Force Base?

Copies of the final statements are in the commands awaiting the Pentagon's okay for their release, according to the Webb AFB information office. Feb. 8 had once been described by the Air Force as the latest date that the study would be made public, and last week release of the statement was

would be expected in about 30 days, unless there are additional delays.

The Pentagon spokesman said that the final impact statement is still in

the same "holding pattern" as last week, but he ventured a guess that it will be made public before the end of the week.

Mayor answers tax waste charges

STANTON — Mayor Don Tollison, was preparing an answer this morning to an attack by KOSA-TV that Stanton did not need airport funds and it was a waste of tax dollars.

Tollison said, "I didn't even sleep last night and almost called the gentleman at 2 a.m. but decided to wait and write him today to tell him that his facts were wrong and also that communities other than Odessa deserve some funds and services."

The television station spokesman said that Stanton was receiving over \$200,000 in Federal aviation funds, which is true, since it will obtain \$294,501.30. "However, they also said we were going to spend \$115,000 in Texas tax dollars. We will receive \$13,000 from the Texas Aeronautics Commission which comes from airplane gas tax allotted only for airport improvements. The city and county provide \$22,255.79.

"I suppose the Odessa station thinks that only Odessa should receive airport funds. They maintained that our dusty airport is little used and that the paved airport will be little used.

"However, we have two crop dusting firms wanting to use it in our heavy agricultural area. We have ten aircraft owners who plan to base there if hangars are available and another 20 to 30 businessmen who plan to land there during the year for various reasons.

"We realize this is small pickings to Odessa, but it is important to us and gives an opportunity for growth and services. I thought it was a most

unfair attack on a community that is finally trying to improve itself and progress."

Briscoe battles for gas dereg

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe went to bat for natural gas deregulation with Carter administration officials Monday, but apparently came away with no firm commitments.

Briscoe worked in meetings with Federal Energy Administrator John O'Leary, presidential energy adviser James Schlesinger and other officials while preparing for Monday night's state dinner honoring Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo.

The governor called the talks "pleasant and productive," but declined to give specifics. He is known to favor legislation sponsored by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen and Rep. Bob Krueger, both Texas Democrats. That legislation would remove federal price controls on new gas sold in interstate commerce. It would also protect Texas consumers against out-of-state companies "bidding up" the price of gas.

While denying any personal politicking, Briscoe said he expects an announcement "soon" about Texas Agriculture Commissioner John White, who could be named deputy secretary of agriculture.

Focalpoint

Action/reaction: Party loyalties

Q. Public officials at most levels are proud to proclaim their party loyalties. I would like to know which members of the city council are Democrats and which are Republicans.

A. The political makeup of the city council is apparently about as evenly divided as any five-person group could be. It contains two Republicans, two Democrats and an Independent.

When asked what party they belonged to Mrs. Floyd (Polly) Mays replied, "Republican"; Harold Hall replied, "lifelong Republican"; Charles Tompkins replied, "Democrat"; Mayor Wade Choate replied, "Democrat"; and Ralph McLaughlin replied, "Independent, depends on the man."

Calendar: Auxiliary to meet

TODAY

Consideration of sound system for the coliseum at Howard College board of trustees, 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, board room.

WEDNESDAY

Auxiliary of Downtown Lions Club, at Western Sizzler Cafe, 12 noon.

Offbeat: Valentine baby

HOUSTON (AP) — Lake and Margaret Valentine were presented a real valentine on St. Valentine's Day.

Mrs. Valentine gave birth to a son Monday in a Houston hospital. The father, a district advertising manager for the Wall Street Journal, said the hospital staff became so excited that a real valentine would arrive on Valentine's Day that "it took us a half hour longer than it should just to get checked in."

The new Valentine is the fourth child for the Valentines. He wasn't named at once. Mrs. Valentine said several persons had suggested "Happy."

TV's best: Indian pride reborn

Hawkeye gets a chance at a soft job when he is selected as personal physician to the corps commander, and Radar becomes a husband and father on "Mash" at 8 p.m. on CBS.

A National Geographic Special investigates the possible fulfillment of a prediction of Black Elk, a Sioux Holy Man, that five generations after his death the pride of the Indian would be reborn. "The New Indians" airs at 8:15 on PBS.

Inside: Friendly rapist?

GUY WILLIAM MARBLE JR., a 29-year-old public relations executive, was charged with three counts of aggravated rape in Dallas Monday. Police said that Marble, who was dubbed the friendly rapist, may be responsible for more than 75 assaults on women the past two years. See p. 2A.

SECRETARY OF STATE Cyrus R. Vance is heading for the Middle East to see if the Palestinians are prepared to accept Israel's existence. See p. 2A.

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Outside: Fair

Skies should turn clear and fair tonight and Wednesday, with warmer temperatures due. The high today is expected in the low 50s, the low tonight in the low 30s, the high Wednesday in the low 60s. Winds will be out of the east today at five to 10 miles-per-hour, dropping to light and variable tonight.



Vance talks peace

LAJES, The Azores (AP) — Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance was headed for the Middle East to seek concessions on the Palestinian issue in the hope of resuming the Geneva peace conference by the end of the year.

Vance's plane stopped at this U.S.-manned Portuguese Air Force base to refuel early today en route to Israel, the first stop on his tour.

The one-week trip also will take Vance to Egypt, Lebanon briefly, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Syria.

As he left Washington late Monday, Vance said he did not underestimate the difficulty of trying to bridge 30 years of hostility between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

But, he said, the Carter administration is determined to achieve "a just and lasting peace" in the region.

While in the Middle East, Vance hopes to promote arms reduction as well as to encourage a return to peace talks in Geneva.

Vance intends to find out the depth of the Arabs' commitment to creating a Palestinian state and

whether they think the Palestine Liberation Organization is prepared to accept Israel's existence.

He has no meetings planned during the trip with Palestinian representatives, U.S. officials said.

In Israel, his first stop, Vance will probe for a softening in the so far intransigent objection to PLO participation in peace talks.

Vance will also register U.S. objections to Israeli oil exploration in the Gulf of Suez. State Department officials said Monday that under international law, Israel has no right to begin a new project in occupied Egyptian territory. A department spokesman said the venture was "not helpful" to peace negotiations. Other U.S. officials said, however, that it would not interfere with Vance's mission.

Vance, in an interview last week with Israeli correspondents that was released at the start of his trip, said, "I am not going to engage in shuttle diplomacy at this time."

"What I am trying to do is to ascertain as clearly as I can what the views of the key leaders are so that I can return to the United States and report to the President. We can then develop our views as to how we can be most useful in trying to promote peace in the Middle East."

Other U.S. officials said the question of Palestinian participation in peace talks, insoluble until now, is one of Vance's overriding concerns. The administration supports Israel's right to exclude the PLO from

negotiations, but if the Palestinian National Council revises its covenant next month, that would open new possibilities, the U.S. officials said.

The PLO charter now calls for destruction of the Jewish state.

Vance, in the interview, said PLO participation in peace talks "would be out of the question" so long as the PLO is unwilling to accept the "framework" of United Nations resolutions that recognize Israel's sovereignty and call for a peaceful settlement.

Sick leave policy eyed

STANTON — Action on the proposal to change commissioners salaries was postponed Monday, since County Judge Jimmy Mathis is in Dallas for medical treatment.

Commissioners also postponed a decision on setting up a sick leave policy. They named the Stanton First National Bank as the county school fund and county fund depository for 1977.

The commissioners approved a bond for Mrs. J.C. Nebett of Ackerly to act as deputy. She may issue car tags and things of this nature in that community.

The commissioners approved pipeline crossing requests by Phillips Petroleum and Gib Madison. Other items were tabled until another meeting.

Vincent Price booked at ASU

SAN ANGELO — Actor Vincent Price, best known for his appearance in so-called horror movies, will appear on the Angelo State University campus Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Price's topic of discussion in an appearance sponsored by the University Center Program Council will be "The Villains Still Pursue Me." The program is scheduled for 8 p.m. in the ballroom of the Houston Hart University Center.

Admission is \$1 for the general public and free to persons with ASU identification cards.

Sadler drops libel suits

ABILENE — Jerry Sadler, unsuccessful candidate for the Texas Railroad Commission in the 1976 elections, has dropped five law suits totaling \$5.5 million.

One of his suits was filed against the Abilene Reporter-News for \$1 million, another against the San Angelo Standard Times for the same amount.

The Fort Worth Star Telegram and the Associated Press were other defendants in Sadler's legal action.

Chavez back in local jail

Arceño Chavez Jr. was transferred back to the Howard County jail Monday from the Waco VA Hospital. Chavez is being held without bond in the county jail on revocation of probation charges stemming from theft.

World

Senate fight brewing

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Senators expected a fight today over a bill that would remove higher insurance premiums from the penalties for breaking the 55 miles per hour speed limit.

Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan, served notice of intent to seek the four-fifths vote necessary to take up his bill to eliminate insurance premium surcharges for speeding tickets when drivers were not exceeding the pre-1974 limit of 70 miles per hour. It also would prevent the addition of such tickets to one's driving record.

Many bridges unsafe?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three Iowa children were killed when a school bus crashed through a bridge guardrail last August. Despite the guardrail's deficiency, state highway workers used the same type rail as a replacement, federal safety officials say.

The National Transportation Safety Board feels the incident underscores a growing nationwide problem with deteriorating and unsafe bridges. The board, in a report released today, said the guardrail on a bridge near Neola, Iowa, was deficient and "would not offer an appropriate level of protection even to automobiles."

The Department of Transportation has classified 34,600 bridges on federal highways as deficient, and says replacements would cost \$10 billion. Thousands of bridges on local roads are in the same class.



HOME FIRE — A vacant home at 1601 W. 5th, owned by Mrs. Grady Ayers, burned to the ground Monday as Big Spring firefighters made certain the flames didn't spread. The call came into the station at 5:23 p.m., and firemen arrived at 5:28 p.m. according to the log, but it was already too late. Fire officials and local police will investigate arson as a possible cause of the fire.

Police beat Man tried to abuse girl?

A local man was arrested 4 p.m. Monday after attempting to sexually abuse a nine-year-old girl.

According to reports, the girl was playing alone at her home when the man, "an old friend of the family," according to reports from the girl's mother to Juvenile Officer Jan Hyden, made the attempt. The girl called her mother at work.

The mother, in turn, contacted police who arrested the man near the scene for attempted sexual abuse and public intoxication.

Charles W. Myers, 2409 Cheyenne, reported that car burglars stole a CB radio and a radio antenna from his pickup which was parked in the lot of Malone-Hogan Hospital between 10 and 11:15 p.m. Monday. Including damage to the

truck, total loss was estimated at \$150.

Alvin Burton, 908 N.W. 3rd, reported that intruders ripped off a record player, a number of records and a variety of clothing from a Volkswagen parked behind his home Sunday night. Loss was estimated at \$200.

Burglars heisted a .22-caliber pistol from the home of Bertha Payton, 810 N.W. 4th, sometime last week. The pistol was valued at \$50.

Ms. Payton was also involved in a mishap, 8:28 a.m. Monday when the vehicle she was driving collided with a vehicle driven by James H. Parks Jr., 503 Highland, at 800 E. 4th.

In Monday's only other mishap, a driverless vehicle belonging to Annie T. Simpson, 306 N. Scurry, rolled approximately 50 feet, jumped a curb, went through a wire fence and came to rest on a retaining wall near 400

N. Gregg. The incident occurred 8:34 a.m.



IMPLEMENT PLAN — These four were among the leaders present at the public hearing of the Health Systems Agency for the Permian Basin held in the county courtroom Monday. Ron Cohorn, Big Spring State Hospital; Norman Knox, Malone-Hogan Hospital; Harley Reeves, Permian Basin Health Systems Agency and Harold Hall, PBRPC director, look over the 20 goals set for the future.

Stanton boosts athletic budget

STANTON — The principals and head coach contracts were set at two years and an increase in the athletic budget was approved at the monthly meeting of the board of trustees of the Stanton Independent School District Monday night.

Contracts extended include Wayne Mitchell, high school principal; Bill Young, junior high principal; J.M. Yater, elementary principal and David Thompson, athletic director and football coach, according to Supt. Russell McMeans.

The athletic budget showed a jump of \$5,000 which was approved.

The election was called for April 2 in the high school cafeteria. Delbert Dickinson and Rufus Tom both filed for re-election to their posts, which are places six and seven.

The board also discussed a sick leave policy. It adopted a policy that it will accept no other students suspended from high schools in other communities until they are cleared with their own high school.

It discussed possible dates for depositions for the lawsuit filed against the

Health care answers offered

By MARJ CARPENTER

Twenty-seven persons attended the public hearing of the Permian Basin Health Systems Agency, which was held in the county courtroom Monday afternoon.

Harley Reeves, director of the Permian Basin Health Systems Agency, pointed out that "The United States cannot afford as much health care as people think they need. We are the first health systems agency out of 202 in

the United States to almost complete a full-scale plan for the future.

"If we can implement it and if other health systems agencies can implement plans, possibly America will avoid socialized medicine and provide adequate health care with doctor's still having freedom. It is one of our last chances," Reeves added.

Questions during the hour-long hearing ranged around rules and regulations of the agency. It was pointed out that the agency has no control over where doctors set up a practice, but simply furnish information on the availability of doctors in the area and the needs.

The agency does approve any improvements or additions of beds to current hospitals and nursing homes if they are to receive any federal funding such as Medicare or Medicaid.

Both representatives from hospitals and consumers, or persons who use hospitals are on the governing board. The Permian Basin board includes five men from Big Spring, including Norman Knox, administrator at Malone-Hogan Hospital; Jack Powell, administrator of the Veterans Administration Hospital; Ron Cohorn, outreach director at the Big Spring State Hospital and Danny Valdes and Lanny Hamby, consumers.

