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FOR A COOL SUMMER — Patti Wilson is cooling off in the city swimming pool which is open daily, except Mondays when the facility is cleaned out each week. Large crowds have been visiting the pool daily. The pool is located in Comanche Trail Park.

## Syrians storm Lebanon in search of killers of ex-president's son

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Syrian troops, under a curtain of tank fire, stormed a village in northeastern Lebanon today in a house-to-house search for suspected assassins of former President Suleiman Franjeh's son, police reported.

In southern Lebanon, meanwhile, U.N. troops and Christian militiamen shared control of a border security strip following Israel's pullout. But the Lebanese government demanded the Christians stay in their barracks until Lebanese army regulars can replace them.

The rough search by Syrian peacekeepers, who remained in Lebanon after crushing the civil war there in November 1976, escalated tensions that gripped the hill country in the north. It came as Franjeh prepared a mass funeral for his son and 42 others slain in the worst clash between rival Christian armies since the 18-month civil war.

A police spokesman in Beirut said the Syrians traced the killers of Franjeh's son to the northeastern village of Deir el Ahmar, about 15½ miles southeast of Ehdn, scene of Tuesday's fighting.

Tanks ringed the town and soldiers ordered residents to turn over the suspects, he said, adding: "When the ultimatum was not heeded, the Syrians opened up with tanks and rocket and then stormed in."

The spokesman said a Lebanese army corporal was killed and 12 houses were badly damaged as the Syrians began a search. It was not immediately known if any suspects were taken.

Syrian troops patrolled highways, combed mountain woods and checked traffic trying to head off a vendetta between Franjeh's forces and the Phalangist Party, two of the country's leading Christian factions.

The former president's son Tony, Tony's wife and 2-year-old daughter, their bodyguard-chauffeur and maid, and 38 Franjeh supporters were killed Tuesday when 800 Phalangists attacked Ehdn, a Franjeh stronghold. Twelve Phalangists and three Syrians also were killed before Syrian forces blasted the Phalangists from the town.

The Phalange Party said its forces attacked Ehdn because the Fran-

jih's militia refused to surrender the killers of a Phalangist leader last week. The two factions have been at odds since Syrian troops in Beirut cracked down on Christian troops in the Lebanese army and Christian militiamen in February, March and April. Three hundred persons died in the fighting, and Franjeh sided with the Syrians.

## Slayer of coed sentenced to 25 years in Texas prison

SAN ANGELO — Robert Mark Wagner was sentenced to serve 25 years in prison by a San Angelo jury here Tuesday for the April 22 slaying of an Angelo State University co-ed, Leandra Morales.

Defense attorney Gerald Ratliff had argued for a ten-year probation sentence, stressing Wagner's youth and contending that Wagner had "already been punished."

Wagner was a second-year student at ASU. He is a resident of Martinsburg, W. Va. After being called to the witness stand, Wagner revealed he had been baptized into the Catholic church one week before the murder.

Wagner testified he stabbed the Eagle Pass woman with a pair of scissors after she resisted his advance in a photography laboratory on the college campus.

The defendant said his dreams of becoming an Air Force pilot had been shattered by the murder.

Heraldo Martinez, a Brown Beret from Junction, said the sentence given Wagner "was not enough."

Martinez also cited a need for "more minority representation" on Texas juries. Martinez, a part-time student, had sat through most of the trial. The jury which convicted Wagner did not include a Chicano.

## Bentsen proposes beef import bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Both cattle ranchers and America's beef eaters would benefit from Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's beef import bill, says the Texas Democrat.

Bentsen tried on Tuesday to prod the House into action on his beef bill, releasing a Library of Congress report that concluded the bill would provide "some long-term benefits to both cattle producers and consumers."

Bentsen Democrat released the report during a meeting on the Senate floor with other senators who oppose the president's recent decision to increase beef import quotas.

Bentsen's bill, which passed the Senate in May, is stalled in the House and has not been referred to committee. The Bentsen bill includes a counter-cyclical feature that would permit imports to increase when domestic production decreases and cut back imports when America's ranchers overproduce.

The current import formula has the reverse effect, points out Bentsen. "I have introduced legislation to put our policies back on a fair and honest course which is beneficial to both consumers and producers," the senator said. "This legislation easily passed the Senate but is now bottled up in the House by administration opposition."

Bentsen also said the Library of Congress study proves that opponents of his bill "have not done their homework."

Republican John Tower, Texas' senior senator and a co-sponsor of the Bentsen bill, blasted the president for increasing meat import quotas saying the decision "will have a detrimental, if not drastic, impact on the prices received by American cattle producers. At the same time the prices paid by American consumers in retail markets will be relieved very little, if at all."

The Library of Congress study estimated that should the Bentsen bill become law, retail beef prices would decline by 2.2 cents per pound between 1978-84. Retail prices would increase, however, by 2.4 cents from 1985-87.

The study also predicted that ranchers would see cattle prices fall 60 cents over the next seven years before rising 85 cents from 1985-87.

The study drew its conclusions from statistics and projections compiled by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

## Focalpoint

### Action/reaction: Tower said it

Q. The Herald ran an article sometime last year quoting a Texas politician as saying "Webb AFB will close over my dead body." Who was the politician and is he running for re-election?

A. The man was John Tower, Republican senator from Texas and, yes, he is offering for re-election. Tower fought the good fight for Webb and for Big Spring. He tried to get the Department of Defense to change its decision. Once Congress had set the budget for the Defense Department, the final decision rested with the Pentagon and it chose not to reconsider the matter. There was little Tower or anyone else could do, other than complain about it.

### Calendar: Railway meeting

**TODAY**  
Registration for local entrants for the Big Spring rodeo at Driver Insurance.

**THURSDAY**  
Awards winner, Caprock Chapter of the March of Dimes, 7:30 p.m., Western Sizzler.  
Final day for registration for local entrants for the Big Spring rodeo at Driver Insurance until noon.  
Big Spring Steering Committee meets at 12 noon, Terminal Building in Industrial Park.  
Meeting of the Retired and Veteran Railway Employees at the Kentwood Older Adult Center at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.  
March of Dimes Caprock Chapter board of directors, 7:30 p.m., Awards Banquet, Western Sizzler.  
The social security school planned for today at the Kentwood Center under the direction of Mr. Richnow has been canceled. Richnow's federal grant was cancelled recently.

### Offbeat: Raid on FBI?

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — A pantry raider with a sweet tooth may have bitten off more than he could chew when he broke into a Charlotte home this weekend. Authorities are making a federal case out of it.

The southeast Charlotte home belongs to Herbert Monahan, special agent in charge of the FBI in North Carolina.

Monahan was in Tennessee this weekend, and the house was empty.

But FBI office manager Charles Barton went there Sunday to check the mail and found the front door open.

Within minutes, the place was swarming with FBI agents and local police. They didn't find much in the way of clues.

"It wasn't a calculated raid of somebody trying to hit the FBI," said agency spokesman Chuck Richards. "Nothing of value was taken that we can determine. Cookies and cheese were eaten."

But Richards said federal agents are still on the case, trying to discover if any FBI property — guns for example — was stolen. No arrests have been made.

### Best on TV: 'Boom-boom trap'

Although usually the "creme de la pap", tonight Charlie's Angels may be the best on TV at 8 on ABC. A fortune of diamonds and a "boom-boom trap" form the core of the plot. Or, for the discriminating, watch the three and a half star "Up the Sandbox" featuring Barbara Streisand at 8 p.m. on CBS.

### Inside: Ford criticizes Carter

FORMER PRESIDENT FORD criticized his successor for failure to cut the budget deficit and for killing the B-1 bomber. See page 10-A.

IN THE NEAR FUTURE POWER companies might be able to turn off air-conditioners during the peak-time of the day without ever entering houses to do so. See page 6-A.

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### Outside: Hot

Hot weather and a 20 per cent chance of thundershowers tonight and Thursday forms the local weather forecast. High today and Thursday should be in the mid 90s, low tonight in the low 60s. Winds will be southeasterly at 15 to 25 mph today, decreasing to 10 to 15 mph tonight.



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## Proposition 13 'mystery' to 13 of 20 Big Springers quizzed

# Poll finds local support for property taxes limit

By BOB BURTON

Proposition 13, which passed overwhelmingly in California recently, and which limits property taxes there to one per cent of the fair market value, remains a foreign issue to most Big Springers.

"What is it?" was the standard answer of 13 of the 20 people asked about the California Amendment in downtown Big Spring Tuesday.

But the other seven all expressed their qualified support.

The proposition was put on the ballot in California through a referendum, or petitions signed by citizens. Texas does not have such provisions for amending the constitution by referendum. Any comparable change would have to be submitted to the legislature. The

sweeping change, which occurred in California without the action of the legislature in California, could not occur in similar manner here.

"It's something we've been needing for 100 years," said Earl Stark, "and it's time to start on income taxes. They said they were going to get rid of those after the war, but they didn't."

Stark said he would support a Proposition 13-type move in Texas, claiming he didn't care about the services he might lose.

"It won't hurt my service. I'm retired. But I don't care if they take that referendum to Washington D.C."

Stark said he couldn't tell the Herald all the things he really thought about taxes, "because the CIA would

want me if I really told."

Mrs. M.L. Payne said she thought the people ought to be able to work out their own problems, and that she would support a referendum amendment in Texas.

"But," she asked, "whenever you demand progress, can't you expect to pay higher taxes?"

"I think the sooner we get it the better off we'll be," commented Mrs. Terrye Bradbury. "I would support that kind of a move here; maybe we could get some of the fat cut out."

"I guess if my job was state-supported I'd be worried, you know, about which side of my bread was buttered. But sure, I'd support a move to make a referendum possible in Texas."

Others offered their support of the

move because of its potential for helping lower-income families.

"It's okay for the smaller-income group, and it will have a big effect on the higher-income people," said Tab Morgan. "I would support it here because it's time the lower income people got a break — are they a minority or a majority?"

"I'd like to see some action in Texas, things have been pretty dull, and if someone's gonna get kicked, it might as well be the higher income bracket."

Another Big Spring who brought up income was Dr. J. Gale Kilgore, who wondered just how effective the property tax cut could be.

"If they say they're going to cut property taxes, won't they just have to get it somewhere else? What they

ought to do is apply a ceiling to the federal income tax; I'd support that."

Kilgore also said he would support the referendum possibility in Texas. "Anything that gives the people more control is good."

Oscar Glickman, owner of the Record Shop, said he supported the kind of grass roots movement that resulted in the passage of the bill, but he was unsure just what would be gained.

"I don't think the people object to paying taxes," he said, "I think they resent all the waste, and that makes them mad. We need money in government to operate it, but I don't like to see it wasted on foreign countries. We need taxes."

"Whatever the people want is alright, but the government exists by

our paying taxes, and we've got to have it."

Right in the middle between not having heard of the amendment, and having a strong opinion about it was Mrs. Helen Martin.

"I've heard of it," she said, "but I really don't know enough about it. I haven't really thought about it, and before I approve I'd have to do some reading."

Proposition 13 is interesting because of its immense success in California with the voters, not with the political organizations. Started by a 75-year-old taxpayer, it threatens to become a reality in a number of states. And where Big Springers are aware of it, they cast their votes for change — something worth noticing in this conservative state.

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**Weather**

**Thunderstorms, hail  
shower Panhandle**

By the Associated Press  
Heavy thunderstorms roared across sections of the Texas Panhandle Tuesday night, dumping heavy rainfall and golf ball size hail.

National Weather Service forecasters warned that more thunderstorm activity could be expected in Southeast Texas, along upper coast and in sections of West Texas today.

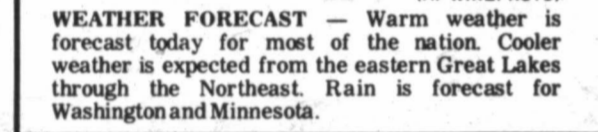
Heavy rainfall was reported during the night between Plainview and Petersburg and between Amarillo and Plainview. Tulsa reported 4.45 inches of rainfall in a two-hour period and reported golf ball size hail. Some small hail was also reported in the Plainview area.

Reports from the Lorenzo area early today indicated that water was

**FORECAST**

WEST TEXAS — Scattered evening and nighttime thunderstorms mainly coastal and southern portions today and tonight becoming partly cloudy with no important temperature changes through Thursday. Highs in 90s entire area except near 105 along Rio Grande in the Big Bend. Lows in 60s over entire area.

EXTENDED FORECAST  
WEST TEXAS — Mild nights and warm days. Widely scattered thunderstorms north Sunday. Lows 60s north to 70s south. Highs 90s most sections to near 104 Big Bend.



**WEATHER FORECAST** — Warm weather is forecast today for most of the nation. Cooler weather is expected from the eastern Great Lakes through the Northeast. Rain is forecast for Washington and Minnesota.

**Estes to meet  
with Justice  
Department**

DALLAS (AP) — Paroled West Texas financier Billie Sol Estes and his attorney G. Brockett Irwin were to meet with attorneys from the U.S. Justice Department here today, Irwin said Tuesday but declined to say what would be discussed.

