

Big Spring Herald

'The crossroads of West Texas'

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Woman finds 'lost' girls

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Mrs. Betty Gordon of Xenia, Ohio, had coffee with her two daughters this week, the daughters she "lost" 28 years ago.

Nearly were grandchildren she had never seen.

Sue Bush of Austin, and Nancy Shurila of Altus, Okla., were reunited this week with their mother who left them at the Green County Children's Home in Xenia in 1949. They were four and five years old then and their names were Kathy and Tina Chambliss.

Mrs. Gordon told the Austin American-Statesman she left the girls at the home with the understanding that she would return when she had a

means of caring for them. She said her husband had deserted her, was not paying child support and she had no food in the house.

She said when she returned two weeks later her children were gone, adopted by a couple in nearby Springfield, Mo. The children's home said her husband had signed the adoption papers.

Mrs. Bush and Mrs. Shurila say they remember being awakened one night by a matron of the home and told to "meet their new mother and daddy." They were driven that night to Springfield.

Mrs. Gordon said she searched

futilely in the Springfield area for the little girls but could find no one who knew anything about them.

Throughout the long years she kept a photograph of the girls displayed in her home.

"Everytime I'd see little girls, I'd look to see if they were mine," Mrs. Gordon said.

Meanwhile, the girls began to ask about their natural mother.

They said their adopted mother kept telling them she would tell them about the adoption when they were mature enough to understand. But they still didn't know when they were grown and had children of their own.

Mrs. Bush said she began looking for her mother 10 years ago by trying to have the adoption records opened in court. "I was trying to find out my last name. I knew I had been Kathy," she said.

Last week, as a last resort, she made an appointment to see an Austin hypnotist, hoping he might help her.

However, before the appointment she decided to call the Xenia newspaper and had a woman read out the names of all the babies born on her birthday.

"There was a Katherine Chambliss, so I started calling the Chamblisses in Xenia," she said.

That night she was talking to her real mother by telephone.

Mrs. Gordon borrowed the money to fly to Austin and Mrs. Shurila made a 13-hour bus trip from Oklahoma with her six-month-old baby to be at the reunion.

Missing grain dealer

Search goes international

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. (AP) — The case of missing North Texas grain dealer Robert Johnson took on strong international dimensions Tuesday as U.S. Embassy personnel officially told Mexican authorities of an arrest warrant for the reportedly drowned Johnson.

Meanwhile, Port Aransas Deputy Constable Charles Titus returned home from Eagle Pass and said he believed that Johnson had left a Mexican ranch and either fled deeper into the interior or to another country.

Titus and his boss, Constable Ben Cash, tracked the Johnson trail from North Texas to Central America after he was reported drowned off a pleasure boat in the Gulf of Mexico last month.

Cash testified before a Wichita Falls grand jury Tuesday, as did a former Johnson employee, Donald Desletle. Desletle told Cash he saw Johnson in

Mexico after the reported drowning, and Desletle was later the victim of a beating.

In another development, U.S. Rep. Jack Hightower, D-Tex., said he would meet with the House Agriculture Committee's subcommittee on livestock and grain to discuss "what shortcomings might be involved in the system that would allow the disappearance of some 420,000 bushels of grain from Johnson elevators in Texas and Oklahoma."

The grain shortages were found by Texas and federal authorities in the post-disappearance string of probes.

American consular official Charles Brown in Nuevo Laredo, Mex., said he could not confirm reports that Johnson had been seen in that area two weeks ago.

Mexican authorities said they had no information on Johnson.

Last week, Johnson was charged by

federal authorities with transporting about 9,000 bushels of stolen wheat to Texas from Oklahoma.

A Colorado official also said Tuesday that authorities in that state are investigating three small grain elevators operated by Geronimo Grain Co., of which Johnson was an official.

Curtis Bentley, head of warehouse inspection for the Colorado Department of Agriculture's Inspection and Consumer Services Division, said he had been told by one farmer that he had been paid by Geronimo officials in early January for wheat stored at one of the elevators.

Bankruptcy proceedings were filed against the Geronimo Grain Co. shortly after Johnson's disappearance.

Investigators say that Johnson had millions of dollars' worth of insurance and cashed several large checks prior to his disappearance.

38,000 military on food stamps

WASHINGTON (AP) — As many as 38,000 hard-pressed members of the armed services are drawing food stamps and thousands more would be eligible for the aid if they weren't moonlighting or didn't have working wives, a Pentagon study says.

"The fact that military members are eligible and use food stamps implies the current military pay and allowances system may be inadequately compensating some of its members," the study says.

The study found that a total of 62,000 members of the military, or 3 per cent of all personnel, potentially would be eligible for food stamps based on the present system of pay and allowances.

However, the study said that figure

"would be significantly reduced since some members receive special or incentive pay, some moonlight and some have working wives."

About 32 per cent of servicemen have wives who hold jobs in an effort to make ends meet, the study calculated.

The percentage of eligible military recipients is much lower than the 17 to 26 per cent of all U.S. households that the Pentagon analysts estimated are eligible.

But the military study also noted that "some otherwise eligible members are prevented from participating in the program because they are stationed overseas."

Under present law, servicemen and others can draw food stamps if they

live in the United States, Guam, Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

Some 17.4 million persons received food stamps in December, according

to the Agriculture Department. USDA determines eligibility for food stamps primarily on family size and monthly net income.

Brooks announces for city council post

Ralph Brooks, owner of Blum's Jewelers Inc., 222 Main, announced today that he intends to run for a seat on the city council in the April 2 election.

He will make a bid for the place four seat to be vacated by two-term councilman Charles Tompkins.

"I am deeply concerned about the future of Big Spring, and if I am elected to the council I intend to support everything which would help our city to become a stronger economic community," said Brooks.

Earlier today, local architect Daryl Hertz picked up a petition at city hall with the possible intention of running for the same post. At 11 a.m. Hertz was still undecided, but approximately 30 minutes later, when he learned of Brooks' intention to run, he dropped out of the race.

"I talked to Ralph. We are both friends and both businessmen and I see no need to run against him. All I am interested in is putting a capable person on the council, and I think Ralph is that man. Besides, I have a lot of business activities to keep me busy," said Hertz.

Former councilman Eddie Acri,



RALPH BROOKS

who received petition Friday, is still undecided about whether he will run. Acri cited possible complications with his health Friday, and said he would consult his doctor before making a final decision.

"I will let the Herald know when I have decided for sure," said Acri this morning.

Brooks is a native of El Paso, but moved to Big Spring in 1946 at the age of 16. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1948, and is a retired colonel in the United States Air Force where he served as a Thunderbird pilot.

Councilwoman Mrs. Floyd (Polly) Mays also announced Friday her intention to run for re-election. She currently holds the place three seat on the council, and is the only member to formally apply for the race.

Coahoma schools adopts health insurance plan

COAHOMA — The Coahoma school board has approved a health insurance plan embracing all professional and non-professional personnel within the system.

The insurance will cost the school system \$34,320 per year. The average cost per individual, all borne by the school district, figures out to \$24.67 per month.

Professional personnel hired by the district include, in addition to the superintendent, three principals, a counselor, 24 high school teachers, 15 in junior high and 23 in elementary school.

There are also 19 clerks and nurses aides in the district, along with 11 bus drivers, eight cafeteria workers and ten janitors.

The schools will observe the spring break starting March 27. However, an in-service training day is scheduled for Friday, March 24. For that reason, students will be off for ten days — March 24 through April 2.



PROTEST BANNERS — Signs reading "Free the 18 and "Down With the Shah" hang from the crown of the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor Tuesday after protesting Iranian students occupied the island for five hours. The demonstrators said they were protesting the treatment of political prisoners in Iran.

Students occupy Liberty

NEW YORK (AP) — Six Iranian students who hung banners from the Statue of Liberty to protest alleged imprisonment and torture of political dissenters in Iran have agreed to pay \$308 to repair damage to the statue, officials say.

The authorities said no other action will be taken against them.

The six walked 22 floors to the statue's crown Tuesday, ordered tourists out, broke windows and unfurled two bedsheet banners that read: "Free the 18" and "Down with the Shah."

They chained themselves to the inside of the 90-year-old symbol of liberty, staying about 5½ hours while federal officials secured a court order

for their ejection. The six then agreed to leave under an amnesty agreement.

The students, claiming to represent the Iranian Students Association and the Student Revolutionary Brigade, want the United States to help an international delegation gain admittance to Iran's prisons.

They said the plight of 18 imprisoned political dissenters — all said to be opponents of the Shah of Iran — is their greatest concern.

Last year, the London-based group Amnesty International reported "the torture of political prisoners (in Iran) ... appears to be a routine practice" and several thousand Iranians were being held as political prisoners.

The Shah has said no more than 3,000 Iranians are being held as political prisoners, and Bahman Esfandiari, press attache to the Iran consulate in New York, gave that same number Tuesday and disputed reports of torture.

Focalpoint

Action/reaction: Cracker giveaway

Q. How come one agri-businessman got all the civil defense crackers? Was he kin to somebody in the courthouse?

A. The civil defense crackers which had been stored in the CD bomb shelters went to Jack Watkins, who fed them to his hogs. Nobody else seemed to want the crackers, according to local defense authorities. No, he is not related to anyone in the courthouse.

If you have a question for Action-reaction, call 263-7331.

Calendar: Practice

TODAY
The Big Spring "Bombers" will hold a "secret" practice in Steer gym, 7 p.m.

Father Joseph C. Martin, consultant on alcoholism, speaker in Withycombe Hall at Webb AFB, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY
The Howard College Hawk Queens entertain the Wayland Baptist "Queen Bees" in Hawk Gym, 6:30.

The Big Spring High School tennis team hosts Andrews in a dual meet at the Tennis Center, 4 p.m.

The Steer golf team will be in competition at the Odessa Invitational. Local unit, National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees meet, Kentwood Adult Activity Center, 7 p.m.

Slides and archaeological evidence that the Ark is still lodged on Mt. Ararat in Turkey will be presented at the Howard County Library, 7 p.m.

Home Economics Co-operative Education Employer-Employer Banquet, Western Sizzler Banquet Room, 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Offbeat: So angry he will spit

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Will Mahoney is so angry he could spit. And he fully intends to do so.

Mahoney is a Republican member of the Connecticut House who chain smokes great green cigars. If the smoke bothers other folks, he says that's just too bad.

But the two houses of the Connecticut legislature passed rules this year forbidding smoking in both chambers and in public hearings.

"An earring, a moustache, or a cigar is often an integral part of one's personality," Mahoney said, "and I question the authority of any legislative body to regulate personality."

He filed three bills: One, to repeal the no-smoking rules; another, to forbid the use of perfumes and colognes in the state Capitol, and a third requiring that spittoons be placed once again in the chambers of the state House and Senate and in all committee rooms.

All three bills were "boxed" by a General Assembly Committee, an action that effectively kills them.

TV's best: Monte Carlo Circus

Performers in the Monte Carlo Circus Festival will execute some of the greatest circus acts in the world at 7 p.m. on CBS. Prince Rainier and members of his family will present awards to the best acts selected by a jury of circus critics.

Nova presents "The Plastic Prison," a story about a person confined to a sterile plastic bubble because his body has no natural defenses against disease or infection on PBS at 8:15 p.m.

Inside: Really 'dry' hamlet

DROUGHT is a way of life in Albion on the windblown coast of northern California. Out of water for a year now, faucets are mostly useless, baths a luxury and the fire department always in crisis. See p. 2A.

HOUSE MEMBERS return to city boy vs. country boy battle over proposals to tax farm, ranch and timber land according to productivity. See p. 2A.

ARKANSAS WINS outright Southwest Conference basketball title and Baylor virtually ends SMU's hopes for a first-round home game in SWC tournament. See p. 3B.

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Outside: Warm

Clear skies and warm weather are the rule for the next two days. Highs today and Thursday are in the mid 70s, low tonight in the mid 50s. Winds will be westerly at 10 to 15 miles-per-hour, dropping to light and variable tonight.



MASS MURDERER'S ARSENAL — Guns, grenades, a swastika flag, and giant poster of Adolf Hitler are displayed in New Rochelle, N.Y., Tuesday. They were in

the collection of Fred Cowan, the mass murderer who slew five persons, including a policeman, Monday, before killing himself at the warehouse where he worked.

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Rail, pipeline execs swap barbs

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Representatives of the railroads and the coal slurry pipelines traded salvos for four hours Tuesday before the House Energy Resources Committee voted 8-3 for a bill that would give the pipelines the power of eminent domain.

The chief witness for the bill, Joe Foy, president of Houston Natural Gas Corp., said the railroad commission has ordered a 25 per cent reduction by 1985 in consumption of natural gas used to generate electricity, and the only energy resource that can make that possible by that time is coal, he said.

The railroads will not be hurt, Foy said, because the need is so great there will be profit for everybody.

Ultimately, coal slurry pipelines will save consumers huge sums, he said. The service is more dependable because a pipeline cannot strike, he said.

Additionally, a pipeline is more desirable environmentally, he said. "The coal pipeline is silent, below the ground where it doesn't tie up traffic. It is not subject to explosion or fire because coal slurry is noncombustible. It operates at much lower pressures than most gas pipelines.



SHE'S TOP DOG — Mrs. William Wymer 3rd of Churchtown, Pa., owner of CH. Dersade Bobby's Girl, hugs handler Peter Green after the Sealyham terrier won the best in show at the 101st Westminster Kennel Club dog show Tuesday night in New York's Madison Square Garden.

Junior colleges bill advanced

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Workmen's compensation would become "workers' compensation" under a bill passed by the House today.

House members also passed and sent to the Senate a bill that would allow junior colleges to apply for some \$8 million in federal vocational-technical education funds administered by the Texas Education Agency.

tax break only to natural persons, estates, trusts for the benefit of individuals and family-held corporations with 10 or fewer stockholders.

That knocked out the big farming and forestry corporations.

An earlier attempt to table the amendment failed, however, by a vote of only 72-

Police beat Bra burglar apprehended

Detective John Burson hopped a flight to Santa Ana, Calif. Tuesday to pick up a man suspected of felony theft. The suspect is now in Municipal Jail.

Edward Allen Moore, 22, Pekin, Ill., was arrested, Feb. 8 by police in Tustin, Calif. After Burson sent out a computer sheet containing Moore's description, Moore is suspected of playing a part in a series of recent thefts, including the heist of a color television set and a variety of linen from the Holiday Inn here on Jan. 28.