Knox presided at the hearing and both Valdes and Cohorn were also present.

Harold Hall, one of the two local directors on the Permian Basin Regional Planning Council attended the meeting as well.

'Friendly rapist' in jail

DALLAS (AP) — A public relations executive described by a friend as having a fear of turning 30 remained in jail today on three rape charges. Police say he might be responsible for as many as 75 sexual assaults.

Guy William Marble Jr., 29, was arrested early Monday in an apartment complex in a singles area of North Dallas where the rapes began about three years ago.

Officers were at the complex as a result of police research that indicated the area was a likely target for a man described by police and news accounts as the "friendly rapist."

The name came from victims' stories that their attacker was apologetic and polite while with them.

Marble, who is married and the father of a 7-year-old girl, was held in lieu of bonds totalling \$750,000.



GUY MARBLE JR.

Marble's friends and associates registered their shock over his arrest.

"I had no reason to expect anything like this on the basis of his behavior," said Richard Hanlon, vice president of Bloom Advertising Agency, where Marble was employed. "You tend to feel you know

someone and then..."

Another friend of Marble said the former newspaper reporter dreading his 30th birthday.

"He played tennis, golfed, jogged—did all the things he could to keep fit and young," the friend said. "It depressed him to talk about 'the old magic 30.'"

Police Capt. Don Milliken said Marble was charged with aggravated rape after investigators linked him to three assaults through fingerprints found at apartments where the rapes took place.

Arresting officer Barry Whitfield said he saw Marble peering into windows in apartments in a complex located about five minutes driving time from Marble's home.

Whitfield said Marble ran after being asked for identification. He was captured after a short chase.

Milliken said police efforts had been stymied by an inability to find any common denominator among the victims of the "friendly rapist."

Most of the victims, who police said suffered no other injuries, were single. They lived in an area inhabited by mostly single persons of both sexes.

Police said the rapist had the following method of operation:

The attacker, wearing a stocking over his head, would enter through an unlocked window or sliding door. He covered his victims' heads with pillow cases and tied them up with telephone cord cut in the apartment.

Industrial unit to meet Feb. 23

The annual meeting of the Big Spring Industrial Foundation will be held at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the Conference Room of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

The speaker, before the meeting, will be Panhandle (from Wellington, S.D.) Dr. Milton D. Southerland, who will discuss the area's economic future. He will also discuss the area's economic future.

Transient's legs lost

SWEETWATER — A 33-year-old transient from Los Angeles, Kenneth Hatcher, lost both legs when he fell while trying to board a T&P freight train here Sunday.

The accident occurred shortly before noon. Hatcher was taken to a hospital in Abilene.

Deaths

David Thomas

David F. Thomas, 49, died at 2:15 a.m. today at Webb AFB Hospital.

Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

He was born April 10, 1927 in Wylmore, Ky., and married Belevred Bradshaw Nov. 20, 1954 in San Antonio.

He served in the Marines and later in the Air Force until he retired in 1967. He presently was employed by the Postal Department as a rural carrier.

He lived in Big Spring for 14 years and was a member of the American Legion Post 355, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles AERIA 2982, and the B.P.O.E. Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, of the home; one son, Michael Thomas, with the U.S. Navy in Honolulu, Hawaii; four daughters, Mrs. Beverly Ann Thomas Millnee, Lubbock; Lela Sue Thomas, Sabrina Kay Thomas and Darleen Gay Thomas of the home; his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Milton Thomas, Cambridge Springs, Pa.; five brothers, Dr. Paul M. Thomas, Union City, Pa.; John W. Thomas, Erie, Pa.; James A. Thomas, Salisbury, Pa.; Maj. Joseph L. Thomas, A.P.O., New York; Stanley L. Thomas, Cambridge Springs, Pa.; two sisters, Mrs. Virginia Willey, Newark, Ohio; Mrs. Vivian Glenn, Annyville, Pa.; and two grandchildren.

J. L. Moore

COLORADO CITY — J.L. Moore, 39, of Colorado City, died at 6:20 a.m. Monday at Root Memorial Hospital after an illness of several weeks. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church.

The Rev. Glenn Roenfeldt, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Colorado City Cemetery, directed by Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 11, 1937, in Colorado City, he married Jimmie Edwards June 10, 1957, in Colorado City. He was a member of the Baptist church and was employed by the Highway Maintenance Department.

Survivors include his widow; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly of Colorado City; a daughter, Kathryn Moore of the home; three sons, James Michael Moore, Steve Alan Moore, and Chad Lee Moore, all of the home; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. L. M. Padgett of Colorado City; a sister, Mrs. Jay Van of Colorado City; and a brother, Andrew Maurice Moore of Brownfield.

John Sherrod

Services for John Sherrod, 81, who died at 4:15 a.m. Monday, were at 3:30 p.m. today in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

Burial was in Mount Olive Memorial Park and pallbearers were Albert Pettus, Paul Sherwood, Roy Sheffer, Paul Beasley, Jack Cunningham and Chon Ramos.

Jesse Barr

COLORADO CITY — Jesse M. Barr, 81, Colorado City, died at 6:40 a.m. Monday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in

House admits pot charge

Gary Walter House, 24, Los Angeles, pleaded guilty Monday in 118th District Court to felony possession of marijuana.

House was arrested Saturday by Highway Patrolman Ken Joyce for speeding. Allegedly found in House's possession was one pound of marijuana.

He was held under \$100,000 bond by Justice of the Peace Judge Ochotorena.

Judge Ralph Caton sentenced the man to ten years probation.

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No decision on future of A7

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Defense Harold Brown says no final decision has been made on the future of the A7 attack fighter plane.

"He said the entire defense budget is under review. I got the feeling he has an open mind," Rep. Jim Mattox, a Dallas Democrat, said Monday after he and other Texas congressmen met with Brown.

Mattox said Brown did not say when the Carter administration will make a final decision on whether to continue production of the A7. The decision must be made by the end of this month, when Carter will have to tell Congress how he wants to change the fiscal 1978 budget he inherited from President Ford.

The Ford budget had a total of \$75 million for A7 work, including \$45 million for the construction of six new planes. The appropriation is not in itself enough to cause a boom at the LTV Corp. factory in Grand Prairie, Tex., where the plane is built.

But it might enable LTV to keep the A7 production line open long enough to benefit from a major order from Pakistan.

Pakistan is considering purchasing 110 A7 planes for more than \$700 million, an order that might cause callbacks of some of the 17,000 workers LTV has laid off at Grand Prairie since 1970. There are currently 9,000 workers at the plant.

Conductor honored

NEW YORK (AP) — Conductor Leonard Bernstein received the first annual Arnold Gingrich Memorial Award at the recent "Encore Awards" luncheon of the Arts and Business Council of New York.

The award, a tribute to the late founding editor of Esquire Magazine, was given to Bernstein in recognition of "his exceptional contributions to the furthering of international understanding through music."

But an arms sale of that magnitude requires administration approval. The Carter administration has said it will not approve any arms sales to the Pakistanis unless they agree to cancel a contract they signed with France for the purchase of a nuclear fuel reprocessing plant.

The administration is committed to stopping that sale and a similar one from West Germany to Brazil, on the grounds that they would set dangerous precedents in allowing Third World nations access to the type of enriched nuclear material that can be used to make nuclear weapons.

Mattox said it might take months to resolve that issue.

In the meantime, LTV would be faced with expensive costs to close down the assembly line and start it up again in the event the Pakistani sale is approved.

The group of congressmen — Mattox, Dale Milford, House Majority Leader Jim Wright and Appropriations Committee chairman George Mahon — did not confine themselves to asking Brown to retain the A7 appropriation. They asked that it be enlarged to allow construction of 12 planes instead of six.

The A7 has been a target of Pentagon economizers for several years. The Air Force stopped ordering them in 1975, and the program was saved only when Texas

legislators convinced the Navy to begin buying a modified version.

The plane was back in the endangered category last week, when it turned up on a list of possible cuts circulated in the Pentagon by Brown's office. But, Texas congressmen had been promised by Brown that the plane would not be scratched before they had a chance to make their case.

They were angered, Mattox said, when they read weekend reports from Plains, Ga. that the administration had completed its work on the defense budget Monday's meeting was hastily arranged after Brown heard that the congressmen were miffed.

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KIDNAPER UNDER ARREST — Police hold Edwin John Eastwood, second from left, who was wounded and captured after kidnaping a school teacher and nine students 80 miles southeast of Melbourne, Australia. Police said Eastwood, an escaped convict who had kidnaped a teacher and six students five years earlier, managed to collect six more hostages Monday before he was captured at a roadblock. His captives were freed unhurt.

Weather

Snow dusts areas in Panhandle

Occasional patches of light rain or snow cropped up today in the wake of Texas' latest norther, which swept across the state and into the Gulf of Mexico the day before.

It was generally a bit cooler but no severe drops in temperature occurred. The snow, ending before dawn, dusted areas in the Texas Panhandle from around Wellington, Silverton and Dimmitt southward, turning into rain by the time it reached the South Plains. Rain dotted the countryside farther south and east as far as Andrews, Wink, Abilene and Mineral Wells, and across South Texas from Schulenburg to Houston.

There was fog also near the Upper Texas Coast in early morning. Thermometers sagged as low as 26 degrees at Dalhart in the Panhandle and 28 at El Paso in far West Texas. Readings at

other points ranged mostly through the 30s and 40s, staying as high as 56 at McAllen in the extreme south.

No big changes were forecast anywhere in the state.

FORECAST
WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy north portion and mostly fair south tonight and Wednesday. Warmer Wednesday. Low tonight and 70s north to mid 30s south. High Wednesday upper 50s north and mountains to near 70 Big Bend.

EXTENDED FORECAST
WEST TEXAS: Continued dry and mild Thursday through Saturday. Highs in the 40s north and mountains to 70s south. Lows 30s north and mountains to 40s elsewhere.

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| BIG SPRING | 55 | 37 |
| Amarillo | 47 | 29 |
| Chicago | 31 | 12 |
| Denver | 36 | 18 |
| Detroit | 34 | 12 |
| Fort Worth | 57 | 34 |
| Houston | 48 | 48 |
| Los Angeles | 67 | 57 |
| Miami | 75 | 65 |
| New Orleans | 74 | 47 |
| Richmond | 49 | 36 |
| St. Louis | 41 | 21 |
| San Francisco | 77 | 51 |
| Seattle | 57 | 42 |
| Washington, D.C. | 57 | 39 |

WEATHER FORECAST — Seasonably cool temperatures are forecast today from east of the Rockies to the Atlantic coast. Warm weather is expected from the Rockies to the Pacific. Showers are forecast for the Dakotas and Florida and snow flurries are expected in western New England.

Farm

Grains loan rate dips

WASHINGTON (AP) — The amount of wheat under the government's price support loan program has continued to increase but not as fast as last fall, the Agriculture Department says.

As of Jan. 31, there were slightly more than 264 million bushels committed to the loan program, a gain of about 19.5 per cent from 221 million bushels on Dec. 31, the department said Monday.

Last November, after USDA increased the price support loan rate, the amount of wheat in the program jumped 80 per cent, from 80.4 million bushels on Oct. 31 to 145.3 million a month later.

Although the amount of wheat currently committed under loan is far greater than it has been in recent years, the levels are still short of what they were in many years before 1973. On Dec. 31, 1972, for example, farmers had 305 million bushels of wheat under loan and three years before that 706 million.

The reason for the lesser amounts in recent years has been that cash market prices have been much higher than the loan rate, which is the amount growers can borrow from USDA by using their crop as collateral.

When cash markets are relatively low, the trend is to make more use of the loan program. And when prices improve, farmers can redeem the grain by paying off the loans and selling it for cash.

Last Oct. 13, then-President Gerald R. Ford boosted the wheat price support loan rate to \$2.25 a

bushel from \$1.50 previously in effect. Cash market prices, on the other hand, are down substantially from a year or two ago, averaging \$2.43 a bushel nationally at the farm in mid-January against \$3.43 a year earlier.

The corn loan rate also was increased last fall to \$1.50 a bushel from \$1.25, and that has encouraged some farmers to make more use of the program.

San Angelo Rodeo booked March 9-13

SAN ANGELO — The 44th annual San Angelo Rodeo and Stock Show will be held in the San Angelo Coliseum here March 9-13.

Featured performers in the five-day event will be country-western singers Johnny Rodriguez and Barbara Mandrell.

Events taking place during the week include merchant give-aways, rodeo bargains, and capping it off will be the parade downtown San Angelo on Friday. At the exhibit area on the Fairgrounds will be cooking demonstrations, flower arranging, clothing exhibits and other booths sponsored by local merchants. There

will be a Premium Sale Saturday morning on the grounds. For the young at heart, the carnival will be there all during the Stock Show and Rodeo.

Rodriguez will perform once Thursday, March 10, and twice Friday, March 11. Ms. Mandrell will perform twice Saturday, March 12, and once Sunday, March 13.

For ticket information write the Rodeo Ticket Office, Box 712, San Angelo, Texas 76901. All seating is reserved, except for Friday, 2 p.m. when all seating is general admission. Tickets may also be purchased at Hemphill-Wells downtown only.

Members of the club have also planned the annual potluck supper Friday March 4 to welcome dealers.

Gems, mineral show will be staged here

The annual Big Spring Prospector's Club Gems and Mineral Show will be held March 5-6 at the Dora Roberts Fair Barn.

Desmond Powell will serve as chairman of the show this year. The club has already been contacted by many dealers and demonstrators who plan to take part.

