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DOG-GONE COLD! — Caesar, a year-old German shepherd, is dressed almost as warmly as his 8-year-old master Mark Costa as they play Tuesday in Brockton, Mass.

The cold spell continues unabated throughout the New England area.

(AP LASERPHOTO)

Rules for figuring bills outlined

City water laws change voted

By JAMES WERRELL
The Big Spring City Council took the first steps in changing two ordinances regarding utilities, during its regular meeting, Tuesday night.

In the first of the two ordinances passed on second reading, the city will no longer allow hookups of city utilities with any property outside the city limits. This will not affect those who already have such connections, but, according to a consensus by the council, the city "will take a hard stand" against any in the future.

"This is really a move to discourage development outside the city, and to encourage it inside the city," said Don Davis, city manager. "There is also the problem that if the city ever annexes property on the periphery of the city limits in the future, we will then be responsible for upgrading the water mains there."

Despite the proposed "hard stand," there will be exceptions to the rule. Regulations will be bent for property outside the limits owned or operated by the city, Howard County, the State of Texas or any other governmental entity; property to which water is furnished by the city through a contractual agreement; and property with privately owned water systems, which, in an emergency, may receive water from the city if approved by the council.

The second ordinance outlines rules for the figuring of water bills when a meter or service line fails. The council decided that when the city is partially at fault for the problem, it should pay for half of the lost water.

In a situation where water is lost or a meter is broken, the city will average the bills from the previous three months and pay half of the difference between the averaged bill

and the bill during the problem month.

"The leak must be proven to exist by a qualified plumber, and the adjustment will be made only once a year," said Davis. "The purpose of limiting the number of adjustments is to insure that the customer makes proper repairs to the water lines to protect himself from future loss," he added.

The council also voted to purchase seven police patrol cars from the Bob Brock Ford Dealership, 500 W. 4th. Cost of the Ford LTDs, which will have optional split seats in front, will be \$8,091.24 per auto, totaling \$56,638.68.

This was the lowest of three bids.

It was also decided to purchase a wheel-loader backhoe from the Yellowhouse Machinery Company. Cost of the equipment over a three-year lease purchase plan will be \$29,987.

"We will have the option of returning the backhoe after six months if it doesn't meet our requirements. Then, if Yellowhouse is able to sell it for less than our agreed purchase price, we will pay the difference," explained Davis.

One other purchase was approved by councilmen, Tuesday. The city will buy 50,000 garbage bags from Bemis Company, Inc. at a cost of \$3,330.

The bags will come in rolls of 50, costing \$3.33 a roll. The city will, in turn, sell these rolls to city customers at \$5 a roll, which includes tax.

The council voted to pay a total of \$539.74 to Frank Bordofsky, 705 W. 15th, for damages to him and his car when the auto struck a city street barricade at the corner of Douglas and West 15th, 8:15 p.m. Dec. 16. Of the total, \$50 was for cost of a medical

examination, and the rest for damage to the car.

"The reason we granted this claim when we often haven't in the past is that the city was clearly negligent," said Davis. "We had been warned that the barricade had no lights or other warning markers the day before, and we failed to do anything about it."

In other business, councilmen:

—Awarded a five-year service pin to Kenneth Scott, an operator at the city filter plant.

—Abolished on second reading the Joint Airport Zoning Board, the Economic Advisory Council, the Board of Equalization and the Emergency Medical Advisory Service.

—Passed on second reading an ordinance increasing the number of members on the Parks and Recreation Board and setting the date for budget requests as June 30 of each year.

—Designated Beverly Arenson, senior accounts clerk, as the acting city secretary to fill the post when Tom Ferguson, city secretary, is out of town.

—Agreed on second reading to the contract with the Spring City Theater, Inc. for the lease by that group of the Municipal Auditorium.

—Agreed to support a move within the State Legislature to change the state's unemployment act. An amendment to the act would disallow payment of compensation to those who are fired from a job or quit the job voluntarily.

—Passed on first reading a resolution to allow Travis Brackeen to lease Building 604, previously leased by Energy Efficiency, Inc., at the Big Spring Industrial Park for 7.5 cents a square foot per month.