He and his supposed accomplice, Calvin J. Hollis, were charged with felony theft Feb. 3 by JP Gus

Ochotorena. Hollis is now in custody in Wharton. Bond was set this morning at \$15,000 for Moore by J. P. Ochotorena.

Patrolmen reported to the scene and spotted the youth on top of the church. The brasserie burglar, a male juvenile was arrested 1 p.m. Tuesday after attempting to break into the Wesley United Methodist Church at Twelfth and Owens.

A trailer being towed by Matthew M. Harris, Route 2, came loose on the 1800 block of Goliad, and struck a parked car belonging to John C. Massey, 2301 Lynn, 5:47 p.m. Tuesday.

Another trailer, towed by Neil D. Spencer, 2502 Carol, came loose at the corner of Eleventh and Young, striking approximately 10 feet of fence along the road, 9:50 a.m. Tuesday.

Four other mishaps were reported. Vehicles driven by John W. Yater, Route 2, and George D. Garcia, 2001 Runnels,

collided on the 600 block of E. Tenth, 8:27 a.m. Vehicles driven by R. L. Collins, 1401 Stadium, and Carol Ann Winterbauer, 2001 Eleventh, collided at E. Fourth and S. Benton, 3:40 p.m.

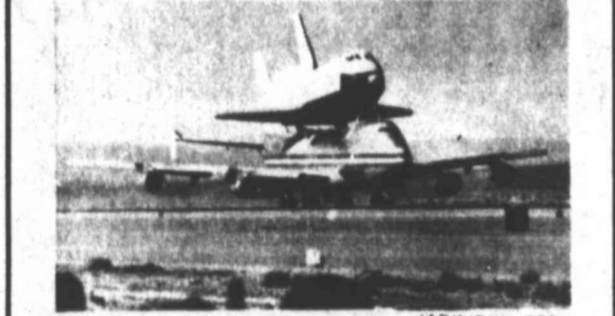
A parked car belonging to Jim Pilly, O.K. Trailer Courts, was struck by a hit and run driver at Pilly's lot, 6:06 p.m.

A vehicle belonging to Jesse Alcantar, 502 N. Runnels, was also struck by a car that left the scene at 1101 N.W. Seventh, 7:50 a.m.

For the record

Monday's Herald reported that cars driven by Jonelle H. Kennedy, 608 Elgin, and Tommy Fryar, Sterling City, collided in the parking lot of the Wagon Wheel Drive-in, 10:53 p.m. Saturday. The mishap actually occurred at 300 S. Birdwell.

Digest



AIRPLANE PIGGYBACK — Carrying the 122-foot Space Shuttle on its back, an Air Force 747 speeds along a runway at Edwards Air Force Base in California Tuesday during the pair's first taxi test. The shuttle, a rocket airplane hybrid that will carry man and cargo into orbit, cannot take off by itself. This summer the shuttle will detach itself in the air and try its own wings. It can land alone.

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — The Space Shuttle Enterprise and its 747 jumbo jet partner have a go-ahead for Friday's first piggyback flight.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Saudi Arabia is talking about getting a stake in Alaska's offshore oil by putting its money behind a company which the United States set up to aid Alaska's native tribes.

BOSTON (AP) — The FBI is investigating a suspected multimillion dollar racket involving Ghanaian citizens who allegedly buy new cars in Massachusetts, then report them stolen and ship them through New York for inflated resale in Africa.

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Probationers sentenced.

Three probationers pleaded guilty Tuesday in 118th District Court to a variety of charges, and were sentenced by District Judge Ralph Caton to the state penitentiary.

Jesse N. Torres pleaded guilty to theft and burglary in the Jan. 9, 1977 robbery of Geary Thornton. Torres was convicted in 1974 on a number of robbery charges. Torres was sentenced to seven years.

Robert Galindo Castenada was sentenced to six years for his part in the Nov. 15,

71, meaning a number of members switched to Bryant's side after the motion to table failed.

The measure would take effect only if the legislature and voters approve a constitutional amendment authorizing lawmakers to prescribe a method for evaluating farm, ranch and forest land on the basis of its productivity.

Town without water in bad fix

ALBION, Calif. (AP) — Rich and Mirna Sharp and their two children are preoccupied with finding enough water for the essentials of life. They try to make do with four gallons a day.

"You don't wash much of anything like windows or floors. When the kids go to a house with water, it's hard to get them to remember to flush the toilet," says Sharp, whose family is one of 19 in this Pacific coastal village of northern California.

The complaint, filed in Justice of the Peace Gus Ochotorka's office, alleges that Salazar assaulted Larry Martinez and his wife Saturday near the Co-op gin. Salazar reportedly fired a gun at the couple during the incident.

Salazar is under indictment for burglary, and has been arrested for assault four times since 1969. He is out under \$2,000 bond set by Ochotorena.

Fire destroys Faulkner home

The Ben Faulkner home on Callahan Road in the Silver Heels division was destroyed by fire at 4:31 a.m. Sunday.

Faulkner and his two sons, who are six and eight years of age, were asleep when the house caught on fire. He awakened in time to get the children out and one suitcase full of clothes.

He was also reported to have kicked the back door off the kitchen. The doorway was from his father's home and held the marks of the measurements of the Faulkner children as they grew.

Silver Heels, Jonesboro and Coahoma fire departments fought the blaze but it was out of control. The Silver Heels department, first to arrive, took the call at 4:28 a.m.

Energy Home insulation in WT increases



FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE — Ellis Britton (right), president of the San Angelo District Club of the International Association of Personnel in Employment Security, presents Roger Brown, president of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, a citation award in appreciation of outstanding service the local chamber has given to the Texas Employment Commission and its IAPES members.

The upswing in insulation in homes has even reached West Texas, according to at least two local lumber yards.

The increase in insulation being placed in new homes did not arrive with the stories about the people back east being cold, but arrived instead over the past two years along with the increase in cost of fuel.

Both Harris Lumber Co. and Rockwell Bros. & Co. spokesmen said that, "During the past year there has been a distinct increase in purchase of insulation for new homes."

One of the two also said that many of their customers purchase insulation to be placed in the attic of older homes. "This works fine,

Bedford Dulin

COLORADO CITY — Bedford Dulin, 71, Colorado City businessman and reactor, died about 11:30 p.m. Monday enroute to an Abilene hospital after a sudden illness. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church.

He was born Nov. 26, 1931 in Lenox, Tenn. and married Betty Sartin Aug. 4, 1951 in Booneville, Tenn. He retired from the Air Force after serving from Jan. 2, 1951 until March 31, 1973. He was a resident of Big Spring for the past nine years.

He was the manager of Webb Lanes and a member of the Church of God of Prophecy, Disabled American Veterans, and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, of the home; two sons, Barry Loyd, Big Spring, and Todd Loyd, of the home; one daughter, Mrs. Peter (Carol) Lawrence, Oklahama City, Okla.; his mother, Mrs. Velma Battles, Cicero, Ill.; one brother, Gerald Loyd, Crystal Lake, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Jannell King, Bonesville, Miss.; and two grandchildren.

Confirmers recorded in Dawson County

Dawson County gained a confirmer and Scurry County a wildcard this week in the area oil patch.

Covina Oil Corp. will drill the No. 7 Holton as a location south stepout to the seven-well gin, North (8000 oil) field of Dawson County, four miles west of Lamesa.

Deaths

George L. Baker LAMESA — George Leslie Baker, 78, father of Mrs. Walt Finley, Big Spring, died at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, in Midland Memorial Hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Brannon Funeral Home Chapel in Lamesa.

He was a native of Erath County and had been a resident of Lamesa since 1926. He was a retired painting contractor.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Velma Finley, Big Spring, Mrs. Thelma Jackson, Baytown, and Mrs. Bobbie Nell Holder, Channelview; five sons, R.L. Baker, Arlington, Curtis Baker and Billy Baker, both of Midland, Vernon Baker, Jacksonville, Ark., and Pat Baker, Gainsville; one sister, Mrs. Ima Ray Coats, San Antonio; a brother, Lintin Baker, Denver, Colo.; 36 grandchildren, and 40 great-grandchildren.

David Thomas

Services for David F. Thomas, 49, who died at 2:50 a.m. Tuesday, will be 10 a.m. Saturday in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel.

There will be military graveside services at Trinity Memorial Park, by the United States Marines.

Markets

Volume	8,410,000
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9 Rails	Up 84
Utilities	Up 54
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American Petroleum	35 1/2
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Baker Oil	45
Baxter Labs	35 1/2
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Harbor Fund	8.52 9/31
Investors Co. of Am.	13 9/8 15 26
Kensington	3 48 2 08
Puritan	11 05 12 08
Invest	7.56 N.L.
W. Morgan	10.98 N.L.

Ballard files second appeal

Witmer Gene Ballard, twice convicted for the killing of Glasscock County rancher Stephen Currie, has filed his second appeal of his conviction in Tom Green County. Ballard's defense attorney, Bobby R. Beale of Midland, filed a brief in San Angelo alleging seven grounds for a re-trial.

Ballard's case has been granted several changes of venue, moving from Big Spring to Ballinger, Midland, Alpine and San Angelo. Another change of venue is requested in the appeal.

Other reasons cited for the request are: limited disclosure, judicial comment on evidence, two improper prosecution arguments, and atmosphere of prejudice.

Ballard and four others were indicted Dec. 14, 1970 in Glasscock County for the Dec. 2 killing. He was re-indicted in February, 1971. Both juries sentenced Ballard to life imprisonment.

HC S... The bid on the system for the College coliseum construction was by Balco Sound Sy Lublock on a low \$39,107 without l... Not this J. C. Woo... The J.C. Woods... by the First Nation... 118th District Court... not the J.C. Wood... on Rt. 1, Box 1... Spring. The la... several inquir... favors after such... appeared in th... Records division... Herald.

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WEST TEXAS: F... Thursday. Warmer... Low tonight low 30s... 20s extreme south. Hi... mid 60s north to near 1... EXTENDED FO... WEST TEXAS: C... with warm afterno... through Sunday. High... and 70s except 80s... valleys. Lows mostl... and low 40s.

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HC sound system contract awarded

The bid on the sound system for the Howard College coliseum now under construction was awarded to Balco Sound System of Lubbock on a low bid of \$39,107 without the steel

Not this J. C. Woods

The J.C. Woods being sued by the First National Bank in 118th District Court here are not the J.C. Woods residing on Rt. 1, Box 190B, Big Spring. The latter had several inquiries from friends after such a notice appeared in the Public Records division of The Herald.

frameplatform. The two low bidders were allowed to re-bid after one firm submitted a bid without a platform and the other did not have this opportunity. The board approved the low bid and authorized the college president to negotiate with a steel builder for the needed platform and with the contractor for its installation.

In other action, the board approved the low bid of Hester and Robertson air conditioning at \$6,250 for the room which has been added to the college cafeteria.

The low bid on the carpet was a tie between Sherwin Williams Paint Co. and Good Housekeeping at \$11 per

square yard. The college selected the color they liked best.

This was offered by Sherwin Williams. The paint company then obtained a savings from its supplier and lowered the bid after it had been awarded to \$10.75 per square yard. Dr. Hays expressed appreciation for this

action of the dealer.

Board members also agreed with an administration decision to go on the Texann telephone line. This is a line for state agencies and state institutions which allows it to call anywhere in Texas, similar to a Watts line service. Dr. Hays told the

board it would save the college money.

The board also heard a discussion of needs to expand the registration and business office area, especially in the permanent records section. The board was told that they may expand into the old science wing.

All board members were present with Dr. Charles Warren presiding and Jimmy Taylor, K.H. McGibbon, Harold Davis, Dr. P.W. Malone, James Barr, and Don McKinney all present. Administrators present included Dr. Hays, Mrs. Johnnie Lou Avery, Dean Johnson and Charles McCamant.

DAVID GOMEZ
Relax — Another Candle,
It's Nothing You Can't Handle.
HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY!

Math instructor fired following hearing

Ron Vorheis, math instructor at Howard College since 1970, was dismissed from the college staff following a requested hearing before the board of trustees at the end of their meeting Tuesday.

The hearing was held in executive session at the end of which the board announced that Vorheis had presented an appeal of an administrative decision now to renew his contract.

Administration officials said that the contract was not renewed because Vorheis refused to comply with the college policy of allowing student evaluation. This has been a part of college policy for some time and is included in the faculty handbook.

The board, in closed session, questioned Dr. Robert Seyse, department head; Dean Ben Johnson and Dr. Charles Hays, college president, as well as

Following the session, the board reconvened and voted unanimously to back the decision of the college president on the matter.

Vorheis had earlier taken his appeal to a faculty grievance committee which also backed the administration.

Two bands ready to play at center

The Kentwood Older Adults Center, 2805 Lynn, will sponsor a special Country Western Musical 7 p.m. Saturday.

Two bands, and possibly a third, will appear. The Alvin Whittaker and Tom Castle bands are now scheduled. This will be the first appearance of the Whittaker Band.

Admission is free, and the public is invited.

Railway Vets call meeting

Big Spring Unit 130, National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees will meet in Kentwood Adult Activity Center located at 2805 Lynn Drive, Thursday at 7 p.m. There will be special

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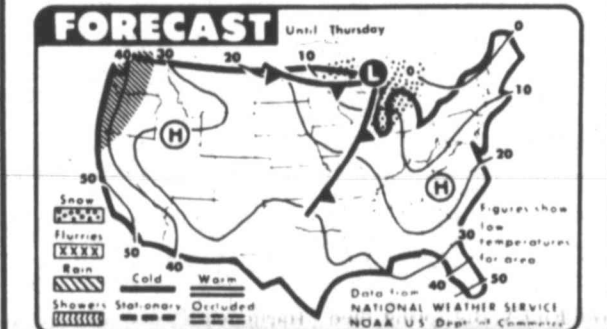
Fair, warmer in all sections

By The Associated Press
Skies were nearly cloudless and Texans awoke to uniformly cool weather today. Temperatures dipped into the 30s at most points in early morning, except for 17 degrees at Marfa and 27 at El Paso in the far west and 29 at Longview in the east. At the same hour the warmest spot was Galveston

on the coast with a 42. In the semitropical Lower Rio Grande Valley the mercury dipped to a snappy 39 at Brownsville. Tuesday's high marks were topped by 70 at Presidio in extreme West Texas. Forecasts promised it would be fair and warmer in all sections. Chances were seen for showers by Friday near the southeast corner of the state.