They include Michigan Lapidary, Detroit; Texas Mineral Supply, Ft. Worth; Bernard's, Lake Charles, La.; Canyon Road Rock Shop of Cody, Wyo.; the Beauchamps, Valley Mills.

Others include The Craig's, Yorktown; Sandy's Rock Shop, Wichita Falls; Owen's of Hachita, N.M.; Col. and Mrs. Elmo Nolan, Sand Paintings from Pass Christian, Miss.; S&L Tims, Channel Work, Ariz.; Joe Mitchell, Arrowhead Shaping and Design, Big Spring; Charles McKaskell, metal sculptor, Big Spring and Wilson Enterprise Metal Detectors, Dallas.

Next meeting of the club will be March 3 at Coker's Restaurant with Stanley Tims demonstrating some of his work. The time will be at 7:30 p.m.

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Anybody wanting to help at the show should contact Powell.

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DEAR MR. PRESIDENT

Write your suggestion to President Carter. Let him hear from Big Spring.



As our new president, Jimmy Carter, begins his term, he has asked the American people to give him ideas and suggestions, questions or comments about this country and its government.

The Herald thinks the president should get many comments and suggestions from people in Big Spring, since our town is much affected by what happens in Washington.

Here is our chance to send input directly into the White House. A special section of the Big Spring Herald on Sunday, Feb. 20, will contain as many ideas and questions for President Carter as this newspaper can gather from the Big Spring area. Copies of the section will go directly to the White House and President Carter.

Here's how to participate. Just sit down and write a letter to President Carter on any subject that might be of interest to our government. Begin it, "Dear Mr. President." Be sure to include your name and address. Then mail it to:

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Big Spring, Tex. 79720

Or bring it by the Herald's office at 710 Scurry. Please try to keep the letters as short and to the point as possible. The letters should reach the Herald as soon as possible but no later than Thursday, Feb. 17, to be included in the special section.

Airport manager named

Howard County Commissioners accepted Leon Anderson as the new Howard County Airport manager in their afternoon session Monday. Anderson, said the court, was the only applicant for the job. The position will be offered without pay until budget considerations in July.

The commissioners also made bid decisions on five items. Jimmie Jones Oil Co. submitted the only bid to provide the county gas, diesel fuel, oils and grease through September 30, 1977.

Pollard Chevrolet submitted the lowest and best bid on a two and one-half ton truck for the county road and bridge department. Pollard submitted a bid of \$9,798. Bob Brock Ford submitted a bid of \$11,261.

The commissioners also accepted the one bid received on a copying machine for the courthouse. Addressograph-Multigraph Corp. submitted three of their models for consideration. The commissioners accepted the 220 model at \$2,740.30.

Bids were received on replacing the courthouse air conditioner and water softener. All bidders agreed that the cost of repairing existing equipment would be prohibitive.

Bids for new air conditioning systems were received from Arrow Company, \$26,630 (basement), \$31,240 (outside); Girdner Electrical and Refrigerator Repair, \$21,911 (small package), \$31,240 (large package); and Hester and Robertson Mechanical Contractors, \$36,585.

Bids on water softening equipment were received from four companies, including Arrow Corp., \$3,185.72; Rayne, Inc., \$1,596; Culligan, \$1,321 (small package), \$1,628 (large package); D&G Co., \$2,492.

The commissioners agreed to further study of the bids submitted on the two items.

In other action, the court approved State National Bank as the depository for county school funds. They also agreed to supply trailer brake hookups to County Agent Bruce Griffith's county owned pick-up as a safety measure.

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Publisher's corner Tower deserving of promotion

Sen. John Tower was justifiably proud last week of his new position as ranking minority member on the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The opportunity for him to take this top Republican spot came when Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina moved to become ranking member of the Judiciary Committee.

TOWER, KNOWING HOW important the national defense question is to Texans, decided to yield his ranking position on the banking committee to become senior GOP member of the Armed Services Committee. Senate rules require that a senator hold only one committee chairmanship or ranking position.

Tower has long been the military's best friend in the U.S. Senate. He has carried many of the Pentagon's bills himself and has been a particularly

strong supporter of weapon systems sought by the Department of Defense.

In his new position, he will be charged with managing legislation and budget recommendations pertaining to defense on the Senate floor, a most important task.

After assuming the ranking Armed Services Committee position, Tower said:

"There is no single area of the federal government's responsibility that is more critical to the type of world we will leave to succeeding generations of Americans than is the national security.

"The long and sustained military buildup of the Soviet Union over the last 15 years is something that Congress and the American people cannot ignore. I have been encouraged in recent months to see more citizens recognize that if we fail

to respond to the dramatic growth in Soviet military power, then we will only invite peril to both our own society and the other free nations of the world.

"I look forward to assuming this leadership position on the Armed Services Committee, and I intend to devote my energies in this role to address the changes in the world military balance which bear so directly on the future of the United States," he said.

TEXAS IS STRONGLY tied to defense in both philosophy and in service. Almost \$2.5 billion was spent by the Defense Department last year in Texas on military and civilian payroll, and when compensation going to military retirees and reserve units is figured in, the total expenditure for defense manpower in

the state was more than \$3.2 billion. Texas businesses have contracts with the Defense Department of more than \$2.1 billion, making the value of defense outlays to Texas more than \$5.3 billion in 1976.

This represents almost 40 per cent of all federal taxes collected in the state.

"I have always been proud of the role that Texans, both military and civilian, have played down through the years in making this nation the world power that it is today," Tower said. "I am pleased to be able to assume increased responsibilities in the Senate in an area that is such a vital concern to so many of my constituents."

Indeed, the senator is working in an area of great concern to Texans in general, and Big Spring residents in particular.

—J. TOM GRAHAM



Rematch predicted

Jack Anderson, Les Whitten

WASHINGTON — Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan would like a rematch in 1980. Both Republican heavyweights are back in their corners, preparing for a comeback.

For preliminaries, they plan to hit the road in 1978 in behalf of Republican congressional candidates. The two should emerge, given the vicissitudes of politics, as the leading presidential contenders at the next Republican convention.

Both men have discussed their intentions frankly with associates, who are making whispered predictions about the 1980 rematch. Ex-Sen. William Brock, R-Tenn., the capable and innovative new Republican national chairman, is less positive. But he told us he "wouldn't be the least bit surprised" if Ford and Reagan squared off for another 15 rounds at the next Republican super brawl.

ALTHOUGH FORD is 63 and Reagan 66, both men are in excellent health and appear younger than their ages. They also believe that the GOP nomination will be worth the fight. They sense that the electorate, weary of government interference in their lives, are turning more conservative — a trend only temporarily arrested by the Watergate scandals.

But the next scandals, they believe, will damage the Democrats. Dozens of congressmen — some say as many as 90 — are under investigation for taking cash, gifts and other favors from the South Koreans.

The offerings were distributed to Democrat and Republicans alike. But the headline names, according to our sources, will be tied to the Democratic party. No less a figure than House Speaker Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, D-Mass., was pampered and partied by Tongsun Park, the leading South Korean Santa Claus.

The Korean bribery scandals, GOP strategists anticipate, will produce a reaction against Congress in 1978. This could lead to a massive overturn in membership, with control of Congress passing to the Republicans. Such an upheaval would strengthen the GOP for an assault on the White House two years later.

FORD AND REAGAN alike will be active in the 1978 campaign, ready to capitalize on any Republican upsurge. Both intend to campaign for candidates from one end of the Republican spectrum to the other. It was Richard Nixon's stump work, they remember, that won friends and influenced the right politicians. He later cashed in their political IOUs in return for the presidential nomination.

Both Ford and Reagan, meanwhile, plan to stay in public view. The former president is lining up a schedule of speaking and television appearances. Reagan, as chairman of a new national conservative citizens group, hopes to become the leading spokesman for the conservative cause.

For the two contenders, it looks as if 1980 will be Kansas City revisited.

LIVING IN SUN: The love affair between the oil and gas industry and

its government regulators has been an open secret for years. It has been a flirtation that has cost the public heavily, from beneficial leaks in the tax laws to higher rates for natural gas.

With dreary regularity, we have called attention to this cozy relationship. We reported last April, for example, that the gas industry cleared a pamphlet which the Federal Energy Administration later issued as government doctrine. The booklet, called "The Natural Gas Story," touted gas deregulation.

Embarrassed FEA officials, caught in bed with the gas men they were supposed to be regulating, compounded the sin by whitewashing the investigation. There was enough whitewash left over, it turned out, to attempt to quash a grand jury investigation of oil price overcharges.

We identified the chief whitewasher last December as Douglas Robinson, the FEA's deputy general counsel, whom we reported was in line for a key energy post in the Carter administration.

Our story was a big enough stumbling block to stall the appointment. Robinson has been sitting out the cold crisis in an FEA office, with no new title and nothing to do.

MEANWHILE, WE have learned that two powerful congressmen, John Dingell, D-Mich., and John Moss, D-Calif., have written blunt letters to President Jimmy Carter about Robinson. The president promised at his last press conference to investigate the Robinson affair.

In the case of the surreptitious pamphlet, the FEA chiefs assigned Robinson as their hired gun to conduct an investigation that wouldn't embarrass the FEA. Robinson has admitted as much to us. He considered the FEA bosses his "clients," he said. He merely represented his clients, he explained, to the best of his ability.

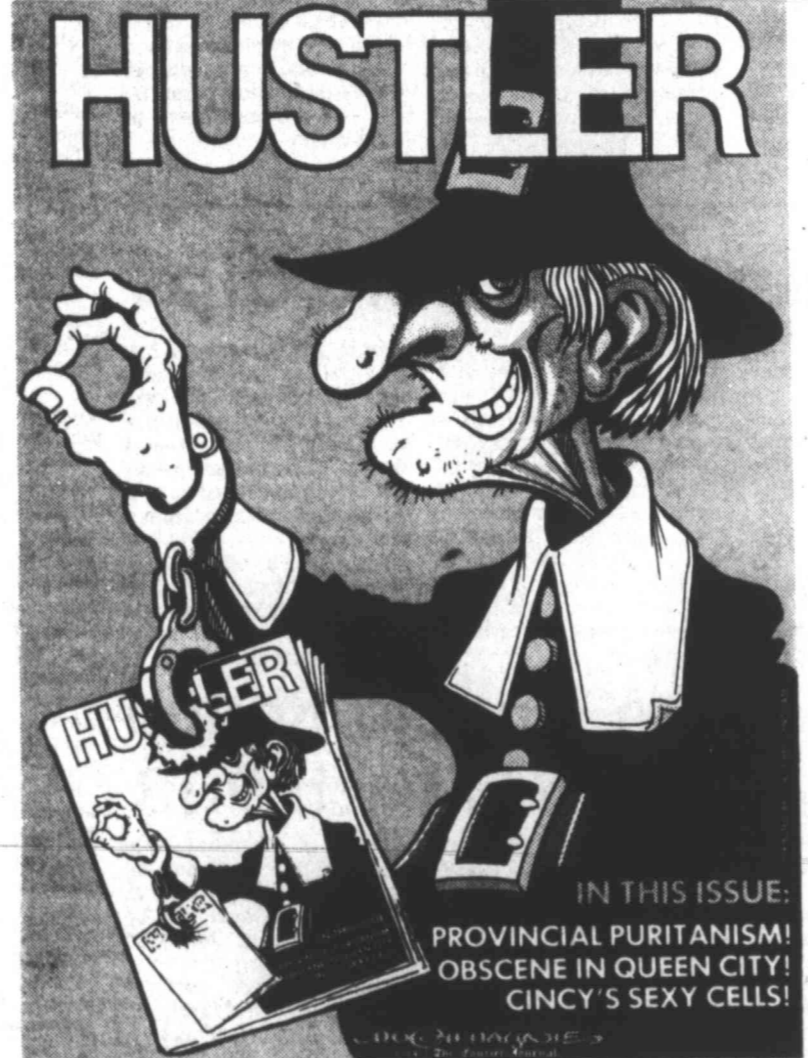
The FEA promised to cooperate with Dingell in getting to the bottom of the pamphlet mystery. Yet in a confidential letter to the FEA, Dingell complained that his subcommittee "never received a copy of the various investigation reports and documents of your findings."

In a separate letter to the Carter camp, Dingell warned: "One may legitimately question the wisdom of appointing Mr. Robinson, who has become controversial because of his prior position at FEA in the Ford administration."

In the overcharge case, a grand jury has now returned a 14-count indictment. Robinson told us he wanted to pursue a civil rather than a criminal investigation of the price-gouging charges.

However, we have obtained a recent letter that the U.S. attorney in the case, John Briggs, sent to the FEA. If the agency wanted to go ahead with separate civil action, he wrote, it wouldn't jeopardize his criminal prosecution.

It is now up to President Carter to end the illicit relationship between the oil and gas crowd and the federal regulators.



Husbands should warn snow-shovelers

Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Why are men always warned about the dangers of shoveling snow? Don't women get heart attacks, too? — Mrs. I.W.

I get this question every winter, and my answer is the same every winter. The reason men are singled out for this warning is that in our society the task of shoveling snow usually falls to men, and men are more prone to heart attacks at any age.

However, I see a lot of women out shoveling, and they are just as likely to suffer ill effects if they go at it unwisely. Women, especially women past menopause, are moving up to equality with men in heart disease. One reason is an increased incidence of heavy cigarette smoking combined with a natural decrease in female hormone production at menopause. Since they're also "gaining ground" in the snow removal area, the warning should be sent out to them along with their spouses.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Please send me your material on ulcerative colitis, for which I am sending 25 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope care of the Big Spring Herald. I want to know if it is cancerous? Could you discuss it in detail? — Mrs. T.S.