"We've got a lot of work to do tonight but I don't know what we're going to talk about," the Longview attorney said Tuesday night.

"The meeting was suggested by the Justice Department. My client and I are always ready to meet with the Justice Department."

Irwin said Estes had requested meetings with the Justice Department on several occasions and that federal attorneys were responding to those requests.

Irwin denied he and Estes were in Dallas to plea bargain with federal attorneys over fraud indictments rumored against Estes.

"We are not plea bargaining," Irwin said. U.S. Attorney Kenneth J. Mighell of Dallas denied Tuesday night that such a meeting with Irwin and Estes would take place today.

"I do not have a meeting with Billie Sol Estes," he said.

Mighell also declined comment on the status of a federal grand jury currently meeting in Dallas. However, the U.S. Attorney's office has confirmed that a grand jury is investigating Estes' alleged business shenanigans since his parole from federal prison in 1971.

Estes has said the federal government was preparing criminal cases against him and prosecutors were attempting to "blackmail" him into pleading guilty to avoid the involvement of his family in possible prosecution.



(AP WIREPHOTO)  
**TUCKER CONCEDES** — Rep. Jim Guy Tucker conceded to Gov. David Pryor Tuesday night in the race for the Democratic nomination to the U.S. Senate. Pryor received 55 percent of the vote and Tucker received 45 percent.

**'Family trouble':  
the call dreaded  
by all policemen**

It's a 418-F in San Francisco, a 10-52 in New York, a 430 in Chattanooga. In Dallas they call it a Signal Six. In Detroit it comes crackling over the police radio: "family trouble."

It happens all the time, the family beef, the lover's quarrel. It can end in handshakes or gunshots, but you don't know until you get there. There's not a policeman with savvy who doesn't dread the call.

The family quarrel is hazardous to his health, frequently more so than chasing bank robbers. With them, police know where they stand. In a family argument, a complaining wife might suddenly side with her husband, who might just be carrying a gun.

On Monday, one policeman was fatally shot, another critically injured when they answered a family disturbance call in Chattanooga, Tenn. Police say the husband was an ex-convict who shot before the two officers could draw but was killed by the felled officers.

"The family disturbance is one of the most dangerous calls we get because you never know what to expect," said Sgt. Bob Sivley of the Chattanooga Police Department, adding that 60 percent of all calls his department gets are for family disturbances.

"You don't know if you're going to find someone with a weapon or if they're going to use it. You just have to assume it's a dangerous call, think trouble and be alert."

Chattanooga claims but a small part of national domestic warfare and police everywhere know its danger. In New York, Officer Robert Shack says, "I always assume the man is armed."

The battlefields across the country encompass all economic and social levels; they are tenements, penthouses and suburbs. The combatants are husbands and wives, boyfriends and girlfriends — and sometimes police.

**Pryor wins seat  
in Senate race**

Arkansas Gov. David Pryor has won the Democratic nomination for the Senate seat held for 35 years by the late John McClellan, while South Carolina Democrats have selected a Charleston banker to oppose another pillar of the Senate, Republican Strom Thurmond.

Primaries also were held Tuesday in Maine, where Linwood Palmer, a moderate Republican, and Democratic Attorney General Joseph Brennan won gubernatorial nominations; and in northern Virginia, where Jack Herrity, chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, won the GOP nomination for the 8th District congressional seat.

Pryor, 43, who tried unsuccessfully to defeat McClellan in the 1972 Democratic primary, overcame charges of impropriety made against his campaign manager to defeat U.S. Rep. Jim Guy Tucker in a runoff.

With votes counted in 2,714 of the state's 2,728 precincts, the unofficial count showed 262,743 votes, or 55 percent, for Pryor and 217,342, or 45 percent, for Tucker.

Charles Ravenel's victory in South Carolina's Democratic primary set the stage for a November confrontation between a young reformer and Thurmond, a 74-year-old former governor who led a walkout of Dixiecrats to protest the civil rights plank of the 1948 national Democratic convention.

With 1,009 of the state's 1,641 precincts reporting, Ravenel had 100,797 votes, or 54 percent, while his nearest competitor, Greenville lawyer John Bolt Culbertson, had 36,057 votes.

Ravenel, 40, was the best-known of the Senate hopefuls because he won the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1974 in his first campaign for public office. He was subsequently ruled off the ballot when the state Supreme Court ruled he did not meet residency requirements.

In South Carolina's Democratic gubernatorial primaries, Lt. Gov. W. Brantley Harvey was forced into a June 27 runoff with former state Sen. Richard Riley.

Neither U.S. Sen. William Hathaway, a first-term Democrat, nor his opponent, U.S. Rep. William Cohen, faced primary opposition.



CONGRATULATIONS — Gov. David Pryor rolled up his shirt sleeves and moved through a crowd at a victory celebration Tuesday night after beating Rep. Jim Guy Tucker for the Democratic nomination to the U.S. Senate. With Pryor was his wife, Barbara.

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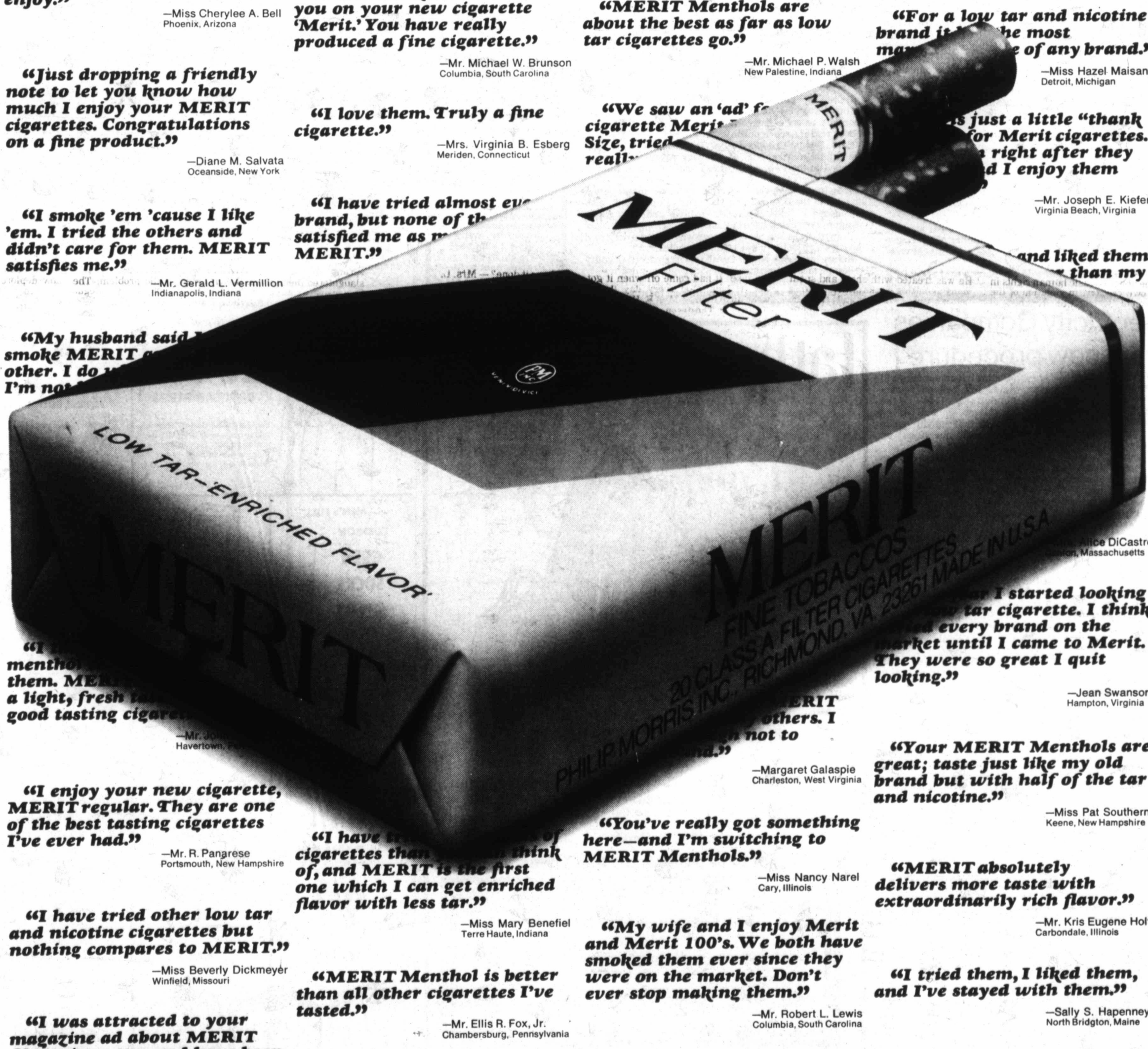
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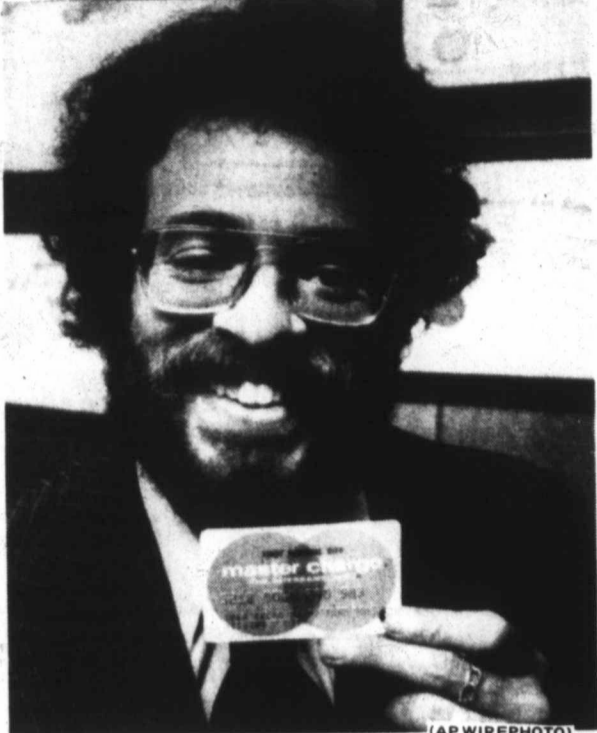
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**CREDIT ONE TO THIS CONSUMER** — Divorce lawyer Richard Ostor of Garden City, N.Y., displays his Citibank Master Charge card Tuesday after he won a court victory against the nation's second largest commercial bank. The victory came when a judge ruled that Citibank had to refund a 50-cent-a-month service fee it had imposed on its Master Charge customers who paid bills promptly and therefore did not incur finance charges. "It's proof the consumer does have rights," said Ostor.

## Divorce lawyer wins one for 'little guy'

NEW YORK (AP) — Chalk one up for the little guy. A Long Island divorce lawyer took the nation's second largest commercial bank to court and won the first round. Not only for himself, but for several hundred thousand other people as well.

"It's proof the consumer does have rights. It tells the banks they can't push the little guy around," said Richard Ostor of Garden City, N.Y., discussing his victory.

That victory came Monday when a judge ruled that Citibank had to refund 50-cent-a-month service fees it had imposed for 20 months on its Master Charge customers who paid their bills promptly and, therefore, did not incur finance charges.

Ostor specializes in divorce. "I very rarely get involved in public-interest cases," he said Tuesday.

In April 1976, however, Citibank announced the 50-cent fee. "I was annoyed," Ostor recalled. "I was very angry. I thought their action was completely illegal. I wanted to make a stand."

Citibank said the fee was necessary to offset rising costs. The idea of "service charges" for the previously free bank cards was expected to spread.

Other financial institutions failed to follow the Citibank lead, however. And last January, Citibank itself dropped the 50-cent promptness payment. The bank conceded consumers had objected to the charge, but declined to say whether it lost customers because of it.

"I would think that this ought to be a very clear warning to them," said Kurt Prins, a staff member of the House consumer affairs subcommittee. "They had to eat crow and now they have to pay."

A Citicorp spokesman said the bank would appeal the ruling by Justice Andrew DiPaola of the state Supreme Court, the first rung of New York's legal ladder.

## Electricity Companies want new procedure

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The time might not be too far distant when Texas power companies can reduce peak demands by switching off your air conditioner temporarily without entering your house.

It might sound like Big Brother, but in most cases, consumers would decide whether to join in the scheme to reduce peak-hour demands on electric systems. The idea is to cut costs and save energy.

Houston Lighting & Power Co. and El Paso Electric told Texas Public Utility examiners Tuesday they are in the early stages of investigating such systems.

The commission's hearings on various proposals to make electricity cheaper and conserve energy resume next Monday with testimony from groups outside the power industry.

Commission members will decide this fall on recommendations to the Legislature as well as on policies that might guide their own decisions on electric rates.

"The load limiting devices under consideration are basically radio controlled devices that would shut down a water heater, space heater or air conditioner for a period of time. Our engineering department is evaluating different equipment," said Robert Hackett, El Paso Electric's rate manager.