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Solution to water needs imperative

Time is running out on finding a solution to West Texas' water needs in the future.

Or at least that's what a West Texas Chamber of Commerce slide presentation contends. The presentation was shown by District Conservationist Ken Dawson to the monthly agriculture breakfast at Coker's Restaurant Tuesday.

RIGHT NOW, West Texas has an adequate water supply from 68 surface water reservoirs of 5,000 acre feet or more and several hundreds of millions of acre feet in recoverable ground water.

But, according to the presentation, it has been estimated that the majority of the vast and highly productive irrigated food and fiber of the plains "will, if maintained at present levels, begin to experience serious shortages of irrigation water within the next 20 years." Most West Texas cities will need additional water within the next two decades.

The catch is this:
-It takes 20 years to plan and build the average-sized reservoir.
-It will take at least 20 years to construct a major water transportation system which could import to West Texas.

So valuable time is ticking away,

especially for the intensely irrigated High Plains and the 750,000 persons involved in agriculture in that area. The West Texas Chamber's plans include the idea of intra-site pipelines which would allow West Texans to sell or loan water to places with severe needs.

WEST TEXAS now has 1,300 miles of surface water pipeline, and someday these systems may need to back each other up like the utility companies do with power.

One important concept in the chamber's presentation is this:
"Communities need to recognize the economic value of surplus raw water

as a commodity that can be sold to areas of need that are willing to pay." This can be true all over the nation. Water is a resource that is plentiful in some areas like oil is in Texas. Oil is piped out of West Texas; water can be brought in.

West Texas is a grain and fiber basket which will be needed more and more, not less and less, as the year 2000 approaches and the world's population doubles again.

Unless a water plan can be developed soon, it is possible that the West Texas bread basket will decline in productivity just when the world needs it most.

-J. TOM GRAHAM

Requires effort

Around the rim

Merry Jo Bright



Two nights ago, I had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James Rippis of Irving who were in town to handle some business for James' father, A.M. Rippis.

"Mr. Rippis," who may know more about the T&P Railway than anyone around, was a familiar figure here for almost a lifetime; the last few years holding court in the coffee shop of the Settles Hotel.

I met him through Joe Pickle and, soon 'adopted' this feisty old fellow. We became good friends, spending a good deal of time together until the time came when he had to shake the sand from his roots and start a new life away from Big Spring.

IT WAS not an easy thing — this shedding the community cocoon — but Mr. Rippis did it. His strong, stubborn spirit survived the emotional strain and he is now well-adjusted and happy in his new surroundings, a nursing home in Irving.

Which brings me to something a lot of people are thinking about: finding a nursing home which provides the services and atmosphere a person needs and prefers. It takes time and effort, as well as information.

In Big Spring last week, Mrs. Vivian Blair, a specialist in aging, said, "Considering that a nursing home becomes a person's home and community for as long as he remains there explains how necessary and worthwhile the search can be."

"It helps to plan ahead for the future of older members of your family as well as your own later

years. Advance planning makes one better able to locate the right nursing home care at the right price, or to find suitable alternatives to nursing home care. It also enables one to accept the decision to enter a nursing home in the event it becomes necessary."

When an older person needs help with dressing, shopping, meal preparation and personal chores, and when those needs cannot be filled by his family or community services, then nursing home care could be needed.

IT IS also needed when the older person requires medical attention which the family cannot provide at home or when keeping him (or her) at home severely upsets family life.

It could be helpful to explore the alternatives to nursing home care in the community or surrounding area. There are increasing services available such as visiting nurses, homemakers and home health aides. If nursing specialists or companions can be found, this may enable a person to remain in his own home longer. Usually, the time comes when the person must be practical and "give up" the luxury of feeling independent for the sake of his health — and peace of mind of his family.

According to Mrs. Blair, the decision should be discussed among family members, including the patient. Consult the physician. Always consider the patient's needs and preferences. After all, his lifestyle may be changed and, everyone, regardless of age or degree of health, has a right to influence his own fate.

Mob butts in

Jack Anderson, Les Whitten



WASHINGTON — The nation's top manicured and moneyed mobsters have taken a quiet, deadly interest in the lowly cigarette.

It began with a few enterprising but petty crooks, who discovered that the difference in state taxes made it profitable to smuggle cigarettes across state lines.

FOR EXAMPLE, a truckload of cigarettes from North Carolina, where the tax is 2 cents per pack, could be sold for big money in New York, where the tax is 14 cents. The bootlegger merely had to bypass the state tax collectors.

Now the crime syndicate has moved in on the racket. Members of the Vito Genovese and Carlo Gambino mobs have been linked to the underground traffic in cigarettes.

In several Northeastern states, the syndicate has cornered the cigarette blackmarket. Nearly half of all cigarettes sold in New York, for example, are distributed by the mob. Already, cigarette smuggling costs the taxpayers an estimated \$400 million a year.

But investigators have now picked up damning evidence that the Mafia is expanding its cigarette operations into the Midwest and Southwest. In a recorded conversation with an undercover agent, one syndicate bootlegger boasted that "it'll be easy to move into Tucson."

Of course, the Mafia promotes and protects its new cigarette business by the blackjack, the knife and the gun. Investigators say more than a dozen cigarette bootleggers have been murdered. Some were executed, gangland-style, to eliminate the competition.

One suspected informant, Richard DeMery, was found dead in a ditch in northern New Jersey a week after a bootlegging bust. DeMery had been severely beaten and then riddled with .22 caliber bullets. Finally, his executioners blew off his head with several blasts from a .38-caliber handgun.

THE MAFIA HAS ALSO transformed cigarette smuggling into an efficient business, complete with machines that turn out counterfeit tax stamps by the thousands. With the same efficiency, the businessmen-mobsters hijack cigarette cargoes, smuggle the contraband across state borders and corrupt the police who might get in the way.

According to New York State Tax Commissioner James H. Tully, cigarette smuggling, unhappily, is on the rise. Yet it's an interstate crime that the Justice Dept. doesn't want to add to its jurisdiction. Cigarettes seem so small; but the illegal profits are huge.

RENT-A-FARMER: Family farms still form the backbone of America's phenomenal agriculture production. They not only have made this the best-fed nation in history, but family farmers have been the traditional guardians of American values.

Yet in the past two decades, millions have been driven off their land by the inability to compete with the agricultural giants. Inflation has also driven many small farmers to the edge of bankruptcy.

Depression-born laws to protect the small farmers are hopelessly outdated and now serve to subsidize the giant landowners as they gobble up ever greater bites of the countryside.

ONE OF the nation's most formidable banks, the \$16 billion Continental Illinois National Bank, has

joined in the squeeze on the small farmers. The bank will set up a \$50 million, tax-exempt trust fund, which will buy up working farms throughout the Midwest.

Fields that were worked by families will be turned over to professional managers. They'll be paid either a salary or a share of the harvest. The profits from the operation will go to the trust's investors.

Land trusts are nothing new to big investors. But Continental Illinois has opened the way for them to capitalize on the misfortune of the harassed family farmers who can no longer meet rising costs.

Like a new plague of locusts, speculators are expected to gobble up the choicest farmland, drive up the prices and increase the relentless pressure on financially strapped family owners.

Spokesman for the Pointintail Illinois dispute this. They point out that the \$50 million trust won't put a dent in the gigantic agricultural real estate market. The farmland purchases would also be made "gradually," said a spokesman.

Yet the appearance down on the farm of the giant Continental Illinois National Bank will encourage other banks to create similar tax-exempt trusts.

Two concerned congressmen, Richard Nolan, D-Minn., and Fred Richmond, D-N.Y., have written a private letter to Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal, urging him to study "the long-range economic and social implications should this type of investment vehicle be widely adopted."

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Dear Editor:
I feel it necessary to call attention to the fact that many drivers in the Big Spring area appear to be very ignorant as to what flashing red lights on a stopped school bus mean.

As the driver of a bus, it is most irritating to me when someone passes my bus while I am loading or unloading students. Some people do not even slow down. Do they know the risk they are taking?

When yellow alternating flashing lights on the front and rear of a bus are activated, this means the bus is approaching a loading or unloading zone. Drivers should exercise caution because the bus is going to stop. When the bus stops and the door is opened to load or unload students, the red flashing lights are automatically activated. This means all vehicles including autos, buses, trucks, motorcycles or any other motor vehicle must stop. This is a state law.

I'm sure that no driver wants to injure or kill a student crossing the street just because he is in a hurry to get to his destination. His hurry would suddenly come to a halt should he hit a student. I doubt he would think a student's being injured or his life being taken was worth his failure to stop.

I hope all drivers will read this letter and take it for what it is worth — a student's life.

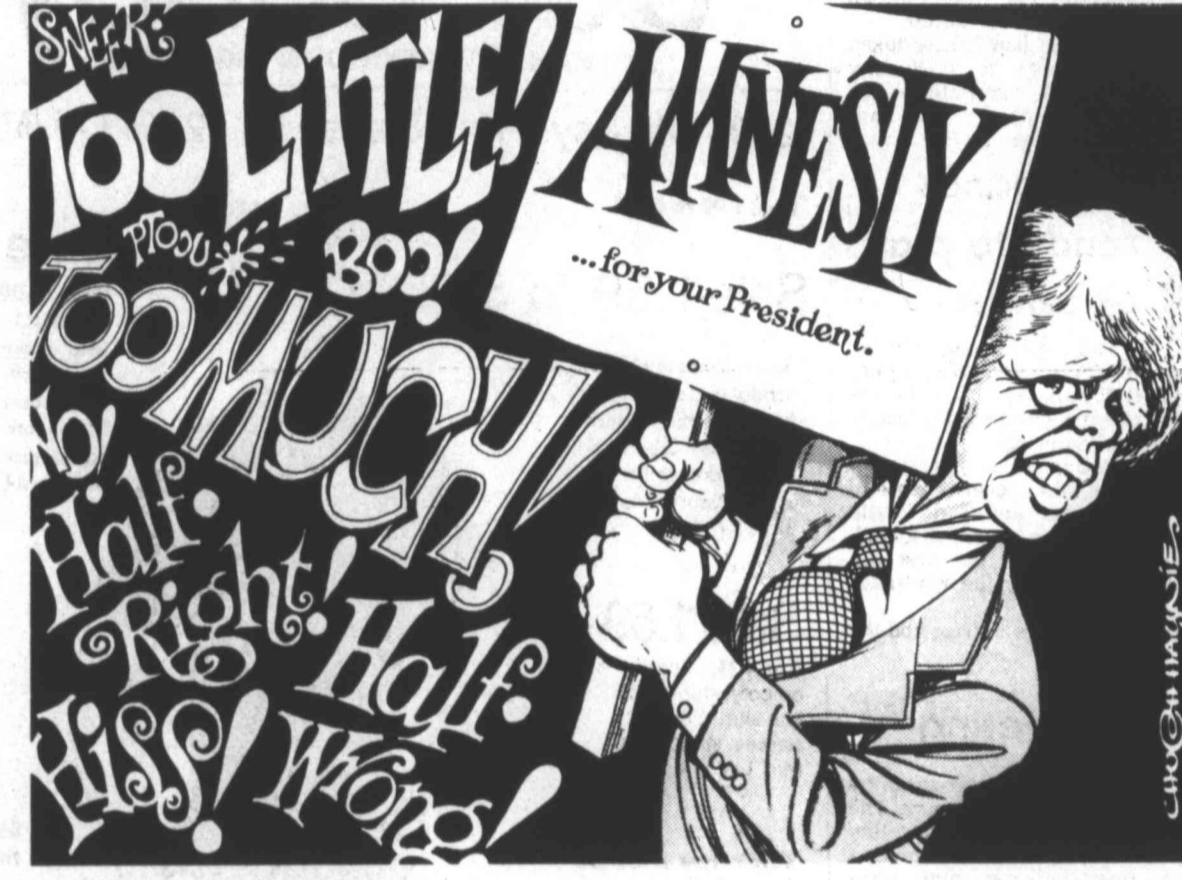
Mrs. James M. Norman
Bus 74

Weapons race

William F. Buckley, Jr.

So, the Soviet Union has been working for 20 years, and is doing so now, on a particle-beam weapon the function of which would be to unsex nuclear weapons before they land. I am cross with Daniel Ellsberg for not informing us of this development earlier, but we must assume that even he was unaware of it. Now it is released, together with strategic and technological commentary.

It is estimated that the Soviet Union is devoting as much attention to the effort to perfect the particle-beam weapon as we devoted 30 years ago to the development of our atom bomb. That was the so-called Manhattan project. The instructions that went out from the commander-in-chief were: Spare no expense; recruit such scientific talent as is available; work day and night; produce the bomb. Then we have the word of unnamed American scientists that the difficulties that lie in the way of the successful development of the particle-beam are formidable. So much so that some doubt it can ever be made operational. We are supposed to hope that they are right, because here we are thus far devoting only a few million dollars per year to the project.



Hysterectomy not always needed

Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Dr. Thosteson: If a 40-year-old woman has endometriosis, why would she need a hysterectomy? If she really does not want this operation, wouldn't there be value in at least trying hormones, or even a D and C to correct the condition? — J.M.

I'm not a very good second-guesser — at long range. Endometriosis is a weird disorder in which fragments of the tissue lining the uterus (endometrium) become displaced outside the uterus and grow. This may occur on the surface of the ovary, tubes, bladder, colon or other pelvic structures. The new tissue responds to the ovaries' hormone production as though it were in the uterus. This results in painful menstruation.

Once, the only answer was hysterectomy (uterus removal), but that did not help much unless all the new-growth tissue was also removed. Often ovaries were removed to eliminate hormones as a factor.

It was found that women actually experienced relief during pregnancy, and with the coming of the birth control pills (which create a "false" pregnancy on a more or less permanent basis) hormone treatment came into the picture. This has been effective for most women, thus eliminating the need for hysterectomy.

There are times when hormone therapy won't work. Then a hysterectomy is considered. A simple D and C will not correct the problem.

So, where do you go? If a course of hormone therapy has not been suggested, then it should at least be considered. If that does not end the pain, then it can be repeated. Some women are unable, for one reason or another, to take such treatment, and you may be one. For them, hysterectomy is the ultimate answer. If your doctor recommended surgery as the first form of treatment, seek another who may consider hormone use. Your present doctor may explain to you to your satisfaction why he doesn't want to try hormones for your problem.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Would you

please write about the toeing-in defect in babies' feet? Can't this be checked for at birth? Wouldn't early detection save a lot of heartbreak later on? My daughter had this and it wasn't found until late. — Mrs. F.A.