There are so many variations and degrees of colitis that it is difficult to discuss all of them specifically here. Suffice to say the kind you ask about one of the "true" forms of colitis, as opposed to such varieties as "nervous colon" (by colon is meant the last section of intestines — the bowel). The word "true" signifies that there is actual infection with the deterioration of tissue (ulceration).

Colitis in this form can be cancerous, which is all the more reason to detect it early, because it is also one of the kinds that fortunately can be treated successfully. There is a more extensive discussion in the booklet you are ordering. It outlines this and other forms of colitis.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Can you discuss hiccups and good cures for them? — G.L.

I can discuss causes, but I wouldn't dare to get into the business of cures. There must be thousands of them by now, and from what I can gather, each is as effective as the next — if you take folks' word for it.

Hiccups arise from a spasm in the diaphragm which results from an irritation of the nerves controlling the diaphragm muscle. There is a quick intake of air which makes hiccupping noise as the glottis closes behind it. Most cures involve decreasing the amount of air intake, which in turn

decreases the oxygen in the system restoring the needed balance of carbon dioxide. That tends to ease the spasm problem. Whenever I mention hiccups I receive dozens of new wonder cures. I enjoy reading them.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: You recently had an article on rubella. This has caused some controversy in my home, some confusing it with rubella. Will you please straighten the matter out? Mrs. K.O.

Rubella is also called the "red measles." Rubella is called "German measles."

It's important to know the difference. German measles (rubella) is the kind that can cause serious damage to a fetus if it is contracted by the mother while pregnant. Rubella is actually a more severe form, but it does not cause the fetus problems German measles does.

Rubella is sometimes referred to only as ordinary measles to distinguish it from the rubella type.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I am 71 years old and have been having trouble with my legs. It seems I just don't get enough exercise, although I am generally active for my years. My husband says I should bicycle. But that sounds silly at my age. What do you think? — Mrs. C.L.

Not knowing your physical condition I wouldn't advise you to begin zipping around your neighborhood on a bicycle. Your husband may not be far off, though. Why not try a tricycle? They are made in large sturdy sizes and might serve your purpose. Stationary bikes may be a suitable, if less adventuresome, alternative.

How to get rid of leg cramps and foot pains? The answer may be simple — write to Dr. Thosteson, in care of the Big Spring Herald for a copy of his booklet, "How to Stop Leg Cramps and Foot Pains." Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 35 cents.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Can a person on a low-calorie diet get constipated? I've been trying to lose weight, but I've noticed a change in my bowel habits, with a mild constipation. Please comment. — Mrs. O.W.

It's not how much you eat as what you are eating. Bulk is important, as you know, in promoting bowel activity. But a low-calorie diet doesn't have to be one that sacrifices bulk, unless it's one of these horrible liquid weight loss programs. Most reducing diets emphasize vegetables and such, which contain much cellulose. Cellulose is a good bulk producer.



Just how free?

Around the rim

Troy Bryant

When the issue of pay television arises, broadcasters argue it would interfere with the commercial-laden programs they call "free" TV.

But just how free is it? You don't need expensive equipment to get a newspaper. The publisher makes the capital investment.

THE BROADCASTER'S audience starts by underwriting \$23 billion worth of the capital cost of radio and television. Our TV sets represent about 50 times the industry's capital investment.

Add this to annual costs: \$4 billion for new equipment, \$1.6 billion just for the electric power to run it all, and a \$6 billion annual advertising bill reflected in higher product costs.

Never have so many paid so much for so little.

It all began with AM radio. Television and FM radio were kept a secret until AM radio sets had been sold to virtually every American homeowner.

Once the AM market was saturated, the set manufacturers started selling their new toy called television.

Then when the black and white TV market was saturated, they came up with color TV, and then the all-channel TV.

What's next? A SOUND SYSTEM is a good place to start. After spending \$23 billion on

television sets, we are still listening to them from squeaky four-inch speakers. Who could believe that's just an oversight?

Nor is it believable that we'll go directly to stereo. Not when the industry can make billions of dollars more by first selling us all TVs with decent mono sound systems.

Then there will be wall-size TV screens. They will, of course, be more expensive.

The technology is available now for stereo sound for TV, big-screen pictures, plus video tape recording and playback systems for the sets.

You can well imagine the impact of a football game shown in color almost life-size on your living room wall, and so the commercials will be so much more noticeable, also.

And perhaps, that is why TVs ultimate greedy reach into our pockets may bring about its downfall. There is something about a four-by-six foot armpit on a \$3,000 television screen that represents the essence of American commercial television in an unforgettable way.

As Janis Joplin expressed in her song "Mercedes Benz":

"Oh, Lord, won't you buy me
A color TV
Dialing for Dollars is trying
To find me
I wait for delivery
Each day until three
Oh, Lord, won't you buy me
A color TV."



Gas man cometh

Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — In all the fuss about the gas shortage no one has mentioned the gas man. When I say the gas man, I mean the fellow who comes to your house in a nice uniform and goes down into your cellar to read your gas meter.

FOR YEARS no one has paid any attention to him. He would ring your doorbell and yell, "Gas man to read your meter!" and you'd let him in and he would disappear downstairs for five minutes, come up again and you'd shout at him rudely, "Shut the door when you leave!"

But now he has become the most important person in the lives of many of us.

Just the other day we were all eating dinner when the doorbell rang. My son answered the ring and came into the dining room, his face white. "It's the gas man. He wants to read your meter."

"Oh Lord," my wife said. "How did he ever find us?"

"Be calm, everybody," I warned. "Pretend nothing has happened. Ask him to come into the dining room."

The gas man came into the dining room carrying his clipboard. "Where's the meter?" he asked.

"Would you like to have some dinner?" I asked in what I hoped was

a hearty voice.

"NOPE. I'VE BEEN offered dinner in every house I've been to tonight. I'm stuffed. Just tell me where the basement door is and I'll be out of here."

"You don't want to go down into the basement," my wife said. "It's so messy. We'll tell you anything you want to know."

"I have to check your meter," he said.

"I checked it yesterday," I assured him. "It's working fine."

"I'll send my son down to read it," I said. "He's great at reading gas meters. Here, have a glass of wine."

"I'm sorry, but I have to read it myself. It will only take a minute."

"Do you have a search warrant?" my wife asked. He looked surprised.

"I don't need a search warrant to read your meter."

"I think you had better check the Constitution. You can't just burgle into somebody's house and look at his gas meter," she said.

"Well, if you feel that way, we'll just shut off your gas," he replied.

"IT'S ALL RIGHT. Mother. The man has not come to do us harm," I said. "I'm sure he won't take advantage of a family that is probably eating its last meal unless our food stamps come through."

"Could you please direct me to the basement?"

I took him to the door and opened it. Then I said, "Be gentle with us. Be good to us."

"Where have I heard that before?" the gas man asked.

"Barbara Walters said it to President Carter on her show," I said. "Oh yeah," he chuckled, and he went downstairs.

The family all waited in the kitchen.

"Why is he taking so long?" my wife asked nervously, as she twisted the dish towel.

I put my arm around her. "It's all right, dear. The man is only doing his job."

"What kind of person would sneak into somebody's home and inform on them as to how much gas they had used?" she said.

Big Spring Herald
Mailbag

Dear Editor: Big Spring has a trade motto: "Shop Big Spring First." Sometimes I wonder why we shop there at all.

On Feb. 8 I gathered up a \$15 purchase of yarn in a store on Eleventh Place, my favorite place in times past to shop for yarn.

When I started to pay for the purchase with a personalized check on Coahoma State Bank, which I had done in times past, they told me they had a policy not to accept any checks from Coahoma State Bank.

The store can be assured that they will not be bothered with my business again. However, I might add that more identification etc., is required to cash a check in Big Spring than in any town I shop, including the neighboring towns of Midland, Snyder, Colorado City or even Lubbock. In fact they appreciate any purchase made.

Shop Big Spring First??

Mrs. F.C. Appleton
Coahoma, Tex.

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By JIM DAVIS

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Juco fund chances looking good

By JIM DAVIS
 Staff Writer, Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — The state's 47 public junior colleges appear on paper to be ahead in the biennial state appropriations game at this point, but the appearance may be illusory.

Allocation recommendations of the Legislative Budget Board give the colleges a good percentage of the amounts they requested — about 82 percent — according to J.B. Pace, senior budget examiner for the LBB.

Pace said he believes that is higher than normal for this

stage in the appropriations process.

But that doesn't mean college officials are going to be happy and content when they come before legislative committees in the near future to argue their case for funds.

Administrators seldom get everything they think they should and the LBB is proposing a change in funding they don't like and recommending against a change they want.

The budget board, consisting of the lieutenant

governor, House speaker and legislators appointed by them, studies appropriation requests between sessions and makes recommendations to the Legislature.

Committees for the House and Senate now are busy hearing budget requests.

The LBB is recommending a total of \$222.6 million for fiscal 1978 for the 47 junior colleges and \$235.6 million for 1979. Administration requests total \$271.5 million and \$318 million. The governor's office, which also makes budget recommen-

dations, suggests only \$196.6 million and \$207.1 million.

These figures are only estimates based on a formula until final spring enrollment figures are available.

Under the LBB recommended budget, Howard College would receive \$1,501,712 for academic programs and \$1,419,025 for occupational programs for the two-year period.

The college has requested \$1,649,520 and \$1,558,846, respectively.

In addition, local funds

must pay for physical plant operations, bonded indebtedness, campus security and major repairs and renovations.

When junior college officials appear before the Senate and House committees, they are expected not only to seek higher appropriations but also to protest two LBB recommendations.

One recommendation is against continuation of the contingency fund for enrollment growth. The other opposes the colleges' request for financing continuing education programs.

The contingency fund came about in the 1960s when college and university enrollments were growing as much as 30 percent a year. Unable to predict how much would be needed for each institution to meet this growth, the special fund was set up especially to cover it.

Growth has slowed in recent years, however. Universities dropped it several years ago and now the LBB thinks it is time for junior colleges to shuck it also.

"It looks right now like enrollments are down a bit this spring," Pace said. But he added that this is a seasonal thing and overall growth in junior colleges is expected to hold about even

or be up slightly for the coming bicennium.

Continuing education involves short courses to aid persons in particular professions. The Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, has studied this type of education and recommended funding.

Pace said this is aimed at schools at the general university level and not a junior colleges. But junior college officials claim if it's good for the big schools it's good for the little ones too.

In the end, the Legislature will decide who is right.

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Ridin' fence



Last Chance tonight

with Marj Carpenter



If you're going to see the Steers play high school basketball at home this season, tonight is your last chance when they meet Odessa here. Or you can journey over to San Angelo Friday night and watch them for the final game of the season.

This is not a sports column, but a lot of times when I'm out ridin' fence, I hear lots of comments on sports, because people know that I like sports activities.

And I want to comment on this particular basketball team. It happens to be a bunch of boys that really like to play. If you haven't seen them play, but have only read their win and loss record from your comfortable chair next to the television, you cannot know how enthusiastically they have played.

I recall only one exception — and that was the first half of the Permian game at Permian, when they might as well have stayed home and watched TV themselves.

But ordinarily, this group

plays their hearts out. Many of their games have seen them lose by one, two or four points.

This can be heart-breaking to boys who are playing over-their-heads basketball and yet come back week after week and make every team earn their victories over Big Spring.

The real story is not told in the brief television comments when they say Cooper beat Big Spring 46-42 or the Lee Rebels beat Big Spring by one point tonight.

It doesn't tell that the Lee fans or the Cooper fans were in absolute hysteria, with the fear that they were going to be defeated by Big Spring.

The days of everybody thinking of Big Spring as an easy game in every sport are not going to last forever and ever.

Some team in some sport is going to come along and startle the experts and win. With a few breaks, this might have happened this year in basketball.

It didn't. But the fans who

attended really didn't see very many bad ball games. They saw lots of action, because this particular bunch of players has played each game like it was the most important contest to come along.

Tonight's your last chance to see them at home — and this is one they'll probably win. The fans have been fairly loyal this year and the bleachers have never emptied out like they did some seasons.

I would just like to thank the Steers for an enjoyable season. It's a lot harder to keep trying every ball game when you have lost by one or two points every week than it is to come bouncing out there and win over and over. It's a lot more difficult to keep making each game "your best effort" than it is to just give up and let the other guys win by big scores.

So I'd just like to thank this space today to thank the Steers for an enjoyable season. I'd rather have won

... but I'd rather have come close than watched runaway contests.

And since it certainly appeared that they were playing because they liked it and playing the best they could, I'll say "Hats off to the Steers" while I'm out ridin' fence.

Electrocuted

LUFKIN, Tex. (AP) — Jerry Ferguson, in his 20s, was electrocuted accidentally Monday night while helping to erect a citizens band radio antenna at the home of a friend.

Police said the antenna brushed a power line as it was being raised, and the victim fell off the roof after the charge hit him.

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Czechs harassing Western reporters

VIENNA (AP) — For the second time in three days, Czechoslovakia's Communist government has taken a Western journalist off the Prague-Vienna express train, searched him for material on the human rights movement and forced him to walk two miles with his luggage to get across the border into Austria.