Iran trying for hostage agreement this week

Iran's Parliament today approved one emergency bill aimed at clearing the way for release of the 52 American hostages and Iran's chief negotiator said, "We are going to release the hostages in the coming two or three days or try them."

But Parliament adjourned until Sunday without acting on another measure proposed by the Iranian government to aid in solving the crisis. The Iranian government, despite delays in Parliament, has indicated it is seeking to meet a Friday deadline set by the Carter administration for reaching an agreement before President Carter leaves office.

In Washington, a senior U.S. official said Iran is expected to reply soon on exchanging frozen Iranian assets for the hostages, adding: "Let's hope it is something close to what we can accept, and we'll get a deal."

Asked about the Iranian Parliament's passage of a bill to set up an arbitrator for conflicting financial claims, a State Department spokesman, John H. Trattner, said, "We really can't evaluate it except that it seems a step in the right direction.... We still have the same fundamental questions that remain unresolved."

One Washington official said the action "doesn't tell us what their final position would be," but said Washington expected an Iranian reply "in a day or so."

Behzad Nabavi, Iran's chief negotiator in the 14-month hostage crisis, mentioned decisive action on the hostages in two or three days in what was seen by observers as an effort to push Parliament into action on both emergency measures.

Later in the morning, a spokesman for the Majlis (Parliament) told The Associated Press in Beirut by telephone that the government "will decide on the future of the American hostages" Thursday or Friday. He refused to amplify his remark.

Meanwhile, Swiss authorities issued an attachment order on a villa in St. Moritz owned by the family of the late shah of Iran. The order apparently was taken at the initiative of Iran's lawyers in Switzerland, but it was not known if the action was directly connected with negotiations to free the hostages.

Tehran Radio reported in a commentary on the situation that in the waning days of his administration, Carter was "forced to deposit 70 percent of Iranian assets in U.S. banks with the Algerian national bank." The report did not elaborate and it was not clear if the commentator was outlining terms for an agreement or part of an effort to prepare Iranian public opinion for an accord.

The Majlis approved a bill authorizing appointment of a third government to act as arbitrator to settle financial and legal claims between the United States and Iran. But despite Nabavi's prodding, it shelved until Sunday — after the Carter administration's deadline for an agreement — the other bill to nationalize the wealth of the late Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and his relatives.

Nabavi told the deputies their failure to act on the second bill would delay the return of the shah's fortune to Iran. It was not known, however, whether approval of the legislation was necessary before an agreement

with the United States could be reached.

It is assumed that Algeria, which is acting as intermediary in the negotiations between the two countries, would be chosen to arbitrate their rival claims.

Debate on the bills was postponed Tuesday because there were not enough members present from the 12-man Council of Guardians, which must give its assent to all legislation.

Hair(y) crime reveals guilt

Police called it a burglary for lack of a better word, and it seemed at first to have all the earmarks of that crime. But somehow, the word just didn't fit.

Intruders did climb through the window over the washing machine at the home of Margie Bridges, 1509 Oriole Monday night. And they did examine just about every room in the house.

But did they steal anything? On the contrary. Whoever they were, they must have been feeling a few pangs of guilt because they returned two wigs that had been taken during a previous burglary.

They just may rotate the old saying, "Hair today, gone tomorrow."



A GIFT FOR A LOCAL CITIZEN — President-elect Ronald Reagan holds up a Steuben glass eagle given to him by the Central City Association during a luncheon in

Los Angeles Tuesday. The business group honored the president-elect during "Ronald Reagan Day" which was planned on the eve of Reagan's departure for Washington.

(AP LASERPHOTO)

City manager, chief clarify policy changes at city jail

Big Spring City Manager Don Davis and Chief of Police Elwood Hoherz held a press conference this morning to clarify policy changes regarding prisoners in the city jail.

Two weeks ago, the city announced that suspects arrested on suspicion of committing felonies or major misdemeanors would remain in the municipal jail overnight until they could be processed and transferred to the Howard County Jail the next morning.

A number of local attorneys disputed the policy change, saying that they should be able to secure bail for their clients on the night of the arrest.

"The city council has instructed me to clarify the policy change and to say that the council supports it 100 percent," said Davis. "Councilmen have been hearing rumors that if a person is stopped for running a red light or a stop sign, he will be impounded in our prison, never to see his kids again. This just isn't so," he added.