I presume you are referring to serious deformity, such as in pigeon toe or clubfoot. If either, then it goes without saying that the answer to your question is a resounding yes. These are congenital defects which should be identified early because that is when the most effective treatment can be begun.

Most babies have some harmless toeing-in at birth, and it may last for some time. So often it is not easy to recognize the congenital problem. If such a condition is suspected, a pediatrician or an orthopedic doctor can confirm things by skillful manipulation of the structures involved.

Clubfoot is not as uncommon as you might think. At least it is sufficiently common to rule out the possibility early, even at the hospital nursery stage. Figures I have show clubfoot occurs in one out of about 800 births. If there has been a history of this involving an older brother or sister, then the odds narrow down to about 1 in 35, less if there are identical twins.

Early detection and treatment can reduce the number of cases that progress to a serious stage. Corrective casts are usually effective, but if the condition persists, surgery can be performed to lengthen the cord that causes the toeing-in.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I have arthritis pains in different parts of my body. Is it possible to have it in your head? — Mrs. H.D.



My answer

Billy Graham

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I am a Christian, but years ago I found out I was illegitimate by birth. Does Deuteronomy 23:2 somehow indicate that I won't have as high a place in heaven because of this? — Mrs. M.S.F.

DEAR MRS. F.: No, not at all. According to the detailed regulations of the Old Testament, certain groups of people were not allowed to participate fully in the public worship of the Israelites. Those of illegitimate birth were among those not given full rights, as the verse you mention indicates. However, the verse had nothing to do with a person's eternal salvation. Jephthah, one of the judges of Israel, was illegitimate.

The reason for this regulation in the Old Testament was probably to stress the importance of purity for God's people. It also showed that sin (in this case sexual sin) could not be taken lightly and that the effects of a sinful

Arthritis is a disease of the joints. It might affect the jaw joint or upper segments of the spinal column. However, headache is not a feature of arthritis, if this is what you are referring to.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Can you give me an address for the Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation? — H.H.

My most recent address is 3408 Rolling Road, Baltimore, Md. 21207. Check the phone book for a local chapter. And yes, research is continuing into the problem.

Arthritis sufferers can be helped. Dr. Thosteson's booklet discusses many types of arthritis and related joint diseases as well as effective treatments and medications. For a copy of "How You Can Control Arthritis," write to him in care of the Big Spring Herald. Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 35 cents.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: What causes ridges in fingernails and toenails? — V.V.

One can't be specific. However, horizontal ridges can result from injury at the base of the nail. Vertical ridges are usually part of the aging process.

Bed-wetting can be a frustrating problem but it can be controlled. To learn how, write to Dr. Thosteson in care of the Big Spring Herald, for a copy of his booklet, "Bed-Wetting: Ways to Stop It." Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 25 cents.

Dr. Thosteson welcomes reader mail but regrets that, due to the tremendous volume received daily, he is unable to answer individual letters. Readers' questions are incorporated in his column whenever possible.

action were serious and not easily erased. The seriousness of sin's effects was also seen when the child born of David's illicit union with Bathsheba died shortly after birth, as God had indicated (II Samuel 12).

In Jesus Christ our background is wiped out, and God accepts us and freely forgives us. In the Old Testament a Gentile normally had less right to the privileges of Israel than someone who was illegitimate. But now Christ has changed, and all who come to Christ-in faith-become God's children. "Remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth... were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel... without hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:11, 12, 13, New International Version).

Is there or

The coffee surplus yesterday is gone. Today, but not enough, but not enough to quiet the fear of sh tomorrow. The fear is very real that is why coffee prices American grocery have more than doubled the past 18 months.

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All this, and yet coffee still available. The 1975 production sharply down but left enough green beans on trees and piles to meet demand the frost their price than tripled, from cents to \$2.30 a pound. In the current year, the Agricultural Service U.S. Dept. of Agriculture estimates there will be 45.1 bags, just over pounds, available (A bag holds 132 pounds).

World demand is to be about 50 million. The difference can be up from Brazil's stock about 25 million last year. By dipping into pile, Brazil exported more coffee than in 1975 — 15 billion bags last year, or 14.6 million a year. It should have surprised that other producing countries would try to get money for this coffee. Needing revenues to buy industrial development had tried for years prices by withholding from the market.

In July 1974, a frost, Peru stopped selling countries, claim were too low.

In August, Colombia — the biggest producer world market by projected decline earnings.

In September producers accumulated more than 80 billion bags.

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"I may disagree with what you have to say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire

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Is there or isn't there a shortage?

Why does coffee cost so much?

By The Associated Press
The coffee surplus of yesterday is gone. There is enough to meet the demand today, but not enough to quiet the fear of shortage tomorrow.

The fear is very real, and that is why coffee prices in American grocery stores have more than doubled in the past 18 months.

The well-publicized frost of July 1975, in Brazil, the largest grower, reduced the world coffee surplus to the point where another such disruption could cause an absolute shortage.

The results:
—Producing countries, taking advantage of the possibility of shortage, raised their prices sharply, dramatically increasing their revenues.
—Many U.S. coffee companies, willing to pay the higher prices and immediately passing them along, made a quick killing on the coffee they already held, but later absorbed some of the rising price.
—Coffee drinkers, refusing to quit buying, saw the retail price rise from an average \$1.27 a pound before the frost to over \$3 in some places today.

All this, and yet coffee was still available.

The 1975 frost cut production sharply in Brazil, but left enough green coffee beans on trees and in stockpiles to meet demand. Since the frost their price has more than tripled, from about 60 cents to \$2.30 a pound.

In the current marketing year, the Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that there will be 45.5 million bags, just over 6 billion pounds, available for export. (A bag holds 132 pounds.)

World demand is expected to be about 50 million bags. The difference can be made up from Brazil's stockpile of about 25 million bags late last year.

By dipping into the stockpile, Brazil actually exported more coffee in 1976 than in 1975 — 15.6 million bags last year, compared to 14.6 million a year earlier.

It should have been no surprise that Brazil and other producing countries would try to get as much money for this coffee as they could. Needing coffee revenues to buy oil for industrial development, they had tried for years to raise prices by withholding coffee from the market.

In July 1974, a year before the frost, Peru and Angola stopped selling to other countries, claiming prices were too low.

In August, exporters in Colombia — the second-biggest producer — left the world market because of a projected decline in coffee earnings.

In September, 18 producers accounting for more than 80 per cent of

world exports formally agreed to withhold about 16 million bags of coffee from market.

In October, Brazil decided to withhold 3.6 million bags from its harvest.

In November, the president of Venezuela told coffee-producing nations they should operate in the same way as the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries — OPEC — of which Venezuela is also a member.

Nothing worked. There was too much coffee available.

By February 1975, coffee's price actually had declined 20 per cent from 1974; by early July, prices for green, unroasted beans were about 60 cents a pound.

Then nature stepped in.

On July 17, 1975, a freezing wind swept up from Antarctica and brought frost to Brazil's major coffee-producing states. The Brazilians say the crop was cut to 5 million to 6.5 million bags — a drop of 70 to 80 per cent from the pre-frost year harvest of 23 million bags.

(The Foreign Agricultural Service estimates the 1976 harvest at 9.5 million bags, a drop of about 60 per cent.)

Overnight, the Brazilian frost jolted the world coffee market from surplus to scarcity. But reduced supply was not the same as absolute shortage.

Brazil had already completed harvesting the coffee that would be sold in 1975 and also had its stockpiles of about 25 million bags to draw on during the three years needed for newly planted coffee trees to start bearing beans.

The Foreign Agricultural Service estimates world production for the 1976-77 marketing year at 62.7 million bags, down 15 per cent from the previous crop of 73.5 million bags. (Production figures include coffee consumed in the growing countries; export figures do not.)

The fear of shortage took hold, however.

Producing countries immediately withheld their coffee from the market until they could gauge the frost's impact; Brazil did not resume exports until Aug. 1.

Speculators, gambling that the possibility of a shortage would drive up prices, started buying available coffee.

U.S. roasters, accustomed to plenty of coffee at low prices, had let their inventories dwindle to near-record lows. They moved to build up their stocks, boosting the demand for beans.

When they sold the coffee they had on hand, they charged higher prices that reflected the higher price they were paying to replace inventories.

In two days of trading on the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange just after

the news of the frost, the price of a pound of coffee jumped from 27 to 84 cents; within a week, the price of green coffee beans from Colombia stood at a record \$1.01 a pound.

The situation was aggravated by reports — later confirmed — that civil war in Angola would cut that country's harvest in half and that heavy rains in Colombia would result in a 10 per cent loss in production there.

Industry observers attribute the over-reaction to several things.

Brazilian and Colombian beans are of the high quality necessary to maintain the blends to which American coffee drinkers are accustomed.

In 1975, beans from Brazil accounted for just under 20 per cent of all U.S. coffee imports. Beans from other countries often cannot be substituted without changing the flavor.

The two largest roasters and acknowledged price leaders — General Foods, which makes Maxwell House, and Procter & Gamble, which makes Folger coffee — depend heavily on Brazil for supplies. Folger, for instance, is a blend of coffees grown in highland areas and the highland areas of Brazil were hardest hit by the frost.

The American companies bid up the price of green coffee as they stored up inventories, boosting stockpiles in the United States from 2.7 million bags in July 1975 to nearly 4 million in October.

By March 1976 — eight months after the frost — the world price of green coffee stood at \$1 a pound — 40 cents higher than before the frost. Roasters eased up on buying, anticipating a consumption drop.

And some experts predicted an end to the spiral.

"The price of green coffee has leveled out in recent weeks," said Julius Katz, assistant secretary of state for economic affairs, in testimony to a House subcommittee early last year. "Barring some new event, there is no particular reason why it ought to go higher."

Since then, the price of beans has more than doubled.

"I don't know altogether

what's caused it to go higher," said Katz.

A spokesman for Folger's agrees. "We can see no good reason why green coffee prices should be so high."

One factor may be the higher taxes imposed by producing countries. Brazil boosted the export tax on a 132-pound bag of coffee from \$21 before the frost to over \$100 today. "What the government will do is go on pushing up the (tax) and

thus gradually increase prices until demand slackens," said Benjamin Belinky, president of the Brazilian association for the instant coffee industry.

But thus far, contrary to expectations, coffee consumption has not dropped substantially. A New York research firm, Selling Area Marketing Inc., estimated U.S. retail sales of regular coffee in 1976 at 1.08 billion

pounds, a drop of only one-tenth of a per cent from 1975. The value of the coffee rose 44 per cent in the same period.

Nationwide sales figures for recent weeks, when there have been growing calls for a coffee boycott, are not available. But there are indications that some people are buying less — either because they are drinking what they hoarded earlier or drinking less.

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We were invited to the christening. My husband went, but I said I had a headache and stayed home. I might add that my husband felt "honored," and he boasted to several of our friends that a woman in his office named her baby after him.

What do you think this foolish girl had in mind? Was she trying to make Brownie points with her boss? Or trying to obligate him so he'd give her baby a more expensive present?

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DEAR WIFE: It's possible that the young couple named their baby after your husband because they respect and admire him—and for no other reason. Why assume that there's an ulterior motive? There may be none.

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DEAR ABBY: We are just ordinary people. My husband has a 9 to 5 job and I am only a housewife. We have been married for 10 years and in all that time we have never gone anywhere without taking our children. (We have three.) I have never had one night away from home except those few when I went to the hospital to have another baby. We have never hired a sitter. Never needed one. My husband said the children grow up so fast we should enjoy every moment we can with them. I love my children, Abby, but don't you think I deserve a night out without the children just once a year?

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DEAR MATE: Your husband forgets that you "enjoy" your children all day, every day when he is at work. Remind him. You not only "deserve" an occasional night out, you NEED one.

Everyone has a problem. What's yours? For a personal reply, write to ABBY: Box No. 69700, L.A., Calif. 90069. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope, please.

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'Reverse discrimination' new problem for courts?

"Are the courts and government agencies pushing too hard to prevent and correct bias at the expense of whites and males?" asked Mrs. S.R. Nobles when she discussed "The Growing Debate on Reverse Discrimination" Friday during a Modern Woman's Forum meeting in the home of Mrs. W.E. Singleton.

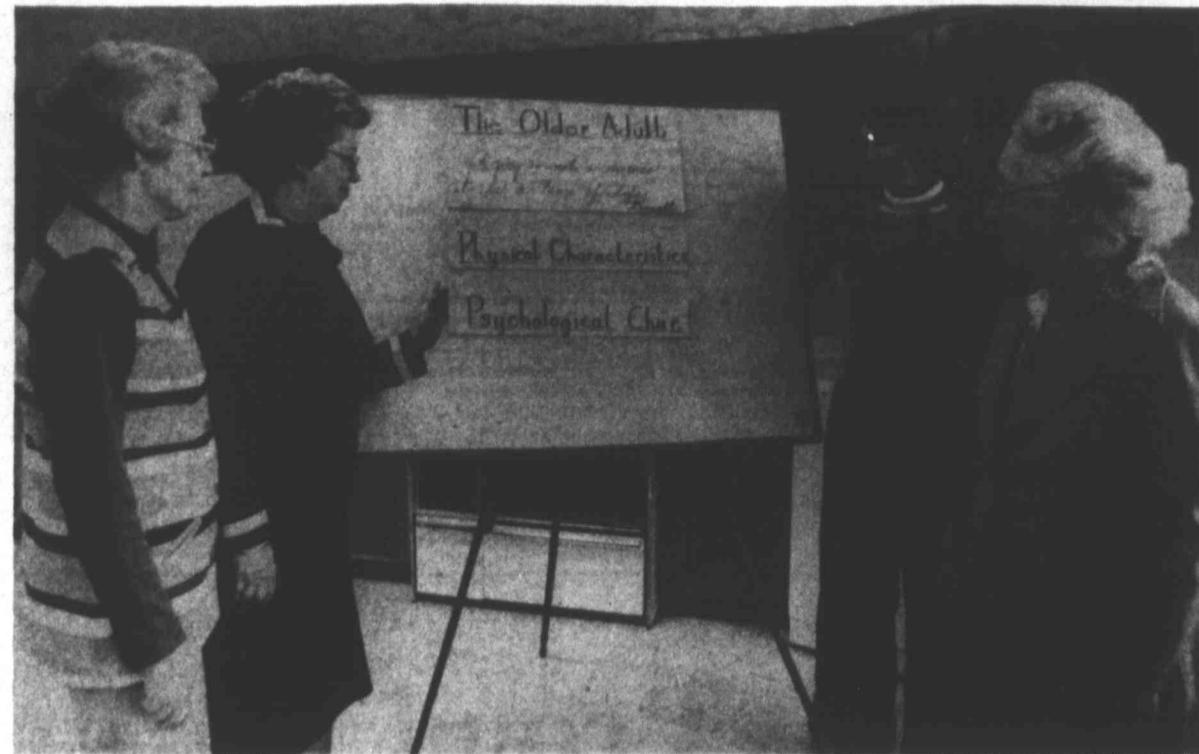
"Suits of reverse discrimination are being filed in increasing numbers," continued the speaker. "Several such suits are currently on the docket of the Supreme Court and more on appeal. The cases deal with claims of reverse discrimination in the areas of employment, education, housing and voting rights."