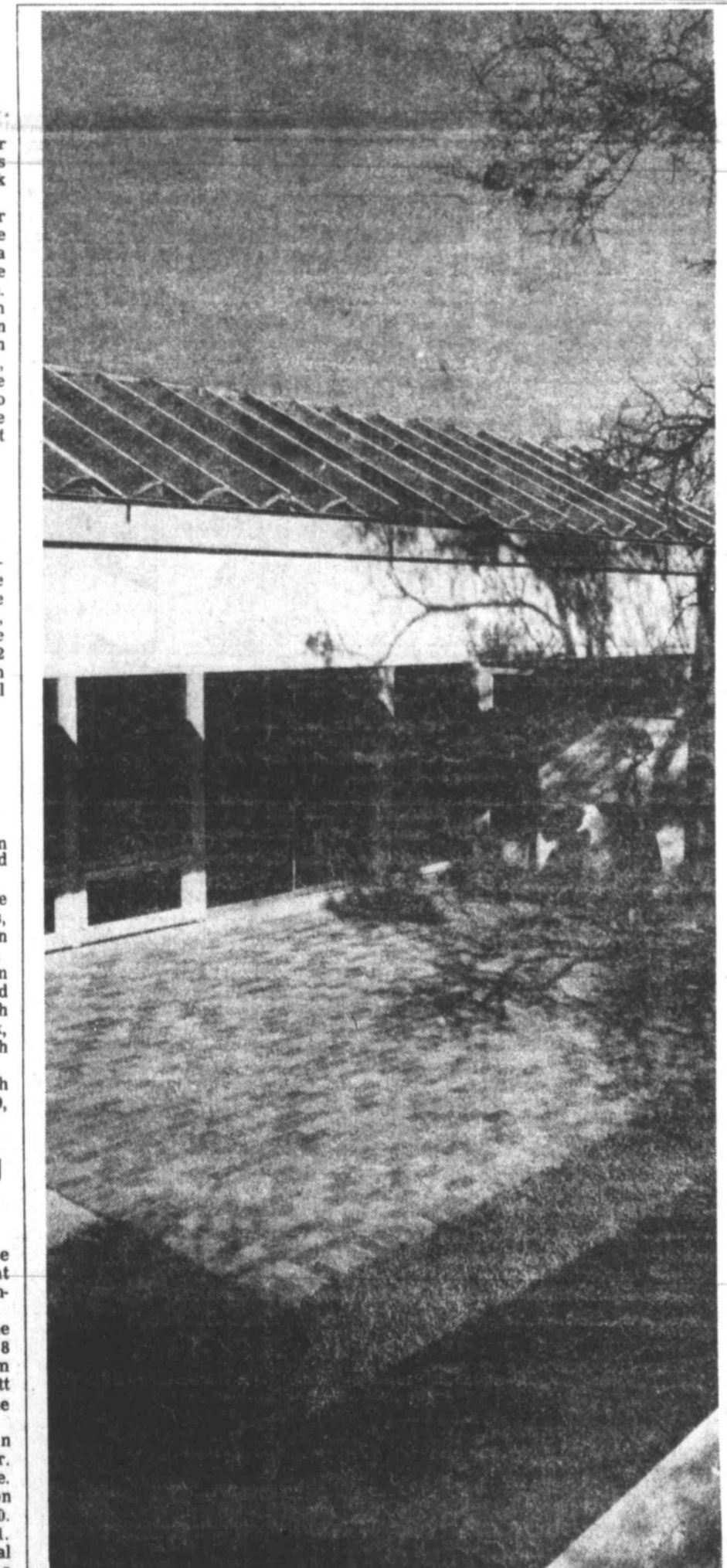
Walter Kratzer, 29, a correspondent for the West German magazine Stern, was given this treatment by Czech border guards Monday night, the magazine's Vienna office reported. His experience was nearly identical to that of New York Times correspondent Paul Hoffmann on Saturday.

The Stern office gave this account of Kratzer's experience:

Last Saturday three security police officers woke him at his hotel room in Prague and took him to police headquarters. He was

questioned there for four hours about his contacts among Czechoslovak fighters for human rights.

Monday night, as Kratzer was leaving the country, he was taken off the Vindobona Express at the Ceske Velenice border station. Security men searched him and his luggage, but when they found no material on Czechoslovak dissidents, they allowed him to leave after an hour. But he had to walk two miles to the Austrian border station at Neunagelberg.



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Texas Electric helps sponsor this solar research facility. And we participate in a national solar energy development program.

Someday, houses like this one may be common. But right now, it's an experimental system that's simply not affordable for widespread home use.

Meanwhile, you need electricity to heat and cool your home today. And we have to make that electricity with fuels that are available.

That's why we're building power plants that run on lignite coal and nuclear fuel. These new plants are expensive, which means electricity will have to cost more.

But it also means we'll be able to continue supplying the electricity you need.



Electricity. You count on it today. We're working to keep it that way.

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Archeological field school set in Martin

The South Plains Archeological Society will conduct an archeological field school during February and March.

The field school will be under the direction of Rick Alvey, a graduate student in the Department of Anthropology, Texas Tech University, and will be held over three weekends at the Mitchell Site, an open campsite in northern Martin County, about 25 miles south of Lamesa, Feb. 26-27, March 5-6 and March 19-20. One weekend is optional due to winter weather conditions. One weekend may be used as a laboratory session.

A Saturday night lecture will be presented at a local meeting hall in Lamesa each weekend of the excavation as a part of the training.

Purpose of the field school is to offer training in archeological field methods with the recovery of artifacts being secondary in importance. Artifacts will be placed in the Dawson County Museum after the site report on the investigation is completed.

The general public can attend by submitting an application to the site director. Those attending will furnish their own water, food, and personal digging tools. A list of supplies

needed and a list of motels in Lamesa will be furnished upon request.

Fees for attending the school will be \$10 for adults, \$15 for families. Students can attend at a weekly cost of \$2.

All persons interested in attending the school should contact Rick Alvey, 2111 7th St., Rear Apt., Lubbock, Tex. 79401 or through Department of Anthropology, Texas Tech University, Lubbock 79409, phone (806) 747-0048.

Special typing class is set

Registration for the "brush up" typing class at Howard College will continue through Wednesday.

The first session for the course is scheduled for 8 p.m., Wednesday in Room 207 of the Horace Garrett Science Building at the college.

Those interested in enrolling can contact Dr. Bobby Wright at the college. His telephone extension number at the school is 70. The college number is 7-7311.

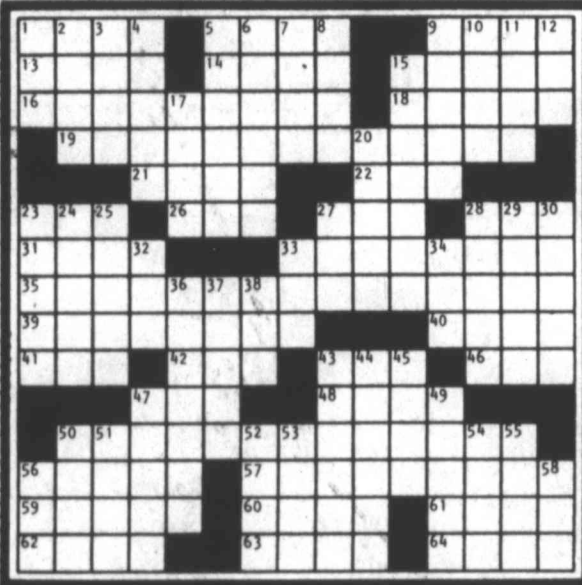
The course should appeal to those people who have a basic knowledge of typing but need to improve their speed and accuracy.

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TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Do nothing during the day that could jeopardize the position of security which you have worked so hard to attain.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Do nothing about those new ideas you have until the evening when you can work on them successfully. Make new contacts of worth.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Await until the afternoon before you handle an important obligation since you can think more clearly then.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Concentrate on ways to have increased harmony with associates. The evening is fine for having light entertainment.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Your work load is heavy and there may be some delays, but persevere and much can be accomplished. Be poised.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Take time to enjoy yourself in spare time but don't be forceful with others. Sidestep one who may be jealous of you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Do nothing that could spoil the harmony you are now enjoying at home. Await until a better time to launch a new plan.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take no risks in motion today or you could get into trouble. Reassure your mate of your true devotion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take care you are not extravagant with money or you will soon regret it. Don't waste valuable time foolishly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You have new ideas that need more study before putting in operation. Make the evening a happy one with your family.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Listen to what an expert has to say about whatever is puzzling to you. The evening is fine for personal pleasures.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will need particular attention since the nature here is quite different from most. Be sure to give the finest education you can afford and success will follow. Don't neglect religious training and encourage sporting events.

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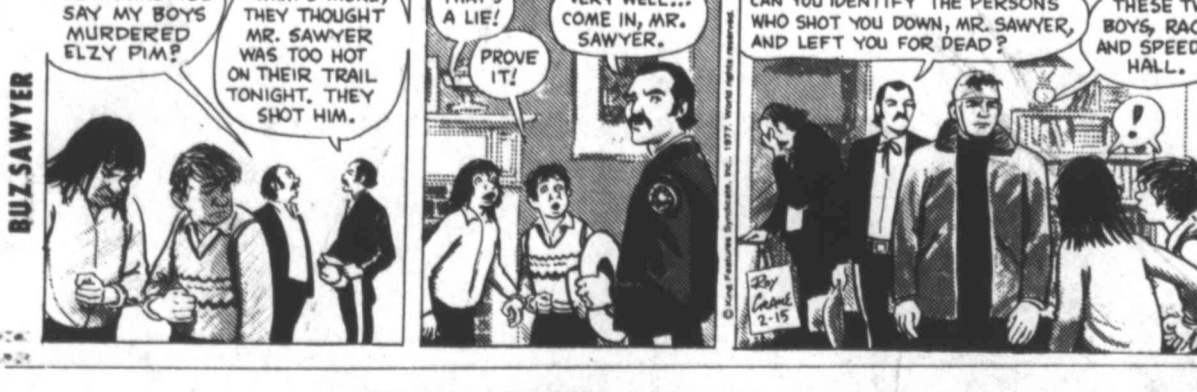
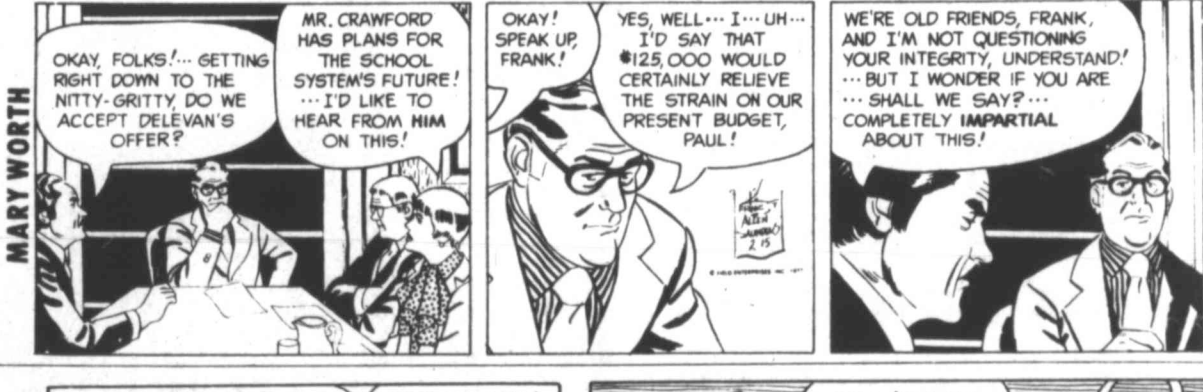
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Mardi Gras 'sellout'

NEW ORLEANS (U.P.) Late comers to the Mardi Gras weekend find it tough to find a room. Nearly all of the 19,000 motel rooms in New Orleans are booked. "There may be some hotel and motel available in suburban areas, but the central district appears to be much a complete sellout," a tourist mission official said.

Mardi Gras, Free Fat Tuesday, comes Feb. 22. Indications are drawing better than expected. "We are finding the agencies in particular especially active in Mardi Gras," the mission spokesman said. "Quite possibly this winter in the Midwest Northeast has some of its best."

Your agency official inflation has made Americans look for home for vacations. "Those who in 1976 went on tour to A-capulo or Lon their vacations are being forced by inflation pressures to do domestic holiday Mardi Gras is the seller of them all," says Abbott, president of Tours.

For example, Abbott his agency booked for Mardi Gras last year has 4,100 this time.

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Updating a report Monday's Action-section of the Hera are now two patrolmen in the Bi Police Department Negro fireman emp the city. Working fireman is Foreman.

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Late comers to the four-day Mardi Gras weekend may find it tough to find shelter. Nearly all of the 19,000 hotel and motel rooms around New Orleans are booked.

"There may be scattered hotel and motel rooms available in suburban areas ... but the central business district appears to be pretty much a complete sellout already," a tourist commission official said.

Mardi Gras, French for Fat Tuesday, comes up Feb. 22. Indications are it is drawing better than ever. "We are finding that travel agencies in particular are especially active in pushing Mardi Gras," the commission spokesman said. "Quite possibly the cold winter in the Midwest and Northeast has something to do with it."

Tour agency officials said inflation has made many Americans look closer to home for vacations.

"Those who in previous years went on tour packages to Aapulco or London for their vacations are now being forced by inflationary pressures to look for domestic holidays, and Mardi Gras is the hottest seller of them all," said John Abbott, president of Abbott Tours.

For example, Abbott said his agency booked 2,200 in for Mardi Gras last year and has 4,100 this time.

For the record

Updating a report given in Monday's Action-Reaction section of the Herald, there are now two Negro patrolmen in the Big Spring Police Department and one Negro fireman employed by the city. Working as a fireman is Clarence Foreman.

Costs borne by Shriners

The family of Monica Martinez will be out no expense for the treatment she receives while a patient in the Shrine Burns Hospital in Galveston.

Those costs will be borne by the Big Spring Shrine Club, as per custom. A dance is planned here for the benefit of Monica's family, which will be out some expense for going to and from Galveston.