Ross Doan, manager of rate and economic research for Houston Lighting & Power, said his firm is looking at "ripple control" of air conditioners.

Equipment, he said, ranges in price from \$125 to \$400 per household, so the company is taking it slow.

"We don't want to buy one method and have a better method come along," he said.

Doan said the equipment under study by Houston Lighting & Power is a "ripple system" that would turn off air conditioners for a few minutes at a time. The cut offs would "ripple" through the system so not everyone would be switched off at once.

He said HL&P would test customer acceptance first.

Melanie McCoy, commission project director, said load management could reduce power consumption at peak hours of the day.

This could help stabilize electric rates, she said, by avoiding or delaying construction of new plants to handle peak loads.

Peaking plants remain idle much of the time, but the cost of being prepared to meet the demands of consumption periods is built into the rates consumers must pay.

Ms. McCoy said load reduction by remote control switches is voluntary in most places that use it.

"Whether you choose to have it in your house is voluntary. But once you have it, you have no control over whether it is shut off or not. In most studies, the consumer is not even aware of it. It has a lot of possibilities, especially in high air conditioning areas," she said.

## Police seize 9 pot stills

By the Associated Press

Nine so-called "marijuana enrichment stills" were seized Tuesday by state narcotics agents in raids in Oklahoma City and Tulsa, officials said.

Oklahoma County Assistant District Attorney Jim Laurence said the machines were confiscated under statutes providing for seizure of equipment used in the manufacture of a controlled dangerous substance.

Officials said the machines were manufactured by a California firm which claims in advertisements that the devices convert non-active components of marijuana into tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the active ingredient in the marijuana plant.

Taking part in the confiscations were agents with the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, plus local law enforcement officers.

Laurence said the action is a civil remedy and no criminal charges were filed in connection with the raids.

Laurence said the raids came after officials heard of the device and found it being peddled in variety stores which cater to the drug culture. He said the machines sell for \$179.50, retail.

## Son of illiterate farm hands

# Hispanic seeking presidency

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — It was hardly the setting for a serious presidential contender.

The room was small, the gathering was slim and reporters showed up only because it was a slow news day.

But Ben Fernandez is serious. Whether he is a legitimate contender for the White House remains to be seen.

"It's time to bring new blood into the administration of the United States," the California economist said here Tuesday. "And I believe the Spanish-American community is the source of that new blood."

The 53-year-old son of illiterate field hands is one of several men seeking the backing of a group known as the Presidential Candidate Committee.

"The committee is to identify a qualified, electable American of Hispanic descent to run for president," the founder of the Republican National Hispanic Assembly said.

Fernandez confidently predicts a massive shift of Hispanic voters from the Democratic Party to the GOP. He said his party more accurately reflects the ideology of the Hispanics—"fiscally conservative, highly individual and champions of small government."

"The candidate will be an All-American candidate—not a Hispanic candidate," he said.

The committee is now working towards a \$10 million campaign goal. The

money will be turned over to the man that gets the committee's backing next January. Fernandez said the candidate will enter GOP primaries nationwide.

The economist said he hopes his campaign will spark a "renaissance of spirit" in the nation.

"I will hit very hard on the work ethic. Americans are getting softer every day. The old values have to be restored," he said.

He favors cuts in welfare programs and agreed that stand might have a negative

effect in some Hispanic communities.

"You have to take a stand even though it could hurt you," he said.

Fernandez said he "lukewarmly" supported Gerald Ford in 1976.

"When I saw him eating tamales in Texas without taking off the corn husk I knew we were in trouble," he said.

He sees his candidacy as an incentive to Americans from poor families. Fernandez said his parents were poor but proud and raised

eight children.

"In one generation there's a possibility that one of the Fernandez children will be making a move for the presidency," he said.

Fernandez said he chose to run for the top public office because "I think I'm over-qualified for Congress."

He added that he would not consider running as second man on a ticket headed by Ford or Ronald Reagan.

"But I would consider them as vice presidential candidates with me," he said.



**HIGH NOTE IN HIS CAREER?** — An unidentified man sits outside Pottstown (Pa.) High School waiting for graduation ceremony to begin as James W. Janderchick arrives, right, tooting on his trombone. A member of the high school band. Janderchick was preparing to play "Pomp and Circumstance" during the ceremony, and practiced on his way to school.

## Denton sheriff testifies in capital murder trial

DENTON, Texas (AP) — A Denton County deputy testified that he shouted "police officers" twice just moments before a Texas Ranger was shot to death during a drug raid at a residence in nearby Argyle.

Capt. Dwight Crawford gave the testimony Tuesday in the capital murder trial of Gregory Arthur Ott, who is charged in the Feb. 20 shooting death of Texas Ranger Bobby Doherty.

Crawford, supervisor of the criminal investigation division of the Denton County Sheriff's Department, also introduced a Titan .38 caliber revolver and a .12 gauge shotgun confiscated from Ott's home.

Crawford was one of six officers who staged a drug raid during which Doherty was fatally wounded.

Before testimony began Tuesday, Ott pleaded not guilty to capital murder in connection with Doherty's death.

Crawford testified that he, two other deputies, two state narcotics officers and an informant went to Ott's house on a drug "buy and bust."

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Dear Abby

Nothing Shy About This Quiet Person

DEAR ABBY: Someone wrote in on behalf of quiet people, saying that most quiet people are shy, sensitive and insecure, and they're embarrassed when someone says, "Gee, you're quiet."

I've been quiet all my life and it doesn't bother or offend me if my quietness is mentioned. As a matter of fact, with so many nonstop talkers in the world, I think we quiet ones deserve some applause. If everyone talked all the time, who would listen?

Furthermore, the quiet ones are often intelligent people who wisely refrain from blurting out every thought that pops into their heads.

Let that quiet one speak only for himself. Although I'm considered "quiet," I'm neither shy nor insecure.

I also notice that because I'm not always talking, when I do say something, people listen.

PROUD TO BE QUIET

DEAR PROUD: Thanks for speaking out for those who prefer to be quiet. (P.S. I know you're right. I've been married to a quiet, intelligent man for 39 years.)

DEAR ABBY: I am a 22-year-old, fairly attractive woman who was born cross-eyed. I had surgery at a young age, which corrected the problem somewhat, but it's still quite noticeable.

Abby, my reason for writing is to ask why comedians and cartoonists think that portraying a person with cross-eyes is considered either funny or a sign of stupidity. I have lived with this defect all my life and have developed a severe complex about it. I find it difficult to look someone in the eyes or even have my picture taken. I try my best to conceal my defect because I have been humiliated and embarrassed to the point of tears when inconsiderate people make fun of me.

Being cross-eyed is a handicap. Why do so many people think it's funny? And what can I do about it?

HURTING IN OHIO

DEAR HURTING: Intelligent, sensitive people do NOT think any kind of handicap is "funny." And comedians and cartoonists who use cross-eyed characters to get laughs do so more out of thoughtlessness than malice.

Much is being done today in modern surgery. Don't give up until you've explored every possibility of further corrective surgery. (P.S. Try to develop a little compassion for the ignorant who ridicule the handicapped, for "they know not what they do.")

DEAR ABBY: Yesterday at the neighborhood beauty shop which I patronized for years, I was irked by the new operator who did my hair. She did a good job, but when she finished, she said, "That will be \$10, plus \$2 for the tip."

Is it accepted procedure in some areas to state the tip expected? I have never encountered this before and it annoyed me. Unless you tell me that I am off center here, I plan to speak to the manager about this. Perhaps it's a new policy.

PHILADELPHIAN

DEAR PHILADELPHIAN: Although customs may differ in different areas, I know of no area where it's "accepted procedure" to ask for a tip for ANY service.

Focus on family living  
Individuality needs support

By JANET ROGERS  
County Extension Agent

Within a family group, individuality needs support and encouragement. Mentally healthy, happy individuals contribute ideas, strength and support to the family. Without input from the individual, the family unit ceases to be capable and useful.

"Live and let live" describes the need for mutual support of individuals for family and vice versa.

The idea that families must "control" the individual members is not in the family's best interest and thus irrational. The traditional view of families encourages "oneness" or "sameness" of all members. The emphasis is on maintaining the family unit rather than strengthening and encouraging individual growth and development.

Compromising uniqueness or sacrificing for the family brings resentment and a loss of power to the individual and family.

Each individual family

member's unique contribution can strengthen and help perpetrate the group. The happiest individuals are those that believe they control what happens to them, not their families.

A family can follow these guidelines to encourage individuality:

Support each family member in their efforts to develop their personality.

For example, listen to a child's ideas and praise the ones that are creative, unique and show thought, not just the ones you approve of.

Reinforce the idea that uniqueness is positive. Emphasize the family's need for input from individuals.

Encourage open, free, non-critical communication of ideas, attitudes, feelings and beliefs.

When there are differences of opinion, evaluate from the perspective of what would be the best thing that could happen and the worst thing that could happen if a certain action or belief were followed rather than being judgmental.

Respect instinctual drives, hunches or "gut" feelings. These may be closest to true feelings.

Fire hazard

Don't use utility rooms or storage closets for "junk rooms."

There is danger of fire from spontaneous combustion in a place where paper, old clothing and oily rags are stored, warns Claudia Kerbel, consumer information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Fight heat

Plan now to fight summer's heat, says Sue Young, housing and home furnishings specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Shade windows with roof overhang, awnings and plantings," the specialist says.

Stock larger

Current stocks of most dried fruits — particularly raisins — are larger than last year, reports Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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**ATTENDING CLINIC** — Approximately 40 students and sponsors are attending the Howard College based Marching Auxiliaries of America summer clinic this week. The clinic is for twirlers, drum majors, flag corps and rifle spinners, according to HC Dean Terry Newman, one of the coordinators of the event. The clinic will run through Thursday.

Annual event

## Howard College hosts clinic

By CAROL HART  
Students from several Texas schools are on the Howard College campus this week participating in the Marching Auxiliaries of America summer clinic, according to Terry Newman, dean of students at Howard College. Newman helped coordinate the local event.

Approximately 40 students and sponsors are attending the Howard College clinic. They are from Ozona, Grand Falls, Merkel, Hobbs, Marfa and Big Spring. Students and sponsors are being housed in college residence halls, Newman said.

Newman added that "we have top quality instruction at the clinic." Included are the drill team instructor for the Kilgore Rangerettes, the Golden Girl from the University of Pittsburgh, the Sweetwater majorette from the University of Kentucky, and the featured twirler from Texas Tech.

Others are the corp captain from the flag corp at the University of Florida, the drill team captain from the University of Illinois, and the drum major from Troy State.

## Gay Hill 4-H club elects officers for coming year

Members of the Gay Hill 4-H Club met Monday evening with Paul Ray presiding.


Jana Wegner lead the club motto. Billy Wegner lead the

pledge to the American Flag. Gay Hill 4-H was awarded a certificate of commendation from the Texas Mental Health Association

for collecting money. Paul Ray displayed the certificate.

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New officers were elected for the coming year. They are Brent Rhoton, president; Jana Wegner, vice president; Scott Underwood, secretary; Shelly Peterson, treasurer; and Tanya Hollis, reporter.

Others are Dawn Underwood, assistant representative; Kevin Hamlin, program chairman; Billy Wegner, refreshment chairman; and Tessa Underwood, telephone chairman.

Jana Wegner was elected council delegate from Gay Hill. Brent Rhoton, incoming president, will be a 4-H council delegate. Dawn Underwood was elected to represent Gay Hill as rodeo queen at the 4-H Junior Rodeo July 27-30.

The July end-of-year picnic will be July 17 at 8 p.m. for members and families. The group will meet at the East side pavilion at Comanche Trail Park. Members and their families will play miniature golf following the picnic. Each family is responsible for its food. The club will furnish drinks.

Lois Rhoton, adult leader, showed the plaque she received when she was honored as an adult leader from Extension Service District 6 during Texas 4-H Roundup June 7, held on the Texas A&M campus. The award was for distinguished service to Texas youth. Regular meetings will begin again in September.

they have received training at that time.

### Eagles Auxiliary meets

The fraternal Order of Eagles, Big Spring Auxiliary 3188, met in regular session Monday in the Aerie home, 703 W. 3rd.

Kay Porter presided. She dedicated her term to the Aerie.

Mae Ward was elected trustee. It was announced that Helen Coomer will be in Highland Hospital in Lubbock for two weeks.

Aerie and auxiliary members were reminded of the Veteran's Administration Hospital visitation which was scheduled Tuesday. Entertainment and refreshments were provided for the VA patients.

The auxiliary presented a money corsage to Mary C. Sayers, junior past madam president.

Members were reminded of the District 4 convention to be hosted by San Angelo July 8-9.

The next business meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. June 26 at the Aerie Home.

### Family reunion

The descendants of the late William and Mary McNew met in Forest Park Community Center at Lamesa recently for their family reunion.

Except for a two-year period during World War II, the group has had 48 such gatherings in about as many years. Approximately 228 attended.