Continuing with the same program theme, Mrs. B.F. Yandell discussed several court decisions that she said show that whites and males are "beginning to win some decisions in their legal battle against reverse discrimination."

"One important ruling of

the Supreme Court was that federal civil rights laws protect whites as well as blacks against racial discrimination," explained Mrs. Yandell. "On the other hand, New York's highest state court ruled that reverse discrimination is constitutional in certain circumstances. That court found that Brooklyn's Downstate Medical Center acted improperly in admitting minority applicants who were less qualified than others. However, in California, courts have reached an opposite decision. The Supreme Court, which in 1974 sidestepped this issue, will have to make a ruling concerning this problem."

Mrs. Yandell concluded by saying that many questions involving discrimination will have to be answered in future court rulings and how the courts decide these issues will more clearly decide where the anti-discrimination rights of minorities and women end



(Photo By Danny Valdes)

DEVELOPING PROGRAMS for and with audiences of older citizens was discussed at a seminar held here last week by Mrs. Vivian Blair, a specialist on aging. The conference, held in the Pioneer Gas Flame Room, was aimed to professionals and volunteers who work with senior citizens. Pictured at the conference are, from left,

Ms. Maxine Mayse, Ector County extension agent; Mrs. Blair, Texas Agricultural Extension Service; Ms. Rita Nell Davis, Upton-Reagan County extension agent; Ms. Janet Sargent, Howard County extension agent; and Ms. Bessie Love, chairman of the Howard County Council on Aging.

Concerns of older citizens emphasized by specialist

Concerns of the aging were discussed in detail by Mrs. Vivian Blair, Extension Family Life Specialist on Aging, when she conducted a seminar here last week.

"Understanding the special circumstances surrounding the older adult is a necessity for those who expect to work effectively with them," said Mrs. Blair as an introduction to her subject, developing programs for and with audiences of older citizens.

The speaker asked the professionals and volunteer workers present to list what they thought were areas of concern under the general headings of income, transportation, housing, education, nutrition, health, retirement roles and activities, employment and spiritual and mental well-being.

Noting that 65 years seems to have been set as the age one is accepted as an older citizen, the speaker noted that one must then think of a

period of life between 65 and 100 years, then divide that into three age groups before determining special needs.

"There is a great variation in the characteristics of the age group we call the older adult," said Mrs. Blair. "The number of older adults in Texas is nearly 100,000 with women outnumbering men. The majority live in family settings, yet 28 per cent live alone and five per cent live in institutions. Some live in luxury, some live in extreme poverty and some live in each degree between these two."

When working with older adults, the physical aspect of aging must be considered, explained the speaker. There are probable changes in visual acuity, so instructors should use good illumination, arrange equipment so it can be seen clearly, use sharp contrasts of color, large charts and diagrams, large writing or printing and double space.

The loss of hearing efficiency in older persons should remind a teacher to speak more slowly and distinctly, stand relatively still so that those who depend on lip reading will be aided in understanding, use simple words, eliminate distracting noises and to repeat a question that comes from the group to insure that all understand. It is also helpful to use visuals to supplement poor hearing.

Loss of reaction time

suggests that older adults should be permitted to choose their own work tempo; should be encouraged and stimulated but not rushed.

The capacity for physical work declines with age. Experimental clinical studies show that at age 70 the capacity for physical work is about 50 per cent of what it is at age 40. For this reason, meetings should not be lengthy, they should be held in easily accessible places and the site should provide physical comfort in regard to heating and ventilation.

Stressing that increasing age is characterized by increasing individual differences, Mrs. Blair said older persons should not be considered a homogeneous group. In viewing the psychological aspects of aging, she said the three primary areas in the psychological realm in which changes with age may influence learning our ability and intellectual power, interests and attitudes. Some psychologists feel that any decline of mental powers with age is more likely to result from the brain getting too little rather than too much work — that the capacity is still there if it is kept active and alert.

Emphasizing the importance of attitude, Mrs. Blair said studies show there is a close correlation between health and happiness, and happiness is definitely

related to having useful work to do. Women can find something to do to occupy time easier than men. The chief sources of worry are finances, concern for spouse and poor health. Frequently the aging process itself, induces mental deterioration. This is the result of social pressures in society.

The studies also show that older workers are steadier in their jobs, less wasteful, more careful and less distracted by social interests, having strong sense of loyalty and responsibility.

"Sometimes, the older adult is not prepared for the emotional battering he may be subjected to because of changes in physical appearance, abilities, economic status, social status or degree of independence," concluded Mrs. Blair. "The problems are being recognized by more groups who are working to find solutions. Understanding must precede the solution."

Mu Zetas slate social activities

Prior to a meeting Monday of Mu Zeta Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, chapter members took valentine tray favors to the Veteran's Administration Hospital and visited patients.

The next meeting will be Feb. 28 in the home of Mrs. Curt Johnson, 76-B Ent. Albrook, at 10 a.m.

Blend together

The group met in the home of Mrs. Stephen Gress, 76-A Ent, where Mrs. Troy Fraser, social committee chairman, outlined social events for 1977, including an Italian dinner, barbecue and Las Vegas Night.

Mrs. Terry Wegman was named chairman of the 25th anniversary garden party slated in May. Persons knowing names of past Mu Zeta members are asked to contact Mrs. Wegman. A brunch for prospective members was slated for March 12 in the home of Mrs. Donald Schaffer, 26-A

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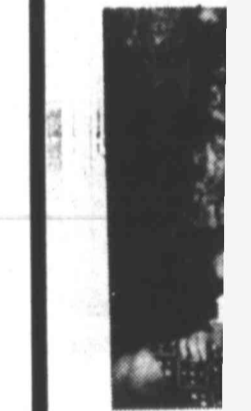
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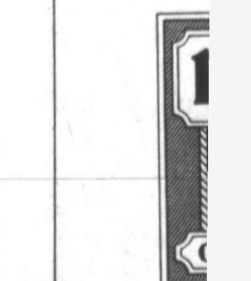


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DAV unit maps benefits hearing

Detailed explanations of the full range benefits available to war-time disabled veterans of the U.S. Armed forces and their dependents will be presented at an open meeting Saturday at the V.F.W. Hall on Driver Road in the Silver Heels Addition, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting is sponsored for all veterans and their dependents by Chapter 47,

Department of Texas, Disabled American Veterans.

The local DAV unit is holding the meeting because, "we are concerned that so many veterans and their dependents are unaware of the federal benefits to which they may be entitled," according to Commander C.B. O'Neal, Chapter 46 Commander.

They are also unaware

that there is professional assistance available to them at no charge, to assure that they receive their maximum entitlement," he said.

At the meeting, the DAV Commander said, trained experts — including National Service Officers of the Disabled American Veterans — will be on hand to answer individual questions concerning government administered benefits for veterans and dependents.

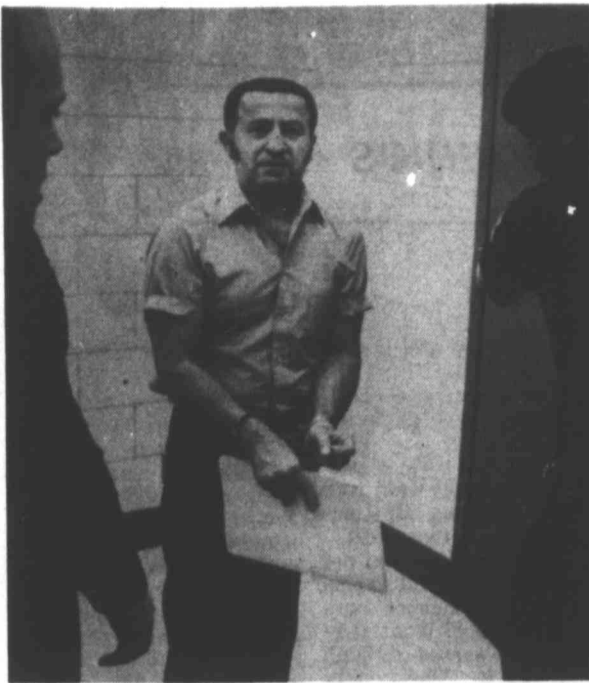
These expert technicians will be available to assist and advise in obtaining evidence necessary to develop claims and will act as the veteran's representative, if desired. They will also be available for private counsel, according to Commander C.B. O'Neal.

The Disabled American Veterans maintains a larger staff of full-time National Service Officers than any

other Veterans Organization and is currently expanding this already impressive elite corps of NSO's to a total of nearly 300, more than half of whom are Vietnam era veterans.

The DAV attorneys-in-fact provide services to the veteran that would cost the government millions of dollars to duplicate. Every DAV NSO is himself (or herself) a war-time service connected disabled veteran with at least a 20 per cent disability.

They have represented the claims of individual disabled veterans not only before the Veterans Administration, but also before members of the U.S. Congress, the Secretary of Defense and high officials of the Armed Forces, The U.S. Civil Service, the Department of Labor and other Federal and State Agencies.



(AP Wirephoto) **AFTER COURT** — Anthony G. Kiritis, 44, is taken to jail after his court appearance Tuesday in Indianapolis. Kiritis was ordered to undergo psychiatric examination before his arraignment in connection with the abduction of Richard Hall last week. Kiritis held Hall hostage for 63 hours before releasing him last Thursday with a promise of immunity.

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A Western Cotton Production Conference will be held in the Hilton Inn in Lubbock on Feb. 22-24 and is of interest to many producers in Howard County, according to County Agent Bruce Griffith.

General chairman is W.B. Criswell, president of the Plains Cotton Growers Inc. of Idalou.

Among the speakers will be Bobby Smith, member of the board of directors of Cotton Inc. of Winder, Ga.; David L. Jordening, associate director of economics from Raleigh, N.C. and Macon T. Edwards, representative for the National Cotton Council from Washington, D.C.

There will also be talks from cotton officials from Dallas, Lubbock, and Arizona. Frank Jones, a Lamesa grower, will speak on "Using Cotton Marketing Alternatives".

Paul Dickson, from the USDA cotton classing office in Lubbock will speak on "Progress with Classification" and Lloyd Cline, executive vice president of First National Bank in Lamesa will speak on "Financing Cotton Producers".

Other area spokesmen will include several from Lubbock as well as Marion Bowers, Seminole farmer speaking on sprinkler irrigation and Clifford Hoelscher, Garden City farmer, speaking on skip row irrigation.

Representatives from the Texas A&M district office in Fort Stockton including Kenneth Lindsey, Charles Neeb and G.D. Condra, all well-known in Big Spring, will also speak.

Jerry Harris, new president of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce and also a cotton farmer will speak on "My Experience with a Workable Seed Cotton Storage and Handling System."

Anyone desiring additional information on the conference, which will include a possible tour of the spinning textile mill in Littlefield and the cotton classing office in Lubbock, may contact Griffith for more information at the extension office here.

Farm markets

FORT WORTH (AP) — Livestock prices Wednesday. Cattle and calves: 200. Slaughter cows steady. Feeder steers not established. Limited supply feeder heifers steady. Slaughter cows: Cutter and utility 23.00-27.75. Feeder heifers: Standard and good 200-400 lbs 28.00-31.50. Hogs: 200. Barrows and gilts 50 lower. US 1 2 200-220 lbs 39.00-39.50. US 1 3 190-250 lbs 38.50-39.00. US 2 3 200-290 lbs 38.00-38.50. Sows steady. US 1 3 200-400 lbs 32.00. Boars: 300-450 lbs 21.00.

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This has been grating me for several years and in recent months has finally made me downright mad.

I've known oil people at every level most of my life, and consider most of them as rather special. For an eight-year period in my 50 years, I lived in a town that was totally dependent on oil in Andrews.

I've known people in the oilfields from the roustabout to the refinery president level, and I've found very few of them I didn't like.

They work long and odd hours. They talk in a different language. They refer to Christmas trees as those pipes that stick up out of the ground instead of the kind that grow.

They think nothing of rising at an unearthly hour to go out on cold, rainy, sleety nights to work morning tower.

They also go out in hot, steaming, demanding summer sun.

Many of the executives worked first in the field and those who did not have firsthand experiences in the field are usually very familiar with it.

The independent oilmen have risked their entire capital on many occasions to

get where they are, if they are successful. They are kind of the last of the big-time gamblers — gambling for America.

Those who were unsuccessful usually went back to work for the oil companies, because they like it.

Oil field workers are not usually prone to hold strikes and agitate for shorter hours and more pay. What they have, they earned through hard work. The early pioneers in the industry earned theirs from working "can to can't."

They respect their executives because their executives are almost always fair to them. They understand what their industry is trying to do and why exploration is important.

They resent governmental control of their industry and believe that they ought to be able to make their own regulations.

And they bitterly resent being called names by people in states who have never known any of them personally, but who say things like "You can't trust those oil companies."

So, who do you trust? I don't think Americans trust anyone anymore. We all hear such statements as "Don't trust reporters, lawyers, judges, car salesmen, doctors, merchants, barbers, builders, icemen, waitresses, cooks,

railroad commissioners, insurance salesman, realtors, disc jockeys, game wardens, policemen, book salesmen, highway patrolmen, undertakers, mechanics, chiropractors, veterinarians, psychiatrists, television commentators, nurses, editors, paper boys, company presidents, janitors, preachers, florists, coaches, teachers, motel operators, television repairmen, truck drivers, yard men, trainmen, pilots, military personnel, plumbers, electricians, politicians and dishwashers."

Our sad stories that we brandish across the nation tend to sympathize only with the criminals, the unemployed, the mentally handicapped and the stupid.