\$75 million dope raid

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — Mexican and U. S. authorities are labeling the seizure of a \$75 million shipment of narcotics as Mexico's biggest confiscation of illegal drugs.

Federal drug enforcement agents on both sides of the border said Monday the air shipment of 312 pounds of uncut cocaine and 12 pounds of heroin was destined for U. S. underworld-controlled drug distributors.

Three men arrested Friday when their plane arrived at Tijuana airport were held Monday in a building guarded by Mexican soldiers armed with automatic weapons, apparently in an attempt to preclude any attempt to free or silence the three.

Those in custody were identified by police as Jesus Alfredo Aguilar Medina, a commercial pilot, and Cazares Rocha and Marcio Enrique Alvarez.

Drug charges are leveled

COLORADO CITY — A Mitchell County grand jury has returned indictments against five men on heroin charges. Three of them had been arrested last week and two of them were taken into custody over the weekend after the grand jury handed down the indictments.

Indictments include Benny del Real, one for theft, one for possession of heroin and one for conspiracy to deliver heroin; Gary Ballard, one count delivery of heroin and one count conspiracy to deliver; Jay Bob Dement of Big Spring, one count possession of heroin; Johnny Lee Williams, one count delivery of heroin and Darrell Mosher, Loraine, one count, delivery of heroin. Mosher and Williams had bonds set at \$5,000 each. Dement is out of jail on a \$10,000 bond and del Real and Ballard are still in the county jail with del Real's bond set at \$60,000 and Ballard's at \$25,000.

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Mrs. Talbot honored by Polish foundation



MRS. HAROLD TALBOT

Mrs. Harold Talbot of Big Spring will be among seven persons from over the nation who will be honored in San Antonio this weekend by the Polish Arts and Culture Foundation.

The foundation will present its Polish Heritage Awards at the fifth annual "Copernicus" Ball slated Saturday at the Hilton Palacio Del Rio Hotel.

These awards are presented each year to individuals for distinguished service in the arts, sciences or civics, complementing their Polish heritage.

Honorees and award recipients, other than Mrs. Talbot, will be Bobby Vinton, entertainer and recording artist, California; Mitchell Kobelinski, administrator of U.S. Small Business Administration, Washington, D.C.; Robert Malina, president of Texas Polish American Congress, Austin; John Monfrey, president of

Falstaff Beer Inc., San Antonio; Barbara Martin, Kay Hart Award, San Antonio; and Pauline Gorski, commissioner of the Polish National Alliance, Houston.

Mrs. Valerie Grace, president of the Polish Arts and Culture Foundation of San Antonio, said, "Lorraine Gaida Talbot's award is being made in recognition of enduring achievements in cultural and literary Polish arts, promotion of celebrated historical Polish traditions and progressive, contemporary events."

Mrs. Talbot is second vice president of the Polish Arts and Culture Foundation and a member of the San Francisco Arts, as well as director of the Polish American Congress of Texas and a member of the National Convention Committee on Commerce, Industry and Labor. She is co chairman of Polish ac-

ivities for the Texas Folklife Festival.

A descendent of the original contingent of Poles from Silesia, Poland, who came to Texas in 1854, Mrs. Talbot still speaks the historic dialect.

A long-time resident of Big Spring, Mrs. Talbot has served her church as a soloist for many years, is a rancher, world traveler and has been active in community and civic activities. She and her husband, Harold Talbot, have two sons, Guy Talbot of Big Spring and Cliff Talbot of Irving.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbot will be in San Antonio this weekend for the ball and Heritage Awards Dinner. Proceeds from the affair will benefit the foundation's Polish Library Fund.

The theme for the ball will be "Karnawal Bal Maskowy," and music will be by Tony Rozance.

Gift shower is honor for bride

Mrs. Jimmy Chancellor, a recent bride and former local resident, was honored at a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Mrs. Jimmy Morehead, 704 Highland. There were 12 cohostesses.

Corsages of blue and white carnations were presented to the honoree, her mother, Mrs. David Haught, Fort Stockton; and her husband's mother, Mrs. Jay Chancellor, Fort Stockton. Also attending the shower were the honoree's sister, Miss Kay Lynn Haught and Miss Kathy Haught, both of Fort Stockton.

Mrs. Riley Falkner presided at the guest register, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Paul Malone and Mrs. Allen Carlisle. The table was covered with white cutwork cloth and accented with a five-tiered candlebrum entwined with blue and white carnations and white satin streamers. Appointments were of crystal.

Mr. and Mrs. Chancellor were married Jan. 8 in Fort Stockton. She is the former June Haught.

Women golfers name chairman

The Women's Golf Association of Big Spring Country Club held a reorganization meeting and coffee Saturday morning at the club with Mrs. Richard Terry, outgoing chairman, presiding.

Committees and their new chairman are: Ladies Day (Tuesday), Mrs. Carl Gooden, and cochairman, Mrs. C.G. Griffin; club tournaments, Mrs. Alton Underwood, and cochairman, Mrs. Helen Stewart; Scotch Foursomes, Mrs. Mike Hall, and cochairman, Mrs. Guilford Jones; publicity, Mrs. Florence Hallam; Sunshine, Mrs. Arnold Marshall; scrapbook, Mrs. Novis Womack; telephone, Mrs. Terry, chairman, and committee members, Mrs. Bill Bell, Mrs. Charles Rizzo and Mrs. Houston Zinn.

Mrs. Omar Jones will fill the treasurer's post, and

Mrs. Julie Shirey will be representative to the Ladies Golf Association.

Mrs. Gooden announced that the tee-off time on Tuesdays will be 1 p.m., through February and March. Also, it was announced that free golf lessons will be given again this year the last two weeks in April and the first two weeks in May. All club members are eligible to take the lessons.

Appreciation was expressed to Mrs. Terry for her work as chairman the past two years.

Texans ban together to bring art to rural area

HOUSTON (AP) — A group of Texans has banded together in an effort to bring all forms of art to the small towns and rural areas of this sprawling state.

The organization, known as the Texas Arts Alliance, also is seeking support for the young artists in an effort to encourage them to stay in the state and not seek their future elsewhere.

Stephen Oaks, a Houston attorney and Alliance official, said in an interview, "Currently, Texas ranks 47th in the nation in the support of the arts. That is pretty sad considering the good economic condition of the state and the number of outstanding artists we produce."

Oaks said the Alliance, now with a membership in the hundreds, "is the first all-volunteer citizen effort in

the United States dedicated to the support and enrichment of the arts."

The citizens group, during special ceremonies in Austin April 20, will honor those who have contributed to the arts of Texas and will attempt to convince legislators to pump additional funds into the Texas Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

Oaks said if the necessary support can be found, "We have several projects in mind, the first of which will be to prepare an arts map for all of Texas."

The attorney said each area of the state would be "reviewed to find artistic things, from museums to old buildings to pottery making, whatever. We then will prepare a map pinpointing the locations so the people will know where to go. Many times we don't realize what

is in our own backyard."

Next on the list will be art shows for the smaller communities, many far removed from the museums and exhibits centers.

"We will borrow paintings, sculptures, and such from some of our finest museums and take them into the smaller communities, to the handicapped, to the elderly, to all who haven't had the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the arts."

Then the Alliance will bring the performing arts, the ballet, classical music, opera, country-Western sounds, to all sections of Texas.

Oaks said the Alliance, which was founded in August 1976, "already has had an incredible response from the grass-root level and we hope to make all of Texas aware of the various art forms within our state."



Lives in Fear Of Dead Message

DEAR ABBY: I am a happily married woman who just turned 25. I have two small children, and I'm living in fear that I will not live to see them grow up.

When I was 13, I was fooling around with a Ouija board, when I got a message from my dead grandmother saying she would see me in heaven on my 26th birthday, meaning I was going to die on that day as an accident.

I told my husband about my fears, telling him to marry again soon after I die so my children won't be without a mother, and he said, "That Ouija board stuff is a lot of bunk, so forget it."

Abby, for some reason, I can't forget it. I am not afraid to die. If God wants me, I'm ready to go, but I only have 11 months to prepare myself if the Ouija board was right.

Have you or any of your readers ever had any experiences with a Ouija board? I'm terribly confused and very frightened.

W. V.A. READER

DEAR READER: I agree with your husband. While I respect the rights of others to believe as they wish, I have yet to find a shred of convincing evidence to support the theory that the living can communicate with the dead.

I urge you to put those frightening thoughts of impending death out of your head, dear.

DEAR ABBY: My grandchildren live out of state. They are old enough to write, but they never acknowledge my gifts. I spend a lot of time shopping for things I think they will enjoy, and my presents are never cheap.

Please don't tell me to stop sending them gifts. You know a grandmother can't forget her grandchildren on their birthdays, Christmas and Easter. So what do you advise?

FORGOTTEN GRANDMA

DEAR GRANDMA: Send them each a box of "thank you" notes for Easter. That's egg-actly what they need.

DEAR ABBY: My husband is a very handsome (and weak) man who does not hold up very well when faced with temptation. He maintains that when a lady makes a pass at a gentleman, he should not insult her by turning her down, and he has no choice other than to oblige her.

I say he is out of his head, that a true gentleman would find a courteous way to decline. I would like your opinion.

ALABAMAN

DEAR AL: Your husband should first get his terms straight. If a woman makes a pass at a man, she's no "lady." And if the man obliges her, he's no "gentleman." And if your husband is practicing what he preaches, you'd better lock him up before his "chivalry" kills him.

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Measles ('10-day' or 'red measles,' or technically, rubella) is considered the most serious of the common childhood diseases — and it is highly contagious for about four days before, and four days later, the rash appears, she said.

Complications can include ear infections, pneumonia, deafness, blindness, encephalitis or other forms of brain disease — or death.

Before the vaccine became available in 1963, approximately 400 persons died of measles each year in the United States. By 1974, the number was cut to 20, she said.

Ms. Shearer is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Actually, with the measles vaccine, there is no need for a child to suffer from measles at all, but outbreaks still occur. Texas reported 266 cases last year," she said.

Often pre-school children account for many cases.

Texas law requires certain immunizations for all children entering Texas schools. Because many parents wait until immunization is required, pre-schoolers are left unprotected.

One-year of age has been the usual time for measles immunization — but last October, the American Academy Pediatrics recommended delaying until 15 months of age for infants in communities where the disease is not prevalent.

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Crafts group plans project

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Other projects include clock making, as well as creating Easter decorations, calico plaster cats, liquid resin grapes and paper weights.

The next meeting will be held Friday in the home of Mrs. Edward Gormbey, 2604 Cindy, at 9:30 a.m. when instruction will be given on arts and crafts.

Persons interested in participating in the sessions are invited to contact Mrs. Marylou Heitz, 263-6622, or Mrs. Lisa Woodard, 263-4675.

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At that time, Ms. Lunelle Anderson, Alpha State president, will be honored at the Snyder Country Club with a hospitality hour beginning at 12 noon followed by the luncheon at 1 p.m.

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Hawks win seventh in a row

By DANNY REAGAN
Sports Editor

"Okay, I want you guys to make plans to be in Abilene the first weekend in March," said Coach Harold Wilder to an elated bunch of Hawks Monday night after an 84-76 drubbing of the Amarillo College Badgers. The locker room statement illustrated the confidence of a team that had just won its seventh conference game in a row, to maintain a commanding hold of second position in the tough Western Junior College Athletic Conference race.

The first three finishers in the WJCAC will automatically find themselves in the March 3-5 Region 5 Junior College Tournament at McMurry's Hunt P.E. Center in Abilene. If the Preybirds can win two of their last three games, they will be one of those teams. A fourth team will likely be chosen from the Hawk's conference, as well.

Amarillo brought its band, cheerleaders and own rendition of the Kilgore Rangerettes to back their team to a must win Monday night, but a packed partisan crowd drowned out the visitors for most of the night... similar to the soaking the Hawks put on the Badgers.

Amarillo could do very little in the opening minutes against a near perfect Hawk zone defense, and even when AC went into a four-corner offense to pull the Preybirds

out of the effective siege, they still couldn't operate.

Freshman Eugene Williams started the ball rolling for his team, hitting the first four points of the night, followed by two long jumpers by Mike Little and close shots by Russell Sublet and Paul Cathey. Reggie Leffall ended the first stanza with a spin-around jumper at the top of the key that, hurt toe or no hurt toe, was one of the prettiest shots of the season.

Big man Joe Cooper went wild in the second quarter with eight points, a crowd-exploding dunk and likewise on a sensational block. From

8:40 to 3:40 in the first half, he was the only Hawk to pierce the net, as the locals lost an eight-point lead in that time. But Paul Cathey and Little found the gas handle, and combined for eight points late to send the locals into the dressing room with a 37-34 bulge.

Amarillo burst out of the lockers to score 10 quick points while holding HC to three and had a five-point lead after five minutes of play. In the next five minutes, however, Williams scorched the cords for 10 points, Lowell Walker and Paul Cathey kept the boards clean, and the Hawks had

their last home game of the season against league-leading Western Texas of Snyder.

The fourth and deciding quarter had the fans on edge until the last minute of play. Both teams missed numerous free-throw attempts, but six clutch points by Sublet, a pair of very important gratis shots by Walker, a Cooper steal and subsequent lay-up by Leffall, in addition to Cathey's sticky defense and a Dr. J type slam dunk with 1:47 left, was too much for the Badgers.

"We had good balance in our scoring (six players in double figures)," said Coach Wilder, "and more importantly we had good team play. We kept our composure when we got behind by five points a couple of times, and that was the difference."