Carlene Freyburger, New Maadi, Egypt, was the relative who traveled the farthest distance.

Eldest member present was Mrs. Roy McNew, 85, Big Spring. Youngest was Sarah Melissa Carson, 7 months, Snyder. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carson.

Big Spring attendants included Mrs. McNew, Mrs. Callie Bennett, Jerry Bennett, Mrs. Dwight McCann, Coy Joe McCann, Denise McCann, and Mr. and Mrs. R.X. McNew.

One guest, John Burns, Seminole, attended.

### Past Matrons meet here

The Past Matrons Gavel Club of the Laura B. Hart, chapter 1019, met at Cokers Restaurant Thursday evening for a business meeting and dinner.


Dee Martin, president, presided with Gladys Fiveash giving the devotional.

Arrangements for refreshments for the installation of new officers were completed.

Connie Felts will be hostess for the July meeting.

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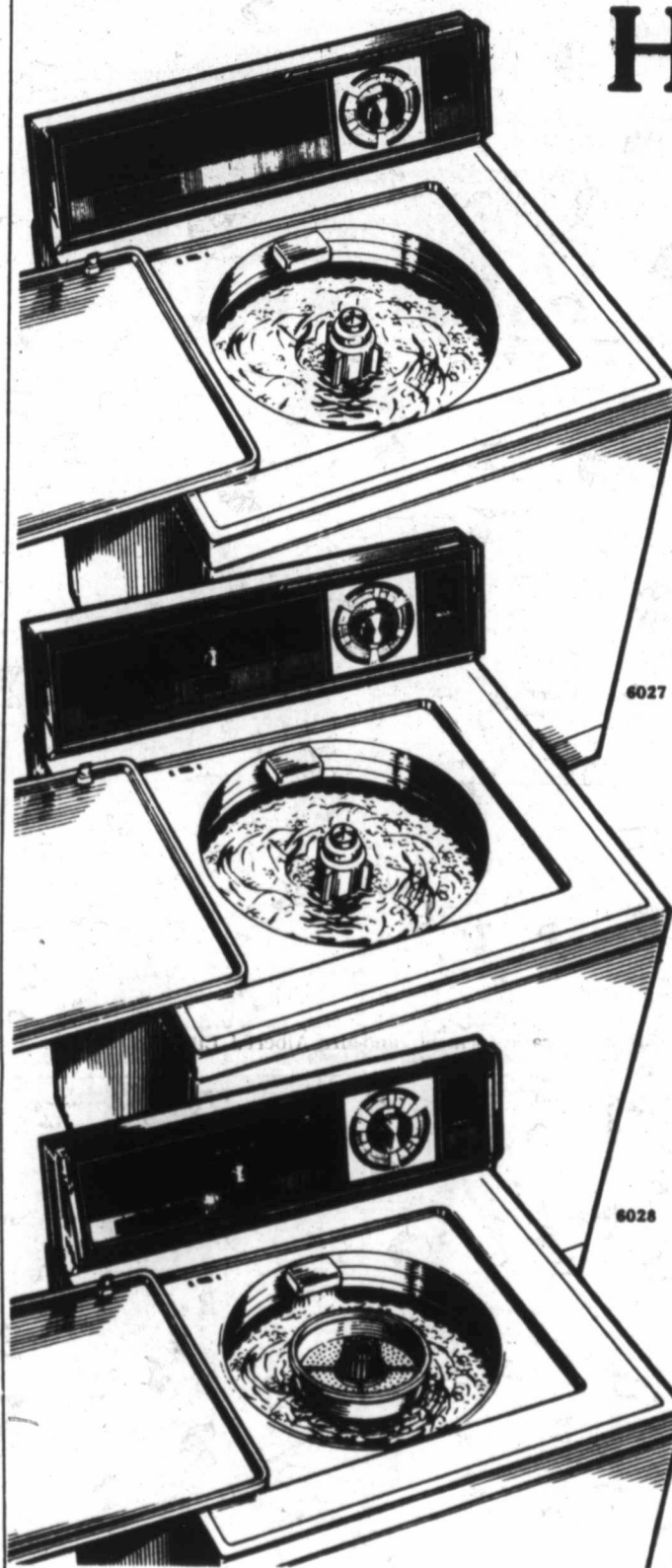
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## Tug-of-war ends in pain for four school students

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — The giant tug-of-war was meant to ease the tedium of final exams for 2,300 young students. But the rope snapped, slicing off fingers and fingertips on four small hands.

A fifth student is in danger of losing her thumb. Some 200 people were injured. "It sounded like someone banged a piece of plastic on the wall or someone pulled the string on a party cracker," said 14-year-old Shannon Meloy. "I smelled something burning and I thought it was the rope, but I think it could have been hands."

Almost all students at Harrisburg Middle School, comprised of grades seven through nine, had lined up on the school lawn Tuesday for the tug-of-war, which was billed as an attempt to make the Guinness Book of World Records.

The Guinness record book currently has no entry for tugs-of-war.

The students grabbed the 2,000-foot-long braided nylon rope and pulled. It broke about 12 minutes into the contest, the whizzing rope searing through muscle, tendons and bones. Some students near the point of the break had relaxed their hold, but others in the back



**INJURED IN TUG-OF-WAR** — Two unidentified Middle School students in Harrisburg sit with bandaged hands in a hospital Tuesday after being treated for burns and cut fingers when nylon rope snapped during a tug-of-war between 2,200 students. Fifty students were treated by local hospitals. Several of them lost fingers. School nurses treated others at the scene.

kept pulling. The rope whipped back through the hands of those who had relaxed, witnesses said.

Two boys, aged 14 and 16, lost their left little fingers. Two others, 13 and 14, had fingertips cut off.

"It could have been the snap or the nylon rope running through their hands at such high speeds that it took the finger right off," said Betty Bogar, public information chief at Polyclinic Medical Center. "It happened so quickly that I didn't see or hear anything," said 13-year-old Lisa

Seay, both hands wrapped in bandages over second-degree burns.

"I just fell to one knee. I looked down at my hands and saw mostly blisters and some blood. My hands were numb."

"It was just a game," said Keith Morton, 14, third in line on his team when the rope snapped. "We just wanted to see how many people could do it."

At least 68 students and faculty were taken to hospitals. All but one were treated and released, according to hospital officials.

## Farm Departmental confusion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sometimes, as in the case of turkey ham, things don't go as planned in the Agriculture Department.

On June 2, the department proposed in the Federal Register — the government's rulemaking publication — that turkey ham will have to be labeled more clearly so consumers can tell it isn't made from pork.

Eleven days later, on Tuesday, the department's Office of Governmental and Public Affairs issued its official news release about turkey ham and the proposed new labeling requirements.

Sources in the department, who asked not to be identified, explained that "it just fell through the cracks" during the clearing process for issuing news releases.

It seems that on June 2, the day the notice appeared in the Federal Register, a prepared news release was sent to Assistant Secretary Carol Tucker Foreman for her final approval.

But the news release was misplaced in the shuffle of papers. Not once, not twice, but three times, another source said. By the time one was ready again for Ms. Foreman this week, she was on vacation.

So it had to be changed so that Sydney Butler, deputy assistant secretary, could be quoted as announcing the turkey ham proposal. But the news release had to be redone once more because Ms. Foreman, who was on vacation, was mentioned in the second page of the announcement instead of Butler.

The turkey ham issue has been on USDA's back burner

for many months. Pork producers and the American Meat Institute challenged the practice, allowed since 1975, of labeling fabricated cured turkey thigh meat as "turkey ham" sold in retail stores.

The National Pork Producers Council and the institute contended that ham really comes from the hind leg of a hog and that turkey ham in a label is misleading.

As proposed by USDA, turkey hams will be labeled clearly with qualifying statements to let consumers know what they are getting and that the product is not pork.

"We are legally required to make certain that poultry and meat products are not labeled in such a way that they are false or misleading to consumers," Butler said in the final revised news release.

Surveys by the meat industry and USDA "provided evidence that a significant portion of the consumers" were confused about turkey ham when the term was used alone on labels and that many assumed it contained pork, Butler said.

The proposal now being considered would set standards for turkey ham, including a specification that it contain only boneless thigh meat. It also would permit "turkey ham" on the label, which then must be followed by the statement, "cured turkey thigh meat."

Persons who want to comment on the proposal can send their views by Aug.

## Milk productions is down again

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the third straight month, milk production has dropped from year-earlier levels, according to the Agriculture Department.

Production in May was about 11.2 billion pounds, down 1 percent from almost 11.4 billion a year ago, the department's Crop Reporting Board said Tuesday.

During the first five months of this year, milk output was about 51.76 billion pounds, slightly less than the 51.95 billion produced in January-May of last year, the report said.

Average milk production per cow in May was 1,032 pounds. That was up seasonally by 26 pounds from April but was three pounds less than the average in May 1977.

The number of milk cows on farms last month was estimated at 10,866,000, a decline of about 1 percent from 10,991,000 a year ago.

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## Boys State concludes convention

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Boys State concluded a week-long conference Tuesday with installation of officers and a speech from Gov. Dolph Briscoe.

Willie G. Talbert III of Houston was installed as governor of American Legion-sponsored organization in ceremonies in the Texas House chamber.

Talbert's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Talbert Jr.

Approximately 920 boys, who will be

high school seniors in the fall, attended the gathering. The youths met in the House and Senate chambers and conducted business under rules of order used by the Legislature.

"If our American form of representative democracy is defined as a government by the people through their elected representatives, then politics is the means by which our democracy works," Briscoe told the conference. "Our democratic form of

government needs the constructive analysis that can only be provided by citizens who are informed and are willing to participate."

Also present were the governor's wife, Janey, and Speaker Bill Clayton.

Other Boys State officers installed were Lt. Gov. Bruce R. Welsley of Plainview, son of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Welsley; and Attorney General Kevin John Lilly of San Antonio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Lilly.

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## Research trying to discover mating habits of armadillos

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Dr. Frank Weaker, who appears to be perfectly sane, has dedicated his professional research career to chasing down armadillos with a giant butterfly net and trying to convince the creatures to reproduce in captivity.

Why, you ask, would anyone possibly want armadillos to reproduce in captivity when the South is literally crawling with the seemingly-useless, pesky, armor-plated mammals?

Armadillos, it seems, are ideal laboratory animals for research into leprosy and several other diseases, said Weaker, an assistant professor of anatomy at the University of Texas Health Science Center here.

But they seldom live very long in captivity, much less reproduce. And research requires sacrifices to science.

That means researchers are constantly forced to take to the fields to capture specimens and are robbed of valuable genetic research material available only in a controlled laboratory environment.

"The armadillo's usefulness in research has been clear for a long time," said Weaker. "It would greatly aid and enhance research if they would reproduce in captivity. Hopefully we can come up with something that will become a routine laboratory procedure."

Weaker has spent about six years studying the unusual reproductive behavior of the housecat-sized, docile, burrowing beast with a bony, crescent-shaped shell, elongated snout and rat-like tail.

The researcher has delved into complex cell structures, attempted to develop a system to study the animal's hormones and plans to attempt artificial insemination. Thus far, the problem has him stumped.

"The armadillos are seasonal breeders. In captivity, they may be shutting themselves off. The female ovulates, but doesn't reproduce. The question is whether they're infertile because of hormones or whether they're not mating."

"No one has sat up all night long to see if they are not mating. Maybe that's something that should be done," quipped Weaker.



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**RESEARCHER AND FRIEND** — Dr. Frank Weaker of the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio has spent the past six years attempting to learn why armadillos don't reproduce in captivity. That armor-plated, burrowing mammals are ideal lab animals for the study of leprosy and other diseases. Such research would be aided, Weaker said, if they would reproduce in a laboratory environment.

## Military cutbacks cause great losses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Military cutbacks proposed by the Pentagon two months ago could hit Northeast and Midwest states with an annual payroll loss of \$206 million, according to a study released today.

The study, performed for congressmen from the region, said the cutbacks would eliminate more than 10,000 military and civilian jobs in the Northeast and Midwest with a payroll loss of \$110.7 million.

The loss of those jobs, in turn, could cause a secondary job loss of 8,000 positions in the private sector with a payroll loss of \$95.3 million, according to the study.

The study was conducted by the Northeast-Midwest Institute, a research organization created by the Northeast-Midwest Congressional Coalition, a group of congressmen from 18 states in the region.

Coalition members, in a letter to President Carter, said they were "deeply disturbed" by "the continued removal" of military facilities from Northeast and Midwest states. They asked to meet with the president to protest the cutbacks in their region.

The coalition said the Pentagon's proposal would close or substantially reduce almost one-sixth of the principal military bases in the Northeast and Midwest.

The study said the Northeast-Midwest region stands to lose 2.4 percent of its share of defense jobs, while the South and West each would lose 1.2 percent of their shares.

In absolute numbers, however, the South would suffer the greatest loss because it has the largest number of defense jobs. The study said the plan announced by the Pentagon on April 26 would slash 13,043 of the 1,058,507 defense jobs in the South, 10,228 of the 423,911 defense jobs in the Northeast-Midwest and 9,710 of the 780,754 defense jobs in the West.