I for one wish that the government would trust the oil companies and let them work out energy needs in a competitive open manner. But I'm sure this will not occur.

But I still say, as I pass the pump jacks, "Hail to thee — oil people. You're a special breed. You help each other out of trouble and you work like hell."

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Speech team runner-up at Texas Tech tourney

The Big Spring speech team was runner-up for Sweepstakes honors at the Texas Tech tournament last weekend. Lubbock Coronado and Muleshoe tied for first with 159 points while Big Spring collected 139.

The debate team of Angie Fulgham and Donny Knight was eliminated in the quarter finals on a 2-1 decision with Coronado going on to win the finals. The Big Spring team beat them in the preliminaries.

Sean Grathwol collected first in poetry interpretation out of 104 students entered. Robin Von Rosenberg was one of seven students in the finals.

Carol Morehead placed second in prose, out of 96 entrants with Jan Whittington making it to the semi-finals. Joe Edwards also entered this division.

In extemp, Hard Wilkerson placed 2nd out of 130 with Shannon Mullen making it to the semi-finals and missing the cut-off point

by one speaker point. Lucian Grathwol, James Burleson and Cappy Tatom also were entrants in this event. Coach Janice Cook said the team will go to El Paso for a big tournament on Feb. 25 and 26.

Webb Lions celebrated

The Webb Spring Lions Club celebrated its third anniversary Friday at the Howard College Cafeteria.

A banquet was served, and entertainment was provided by the North Side Church of Christ Choir. Church pastor, Brother Howard Adams, was guest speaker. His address dealt with the topic of "Dualism in One's Life."

Honored guests were Russell Devore, District 2-A-1 governor; prior district governors Tom Nipp, member of the Midland Lions and Cecil Bridges, member of the Stanton Lions Club; and Lt. Col. Miller, executive officer at Webb AFB.

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By DANNY RE Sports Editor

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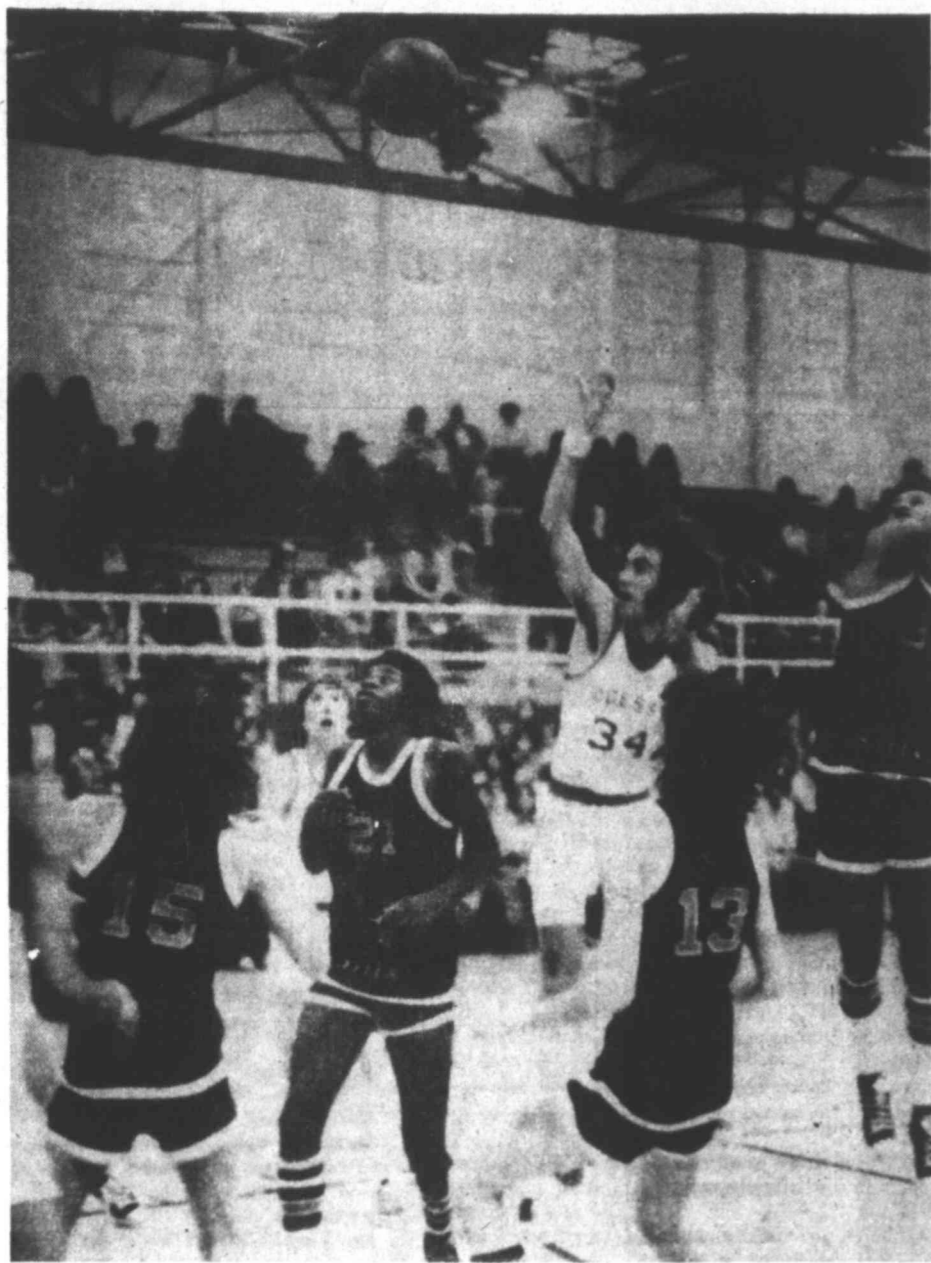
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Steers roundup Ponies, 79-57



By **BOB BURTON**
The Big Spring Steers played fifty per cent ball in the first half of their final home game. Odessa could only get half the hoops the taller, stronger Big Spring team garnered.

But that 22-point half time lead melted like a snowbank during the third quarter, and in the end it was the lesser lights of the Steers who pulled it all together.

It was a high fouling game, with both teams taking a total of 63 shots. The Steers tagged 15 of 26. The Steers got 31 of 37, with three players going 100 per cent; Casey Wilder at 8 for 8, Frankie Rubio went 6 for 6, and Johnny Jones dropping 3 for 3.

The first quarter should have worn Casey Wilder's I.D. bracelet. Wilder dropped home four free baskets before he hit his first basket of the quarter at 2:30. When the lights went back on, Wilder had 14 points and the Steers led 20-11. Wilder scored 22 points for the night.

The second quarter gave Steer subs enjoy wins

The Big Spring Shorthorns and Sophomores made it a clean sweep of Odessa High Tuesday night, as the JV's bombed the Colts 58-33, and the Sophomores managed a 73-67 win.

Ysa Rubio with 17 and Billy Johnson with 10 led the Sophs, as Chippo Wright's 25 points led the JV's. Mark Poss and Marty Latta also had 15 and 12 for the junior varsity.

The two teams finish their season Friday night in San Angelo.

46-37 at the quarter, and the Steers switched to a zone.

The boards made the difference in the fourth quarter. At 7:10 a Steer shot arced up, and bounced back. Ken Perry tipped it twice, "Wings" pushed it back once, before Frankie Rubio dropped it in. Rubio turned in a 12-point performance, second high for the night, and along with Evans, held the Longhorns together and kept them up for the fourth

quarter. It was Rubio's famous one-step bank shot that put the Steers back on the track with only a nine-point-lead left at 6:22 in the fourth.

Johnny "Bam" Jones moved the ball well, and Mike "Moondog" Harris began putting his pancake shot (flat-as-a) up for some points. Harris finished with 11, along with Bubba Stripling, who put out his usual consistent performance.

Although Del Poss couldn't find the hoop, he pulled off a wizard pass to "Mr.

Invisible" at :40 in the game to lock up the Steer win. Bubba Stripling dumped a foul shot after the horn, among the crowd on the floor, to finish the unfortunate Broncos off with a 33-point fourth quarter, 79-57.

Standouts for the night were the Steer bench for the job they did during the early fourth quarter, and the entire team for their 83.8 per cent performance from the foul line. Too bad they found the range so late in the season, but it's better than not finding it at all.

BIG SPRING 79, ODESSA 57
Big Spring — Evans 21.5; C. Wilder 7.8; 2.7; S. Wilder 5.4; Perry 1.1; Green 1.0; Jones 1.5; Stripling 4.3; Harris 3.5; Rubio 3.6; 12; 24.31.
Odessa — White 6.8; Wright 3.2; Powell 2.1; Farr 0.1; Marrs 1.1; Hinklin 1.2; Healy 2.1; Totals 21.5-57.

Score by quarters
Big Spring 20 21 5 33-79
Odessa 11 8 18 20-57

5-4A standings

TEAM	Sea.	2nd-1/2	1st-1/2
Midland Lee	27.7	5.1	5.2
Abilene Cooper	25.7	5.1	6.1
Abilene High	18.14	4.2	3.4
Odessa Permian	22.8	4.2	6.1
San Angelo	11.16	2.3	1.6
Midland High	10.21	2.4	4.3
Big Spring	14.16	1.5	3.4
Odessa High	7.25	0.6	0.7

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Big Spring 79, Odessa 57; Midland Lee 77, Abilene High 65; Abilene Cooper 62, Midland High 59; Odessa Permian 53, San Angelo 38.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Big Spring at San Angelo; Midland High at Midland Lee; Abilene High at Abilene Cooper; Odessa Permian at Odessa High.

SCORING LEADERS
(All District Games)

PLAYER	TEAM	G	F	FT	TP	AVG
Ennis, Lee	13	107	35	249	19.1	
Roberts, Ab.	13	101	42	244	18.8	
C. Wilder, BS	12	67	42	234	28.3	
Brown, SA	13	99	17	215	16.5	
Little, Ab.	13	91	27	209	16.0	
Striffler, Perm.	12	90	25	205	17.0	
Dunn, Mid	13	75	19	194	14.9	
Bradford, Coop.	12	78	37	193	16.0	
White, Od.	13	65	42	192	14.7	
Smith, Ab.	13	77	23	177	13.6	
Payne, SA	13	60	50	178	13.6	
Stripling, BS	13	74	27	175	13.4	
McLennan, Perm.	13	69	27	166	12.7	
Orre, Coop.	13	70	12	152	11.6	
Smith, Lee	10	56	23	135	13.5	
Dennis, Lee	13	90	12	142	10.9	

GAME KEPT GETTING WILDER AND WILDER: both of whom, Scott "Wings," (15), and Casey "Wildman" (13), watch this shot by a Bronco, along with Ken Perry (21), Johnny Jones (31) prepares to decapitate the unfortunate Bronco, as the Steers cut off Odessa's hopes, 79-57.

Sands' girls triumph

By **DANNY REAGAN**
Sports Editor

KLONDIKE — It really wasn't much of a contest, as far as the Greenwood Rangerettes were concerned, but for the attractive squad of Fillies from Sands High School, the 57-43 bi-district win was the best victory of the season.

As each of their 33 wins have been, the next one is always the best. And the pounding of Greenwood set up a regional meeting with Follet Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock in Levelland, which should be win number 34.

The Greenwood game started dead slow, compared to the usual burst of scoring by the Sands trio of Jill Floyd, Susan Martin and Rene Roman. Floyd had six points in the first period and the Fillies were only up by two, 10-8, at the first buzzer.

But then guards Susie Brasher, Jody Batson and Jan Reed began to dominate the defensive boards and stick like glue on defense. They held Greenwood scoreless for almost six full minutes in the second stanza, limiting their opponents to only six total points in eight minutes.

In the meantime, Floyd, Martin and Roman were doing their thing, and combined for 17 points to

break the game wide open, and gave the Fillies a 27-14 edge at intermission.

Susan Martin, the picture of grace with her long brown hair whipping this way and that, burned the nets for 16 points in the second half, (finishing with 26), and missed very little that she put up. Her deadly aim, coupled with a few nice corner jump shots by Roman and

Forsan loses practice game

FORSAN — After leading for most of the game, the Forsan Buffaloes dropped a practice game to Big Lake in overtime 73-71 Tuesday night.

Randy Cregar led the Buffs with 29 points as teammate Craig Clark hit for 17. The two teams will meet again Thursday night in Big Lake for a rematch.

Forsan Coach Bob Evans indicated that another practice game with Roby has been set up for Friday week in Colorado City. Evans is also trying to arrange a practice meeting with Jayton for Tuesday.

The Buffs are preparing for the March 1 bi-district meeting with the Sands Mustangs.

15-foot jumpers by Floyd made for a 19-point Sands' lead, 46-27, at the beginning of the last period.

The action got a bit rough in the fourth quarter, illustrated by numerous fouls and a technical called on Sands coach Stan Pulliam. But Martin hit six of seven gratis shots during that time to hold the edge, as the team finished with a 50 per cent mark from the line after initial misfires from that stripe.

Cosch Pulliam was very pleased with the effort of his team, including substitute forward Debbie Parker and guards Tami Nichols and Jodie Kemper. Pulliam expects to see his toughest competition of the year in the regional tournament in the form of Nazareth, a team given the nod for the state Class B crown this year.

But the way the bevy of beauties from Ackerly have been playing this year, turning a few heads themselves, the Nazareth team may have the same awakening as did Greenwood Tuesday night.

BS 'Bombers' hold secret practice, 7:00

The Big Spring "Bombers" are getting closer and closer to their date with the All-American Red Heads Feb. 22, and Coach and General Manager Don Childs is definitely beginning to show the strain of the waiting.

"I've decided to call a secret practice tonight, that will be held in the Steer gym at 7 o'clock," Childs blurted. "Don't ask me about it," "Don't ask me about it," Jerry, that's all I've heard is 'When is Jumpin' Jerry going to sign? I tell you I'm sick of it,'" Childs said sullenly.

The fated meeting is only six days away now, and tickets can be obtained from Wayne Henry in his downtown office or Jerry Foresyth at City Hall. Athletes also have tickets.

"If you can't find a ticket call me at 3-2271 and I'll deliver you a ticket myself," said athletic Director Don Robbins. Proceeds from ticket sales go to finance the Spring Sports Banquet at BSHS.

Fierro wins city handball crown

George Fierro, fresh off of a 2nd-place finish in the National Intercollegiate Handball Championships, turned back A.J. Pirkle 21-14, and 21-7 to win the Big Spring YMCA City class "A" Handball Championship this past weekend.