Davis and Hoherz stressed that the policy change applies only to felony or serious misdemeanor charges.

"Since Jan. 5, we have had 16 cases where the new policy was in effect.

Ten of those were DWIs, two were for auto theft, one for burglary, one for deserting the Army and theft and one for aggravated assault and carrying a prohibited weapon," said Hoherz.

Some of the offenses not affected by the rule include routine traffic offenses; violations of city ordinances; simple assault; theft under \$5; criminal mischief under \$5; disorderly conduct; public intoxication; gambling; prostitution; discharging firearms within city limits; indecent exposure; reckless damage; criminal trespass; and others.

"The purpose of the change is twofold: to maintain the integrity of our arrest records and to put a couple more men on the street," said Hoherz.

The only difference between the new and the old policy, Hoherz explained, is that ID personnel will not be summoned in the middle of the night to take mug-shots or fingerprints of suspects. With officers freed of this responsibility, they will be able to turn attentions elsewhere during the night, he contended.

"I should also add that this policy is being monitored. If it isn't effective, we'll change it," said Davis.

Focalpoint

Action/reaction: Gilhoolie to rescue

Q. I have arthritis and my hands are frequently too weak to get the lid off a jar. I know that there is some type of device that makes this job easier, but where do I find it?

A. Fashionable, Rocky Hill, N.J., 08553, specializes in self help items. There are two devices in the current catalog that fit your description. One of them, called the Gilhoolie, operates something like a crescent wrench. It adjusts to large or small caps and provides 9-inch leverage. Cost is \$6.

The other is called a ZIM opener. It attaches to a wall and you turn the bottle to open the cap. It costs \$7.98. (Add \$1.75 for postage and handling on either one.)

Calendar: Dance club

WEDNESDAY

Imodean Lister, outstanding gospel and classical singer will present an hour-long concert at 7 p.m. at the First Church of God, 2009 Main.

Big Spring Music Study Club will have their regular meeting at 3:30 at 518 Edwards Circle.

The Spring City Dance Club meets at the Eagles Lodge tonight at 7:30. Live music will be provided. Invited guests are welcome.

THURSDAY

The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council will host the Annual Awards Luncheon for the volunteers at noon in the Allred Building on the hospital campus. Call 267-8216, ext. 535 for reservations.

The Thouvenel String Quartet will present a concert at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The concert is free of charge.

FRIDAY

Workshop for interpreters and others working with the deaf sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, Deaf Ministries Division at College Baptist Church. Registration and banquet at 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Interpreters and interested persons working with the deaf workshop continues from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., including lunch.

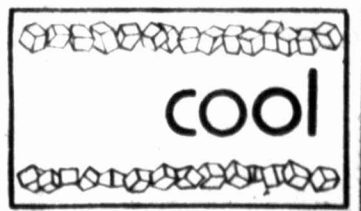
Tops on TV: 'Terror Among Us'

Real People's Lee Purcell takes a stab at a dramatic role tonight on "Terror Among Us," a TV movie which will be aired on CBS following Jimmy Carter's farewell speech at 8 p.m. Eileen Brennan guests stars as a philandering wife who gets Louie in trouble on Taxi, airing after the speech on ABC.

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Outside: Fair

Temperatures should be fair today and Thursday, with highs both days in the upper 50s. Lows tonight will reach into the low 30s. Winds will be northerly at 5-10 mph today, changing to light and variable tonight.



Digest

One dies in oil rig mishap

MORGAN CITY, La. (AP) — A cable snapped on an offshore drilling rig Wednesday, hurling three men into the Gulf of Mexico, a Coast Guard spokesman said. One man was killed, one was injured and the third was missing. Details of the accident were sketchy. Coast Guard spokesman Doug Bandos said he was told the three were being hoisted aboard the rig when the cable snapped and dropped them into the Gulf. But an employee of the Merit Drilling Co., owners of the rig, said he understood the three were working around a crane when the cable snapped and whipped the three men off the platform.

Military plane crashes

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Department of Public Safety reported today a military plane crashed in a pasture nine miles west of Lampasas, killing two persons. The DPS said the twin-engine, turboprop plane crashed about 1 1/2 miles off Farm 580, near the Nix community, and apparently burned.