## Energy Dawson County ventures located

A pay was re-opened in a Dawson County field this week and a wildcat scheduled also in Dawson.

Canyon reef oil production was re-opened in the Ackerly, North (Spraberry, Cisco and Dean sand) field of Dawson County with completion of Aikman Oil Corp., Midland, No. 1 Kidd, 1 1/4 miles south of the original opener and two miles north-east of Ackerly, for 125 barrels of 39.8 gravity oil, plus 15 barrels of water, with gas-oil ration unreported.

Production was through a 10-64 inch choke and perforations at 9,151-164 feet, which had been acidized with 500 gallons.

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The field also formerly produced from the Pennsylvanian.

R.K. Petroleum Corp., Midland, will drill the No. 1 J.T. O'Brien a 12,000-foot wildcat in Dawson County, 4 1/2 miles north of the Patricia West (Spraberry) field, separated by a depleted producer, 1 1/4 miles north of a 12,815-foot failure, 1/4 mile southwest of a 12,625-foot failure, one mile northeast of a 13,055-foot failure and 11 miles northwest of Patricia.

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The depleted producer, apparently a long extension to the Patricia West field,

## Budget, superbomber attacked Ford criticizes Carter

WASHINGTON (AP) — Almost in the same breath, former President Gerald Ford criticized his successor the other day for failure to substantially cut the budget deficit and for killing the B-1 superbomber program.

It doesn't require a whole lot of thought to figure out the problem with that one. Spending on the B-1 bomber would cost billions. So what does Ford have in mind?

Ford, like many other critics of budget deficits, also favors increased spending on defense programs. What they really are saying is, cut the rest of the budget but leave defense alone.

And since defense spending will total about \$127 billion in 1979, or more than 25 percent of the total budget of about \$500 billion, it implies some pretty hefty ax-work on what is left.

Everybody has his sacred cow in the budget, and it is the total of those un-touchable items that makes it difficult for President Carter to sharply reduce the deficit as critics such as Ford demand.

There are pressures from mayors to spend more on cities. There are pressures from the elderly and near-elderly to keep Social Security benefits rising with inflation. And there are government workers who feel entitled to pay increases that also keep up with inflation.

Supporters of the CIA have won approval for spending on 1979 spying activities of around \$10 billion, although the exact amount is a secret. Neither Republicans nor

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## Skyscrapers made of logs up for sale

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One is two cabins high; the other three cabins. They're solid log in construction.

Owner Waldemar Ballon is offering the two buildings and the 50-by-100 foot lot they occupy for \$150,000, but he'll listen to any reasonable offer.

Martin Berrigan, who quit working the gold dredges at Dawson in the early 1940s and moved to Whitehorse because of health problems, built the log skyscrapers. They've become tourist attractions.

"Life is too short to allow for getting sick, so I started to build cabins for rent," historical information cards at the MacBride Museum quote Berrigan as saying before his death in 1950.

Berrigan built several one-story cabins, then put up the two-story skyscraper, in effect piling one cabin on top of another.

When a friend asked Berrigan why, if he could build two cabins one on top of the other, could he not do the same with three, he took up the challenge and finished

the three-story structure in 1947.

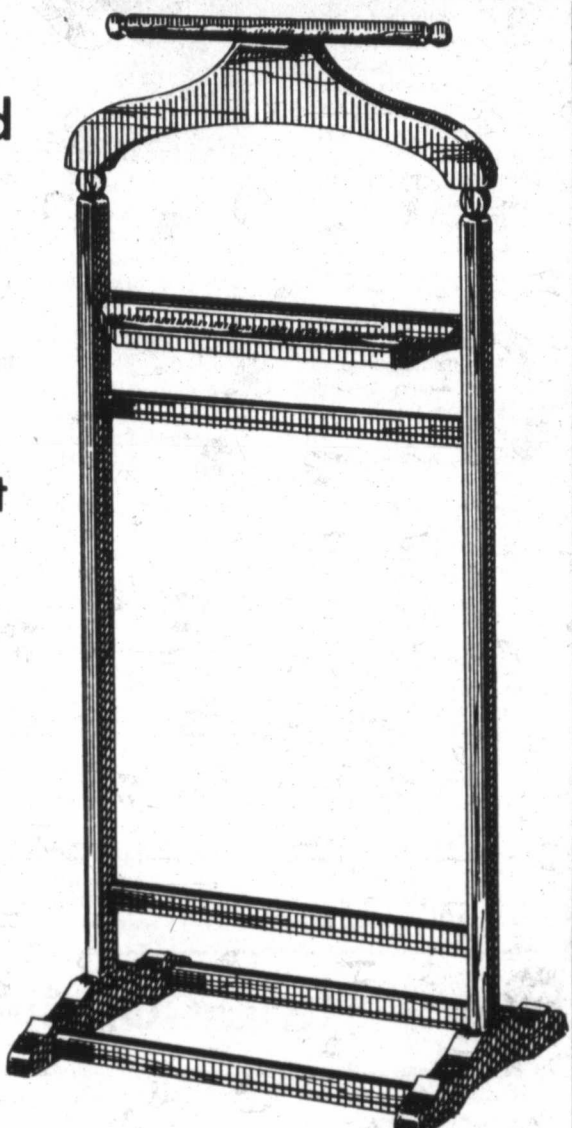
It's 58 logs high. Berrigan cut the nine-inch timber from the banks of the 300-pound logs to the building site on Lambert Street with a team of horses.

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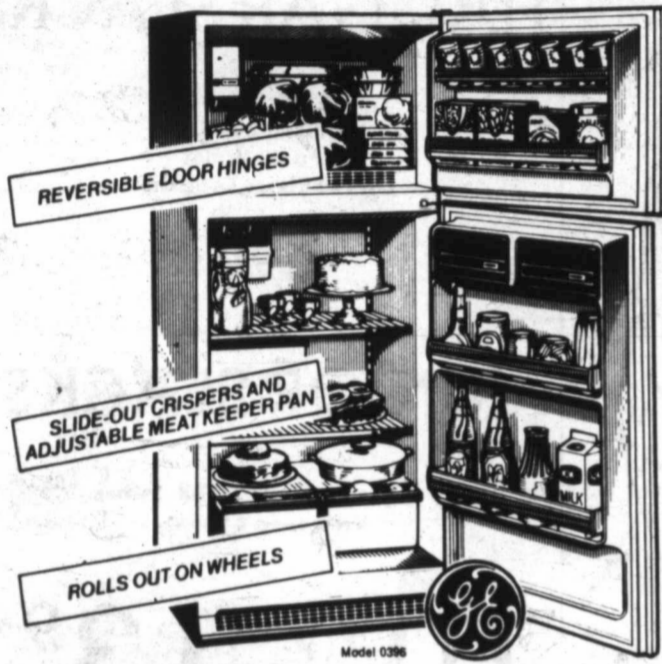
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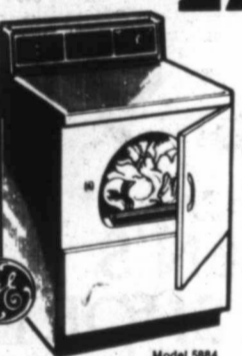
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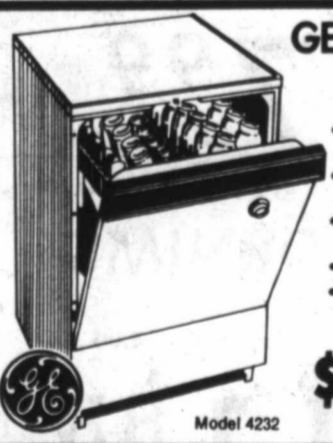
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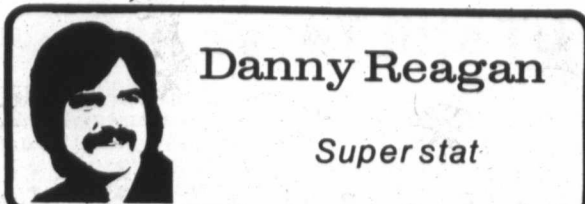
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Super stat

Tom Boswell of the Washington Post has invented a statistic to beat all statistics in the world of baseball. Call it "Big Daddy Stat", "Super Stat," or, as Bossie penned it, "Total Average."

Early historians thought that the world of baseball was flat, and that it floated in a sea of statistics held in a giant washtub resting on the back of a muscular Atlas (a left-hander with a 1.3 ERA).

You know that baseball survives only by virtue of the uncanny lure of its trillions and trillions of decimal points. Statistical analysis is the very cornerstone of the sport.

Bearing this in mind, Boswell set out to find that all-encompassing offensive stat which incorporates batting, slugging, bunting, drawing walks and stealing bases.

The premise for the "Total Average" is that baseball has two fundamental units of measure; the base and the out. Each base is one step closer to home plate; each out is a single step nearer the end of the inning. "The eternal race, in every turn at bat," says Boswell, "is between bases and outs."

Therefore, give a player credit for each base he accumulates: one for a single, walk, steal or being hit by a pitch, two for a double, three for a triple and four for a home run. Then add in all the bases for the year. (You'll need a sheet of year-end stats and a pocket calculator for this folks.)

Now, conversely, count each out that the player makes whether he makes it at bat or is thrown out stealing. Compute the "Total Average" just like a batting average: divide the player's bases by his plate appearances plus steal attempts.

Using this system, Boswell has found out that players such as Rod Carew are overrated. Same for big names such as Jackson, Garvey, Rose and many others. The gaudy .320 hitter with little power and almost no walks is held down. "The batting average," avers Bossie, "which players have long said was grossly overvalued, is brought into perspective."

Baseball's All-Time (career) top 10, under the "Total Average" system are: 1. Babe Ruth (.751); 2. Ted Williams (.710); 3. Lou Gehrig (.6914); Jimmy Foxx (.668); 5. Mickey Mantle (.638); 6. Rogers Hornsby (.629); 7. Joe DiMaggio (.623); 8. Willie Mays (.617); 9. Stan Musial (.616) and 10. Hank Aaron (.608).

If that elite list of baseball players doesn't make a case for "Total Average," I don't know what does. Not many more names that deserve to be on an all-time offensive list can come to mind readily. There's Hans Wagner, Tris Speaker, Joe Jackson, Paul Waner, Bill Terry, Al Simmons and maybe a few others. I imagine they ranked fairly close with Bossie's top 10 though.

George Foster of the Reds was the 1977 TA leader with .666. That's more than 200 points less than the .876 Ruth collected in 1921, the year he had 59 homers, 457 total bases, 144 walks, five hit-by-pitches and 17 steals for 623 aggregate bases.

Other recent TA toppers were Joe Morgan in '76 and '75 (.681 and .640); Mike Schmidt in '74 (.621); and Willie Stargell in '73 (.670).

Hey Tommy Collins, (whose pinch-hitting brother for Cincinnati has been on the national tube twice in three days) during lunch break get all the career Steer stats together and work that up for us, okay? Well.

REMARKABILITIES

"I tried my darndest to sell the club to Mr. Davis (Denver oil baron), who has enough money to buy every major league club. But, right now, with the way this club is winning, all his millions couldn't buy the A's. In a few weeks, we might slide to fifth or sixth. I might try to give them away then." — CHARLIE FINLEY, A's owner.

# Rangers are double-skunked

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Making the right move at the wrong time cost young Rich Gale a no-hitter Tuesday night.

And nobody felt worse than Kansas City Manager Whitey Herzog, who made that move.

Gale, a hard-throwing, 6-foot-7 rookie, was seven outs away from no-hitting the Texas Rangers when to the plate came lefthanded-hitting Al Oliver.

Herzog signaled to first baseman Pete LaCock to move away from the bag toward second. One pitch later, Oliver hit a hard grounder squarely over first base for a triple.

It turned out to be the only hit the Rangers could muster as the Royals, slugging a record-tying seven doubles, took a 5-0 victory.

"Every National League manager told me he never hits one over the bag," Herzog said apologetically. "And just before Oliver

swung I said, 'If he gets Oliver, the sonofagun is going to pitch a no-hitter.'"

"Whitey played me right," Oliver agreed later. "I saw La-Cock move off the bag just before the pitch. It's a rarity when I hit one over the bag."

For Gale, who is having a fairy tale season, it was the sixth victory against only one defeat and his first big-league shutout. He made a weak effort to be philosophical about missing the no-hitter. But his disappointment was obvious.

"We don't make up any more games on Oakland for a no-hitter, so what difference does it make?" he said. "I wouldn't have minded having it, though. I thought at the beginning of the seventh that if I could get by Oliver I might do it. I thought he would be the toughest out for me. It wasn't a bad pitch. It was in a pretty good spot, a slider low and in."

Oliver seemed more impressed with Gale's candor than his pitching arm.

"I respect him even more now," said the Texas outfielder. "He's right. It was a good pitch. But lots of pitchers wouldn't say that."