On his way to the championship, Fierro also bested Reeves Moren and Tito Arencibia. Bill Arencibia, one of the nation's top-ranked junior players, took third place in the "A" Division.

Gary Goswick turned back a strong bid from Travis Hunter to take consolation honors in the "A" Division.

Other action saw Herb Shipp take the "B" Division by defeating Wayne Walker and Ray Williams defeating Jim Moss to take top honors in the "C" Division. Sandy Sandlin defeated Steve Wolfe to take consolation honors in "C".

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SECTION B

Stanton fems win bi-district

ODESSA — "It was a weird game," said one of the fans, speaking of Tuesday night's 61-45 bi-district win of the Stanton girls over McCamey.

Stanton jumped out to an early lead, then McCamey fought back to take a six-point lead right before half, and Stanton fought right back to be only one-point down, 49-39, at half.

Then the Stanton fems, led by Loretta Young's 30 points, outscored McCamey 23-6 in the third quarter, and the game was all but over. Vicki Christon with 21 and Bonnie Bludworth with 10, were the other Stanton girls in the scoring column.

The win brought the SHS season record to 26-4, and set up a regional meeting with Vega at 6 p.m. Friday in the Lubbock Coliseum. If they win that game, they will play in the semi's Saturday morning at 10:30.

Thinclads prepare to open new season

The Big Spring Steer cinder men will open their season this Friday at 3:00 p.m. in Memorial Stadium in a practice meet to prepare them for their first full-blown competition Feb. 26 in the Brownfield Relays.

Coach Garland Braun's crew of 70 boys and 45 girls will be involved in seven relays before participating in the District Meet April 15 in Abilene.

The highlight of the season for the freshmen and junior high teams will be the Big Spring Optimist Relays, March 5, which will offer 14 different events to boys and girls in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades.

Here is the 1977 track schedule:

BIG SPRING STEERS
1977 TRACK SCHEDULE
VARSITY
Feb. 18 — Practice Meet

- Feb. 26 — Brownfield Relays
- March 5 — Pecos Relays
- March 12 — San Angelo Lakeview Relays
- March 19 — Snyder Relays
- March 26 — Big Spring ABC Relays
- April 12 — San Angelo Relays
- April 19 — Dumas Relays
- April 26 — District Meet at Abilene
- FRESHMEN**
- Feb. 18 — Practice Meet
- Feb. 26 — Brownfield Relays
- March 5 — Big Spring Optimist Relay
- March 12 — San Angelo Relays
- March 19 — Snyder Relays
- March 26 — Big Spring ABC Relays
- April 2 — Abilene Relays
- April 9 — Snyder Relays
- GOLIAD**
- Feb. 26 — Practice Meet
- March 5 — Big Spring Optimist Relays (7th & 8th)
- March 12 — San Angelo Relays (7th & 8th)
- March 19 Midland Relays (7th & 8th)
- March 26 — Open
- April 2 — Abilene (8th)
- April 9 — Snyder Relays
- RUNNELS**
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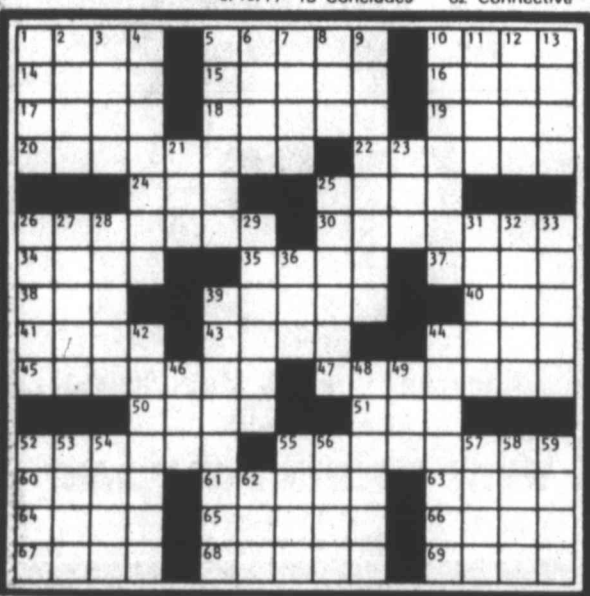


WHAMI — Chris Evert delivers a power-return en route to her 6-1, 6-3 win over Janet Newberry of St. Petersburg, Fla., in a women's pro tennis circuit match in Los Angeles Tuesday night.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: A time to wind up whatever has placed in motion but not completed. Tomorrow starts a new cycle so be prepared for new activity. Use tact in dealing with others.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Study the actions of friends and strive for increased harmony. Show others that you are an excellent citizen. Be wise.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Do nothing that could jeopardize your good reputation. Make sure you handle credit affairs wisely. Make the evening a charming one in the company of family members.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) A new plan you have in mind needs more study before putting it in operation. Take no chances where your credit is concerned.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Make sure you are conscientious in the handling of duties or you could get into trouble. Be more cheerful.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make certain you keep promises made to others or you could get into serious trouble. Be careful of intruders.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Your work load is heavy but dig in and it will soon be behind you. An annoying outside situation is best forgotten.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Show true devotion to close ties and keep harmony intact. Be practical by avoiding temptation to overspend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Do nothing at home that could decrease harmony there. A new plan you have in mind needs further study to be successful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Control your temper where some small matter is concerned or it could be more serious. Relax tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't neglect to handle routine duties early in the day. Plan needed repairs to property. Take health treatments.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Know what your personal aims are and go after them in a positive fashion. Show increased devotion to loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Although you could have a gripe with a higher-up, this is not the right day to air. Avoid a foe who could give you trouble.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will be a dynamic person who may want to stir things up so others will pay attention. Teach to maintain poise and dignity, and to be a leader instead of a follower. Direct education along work connected with large groups.

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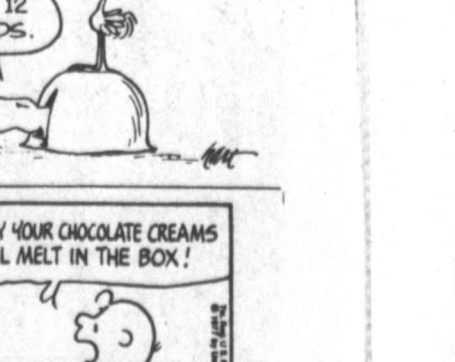
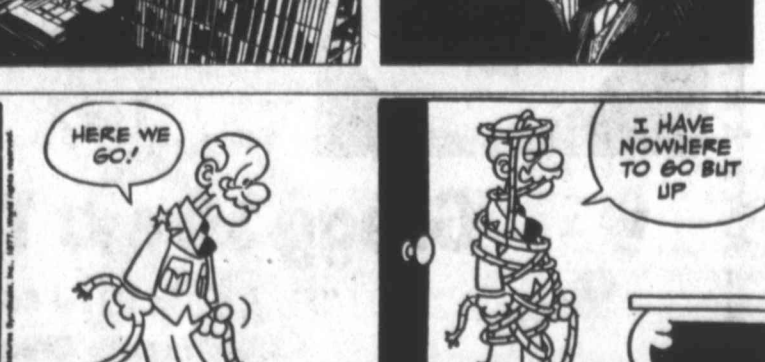
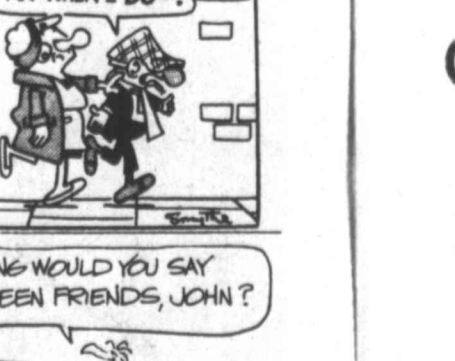
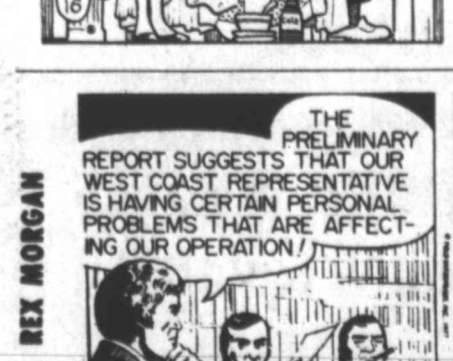
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THROUGH the fieldglasses

By Danny Reagan

On the road to Amarillo?

By the time you read this, the Howard College Hawks will probably be in Amarillo, sitting down to eat with the very team they vanquished Monday night in Hawk gym.

The Preybirds rode the old red bus up a day early for the Frank Phillips game, so they could save money on the meal by eating at Amarillo College, and so they could work out in a decent gym for a while after making the bulk of their road trip.

For those of you who don't know, the gym at Frank Phillips looks more like an old mine field than a basketball court. The hardwoods are warped and buckled beyond belief. The Hawks will eat again at Amarillo Thursday morning before making the final 50 miles of their journey to Borger, where for the first time, they will play a game at the Borger High School gym, "a definite improvement even though I've never seen it," said Coach Harold Wilder.

One good result of the switch will be that fewer Frank Phillips fans can be in attendance (I hope). That way the Hawks will not be psyched out by enormous partisan crowd.

Speaking of crowds, what a lively throng filled Hawk gym Monday night to roar the locals to their seventh straight victory. Lot

of old absent faces darkened the doorways. Don Ritchey, father of Coahoma Jr. High superstar roundballer Phillip Ritchey showed up for the first time since the beginning of the season. "I'm one of those fans who only comes when his team's winning," said Ritchey, half serious.

But that's the truth. No matter what rumors you may hear or what you might think, there is only one reason the fans fail to show up for a sporting event. Their team is not winning. Look at the past football season of the Steers for confirmation. And a month ago in Hawk gym. The Preybirds sported a lackluster 3-5 conference record, and the gym was consistently less than one-third or one-quarter full.

Monday night will probably be the biggest night ever for the basketball fan in Big Spring. At 6 p.m. the Hawk Queens, on a roll themselves, will try to take revenge on Western Texas in what should be a very close game. Ditto on the Hawk game, immediately following that contest. The best double bill of the season. Numerous fans from Snyder will no doubt be making the trip, so a large local gathering is essential to drown out the obnoxious cries of those guys. Be there, and be even more obnoxious. (No bad words, though).

Frog in a blanket

Arkansas rolled into the Southwest Conference throne room while Baylor, one of the league's doormats, played like kings Tuesday night.

The Razorbacks, 11th in the latest Associated Press poll, captured their 14th straight SWC game with a 79-64 triumph over last-place Texas Christian. They now have a three-game lead with two to play and a bye to the finals of the league's post-season tournament.

Baylor had lost nine of its last 10 games, including five of six under new Coach Jim Haller, when the Bears went against Southern Methodist.

The Bears shot 62 per cent from the field and beat the Mustangs 103-73, virtually ending SMU's hopes to play

the first round of the SWC tournament at home.

Other games Tuesday night saw Texas Tech trim Texas A&M 60-59 and Houston whip Texas 95-84.

Coach Eddie Sutton said of Arkansas' title clincher: "It's a great feeling, especially at a school that hasn't won an outright championship since 1941. It's a goal that we set and now we've achieved it. Now we want to go undefeated in conference play."

Arkansas got 23 points from Ron Brewer and 21 from Marvin Delp as it jumped to a 43-24 halftime lead and coasted the rest of the way against the Horned Frogs.

The Razorbacks are 23-1 for the season and will be the first team since SMU in 1956 to go through SWC play

unbeaten if they win their last two.

Texas and Texas A&M, the last two teams on the Arkansas schedule, are a good bet to tie for fourth in the SWC race. Both teams also have eighthplace Rice on the schedule and A&M has Houston left. The Aggies are 7-6 and Texas 7-7 in conference play.

Texas Tech trailed the Aggies 57-56 with 42 seconds left when Grant Dukes popped a jumper for the Red Raiders. Dukes then hit two free throws for a three-point lead and Tech went on to clinch third place with a 10-4 record.

"We were fortunate to win the game," said Tech Coach Gerald Myers. "Both teams played hard and it really could have gone either way."

Hayes is so happy

By The Associated Press

Elvin Hayes is happy, and a happy Hayes is a very tough basketball player.

"I'm doing things I enjoy doing," says the Big E. "I'm blocking shots, rebounding, driving a lot, scoring from inside and outside. I'm dunking and I'm taking the outside shot. And I feel good."

And he is making others feel bad. The happy Hayes hit his first eight shots Tuesday night, scored 19 points in the first quarter and 35 for the game, leading the Washington Bullets to a 126-114 victory over the Buffalo Braves.

"He's having a great year," said Bob MacKinnon, who worked his final game as interim coach of the Braves before turning the reins over to Joe Mulloney after the game. "He was super in the All-Star Game."

In other games Tuesday night, the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Portland Trail Blazers 117-96, the Chicago Bulls defeated the New York Nets 114-106, the San Antonio Spurs edged the Seattle SuperSonics 109-106 in overtime, the Boston Celtics downed the Detroit Pistons 109-99, the Kansas City Kings trimmed the Phoenix Suns 102-96, the Milwaukee Bucks beat the New Orleans Jazz 117-106 and the Golden State Warriors defeated the Atlanta Hawks 117-111.

Steer netters fall to Central

SAN ANGELO — The Big Spring Steer tennis team fell to San Angelo Central 15-3 Tuesday afternoon in the last team event of District 5-4A tennis competition. The Steers had a match with Cooper rained out.

The loss dropped Big Spring to 0-6, while Angelo rose to 4-3 in loop play. All three of the Steer wins came in boys' action, as the Central girls swept their nine matches.

BOYS SINGLES

Danny Olesen of Big Spring def. Scott Brown of Central, 6-2, 6-2; Eric Peterson of Central def. Mark Burke of Big Spring, 4-6, 6-3; Bill Russell of Central def. Barry Fish of Big Spring, 6-2, 6-3; Mark Tumlinson of Central def. Leonard Gagne, 6-1, 6-4; Nick Williams of Big Spring def. Rodney Sargent of Central, 6-4, 6-1; Jody Morris of Central def. Wasi Syed of Big Spring, 6-4, 6-0.

BOYS DOUBLES

Olesen Williams of Big Spring def. Brown Peterson of Central, 3-6, 4-4, 6-3; Russell Morris of Central def. Burkedegne of Big Spring, 6-3, 6-4; Sargent Tumlinson of Central def. McMahon Fish of Big Spring, 6-2, 6-3.