The Hawks leave Wednesday noon for a Thursday night battle with Frank Phillips in Borger, before returning next Monday for

HOWARD vs. AMARILLO
HC - Mike Cantle 4-12; Reggie Leffall 4-12; Paul Cathey 8-16; Eugene Williams 7-15; Russell Sublet 6-15; Joe Cooper 5-10; Lowell Walker 1-2-4; Team - 37-10-84.
AC - Bullock 1-1-3; Ford 8-1-17; Mays 5-5-15; Robertson 8-1-16; Walton 5-3-13; Cleveland 4-0-8; Dobbins 2-0-4; Team - 33-10-76.

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| Howard | 16 | 21 | 20 | 27 | 84 |
| Amarillo | 10 | 24 | 23 | 19 | 76 |

WJCAC STANDINGS

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| Western Texas | 13-2 | 26-2 | 1 |
| Midland | 9-6 | 17-8 | 2 |
| Amarillo | 8-7 | 18-9 | 3 |
| Odessa | 7-8 | 17-10 | 4 |
| Clarendon | 7-8 | 11-14 | 5 |
| NAMI | 7-8 | 14-11 | 6 |
| South Plains | 5-10 | 15-11 | 7 |
| Frank Phillips | 5-10 | 12-12 | 8 |
| NMJC | 4-11 | 12-14 | 9 |

MONDAY'S RESULTS
HOWARD COLLEGE 84, Amarillo 76; Midland 95, Clarendon 75; Western Texas 74, South Plains 51; Odessa 77, New Mexico Junior College 74; New Mexico Military Institute 84, Frank Phillips 51.

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE
HOWARD COLLEGE at Frank Phillips, South Plains at Midland, Odessa at Amarillo, Clarendon at NMJC, NAMI at Western Texas.

Baseball's inter-swap to firm team rosters

By The Associated Press
Baseball's long-awaited second inter-league trading period got under way at midnight Monday and those teams which did not get what they wanted the first time can go shopping across league lines again.

Although 24 players switched leagues in 11 transactions during the first inter-league swap period from Oct. 26-Dec. 10, the Detroit Tigers still are seeking a second baseman and the New York Mets have been looking for a full-time third baseman since their birth in 1962.

In addition, the Milwaukee

Brewers are offering Don Money for a power-hitting outfielder, a second baseman or a relief pitcher; the New York Yankees would like to get a shortstop, and Bill Veeck has promised to acquire a slugging outfielder for his Chicago White Sox.

The start of spring training is less than a week away, and the 26 major league clubs have until midnight March 15 to deal with teams in the opposite league.

In the first inter-league trading period, such players as Jeff Burroughs (Texas to Atlanta), Richie Zisk (Pittsburgh to the White Sox) and George Hendrick (Cleveland to San Diego) changed uniforms.

Last Friday's five-player deal that sent two-time National League batting champion Bill Madlock from the Chicago Cubs to San Francisco for Bobby Murcer — both still are unsigned — could open up things in the trading market. But there are fewer marketable players than ever because of the new free agent rules.

More players are signing long-term, no-trade contracts and 10-year veterans who have spent the last five seasons with the same team have veto power over any trades involving them.

Paul Owens, director of player personnel for the Philadelphia Phillies, says any trades "would probably be compounded a little bit by the possibility of some clubs not going to sign some of their players. Rather than lose them next fall in the re-entry draft, you may see some deals along the line of an unsigned player for an unsigned player."

With unsigned players free to move on at the end of the season, teams will not risk trading a player who is under contract for one who is not.

In the only transaction since midnight, the Texas Rangers sent outfielder Gene Clines to the Cubs as the "player to be named later" in their recent acquisition of relief pitcher Darold Knowles. Clines batted .276 and drove in 38 runs in 116 games last season, mostly as a leadoff man.

Pastorini bummed out on Houston

HOUSTON (AP)—Houston Oiler Quarterback Dan Pastorini, stung by fans criticism and frustrated by what he terms unkept promises, said he no longer feels loyal to Oiler fans and wants to be traded to a team with a winning tradition—specifically Los Angeles.

"I'm at the end of my contract and I really don't want to play here anymore," Pastorini said in an interview with The Associated Press. "I'm tired if waiting for promises to be kept. I've confronted Bum (Oilers Coach Phillips) with it."

"I've told him it wouldn't be fair to the city of Houston, the oiler organization or my teammates to make me play here against my will." Pastorini has been quoted several times recently as saying he wants to be traded. Oiler officials have said the outspoken quarterback was either just momentarily upset or was laying groundwork for a new contract.

But those explanations aren't valid anymore. "I really don't want to renegotiate and I think the feeling is mutual," Pastorini said. "They haven't asked me about a new contract either."

Pastorini said his disenchantment with Oiler fans started last fall after he was involved in an early morning car accident on a Houston street. Pastorini said public reaction to the accident had given him a "salty" attitude.

"I've taken a defensive approach to the public ever since then," Pastorini said. "I almost lost my life in that accident and all people wanted to know was why I was out at 4 A. M., was I drunk and who I was with."

him one minute and then literally ready to tear him apart the next?" Pastorini said "The only loyalty I owe is to the Oiler organization and to my teammates."

Pastorini said if a trade can't be arranged with the Rams he will play out his option this year and seek a new team next season. "I'm just tired of waiting," Pastorini said. "I don't think we were a 10-4 team in 1975 to be honest, we got a lot of breaks but they caught up with us last year."

The Oiler quarterback said he has been promised year after year that the offensive personnel will be improved but that hasn't happened. Pastorini has been under four head coaches and five offensive coordinators.

Scorecard

Area schedule

Odessa at Big Spring
Cooper at Midland
Lubbock at Amarillo
San Angelo at Permian
BHS tennis at San Angelo, 3:00
Stanton girls' district game vs. McCamey, in Odessa, 7:30
Sands girls' bi-district game vs. Greenwood in Klondike, 7:00
Forsan vs. Big Lake in Forsan, (practice), 7:30

College scores

By The Associated Press
Bucknell 86, Gettysburg 66
Colgate 80, Ithaca 67
Fairfield 92, Connisist 81
Lebanon Valley 84, Ursinus 87
Niagara 70, Buffalo 51-64
St. Francis, Pa., 86, Kent 51-63

SOUTH
Auburn 76, Vanderbilt 71, OT
Delaware 51-80, Bowie 51-77
Furman 96, Appalachian 81-83
Georgia 51-85, Samford 87-83
Kentucky 104, Florida 78
Louisiana 51-75, Georgia 69
Marshall 76, Morris Harvey 73
St. Louis 67 Memphis 51-64, OT
Tennessee 87, Mississippi 75
Valparaiso 79, Tulane 76, OT
Va. Military 83, Davidson 68
Virginia Union 105, Mid Eastern Shore 71

MIDWEST
Bowling Green 91, Loyola, Chicago 68
DePaul 77, Marquette 72, 2 OT
Detroit 86, W. Michigan 64
Indiana 51-87, E. Michigan 68
Iowa 74, Ohio 51-70, OT
Notre Dame 97, Butler 74

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 51-83, Tex. Arlington 64
Oklahoma City 81, Wichita 51-63
San Houston 51-76, Texas A&I 74, OT

FAR WEST
College of Idaho 88, Pacific, Oregon 74
Linfield 102, Willamette 89

AP top twenty

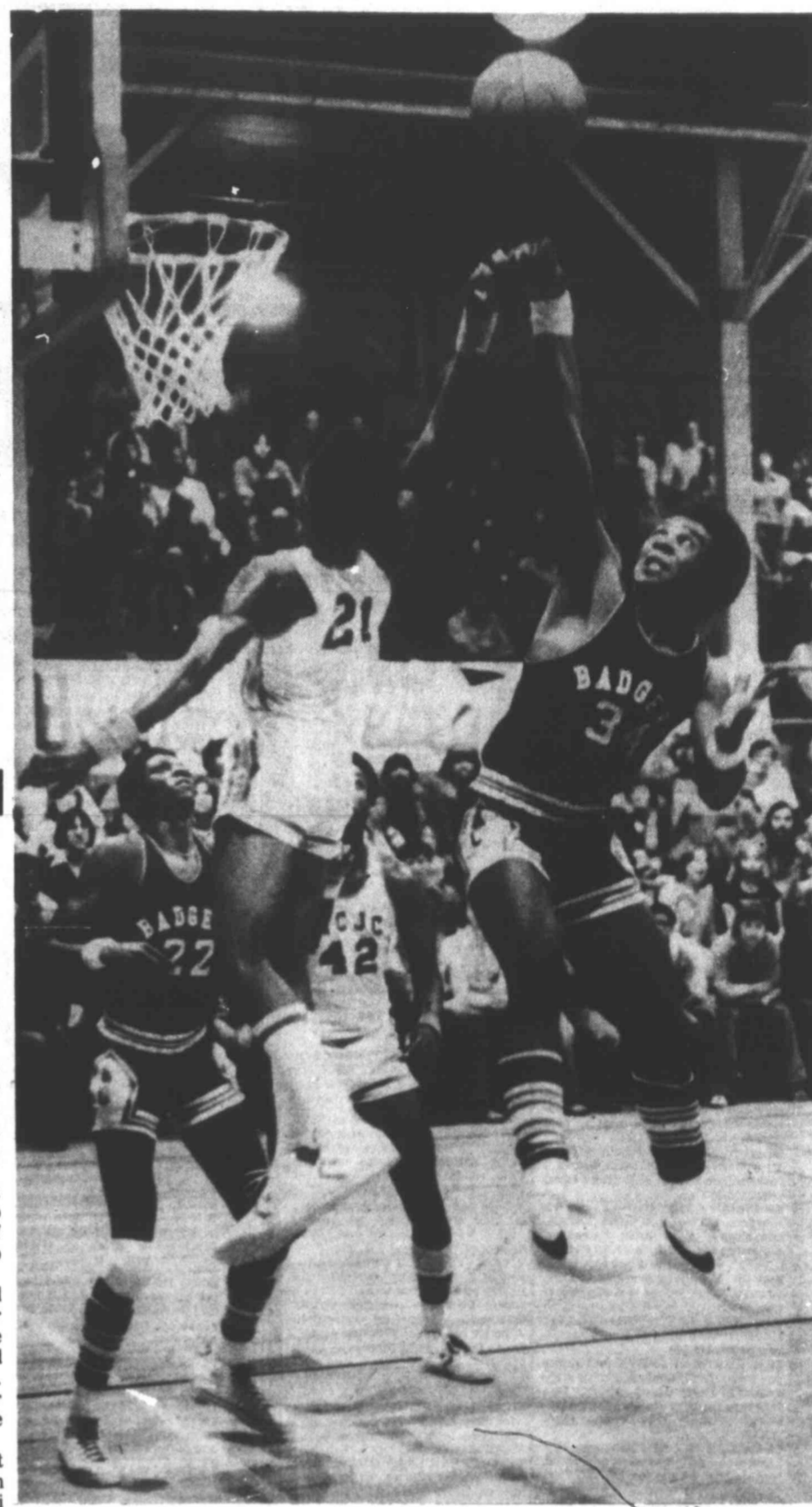
By The Associated Press
The Top Twenty teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, season

Birdsong SWC tops

DALLAS (AP) — Otis Birdsong pumped in 103 points in pacing Houston to three victories last week, nailing down the Southwest Conference single-season scoring record for all games and earning him the title of SWC player of the week.

"The Bird," a 6-4 All America candidate, has 751 points for the season, eclipsing the mark of 710 posted by SMU's Gene Phillips in 1971. In SWC play, Birdsong needs 40 points in the last three contests to establish a conference season record. He currently has 389 SWC points.

Others nominated for the weekly honor included Mike Russell of Texas Tech, T.J. Robinson of SMU, Tim Vala and Elbert Darden of Rice, Willie Foreman of Texas A&M, John Moore of Texas, Marvin Delph of Arkansas and Larry Spicer of Baylor.



SHAKE! — Howard College Hawk Russell Sublet (21) and Amarillo College Badger James Robertson (34) appear to be shaking hands on their way towards a rebound. Hawk Paul Cathey (42) can be seen waiting beneath the two to help out. The Hawks clawed the Badgers 84-76 Monday night for their seventh win in a row.

Steers host OHS in last home tilt

The Big Spring Steer roundballers will be in Steer gym tonight at 8 p.m. in their last home game of the 1977 campaign, seeking to win their first contest in the second half of District 5-4A action.

Their opponent, Odessa High, will also be looking for their first win, not only in the second half, but in the entire district season. Odessa sports a combined district record of 0-12, and a season record of 7-24.

The Bovines are the odds-on favorites to take tonight's game, and are expected to be in good physical condition after last Friday night's brawl with Abilene Cooper.

"We're in good shape," said Coach James Griffin this morning, "and we're gonna do a number on them, you just watch."

Added incentive in tonight's game will be for two Steers to remain in the top 10 in district scoring. Presently, Casey "Wildman" Wilder is 12 points behind two other players for third place, with 214 points. Bubba Stripling is now in 12th position with 164 markers.