Mitchell County Centennial Committee off to fast start

COLORADO CITY — The Mitchell County Centennial Committee is off to a fast start in raising the necessary \$10,000 for underwriting this year's observance. The drive, under the guidance of Mrs. Charles Thomson, has already reached 25 percent of its goal. Mrs. Thompson made her announcement of the committee's efforts during a meeting Monday night of the Centennial Advisory Committee. Chairman Carl Moore introduced the committee chairman: Marsha Moore, headquarters; First Chairman, Mac McKinnon; Secretary, Carolyn Godey; and Treasurer, Carolyn Smith. Decorations will be handled by Mac and Joy Morris, with student activities headed by Kitten

Arthur and Majori Maddox. Patrice McKinny will head the revenue committee and participation will be directed by George Walker and Mildred Free.

Other chairmen include tickets, J.C. Britton; Bob Reily, in charge of the pageant; Rae Ann Carlock, publicity; Leslie Perkins, special events; Mac Perkin, special days; and Marion Baasham as Corporation President. Charlie Thompson is honorary chairman of the Advisory Board.

Jim Kling of the Rogers Company, who will be directing the Centennial, will return to Colorado City in February to meet with the various chairmen, as well as to conduct a community meeting to coordinate the Centennial event.

Stock champs selected in Mitchell County

COLORADO CITY — The 44th annual Mitchell County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show was held this past week-end, and despite cloudy skies and slight drizzle, there was a record turnout, as well as record winners in the Colorado City Ag Barns, West Highway 80. Friday's swine competition was finalized with the grand champion burrow shown by Todd Whitesides of Westbrook, with the reserve champ award going to Donald Burnett, also of Westbrook. The swine showmanship award was presented to Leslie Bruce of Loraine. Best pig bred in Mitchell County was shown by Whitesides and the breeder was Kenneth Beasley of Westbrook. The champion pen of three was won by Jennifer Beasley of Westbrook, and the reserve champion pen of three went to Lana Shaw of Colorado City. In individual classes, Larry Dawson of Westbrook had the champion O-P-B, while Jennifer Beasley, also of Westbrook, had the reserve champ. In crossbred competition, Donald Burnett of Westbrook had the champion, with reserve champ shown by Don Zant of Westbrook. In

Duro competition, Clay Browne of Westbrook exhibited the champion, with the reserve champion shown by Jennifer Beasley of Westbrook. In Hampshire competition, Todd Whitesides exhibited the champion and Kelly Dockry of Colorado City had the reserve champion.

In the steer and lame competition, the grand champion steer was shown by Majori Maddox, with the reserve grand champion exhibited by Adam Merket. The best calf bred in Mitchell County was shown by Sheila Benson, Maddox Ranches, breeders. Showmanship award went to Dalton Maddox and the Hereford award to Sheila Benson.

In the lamb division, Randy McPhaul won the grand champion award with the reserve grand champion award going to Kelly Dockry. Champion in the group of three went also to Kelly Dockry, with Randy McPhaul taking honors in the reserve champion, pen of three. Best lame bred in Mitchell County was won by Sidney Stewart, Maddox Ranches, breeders and the lamb showmanship award went to Randy McPhaul.

Shaw declines to vote

Wealthy West Texas farmer re-elected House Speaker

Mario-Hanks Austin Bureau
AUSTIN — Billy Wayne Clayton, 53, a millionaire West Texas farmer, was elected to an unprecedented fourth term as Texas House Speaker Wednesday, as his chief opponent described as "a most unusual and impressive victory in spite of all odds."

The vote was 120 to 21 for Clayton, with five abstentions and four absentees.

Rep. Walter Grubbs of Abilene voted for Clayton's re-election while Big Spring's latest addition to the State Capitol, Larry D. Shaw, was present but declined to vote.

Clayton's only nominated opposition, Rep. John Bryant of Dallas, "is a good friend of mine," Shaw said. "Being a freshman legislator,

you're not totally aware of what's going on," he added. Bryant withdrew his name from nomination before a vote was taken, but said he did not support Clayton in an attempt to protest his record-breaking speaker tenure. The lopsided result was expected yet surprising. For most of last year, Clayton was the subject of a federal investigation, indicted in June on bribery and conspiracy charges and acquitted only last October by an admiring Houston jury. In his acceptance speech Wednesday, Clayton said, "Miraculous as it appears, let me assure you it carries with it a humbling effect, for only by God's grace could I be a participant in this special occasion."