GIRLS SINGLES

Diana Williams of Central def. Mary C. Mathews of Big Spring, 6-0, 6-2; Lisa Torgerson of Central def. Julie Ray of Big Spring, 6-1, 6-1; Terry Heil of Central def. Cindy Jones of Big Spring, 6-0, 6-0; Loretta Rittmann of Central def. Debbie Phillips of Big Spring, 6-0, 7-6; Lee Ann Landers of Central def. Beverly Carrile of Big Spring, 6-2, 6-2; Deena Dawson of Central def. Susan McMurray of Big Spring, 6-4, 6-0.

GIRLS DOUBLES

Torgerson Heil of Central def. Mathews Ray of Big Spring, 7-5, 6-1; Rittmann Williams of Central def. Dawson Tracy Cloud of Central, 6-3, 7-6; Dawson Tracy Cloud of Central def. Cline-Cline of Big Spring, 6-4, 6-0.

Cowboys promote Jim Myers

Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Landry has promoted offensive coordinator Jim Myers to the position of Assistant Head Coach, Landry announced Saturday.

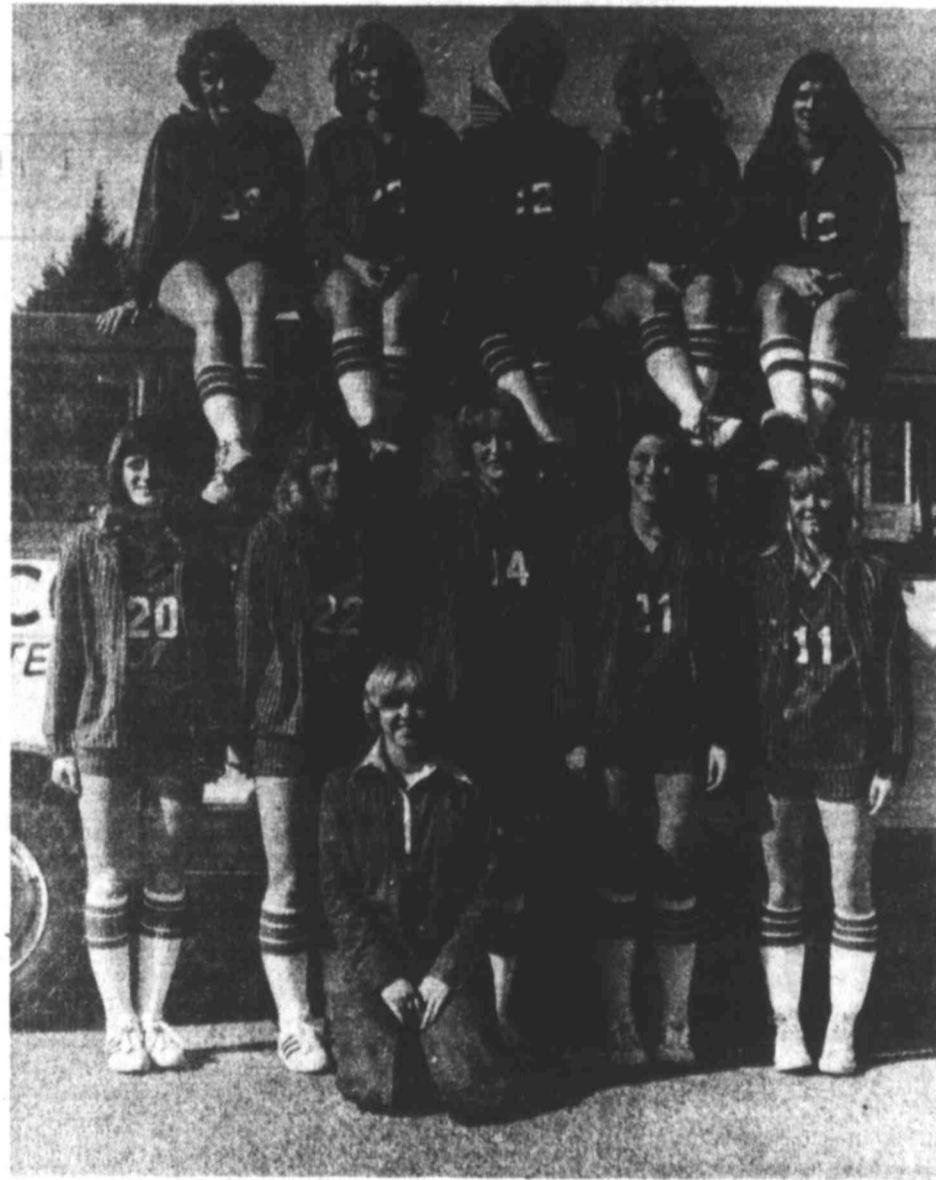
It is the first time that title has been held by a member of the Cowboys staff.

"Jim will take over many of my responsibilities," said Landry. "This will free me to spend more time in every area — offense, defense, special teams, etc."

Landry also said that Dan Reeves, who coached the quarterbacks and wide receivers in 1976, will become offensive coordinator.

"These decisions were reached shortly after the end of the season," said Landry.

"But, when Dan told me he was to be interviewed for the head coaching job at Atlanta I had to delay finalizing things.



HAWK QUEENS — Members of the 1976-77 Howard College women's basketball squad are: top row (left to right) — Carla Faubion, Deborah Meyer, Virginia Whaley, JoAnna Sawyer, Tami Edwards; standing — Deidre Tucker, Linda Batla, Letha Strickland, Marylynn Rich, Trena Bayes; kneeling — Manager Tere Teague.

Queens' crowning season

Tami Edwards, 5-10 freshman from Farmington, N.M., continues to pace the Hawk Queens in scoring. Her recent scoring spree has raised her average to a sparkling 17.6 points a game average.

During the present seven-game winning streak enjoyed by the Queens, Tami has led the charge by averaging 23.7 points per game in that span.

After a disappointing loss to the Western Texas Dusters, the Queens have reeled off seven straight victories, four of which have been on the road. Among

those seven wins was the stunning upset of South Plains College.

During this winning streak, the Hawk Queens have averaged 83.6 points per game, while holding the opposition to a 51.1 average. This string of wins brings their season record to a surprising 17-7, with three games remaining on the regular season schedule.

Those three remaining games are with the powerhouses of West Texas, the Wayland College "Queen Bees," Western Texas of Snyder, and South Plains of Levelland.

The Hawk Queens will be seeking to avenge an early-season loss Thursday night at 6:30 when they host Wayland in Hawk Gym.

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Letha Strickland	19	48	14-22	119	11.0	
Virginia Whaley	24	100	30-104	280	10.4	
JoAnna Sawyer	24	97	29-63	223	9.3	
Deborah Meyer	17	47	18-28	152	9.0	
Carla Faubion	24	52	45-92	149	6.3	
Deidre Tucker	24	57	30-43	144	6.0	
Trena Bayes	24	13	25-49	51	2.1	
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YOUNG IDEAS

By DICK YOUNG

NEWS ITEM: Spring Training Approaches.

This is to be the year of the uncluttered baseball camp — no labor negotiations, no animosities, no strikes. The ballplayers' union is in the middle of a three-year contract, and everything will go smoothly along the citrus trail, right?

Sorry Charley. The umpires are about to pull a strike. I kid you not. They have been haggling with the league presidents here in New York for the past several days, and word I get is not much progress has been made.

It may come as a surprise to you, but umpires can read. They have seen stories of all these millions being shelled out to ballplayers, and the umps say, hey, how about throwing some of that our way?

An umpire's pay starts at \$15,500 and goes to \$39,000. That's not all the money in the world, but it's for six months' work. The per diem is \$49 (hotel, food, cabs, tips, laundry, pressing. Yes, they do press those umpiring uniforms). They would like to have the fringes sweetened up a bit, too. And the pension.

The Lords of Baseball have decreed that the umpires will not be permitted to report to spring camps unless a contract is signed. I've heard people say cruel things to umpires, but that's inhuman.

NEWS ITEM: Cuba-U.S. Renewal Nears.

Every year or two there is talk of Fidel Castro letting a U.S. team into Cuba to play some ballgames, or Cuba letting some of its better ballplayers visit the States to play in the bigs. Just when it seems it might happen, that everybody will kiss and make up, Fidel pulls something insincere, like sending Cuban troops into Angola, and everybody gets sore all over again, and unpacks his uniform and stays home.

This time Castro has said he would like to see his Cuban championship team play the New York Yankees, proving he knows enough baseball to duck the Cincinnati Reds. It is all very interesting, and I can hardly wait for the political flack to hit the fan.

Do you suppose the people who get so upset about other nations playing games with Rhodesia will find within themselves the noble principle in this case? Will they protest against our playing a team representing a regime that deprives so many Cubans of their civil rights? I doubt it.

If a Cuban team were to visit Yankee Stadium, you could expect the other side of the political spectrum to march around the Bronx ballpark, or try to head off the visit before it could materialize. Human principles depend on, obviously, which nation we are considering at the moment.

Remember the night Ali fought Norton at Yankee Stadium, the night of the locusts? The violence that went on around the ballpark, because the cops decided to spectate instead of work, would seem like a picnic compared to what exiled Cubans and their sympathizers would stage against a Cuban-Yankee ballgame.

Of course, it shouldn't be that way. Idealistically, politics should be removed from sports, but that's daydreaming.

I'm a daydreamer. I'm for everybody playing games with everybody else, and that includes South Africa, Taiwan, Rhodesia, even Uganda, where they have some jerky dictator who gets his jollies by using the American flag as a dinner napkin.

Poss assumes Midland's Athletic Director job

MIDLAND — Delnor Poss of Big Spring has taken on the problems associated with the athletic directorship at Midland College. He previously had been hired as interim basketball coach at the school.

Poss, formerly Big Spring High School basketball coach and president of the Southwestern Basketball Officials Association, will be paid \$21,000 annually for the dual assignment.

In his new capacity, Poss will hire two other coaches. The basketball coaching job at Midland College was vacated in mid-season when Chester Story resigned after admitting he falsified the grades of an athlete who enrolled in Midland College but never attended classes.

Poss is a native of San Angelo. For the past several years, he has been a vice president of Gamco Industries in Big Spring.

He played for San Angelo High School in 1951, when the Bobcats won district and then lost to Borger in the state playoffs.

Poss coached at Garden City and Menard before moving to Big Spring in the 1960s. Emmett McKenzie, now superintendent of schools at Big Spring, was head football coach and athletic director at Big Spring High School at the time.

At Garden City, Poss' teams won district championships on two occasions. He had a 28-24 won-lost record at Menard. He coached four seasons at Big Spring.

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the invitation recently was Dr. R.B.G. Cowper, who maintains a clinic and hospital here. Dr. Cowper wrote, in part: "Regarding medical care in the United States, it is my firm belief that any individual who is able to pay for his care should do so and receive the best care for the money spent. Anyone receiving treatment paid for by the government, when he is able to pay for it himself, is inclined to overuse this provision and will cause the most expense for care received. "The administration cost of medical care through Medicare and Medicaid have been extravagantly large. Our government cannot afford National Health costs if the Congress gives everything to everybody. "Hence I suggest the following approach to National Health care: To those who are able to pay, pay the first \$750 to \$1,000,

for their doctor bill, hospital bill and drug bill for the whole family for one year. Anything over this amount would be paid partly by the government in the form of insurance. Likewise, if it applied to the catastrophic illnesses which destroy estates, the government could help secure insurance to take care of this catastrophic cost, which would be more than the amount initially paid by the individual family. As of five years ago, the average family spent only \$250 per year for medical care, including medicines. About half this number spent about \$500 a year for the same services. "While inflation has made this more expensive, I think the range of the individual family paying for the first \$750 to \$1,000 would cover their expenses at the present time. Then, have the government arrange that the individual would pay half the

remaining or anything above this, and the government pay the other half by an insurance program. "This system would make it somewhat like a fire insurance policy on one's house, with a deductible cost on the insurance issued of the first part of the cost. "Paul J. Davis, Rt. 1, Box 128, Big Spring, reminded in his letter to the President that the "quality of life for the individual is dependent on both the physical and mental environment. Davis says the technical know-how already exists for utilization of the industrial nuclear plant - the only source now available to us which will meet our national energy requirements five to 50 years from now. The safety factor of such plants has also been proven, according to Davis. Davis also recommended a federal-state CCC type program, a low-cost housing program and a mandatory one-year federal service for all eligible men and women between the ages of 18 and 28 as means of curing unemployment problems. Older

citizens (55 and above) and military veterans would be given special consideration in such programs as classroom or on-the-job instructors. Neil Anderson of 3701 W. Highway 80, says our foreign policy is concentrated too much on Europe. More emphasis should be placed on improving relations with Latin America, Anderson suggests. Individuals who apply for welfare help, proposes Kathy Rowland of 4110 Muir, could contribute services like cleaning our communities of litter, working in day care centers, weeding

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The Up With People show is an entertaining two hours of music and dancing which includes a broad range of contemporary and traditional material backed by an instrumental section of guitars, percussion, piano and brass. During the past year, the five touring casts of Up With People have been seen by over one million people in 575 communities across the United States and abroad. Recent performances include the Kentucky Derby, the Indianapolis 500 and the featured half-time entertainment at Super Bowl X.

The show is staged and produced every summer during an intensive one-month training period, under the direction of professionals on the Up With People staff. Approximately 450 young people from 16 countries are currently traveling with Up With People. They represent a cross section of economic backgrounds and ethnic origins. The acceptance of applicants is based on personal interviews conducted throughout the year. About 700 people apply monthly. One in 18 is finally accepted. During its 12-year history, 4,000 young men and women have lived in almost 40,000 homes and have performed in 36 countries on six continents. The performers do their own stage work, promotion, day-to-day logistics, and may work on college credits with the University of Arizona or through a program of independent study projects. Up With People is an international, nonprofit, educational organization with offices in Tucson, Arizona; Brussels, Belgium;

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Hotel fires investigated
CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - Firemen are investigating possible arson in four downtown Charleston hotel fires, one of which briefly trapped guests on two floors. No serious injuries were reported in the Monday night blazes, although the Heart o' Town Motor Inn was severely damaged and guests were trapped for a time on its eighth and ninth floors. Fire Chief John Britton said he believed arson was involved. Several dozen people were treated for smoke inhalation, and four were hospitalized. All were listed in satisfactory condition at the Charleston Area Medical Center. Hotel officials said it appeared that someone wheeled trash bins into the hotels and ignited them.

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