Pro basketball

| EASTERN CONFERENCE | | CONFERENCE | | |
|--------------------|----|------------|---------|--------|
| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct. GB | |
| Philadelphia | 33 | 20 | 62.3 | — |
| Boston | 28 | 27 | 50.9 | 7 |
| N.Y. Knicks | 24 | 29 | 45.3 | 9 |
| Buffalo | 19 | 33 | 36.5 | 13 1/2 |
| N.Y. Nets | 17 | 36 | 32.1 | 16 |

| WESTERN CONFERENCE | | CONFERENCE | | |
|--------------------|----|------------|---------|-------|
| Midwest Division | W | L | Pct. GB | |
| Denver | 34 | 19 | 64.2 | — |
| Detroit | 32 | 23 | 58.3 | 3 |
| Kan. City | 28 | 28 | 50.0 | 7 1/2 |
| Indiana | 25 | 30 | 45.5 | 10 |
| Chicago | 23 | 32 | 41.8 | 12 |
| Milwaukee | 17 | 42 | 28.8 | 20 |

| PACIFIC DIVISION | | CONFERENCE | | |
|------------------|----|------------|------|-------|
| W | L | Pct. | GB | |
| Los Ang. | 35 | 19 | 64.8 | — |
| Portland | 35 | 21 | 62.5 | 1 |
| Golden St. | 30 | 24 | 55.6 | 5 |
| Seattle | 29 | 26 | 52.7 | 6 1/2 |
| Phoenix | 25 | 27 | 48.1 | 9 |

Sports briefs

SKIING — SUN VALLEY, Idaho — Phil Mahre, a 19-year-old World Cup skier from White Pass, Wash., took the lead after the first slalom run in the men's U.S. National Alpine Championships, while Becky Dorsy, 19, of Wenham, Mass., won the women's giant slalom.

TENNIS — LOS ANGELES — Thirdseeded Virginia Wade of England trounced Sharon Walsh of Palo Alto, Calif. 6-0, 6-2 in the first round of a \$100,000 women's tournament.

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Roscoe Tanner of lookout Mountain, Tenn., seeded second, defeated Jose Higueras of Spain 6-1, 6-3 in the opening round of the \$50,000 San Jose Grand Prix tournament.

WRESTLING — WARSAW — An American wrestling team tied Poland 4-4, with the help of victories by Mike Frick, Hamburg, N.J.; Tim Cisevski, Glen Ellen, Ill.; Dave Schultz, Palo Alto, Calif.; and Laurent Soule of Milwaukee.

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Winters takes job as Coahoma coach

COAHOMA — W.A. Wilson, superintendent of Coahoma public schools announced today that Roy Winters had been hired as athletic director and head football coach for the district.

Winters comes to Coahoma from Morton High School, where he has been for four years. He received his B.A. and M.A. from West Texas State University, and was a Junior All-American quarterback while attending the school in 1968.

Wilson indicated that Winters has had eight years total experience in coaching and will be bringing at least one assistant with him to the job.

Winters has a teaching wife, Pat, and one son, and will be making the move to Coahoma in a couple of weeks, as soon as he is released from his job in Morton.

Hawk Queens roll on

ALPINE — The Howard College Hawk Queens breezed through their seventh win in a row Monday night, deep in the south of Texas, blasting Sul Ross State, 95-43. That topped the locals record to 17-7 on the season.

Linda Batla's 21 points, and Virginia Whaley's 20 led the scorers, as Tami Edwards bucketed 16. Other Queens scratching the scoring column were Deirdre Tucker with 11, JoAnna Sawyer with nine, Leitha Strickland with six, and Marylynn Rich, Carla Faubion and Trena Bays, all with four.

The next game for the Queens will be in Hawk Gym Thursday night against nationally-ranked Wayland Baptist "B" team.

Steerettes blast OHS

ODESSA — The Big Spring High Steerettes handed the ferns from Odessa High a 68-53 defeat Monday night, evening their season record to 6-6.

Rose Magers led both teams with 35 markers, as teammate Sherry Byrd put in 18. Keran Schexnayder and Peggy Calhoun hit for 11 and four, respectively. Coach Nancy Deason praised the defensive work of Brynn Ziman, and the rebounding abilities of Gail Allen and Becky Ragan.

The last game for the Steerettes will be this Thursday night at 6:30 in Steer Gym.

7 1/4 days 'til Red Heads

Tickets are beginning to sell with some regularity for the Feb. 22 encounter between the All-American pro women's Red Heads and the Big Spring "Bombers", a mad, care-free group of Big Spring coaches, carrying the banner of friendly competition into the game.

"Heck no, I won't play," said "Jumpin' Jerry" Forsyth, in answer to the question concerning ironed-out contract talks.

"Don, told me this was going to be All-American Blondes," shouted the enigmatic super-jock.

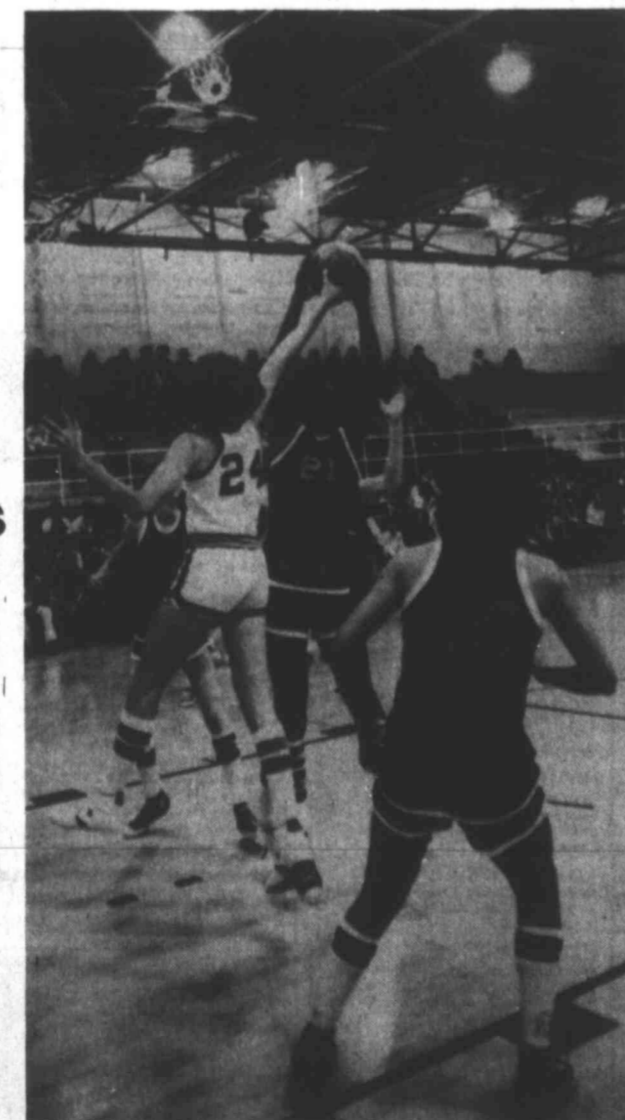
"I won't play!" came the words in harsh staccato. Of course, Muhammad Ali said that he would never fight again, so coach Don Childs is hoping that Jerry will play.

"We have a verbal commitment from 'Jumpin' that he will play if the contest is sold out and SRO," said the beleaguered Childs.

Proceeds from sales of the tickets will go to finance the Spring Sports Banquet for the athletes at BSHS. Tickets can be obtained by contacting the Athletic Department.

FCA has game Friday

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) will sponsor a basketball game between the Midway Baptist Bombers and the seniors of Coahoma High School, 7:30 p.m. Friday in Bulldog Gym.



REBOUND — Big Spring Steer Kenneth Perry (21) battles an Abilene Cooper Cougar for a rebound in last Friday night's district battle. Teammate Frankie Rubio (55) watches the action. The Steers host Odessa tonight in Steer gym at 8 o'clock in their last home game of the season.

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Matterhorn popular peak

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Matterhorn, the last of the big Alps to be climbed, once thought of as the "unattainable peak," now has as many as 150 climbers a day during the summer season, says National Geographic.

Although there is no super highway to the top, wire ropes are fastened at difficult points, huts provide food and shelter for climbers and the rock obstacles have been cleared away.

It is now so easy to climb the 14,690-foot mountain that Constant Cacin, tourism office director at Zermatt, says that with a little practice and conditioning any man or woman in good physical condition between the ages of 18 and 80 can

climb the Matterhorn — if they are careful.

The mountain has been scaled by a climber who was blind and even by a stray cat which tagged along with a climbing party and made it all the way to the top.

The first man to reach the Matterhorn's summit was British explorer Edward Whymper, on July 14, 1865. In descending the mountain, his three companions and one of the guides fell to their deaths on the mountain's glacier.

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Mississippi lands space ship work

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss. (AP) — While the space shuttle is getting attention with desert tests, America's space ship of the future won't get off the ground without work being done in South Mississippi.

The National Space Technology Laboratories, once roaring with the noise of moon rocket engines, are the test center for the mighty rocket motors that will one day push 4.4 million pounds of shuttle into orbit.

The three shuttle engines, each weighing 6,900 pounds, will develop an estimated 32 million horsepower to lift the shuttle into orbit.

David Martin, resident shuttle main engine project engineer for NASA, said that while the old Saturn V rocket test stands at the complex were altered to accommodate the shuttle engines, the new equipment is much more complex than its old space cousins.

"These engines are similar to the engines of the Apollo program but much more advanced," Martin said. "For example, each engine has its own 200-pound computer that actually controls the engine. And the shuttle engine operates at about three times the pressure of other engines — making it much more efficient."

He said the testing program at NSTL was unlike earlier rocket programs because some engine components are checked as the entire engine-package is put through its paces.

The tests have been in progress for about 1 1/2 years, starting with short bursts at minimum power and eventually building up to operating levels.

Martin said test engines have been run for short periods at the power needed to push the shuttle into space, "and now we're building up to duration tests."

He said that unlike conventional rockets, the shuttle engines can be throttled back to 50 per cent power or pushed beyond the required operating levels.

He said the lower thrust would allow the three-man shuttle crew to ease the ride for passengers and delicate equipment at critical points. The higher-than-normal thrust could help in case of engine problems.

The engines burn liquid oxygen and hydrogen, which is pumped into the combustion chambers under extremely high pressure,

designed for 100 flights, while the life duration of its main engines was 7 1/2 hours, a long time when only 650 seconds of firing time will be necessary each trip.

The shuttle, with a cargo area 15 feet in diameter and 60 feet long, will have a payload capacity of 65,000 pounds. It can return to earth with a 32,000-pound payload.

"These are the most sophisticated engines that have ever been attempted and, based on the performance to date, I think we will be very pleased with them," Martin said.

The shuttle-package will include the orbiter, a sweeping craft roughly the size of a DC-9 passenger jet, the external fuel tank and two solid-fuel rockets.

Martin explained that the shuttle rockets and solid-fuel rockets will lift the shuttle from the launch pad, in the same manner as conventional rockets. He said prior to achieving orbit, the solid-fuel rockets will be jettisoned, and then the fuel tank.

Once in orbit, the shuttle is powered by small thruster rockets and must glide through the earth's atmosphere for a dead-stick landing.

Martin said the advantage of the shuttle over the other rocket systems was that the parts, including the solid-fuel rockets and the orbiter and its engines, can be used over and over.

He said the shuttle was

liking, the contractors went to the "lobby" outside the chamber and started "visiting" with legislators who had gone the wrong way.

The gallery also had several lobbyists for the Texas Motor Transportation Association, composed of most of the state's truck and bus industry.

The new money will sizeably increase the funds available to the highway department. The actual appropriations to the highway agency are only estimates, since it must honor contracts as the work is completed, and the spending is tied to federal and state funds that will be coming.

The new measure will increase the estimate from this year's \$825 million to about \$1.1 billion.

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AUSTIN — Inflation, cars with better gasoline mileage and lower speed limits are all to blame for the increase in the number of unfilled potholes, the volume of litter which goes unpicked up and poor shape of the state's highways.

That argument is being used to push a bill to put \$300 million more a year into the bank account used by the State Department of Highways & Public Transportation to pay for highway construction.

The plan to shift the money around was disclosed by Gov. Dolph Briscoe about a year ago, and it has been approved by the State House of Representatives. Only Senate action is needed before it is back on Briscoe's desk for his signature into law.

So important is the highway funding plan to Briscoe that he disclosed it before he outlined his plan to increase state funding of public school education, and before he disclosed his budget plans for operation of the rest of the government.

Briscoe also tagged the highway measure "an emergency matter," a key phrase in the State Constitution which allows expedited consideration.

Several days after that designation, House Education Committee Chairman Tom Massey of San Angelo asked Briscoe to give the same priority to bills to increase state funding of public school education.

Without that tag neither bill could be considered prior to consideration of the bill to fund the rest of the government. That would delay action on them until April.

It is the appearance that highways are getting top priority that was attacked most by dissidents. They feel that the end result will be that education won't get its share, or that consumers won't get the relief of a sales tax repeal on utility bills, or that other government operations will be cut back because highways already have taken the money.

The Department of Public Safety objected to the governor's original proposal to limit their share of the highway fun for policing highways to \$20 million per year. Wilson Speir, director of the DPS, was the only witness against the bill when it was approved by the House Transportation Committee.

To relax if not remove his objections, that limit was increased to \$30 million. Most legal scholars feel that limit isn't really a limit, since the Legislature's action on an appropriations bill would have the effect of eliminating the limit. It is somewhat of a moral commitment, though.

Some big city dwellers wanted the new highway bill to authorize the highway commission to use some of the new money for mass transportation systems. Their arguments fell on deaf ears in the House. The mass transit section of the highway agency gets \$15 million a year in a trust fund account. Spending and commitments, to date, are \$8 million of the \$30 million appropriated. The rest remains to be committed later. The program is set up like the farm-to-market-road program.

Because of the shortage of funds, Marcus Yancey Jr., assistant director of the

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highway department, says the agency has been laying slabs on top of roads that really should be completely reconstructed.

That means more potholes, he said, and it means the surface gets "in terrible shape" in cold weather.

In the 1960s, the highway department tried to spend about 70 per cent of its money on major reconstruction and on new lane construction.

The remaining 30 per cent would go for light maintenance operations such as laying a new surface or seal coating asphalt roads.

In the early 1970s the percentages had gone to 60 per cent for new work and major reconstruction and 40 per cent for maintenance. Highway commissioners began expressing concern.

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