Recently, Clayton has hinted that he is considering a fifth term when the 1983 Legislature convenes. No one previously has served more than two sessions as speaker. Last year, when it seemed Clayton's political career had ended, several of his lieutenants — notably Rep. Gib Lewis of Fort Worth — campaigned for his seat contingent on his not being a candidate. Only Bryant, past Speaker candidate and leader of the House's moderate-to-liberal faction, remained in the race to the end. He lobbied for support among fellow House members for 18 months. Even before the vote, however, Bryant conceded the "unusual and impressive victory" to Clayton.



CHAMBER BANQUET — Mrs. John Key, seated, sells tickets for the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet scheduled Saturday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Pictured with Mrs. Key are, left to right, Lewis Tallent, Terry Hanson, Ray Alexander, and Dr. John Keys. Cost of the tickets is \$10 per person.

Featured speaker at the banquet will be Eddy Nicholson, described as a "rocking chair philosopher." He makes his presentation wearing bib overalls and sitting in a rocking chair. Tickets for the banquet are already on sale and are available from the Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors and at the Chamber of Commerce Office.

Police Beat Ceiling of bedroom shotgunned

A frightening thing happened Tuesday at the home of Mary Burke, 4106 Dixon. Ms. Burke has been receiving mysterious phone calls for the last two months from a person who calls and says nothing. This was annoying enough to report to the police, but while Ms. Burke was away from her home between 3 and 4 p.m. Tuesday, it got worse. Someone broke into her home and blew a hole in the ceiling of her bedroom with what officers believe was a 12-gauge shotgun. Police will continue to monitor the situation.

Two holes were shot, possibly from a 38 caliber pistol, into a shed at the AAA Mini Storage Service at FM 700 and 11th, recently. The shots drilled two holes through the steel door of a locker and through a dividing wall inside the shed.

One of the shots managed to go further and penetrate a steel garage door on the other side of the shed. Total damage was estimated at \$530.

While a 1963 Ford belonging to Oscar Hernandez, O.K. Trailer Park, was parked at the Airport Grocery, Monday night, vandals smashed both of its windshields and all of its passenger windows with rocks. Cost of the damage has not been estimated.

Sometime early this morning, vandals returned to the store and tossed a rock through its plate glass window. Damage was estimated at \$90.

Brenda V. Toney, 611 San Antonio, reported that two men who were helping her move from her home, Monday night, also helped themselves to her purse. The purse had contained cash and \$206 worth of food stamps. Total loss was

estimated at \$350. Four men walked into the Pizza Inn, 2201 S. Gregg, 7:50 p.m. Tuesday, ordered a large pizza, a pitcher of beer and two large Cokes, consumed them, and then walked out without paying. The meal was valued at \$16.70.

Thieves stole a tire and wheel from the bed of a pickup belonging to Elman McMurray, 2300 Grace, sometime Sunday night. Loss was estimated at \$100.

Intruders kicked in the front door of the home of Gary Gamble, 108 E. 11th, sometime Tuesday morning.

Nothing was missing, but damage to the door was estimated at \$100.

Thieves stole an American flag from the flagpole at the south entrance to the Industrial Park housing area, between 4:30 and 5:50 p.m. Tuesday. Old Glory was valued at \$45.

Thieves stole a girl's wristwatch from the home of Mary Viasana, 703 Galveston, over the weekend. The watch was valued at \$20.

A parked vehicle belonging to Manuel Limon, 1105 N. Nolan, was struck by a vehicle driven by Lawrence P. McCoy, 701 Lancaster, at 100 N. Owens, 4:17 p.m.

Big Spring will pay more for CRMWD water?

Fixed charges for water for member cities of the Colorado River Municipal Water District will range from 10 to 15 percent more in 1981 over a year ago. If 1980 demands continue unabated, however, the actual rates per thousand gallons will be less than calculated.

In addition to monthly fixed charges, cities pay 6 cents per thousand gallons of water actually used. Directors of the CRMWD Tuesday applied \$600,000 of revenues from non-municipal customers to soften the rate to member cities. Without this, the member cities would have paid \$388,770 a month in fixed charges, but by using it the total will be \$352,535.