Gale got 12-hit support from his teammates. Frank White collected two doubles and a single and Tom Poquette drove in three runs in handling Ranger starter Doyle Alexander, 5-4, the loss. The Royals batted around in the fourth to take a 4-0 lead.

Ironically, Gale came

within eight outs of no-hitting the Rangers last Wednesday in Texas. In that game, won by the Rangers in extra innings, Richie Zisk broke up the no-hit bid with a clean single in the seventh.

Zisk followed Oliver to the plate Tuesday night and made a bold prediction to catcher Darrell Porter: "That kid is going to throw a no-hitter this year," he said.

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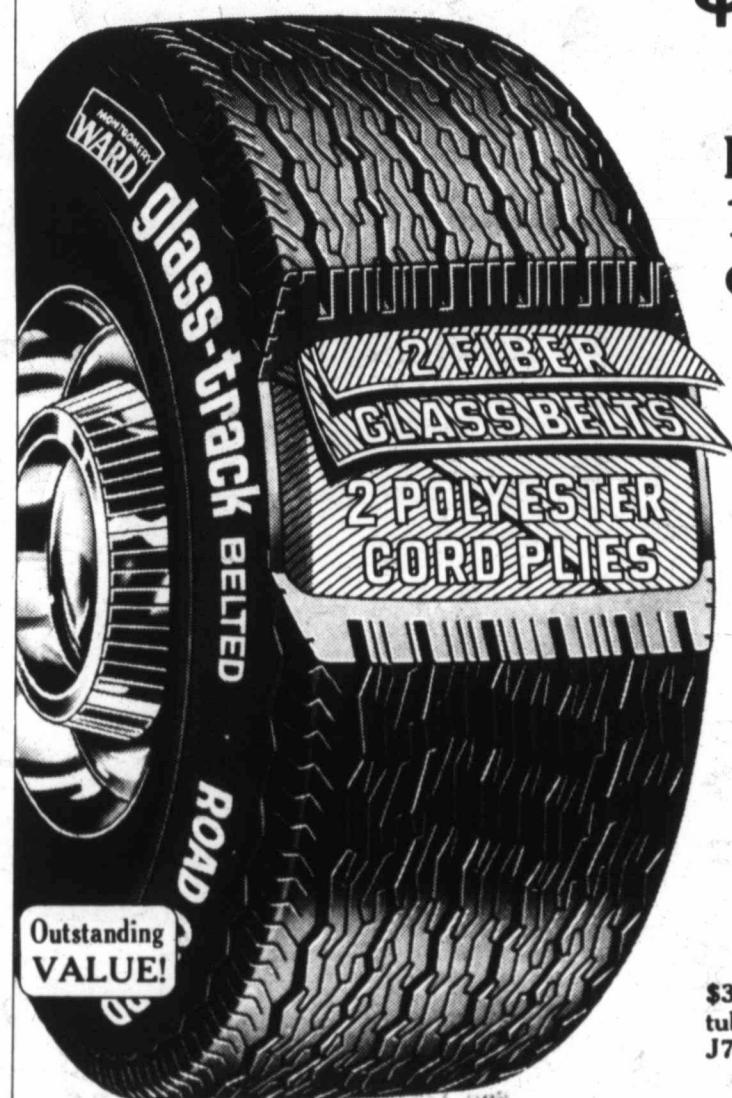
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(AP WIREPHOTO) TOTES HIS OWN BAG

— Andy Bean, winner of the last two events on the professional golf tour, starts his own bag Tuesday at Cherry Hills Country Club enroute to practice tee before practice round prior to the U.S. Open starting Thursday. Bean won the Kemper and the Danny Thomas Classic prior to coming to Cherry Hills for the Open.

## Local tennis pair takes win

Kip McLaughlin and Aubrey Weaver defeated Tim Barginer and Adam Nixon in the Boys 14 finals of the Abilene Open Tournament this weekend to cop the top spot in that division. McLaughlin and Weaver handily took the match, 6-2, 6-4.

The win marked the fourth victory of the year for the local doubles team, with the other wins coming in Big Spring. Andrews and Snyder.

## Most 'roughless' player will win

DENVER (AP) — The sight of 6-foot-4, 215-pound Andy Bean tearing into an iron shot in the rough but managing to advance the ball a mere 20 feet underscored the point: The rough at Cherry Hills is murderous.

The 152 golfers assembled for the 78th U.S. Open Championship this week were almost unanimous in their appraisal of the rough, grown tall and thick by a rare, week-long rainfall earlier this month.

"The winner won't be in that rough much," predicted Bean, who must be rated one of the favorites after back-to-back titles at the Kemper Open and Memphis Classic the past two weeks.

"I hit that shot of mine on No. 10 about 20 feet, and I was swinging as hard as I could. You just have to stay out of it to win."

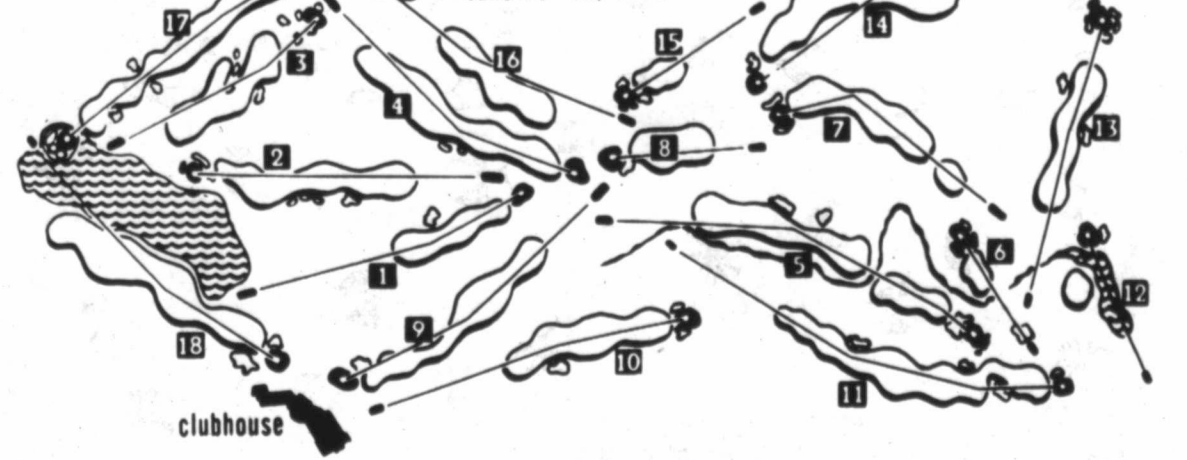
Jack Nicklaus, winner of 14 major tournaments and who figures to be a factor in this one, called the rough "the most uniform and difficult I've seen in an Open in a number of years. You cannot drive the ball off the fairway and expect to make a good shot from there."

Tom Watson, the 1977 Player of the Year and the current top money-winner, said the rough is "unmerciful. If you get in there, you really can't play."

(See "U.S. Open" ...p. 2B)

## U.S. Open

Cherry Hills Country Club  
Englewood, Colorado  
June 15-18, 1978



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# Sports digest

## Reds to invade Japan

CINCINNATI (AP) — The Cincinnati Reds will be the first major league team to tour Japan since 1974 when they visit there this fall.

The Reds will open their 17-game postseason tour Oct. 28 with a weekend series in Tokyo against the Yomiuri Giants.

It will be the first trip to Japan in the team's history and the first by an American big league team since 1974.

Cincinnati will leave for Japan Oct. 25 and return Nov. 22. The trip will include games at Tokyo, Sapporo, Sendai, Yokohama, Nagoya, Toyama, Nishinomiya, Osaka, Hiroshima, Kumamoto, Fukuoka, Kita-Kyushu and Shizuoka.

## U.S. netters fare badly

BIRMINGHAM, England — Five seeded U.S. entries lost first-round matches in the \$125,000 John Player Grand Prix Tennis Tournament.

Dick Stockton, the No. 5 seed, lost to South African Bernie Milton 6-2, 5-7, 6-2. Stan Smith, seeded 10th, lost 2-6, 9-8, 6-4, to Egypt's Ismael El Shafei. No. 12 seed Arthur Ashe was routed 6-1, 6-3 by Brian Fairlie of New Zealand; Bob Lutz, seeded No. 14, fell 6-0, 6-4, to Dave Carter of Australia; and Jeff Borowiak, the 15th seed, was beaten 6-4, 6-2 by Victor Pecci of Paraguay.

Roscoe Tanner was an American winner, beating Britain's Rohun Beven 6-1, 6-4.

## Thompson only repeater

CORONADO, Calif. — Guard David Thompson of the Denver Nuggets was the only repeater on the National Basketball Association's 1977-78 All-Star team.

Thompson was joined on the first team by guard George Gervin of San Antonio, center Bill Walton of Portland and forwards Truck Robinson of New Orleans and Julius Erving of Philadelphia.

The second team consisted of rookie Walter Davis of Phoenix and Maurice Lucas of Portland at forward, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of Los Angeles at center and Paul Westphal of Phoenix and Pete Maravich of New Orleans at guard.

Walton was the leading votegetter in the balloting with 121 points.

## San Antonio stops Midland

Mickey Hatcher's two-run homer in the 8th inning Tuesday night broke a 2-2 tie and helped boost San Antonio to a 5-2 Texas League baseball victory over Midland.

In other Texas League action, Jackson edged Tulsa, 4-2, Arkansas squeezed by Shreveport, 6-5, and El Paso beat Amarillo, 8-6.

Mark Bradley helped San Antonio to a 2-2 tie in the seventh inning with a two-run double and set the stage for Hatcher's eighth inning heroics.

Jeff Reardon gave up only four hits in pitching Jackson to a 4-2 victory over Tulsa. Reardon is now 7-2. Mike Griffin, who gave up seven hits, took the loss. He is now 1-9.

## A's have new bonus baby

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. (AP) — Outfielder Bob Grandas, who hit .404 in three seasons at Central Michigan University, is headed for the Oakland A's with a bonus contract that reportedly runs to five figures.

Grandas was the A's third-round selection in last week's draft. CMU Coach Dave Kellitz announced the signing Tuesday.

The Detroit Tigers drafted Grandas at the end of his senior year at Flint Central High School. However, he accepted a Central Michigan scholarship offer.

## Hockey names All-Stars

MONTREAL (AP) — Guy Lafleur of the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens was the leading votegetter, but the New York Islanders had the most players named today as first-team all-stars in the National Hockey League for the 1977-78 season.

The Islanders placed three players, the Canadiens two and the Boston Bruins one on the first team. The Canadiens had two on the second team along with one each from the Buffalo Sabres and the Islanders and two from the Toronto Maple Leafs.



**FUTURE NBA HOPEFULS** — These local and area basketball players listen to Steer Basketball Coach Tommy Collins during a daily session of the "Steer Basketball Camp" currently underway at Steer Gym.

The third and final session begins Monday, and interested boys in the first through 10th grades may sign up or call 3-8333 for enrollment.

# Rod Carew! Come on down!! \$\$\$

By the Associated Press

If the price is right, any of six American League teams will soon find itself with one of baseball's premier hitters.

Minnesota Twins President Calvin Griffith is the auctioneer and six-time AL batting champion Rod Carew is the merchandise — until midnight Thursday.

Here are Griffith's ground rules: "We're not going to give him away. We need a first baseman and pitcher and more." The 66-year-old president said Tuesday. "If we come up with the right names, okay. If not, there's another 12 teams in the National League we can talk to this winter. I don't have to make a trade. Carew's obligated to the Twins through 1979."

Carew is in the last year of a three-year contract that pays him about \$190,000 annually and has an option year in 1979. Last week, Carew rejected a five-year, \$2 million offer from Griffith.

Carew, the AL's Most Valuable Player in 1977, has stated that he would play for the New York Yankees, Kansas City Royals, Boston Red Sox, California Angels or the Texas Rangers.

Four clubs — the Yankees, Royals, Rangers and a team not on Carew's list — have expressed interest in the 32-year-old first baseman, but Griffith said none of the offers are good enough for "what we have to have." The Angels and Red Sox have not submitted bids.

"I'll sit down with Gene Mauch (Twins manager) on Wednesday and show him what's been submitted. If there is a deal, it won't be made until Thursday." The New York Times quoted Griffith as saying Tuesday night.

"The price they are asking seems outlandish," said Al Rosen, president of the Yankees. "I don't think anyone will go for it."

The Yankees, along with the Rangers, have freely spent their money in the past. But big money won't be part of the Carew deal because of Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn's ceiling of \$400,000 on any trade.

Mauch, who would hate to lose Carew, said, "Mr. Griffith would have to make a sensational deal to give up Carew. He's just asking too much."

Carew, an 11-year veteran with veto power over any trade, wants to see all the speculation end so he can get back to what he does best.

"I'm getting a little tired of it — with all this going on I just can't concentrate."

## U.S. OPEN (Cont. from p. 1B)

Ben Cranshaw added that "if you get in the rough, it'll just cost a shot, that's all."