By cities, the modified rates will be \$213,233 per month for Odessa, an increase of \$22,646; for Big Spring \$71,489, an increase of \$9,956; for Snyder \$22,968, an increase of \$3,435. Most of

the increase in fixed charges results from higher energy costs.

Based on the 1981 budget and the amount of water Odessa calculates it will use during the year, its water will cost 50.69 cents per thousand gallons. If it uses the same amount as it did in 1980, the rate will be 49.91 cents. Last year Odessa actually paid 43.83 cents per thousand instead of 47.95 calculated because it used 10.87 percent more water than estimated.

If Big Spring uses its estimated consumption in 1981, its rate will compute to 38.75, but if it uses the same amount as last year it will be 37.77 cents. Last year's actual charge for Big Spring was 34.94 cents instead of 36.37 cents because it used 4.92 percent more water than estimated.

If Snyder uses its estimated amount of water in 1981, its rate will be 38.56 cents per thousand gallons, but if it uses the same amount as in 1980, the rate will be 35.33 cents. The actual rate for Snyder in 1980 was 31.32 cents instead of the calculated 34.71 cents



TEACHER OF THE MONTH — Colleen Slaughter, right, was named December teacher-of-the-month by the local Texas State Teachers Association unit. Miss Slaughter teaches second and third year Spanish, conversational Spanish and serves as chairman of the Foreign Language Department at Big Spring High School. She has taught in Big Spring for 31 years. She attended Texas Women's University, University of Michigan, Universidad de Puerto Rico, and Universidad de los Andes at Bogota, Columbia, and received a Fulbright scholarship for a summer seminar in Columbia, South America. Joseph Dawes is shown here presenting Miss Slaughter with a plaque.

Haig says Watergate 'stupid and illegal'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alexander M. Haig Jr. says Watergate was a stupid and illegal abuse of power but it is not for him to render moral judgments against Richard Nixon or Henry Kissinger.

"I must leave that to others, to history and to God," Haig told senators Tuesday during confirmation hearings on his nomination to be secretary of state.

Haig denied any wrongdoing himself in Watergate and said he has no apology for the role he did play in wiretapping, covert Chilean operations and the Vietnam War bombing of Cambodia and Hanoi.

Haig made the statement after an angry exchange on Watergate during the Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearings.

The committee called him back for a fifth day of hearings today and scheduled a vote Thursday that almost certainly will clear Haig for confirmation by the full Senate.

Haig's voice rose in anger as Sen. Paul S. Sarbanes, D-Md., questioned him on each of the major Watergate issues and asked if he thought they were morally wrong.

"I never willingly or consciously or unconsciously participated in an act I considered immoral or, above all, illegal," Haig exploded.

"I didn't do it then and I haven't done it in 37 years of military service, service to the country," said the retired four-star Army general and former NATO commander. "And I am somewhat surprised at your persistence on this."

But other senators took up Sarbanes' question of whether Haig thought Watergate was morally wrong and Haig finally replied: "I believe it was both illegal and stupid. I think if President Nixon were here, he would say it was stupid."

Meanwhile, two other Cabinet nominations were to be voted on today by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee: former South Carolina Gov. James B. Edwards as energy secretary and James G. Watt as interior secretary.

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee plans to vote Thursday on the nominations of Terrel H. Bell as education secretary and construction executive Raymond Donovan as labor secretary.

In confirmation hearings Tuesday: —CIA Director-designate William J. Casey said covert operations interfering in the internal affairs of other countries should be undertaken only when "it is in the highest interests of the United States."

—Housing Secretary-designate Samuel Pierce, the only black nominated to Ronald Reagan's Cabinet, said the Department of Housing and Urban Development's budget might be cut by as much as 10 percent. He also said some federal housing subsidies may be eliminated.

—Transportation Secretary-designate Drew Lewis said he would end the national 55-mph speed limit and let states set their own limits.

In the Haig hearing, the secretary of state-designate said he sought as Nixon's chief of staff to "keep the country on an even keel" and prevent any further abuses in the closing days of the Watergate cover-up.

Later, Haig prepared and read to the committee a statement saying: "Were there abuses of power during Watergate? Of course there were."