Because of that danger and narrow fairways on the par-71 layout, the players frequently have chosen irons off the tee during practice rounds this week. With Cherry Hills' 7,083-yard length made shorter by the thin air at Denver's milehigh altitude, it made no sense to sacrifice direction for distance off the tee.

Nicklaus said he pulled out his driver only five times during his practice round Tuesday, and said he doubted he would use it that much during the tournament.

Cherry Hills, which is hosting its third Open, has undergone some alterations since Arnold Palmer began his meteoric rise to the top of the golfing world with a final-round 65 to charge from 7 strokes back and win the event in 1960.

The course has been lengthened somewhat, and 12 sand traps have been added. The major change occurred at No. 1 — once a 346-yard straightaway hole on which Palmer drove the green en route to his 65. But it's a 399-yard dogleg-left hole now.

Palmer has returned, thanks to a special exemption granted him by the U.S. Golf Association, and his fabled army of followers remains loyal. Although a sentimental favorite, he can't be considered one of the top choices to win this week. After all, he last captured a major title in 1964 and last won in this country in 1973.

Instead, the favorites include Bean, Nicklaus, Watson, defending champion Hubert Green, two-time winner Lee Trevino, 1974 titlist Hale Irwin and 1965 champion Gary Player.

## UT still Texas first

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Longhorns went out-of-state this year to recruit two of the nation's top running backs, but football Coach Fred Akers says he and his staff will still recruit Texas "first and foremost."

Texas only sought four non-Texans and signed running backs A.J. Jones of Youngstown, Ohio, and Rodney Tate of Bebe, Okla.

Next year, Akers said in an interview with Lou Maysel of the Austin American-Statesman, the Longhorn staff will seek four to eight out-of-state players.

"We're not going to recruit wholesale outside of the state of Texas," said Akers. "We're going to recruit Texas first and foremost, but there are some outstanding individuals around the country we're going after, too."

"You have to find a young guy who's wanting to leave the part of the country he's in," said Akers. "That's the kind you've got a chance on. They've made up their mind they're going to leave home."

Akers' main out-of-state recruiter, Charlie Lee, said, "Everybody's coming to Texas (to recruit), so why should we leave our own home state? I think you've got to sell your program in your state. You've got to develop good rapport with the high school coaches."

He added, however, that the approach Southern California follows is the one to attain excellence.

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# BILLY NEAR AX AGAIN

I DON'T KNOW if the Yankees are right where they were a year ago, but Billy Martin is. He is working on getting himself fired, and right now he's about even money to make it, same as last year at this time. This is one of Billy's finest talents, getting the bosses sore at him.

It's not that the Yankees aren't winning ballgames. That's not what makes the bosses sore. It's Billy's refusal to recognize there are such things as bosses. To Billy Martin, he's the boss, all the time, of everything. Not only that, he has to remind people of it, every day, sometimes every hour.

Billy Martin is obsessed with proving he is the boss. He is paranoid about it. If some little thing happens that he considers a threat to his bossism, he flies into a rage. It can be some relatively trivial thing, like the Mike Heath incident the other night.

Thurman Munson was hurting in the knee, so Al Rosen decided to bring up a young catcher from the West Haven farm club, just so Billy Martin wouldn't be caught short. Al Rosen was doing this for Billy Martin.

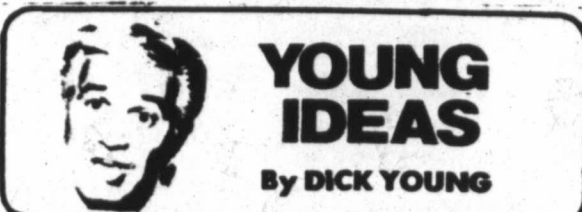
## Al Rosen Is Billy Martin's Boss

Al Rosen is president of the Yankees. He is Billy Martin's boss. Everybody knows that, except Billy Martin. So, Billy Martin got in a huff about Al Rosen announcing in the press box during the Yankee game that Mike Heath was being brought up from West Haven. Billy Martin made some snide remarks about how Al Rosen should have told him about it first, and

then he bawled out Al Rosen for forgetting that Billy Martin is boss.

Al Rosen couldn't believe it. He tried to explain to Billy that there was a time factor involved, and that it just didn't seem right to phone the Yankee bench during the game to tell him Mike Heath was being brought up. After all, Billy was busy being beaten by Baltimore.

Al Rosen tried to handle the sticky situation as cordially as possible, but underneath he was boiling. "I'm easy enough to get along with," says Al Rosen.



"but I don't like being backed to a wall. The ultimate responsibility lies upstairs. The manager must manage with the players he is given."

An unwillingness to accept this delineation of duties got Billy Martin fired as manager in Minnesota, in Detroit, in Texas, and almost in New York a year ago. Martin flies off the handle with his players to prove that he is boss and even with the newspapermen. "I know you stayed in the clubhouse two minutes after the deadline before the game," he'll say to a newspaperman, as though his authority had been challenged. The other day, after a game, he's in the press

room, having a couple of belts and talking baseball. He can be fascinating at those times. Suddenly, like Dr. Jekyll drinking the evil potion, Billy Martin changes before your very eyes. An old Army buddy, a lieutenant, was Billy's guest. "Tell him who was the boss," said Billy Martin. "The whole team was officers, but I was the manager. Me, corporal Martin," he said, preening. "I let them know it, too."

It's a sickness, and it is going to destroy him. Martin doesn't drink too much. He just talks too much when he drinks. He gets the "I'm boss" chip on his shoulder. That's how come he got into that ruckus on the plane with Thurman Munson, about who should straighten out Mickey Rivers for not hustling. That's how come he got into a mouthoff with Andy Messersmith at the Cleveland airport. Having a few drinks accentuates Martin's macho, his compulsion to let everybody know he's boss.

## They're 'George's Boys'

Billy Martin goes around saying out loud that Andy Messersmith and Rawly Eastwick are "George's boys." This is Billy's way of taunting George Steinbrenner, who happens only to own the ballclub. A year ago, George Steinbrenner said it would be up to Gabe Paul whether or not Martin stayed. Al Rosen has replaced Gabe Paul, and now Steinbrenner is saying the same thing, that it will be up to Al Rosen. Everything is the same. It's deus vu time.

Steinbrenner will stay in the background only so long. Then, very adroitly, he will convince Rosen that Rosen has had enough of Billy Martin. That's how it will be done, when it is done; Steinbrenner will make up Rosen's mind for him. That's what being the boss is all about, and Al Rosen is smart enough to realize it. That's the difference between him and Billy Martin.



THEY WERE ONE AND TWO IN 1960 — Pro golfing veterans Arnie Palmer, left, and Jack Nicklaus chat Tuesday on practice tee at the Cherry Hills Country Club. They're on hand for the U.S. Open starting Thursday. Palmer won the Open at Cherry Hills in 1960. Nicklaus, then an amateur, was runnerup.

## Reds get Cub revenge

It didn't take Fred Norman long to settle a score with the Chicago Cubs.

The last time the Cincinnati left-hander faced the Cubs, he was blasted off the mound by a fierce Chicago attack that resulted in a 10-1 loss.

That was a week ago. But on Tuesday night Norman threw it back in the Cubs' teeth, combining with reliever Doug Bair to fashion a four-hit, 1-0 triumph.

"Everything was there, the good command and good location," said Norman. "And I knew exactly what I wanted to come back with."

It was one of Norman's best performances in a Cincinnati uniform. He didn't allow a hit until Steve Ontiveros singled in the fifth and only three Cubs reached second base until the ninth.

Then, with runners on first and third, Bair came on to strike out the last two batters and preserve the victory.

In other National League games, the Los Angeles Dodgers whipped the Philadelphia Phillies 5-3; the San Francisco Giants stopped the Montreal Expos 9-5; the New York Mets edged the San Diego Padres 3-2; the Houston Astros nipped the Pittsburgh Pirates 2-1 and the Atlanta Braves routed

the St. Louis Cardinals 12-1.

Dodgers 5, Phillies 3

Lee Lacy slugged a three-run homer in the first inning and Steve Yeager hit a solo shot in the second to lead Los Angeles over Philadelphia.

Don Sutton scattered eight hits, three of them bases-empty home runs by Mike Schmidt, Richie Hebner and Greg Luzinski. The victory was Sutton's fifth in 11 decisions and first since May 22.

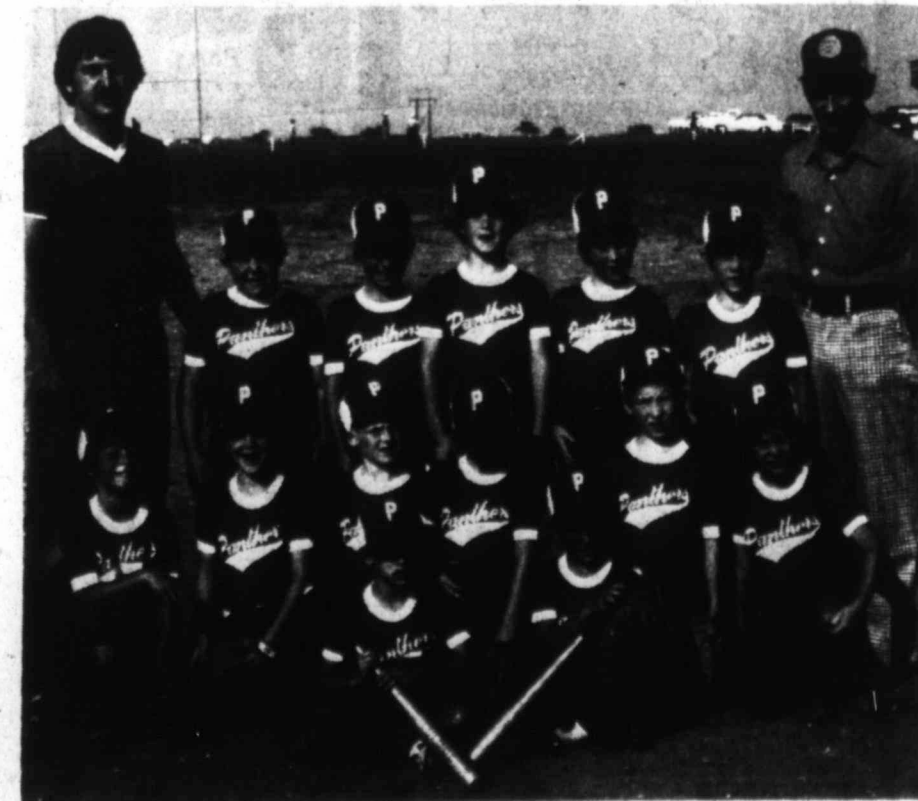
Giants 9, Expos 5

Jack Clark drove in four runs with a double and a three-run homer to lead San Francisco over Montreal. Left-hander Bob Knepper, 8-3, survived a shaky three-run first inning and then retired 16 batters in a row to post the Giants' fourth straight victory.

Mets 3, Padres 2

Lenny Randle's two-run single in the ninth sparked New York over San Diego. Randle's hit came off Padre reliever Rollie Fingers, 2-7, while Skip Lockwood, 7-4, gained the victory with two scoreless innings of relief work.

Trailing 2-1 going into the ninth, Lee Mazzilli ignited the Mets' rally with a single. He advanced to third when Padre left fielder Gene Richards bobbled Tim Lincecum's single for an error.



PANTHERS — Of the American Pee Wee League this year include, left to right, starting with the bottom row: Brandt Hamby, Torbin McEwen, David Kilgore, Troy Mauldin, Jason Dent, Paul Bailey, Brad Hodnett, Jimmy Miller, Kenny Winchester, Craig Knocke, Perry Fruedhomme, John Osborne, Jeff Collier, Coaches Rus McEwen and Jeff Collier. Not pictured are Daniel Freshour and Spencer Coker.

## World Cup wives arrive

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — The wives of Austria's soccer team have arrived for what could be the final stages of the World Cup — and may even be allowed to join their husbands from time to time if the matches go well.

For the moment, the players are in one hotel and the wives in another. But Otto Demuth, secretary of the Austrian soccer federation said the segregation need not be permanent.

"Every night after a game there is a possibility they may be together," Demuth

said guardedly.

Maybe if Austria defeats Holland at Cordoba today there will be some joyful conjugal reunions. If Austria loses — well, then the Austrian federation may take a different view.

Soccer coaches differ on the subject of sex between games for their players while the big tournament is on.

The wives of only two members of the Italian team — Rento Zaccarelli and Francesco Graziani — made the trip to Argentina. They were scarcely allowed to see their husbands — only oc-

asionally as spectators at training, and never in the country club where the players stayed.

Now Mrs. Zaccarelli and Mrs. Graziani have gone home.

For the French — one of the 16 teams that started in the World Cup — it was "non, non, non" all the way. They were not allowed to bring their wives to Argentina at all.

The French spent a thoroughly unhappy time, losing their first two matches and being eliminated in the first round. Now they are enjoying some consolation — a vacation in Brazil with their wives, paid for by the French federation.

The celibate Austrians, on the other hand, played as though inspired. Victories over Spain and Sweden sent them to top place in their group and they sailed into the second round, which was to start today.

The Austrian wives flew out at the expense of an Austrian bank. The trip was promised as a reward if the team reached the second round. On arrival each wife was presented with three red roses.

The wife of midfielder Herbert Prohaska said: "We are thrilled to be here, but we don't expect to see our husbands until after the Holland game, and then we don't know for how long."

Eight teams are left in contention now, playing in two groups. Austria, Holland, West Germany and Italy are in Group A, and Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Poland are in Group B.

## Orioles' streak still intact at 12

Baltimore Manager Earl Weaver said it was a longshot, but pitcher Mike Flanagan had a better name for it — Eddie Murray.

The Orioles, saved from the brink of defeat by Murray's two-out 10th-inning homer, won in the 11th on Larry Harlow's RBI single and stretched their winning streak to 12 with a 3-2 victory over the Seattle Mariners Tuesday night.

And Weaver didn't bother to hide his surprise. "That's what you hope for, but deep down you don't expect it," Weaver said of Murray's homer that wiped out a 2-1 Seattle lead.

"I wasn't leaving the dugout until after Eddie hit," added Flanagan after firing a five-hitter, chalking up his ninth victory in 13 decisions and winning his fourth consecutive game.

In other American League action, Minnesota swept a twilight doubleheader from Toronto 2-0 and 7-2, Boston blanked California 5-0, Milwaukee blasted Detroit 7-2, New York edged Oakland 5-3, Chicago outlasted Cleveland 10-9 and Kansas City whitewashed Texas 5-0.

Red Sox 5, Angels 9

George Scott homered and drove in three runs and Butch Hobson drilled a solo homer to back the two-hit pitching of Jim Wright as Boston whipped California and rolled to its fifth straight victory.

Wright allowed a second-inning single to Joe Rudi and a single to Lyman Bostock in the sixth while striking out six and walking one.

Yankees 5, A's 2

Switch-hitter Roy White slammed home runs from both sides of the plate as New York edged Oakland.

White's first blast, batting right-handed against A's starter John Johnson, came in the third and tied the score 1-1. The second, with the score knotted 2-2 in the fifth, came when White was batting left-handed against reliever Rick Langford. It was the fifth time the veteran outfielder had homered from both sides of the plate in the same game.

Brewers 7, Tigers 2

Charlie Moore and Ben Oglivie hit home runs and Mike Caldwell scattered eight hits as Milwaukee defeated Detroit and posted its sixth consecutive victory.

Twins 2-7, Blue Jays 0-2

Dan Ford drove in three runs with a homer and a single leading Minnesota to a 7-2 win over Toronto and a sweep of its two-night doubleheader.

In the first game, Willie Norwood had two hits and scored both runs as the Twins defeated Toronto 2-0 to snap a six-game losing streak.

White Sox 10, Indians 9

Chicago rallied from a nine-run deficit, riding 61-3 innings of brilliant relief pitching by Rich Hinton to a 10-9 victory over the Cleveland Indians and their 15th triumph in the last 17 games.

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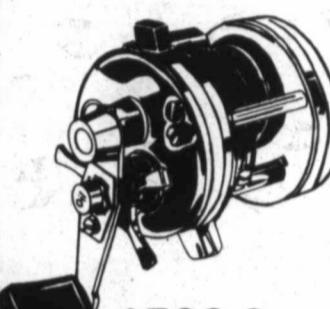
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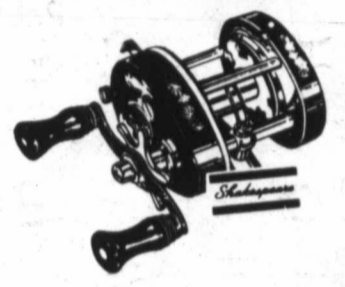


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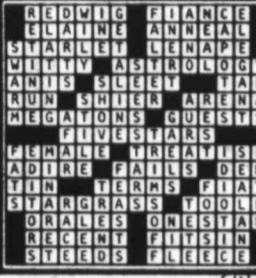
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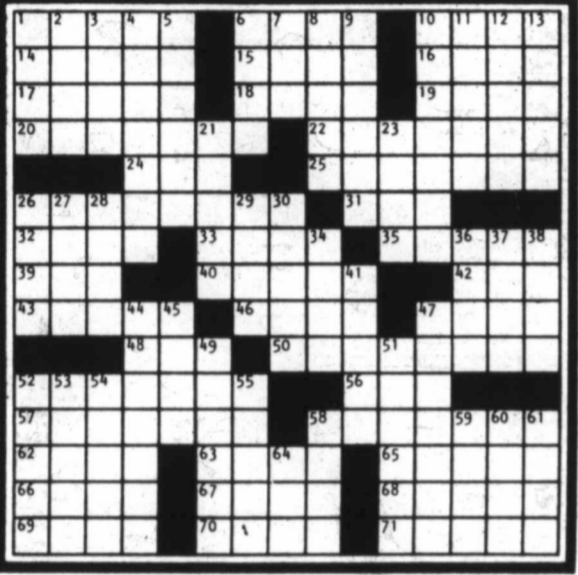
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**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21)** Participate in activities that interest you and accomplish a good deal. Make future appointments also. Have a greater understanding of loved one's needs.

**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21)** Raise your level of consciousness and improve conditions at home appreciably. Happiness can help you grow, be more successful.

**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21)** Good time to talk over with partners your ideas for expansion which are practical and good. Study reports and statements well and eliminate errors. A happy evening is possible.

**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)** Make minor repairs to abode that add to beauty, comfort and value. Consider the cost first. Handle affairs in a businesslike way.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)** You gain goals easily today which can make for a satisfying day. Show affection for others and you get good results. Avoid one who is jealous.

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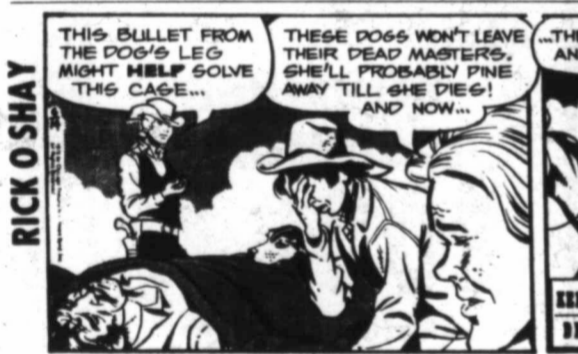
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## Ridin' fence — And now jackrabbits



with Marj Carpenter

A few years back, I wrote a column claiming that there was a society to protect everybody and everything except fat middle-aged lady reporters.

There are societies to prevent cruelty to dogs, cats, rattlesnakes and alligators — and now jackrabbits.

There are groups who strongly favor ethnic groups, poor, elderly, and handicapped. Some say there are groups that back women, but I think they lean toward pretty young things and sweet little old ladies — but 51 year old fat ladies who have fought the long battle on such fields as a sports writer, political writer and police reporter — are left to sink or swim on their own.

Somewhat I'm never quite poor enough, although plenty poor; or old enough, although plenty old; or crippled up enough, although I've been flattened by a truck, or pretty enough (and I sure won't comment on that) to ever be on the side that is defended.

At the time I wrote the article I was laughing about the great defense of rattlesnakes in West Texas,

where most folks don't care if they are killed, and of alligators in Florida where one had recently killed a teenager.

I got a four-page letter from the National Audubon Society calling me a "jaded reporter against rattlesnakes."

They sent a copy of the letter to my publisher, the mayor, the chamber and the county judge, none of whom happened to like rattlesnakes either.

At the present, much furor is being raised about the jackrabbits. The Rev. Gage Lloyd tells a story about the old jackrabbit drives around here when trappers were paid 10 cents for each pair of ears. They would kill a rabbit, run up and cut off the ears as bounty. One day a fellow killed a rabbit that was earless so he realized that somebody had already collected for the ears but the rabbit had apparently gotten up and hopped off.

I'm sure the environmentalists will be horrified by that tale, but the straight truth of the matter is that three jackrabbits eat as much grass as one cow.

And ranchers reach a point when the over-prolific rabbits are not adequately handled by Mother Nature and must be killed off, if the cows are to have any grass.

The current controversy rages around rabbits being sold to train Greyhound dogs. That isn't too kindly, but then neither are fox hunts or hunting dogs treeing a coon.

But I can't think that it's really extremely kind to kill and eat chickens, cows, lambs and hogs. But we do it, unless you happen to be one of the three vegetarians I count among my friends.

We do get carried away with causes. And right now it's the jackrabbits. Much to do about nothing.

There's a couple of buildings in town that would like to quietly do away with a bunch of pigeons if they could figure out a way, because they are tired of having to wear a hard hat when they go in the door.

But I'm sure that somebody would think that was terrible. I recall my husband killed a pigeon that was roosting on our air conditioner when we lived in an apartment complex in Pecos.

Next time we looked out the door, some neighborhood children were having a funeral for the pigeon complete with wildflowers and singing of hymns. That does unnerve you if you are a pigeon killer, but at least the mess was gone off the air conditioner.

I don't have all the answers and I am not against all birds, animals and reptiles, but I do think we get ridiculously carried away with causes.

Environmentalists say Mother Nature will take care of the balance, but I'm always afraid Mother Nature is off tasting oleo.

For instance, hundreds of sugar ants invaded my kitchen sink the other day through the window. And I really was hesitant to wait for Mother Nature to handle the problem.

So you know what I did. I killed all those darn ants — Yes I did, early one morning before I went out to ride fence.

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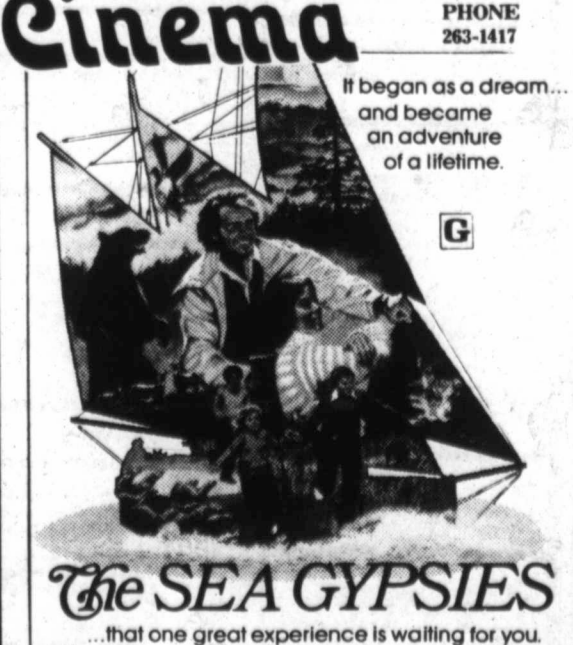
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## A show for British fans

LOS ANGELES (AP) — I'm not sure civilians will dig it, but fans of British drawingroom comedy have an example of it afoot in public TV's "The Norman Conquest" being sent by PBS stations tonight.

Written by Alan Ayckbourn, it's a three-parter about middle-class lust, infidelity and a leech of a librarian named Norman. The opener runs two hours, followed by other chapters on June 21 and 28.

Set in a house in the English countryside, "Conquests" is what you'd call comic soap opera, minus long pauses and organ music. It's also the enter-and-exit kind of British comedy.

Such occurs when all the talk takes place in one arena. Tonight, the arena is a dining room, next week it's a living room and the week after a garden. It makes things a bit static.

So the author keeps the six-member cast busy entering and exiting as well as talking. I counted 12 arrivals and departures in the first half-hour tonight before giving up.

During the comings and goings, it seemed the play revolved around a weekend at the country house, where the only full-time residents are a comely spinster, Annie, and her unseen, bed-ridden mother.

In from the city come Annie's brother, Reg, his wife, Sarah, and then Norman, a bearded free spirit. He's married to Ruth, sister of Annie and Reg, but has left her at home this weekend.

Seems he once seduced Annie. She describes it as "whamthump on the rug." Now, he and she secretly plan to spend the weekend at a distant hotel and resume this hanky-panky at a leisurely pace.

She is doing this because she is lonely and also because Tom, a handsome, eligible, dense neighborhood veterinarian, won't give her a tumble. He apparently is more interested in animals.

Things start happening when she shocks Sarah by telling her of the affair. More happens as Reg and Tom learn of it, still more as Norman's wife arrives unannounced, summoned by Sarah, who, at show's end, is set up for seduction, ditto Annie, by Norman.

(Stop me if you've heard this plot before.)

Some lively lines do flash about in all this, such as "Oh, nun's knickers," "Norman's getting drunk and Tom's looking thoughtful" and "Oh, there's a good chap."

And the acting is good,

with Penelope Wilton as Annie, Penelope Keith as Sarah, Richard Briers as Reg, Fiona Walker as Ruth, David Troughton as Tom, and Tom Conti as Norman the Rascal.

But at two hours, "Conquests," first done on

the London stage, then Broadway, tends to drag, is only fitfully funny. It would have been far more effective if served up in a one-hour-a-week portion.

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