He said the break-in at the Democratic National Committee's Watergate office was one abuse and the Nixon White House effort to cover it up was another.

"But I cannot bring myself to render a judgment on Richard Nixon or, for that matter, Henry Kissinger," Haig said. "It is not for me — it is not in me — to render moral judgments on them."

Haig also said in the statement that the bombing of Cambodia and Hanoi he recommended during the Indochina war were not abuses of power.

He said the Cambodia bombing was justified to destroy sanctuaries used by North Vietnamese troops who were killing American soldiers and the 1972 Hanoi bombing "was essential to concluding the peace negotiations and achieving the return of our prisoners."

Haig said the wiretapping of 17 Nixon aides and reporters, and U.S. covert operations against Marxist Chilean President Salvador Allende were legal at the time, although they would be improper under current regulations. He asserted he played only a small role in both in 1969, carrying out his orders as an aide to Kissinger, who then was Nixon's national security adviser.

Sen. Barry M. Goldwater, R-Ariz., urged Senate confirmation of Haig, saying "Haig saw his duty and tried to get Nixon to quit before he ruined the country."

But Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn., said the Senate should not confirm Haig.

"In the absence of their superior's adherence to the law, honorable men either speak up or get out," Weicker said.

If you change your address advise county tax office

Dorothy Moore, county tax assessor-collector, advises that any registered voter who has undergone a change of address should advise the county tax office. Mrs. Moore said that people who have had their address changed should come by the tax office to fill out a form with the new address.

'Peter and the Wolf' set at BSHS Jan. 27

The Midland-Odessa Symphony Choral will present "Peter and the Wolf" at the Big Spring High School Jan. 27. Approximately 1125 third through fifth grade students will be bussed to the production, including a "Peter and the Wolf" film. Local puppeteer Kelly Draper will be joining the musicians with his puppets. Helen Gladden, elementary curriculum coordinator, said that students are now receiving preparation in music classes prior to the production, including a "Peter and the Wolf" film. Local puppeteer Kelly Draper will be joining the musicians with his puppets.

Deaths

Kay Warren

Mrs. Kay Warren, 72, died Saturday in San Diego, Calif. Her survivors include her sister, Mrs. Arthur (Maureen) Leonard of Big Spring.

Mrs. Flores

Mrs. Euillia J. Flores, 104, died at 2:10 p.m. Monday. Services will be at 3 p.m. today in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father James Delaney officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Alfonso Mendez, Jr., Frank Marin, Jr., Pedro Estrada, and Santos Lujan Jr., Joe Reyes, and Jimmy Flores.

Markets	
Volume	29,982,000
Index	911.61
American Airlines	9%
American Petroleum	54%
Brantiff	4%
Bethlehem Steel	25%
Chrysler	5%
Dr. Pepper	17%
Eisnerch	47%
Ford	19%
Frestone	10%
Guffy	2%
General Telephone	28 1/2%
Halliburton	7%
Herb's Hanks	31%

Houston Oil and Mineral	50%
IBM	57%
J. C. Penney	24%
Johns-Manville	23%
K-Mart	19%
El Paso Natural Gas	24%
DeBeers	91-32
Coca Cola	35%
Mobile	80%
Pacific Gas and Electric	21%
Phillips Petroleum	55%
Sears and Roebuck	15%
Shell Oil	52%
Sun Oil	46%
American Telephone & Tele	49%
Tenaco	46%
Texas Instruments	117
Texas Utilities	24%
U.S. Steel	17%
Exxon	79%
Westinghouse	29
Western Union	22%
Zales	22%

MUTUAL FUNDS	
Ancap	13.40-14.44
Investors Co. of America	8.90-9.72
Kaystone	9.97-10.90
Puritan	11.30

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CHECKS BUOY — Richard W. Green of Hingham, Mass., pulls on navigation buoy in Hingham, Mass., harbor Tuesday which is frozen solid in ice. New

England harbors are clogged with ice from the frigid weather for which no relief is in sight soon.

(AP LASERPHOTO)

Arctic air continues assault on East

A wave of super-cold air that has claimed at least 44 lives since Christmas continued its frosty assault on the East today, icing harbors from Maine to Chesapeake Bay, freezing Florida oranges by the millions and forcing up the prices of some shellfish.

The mercury dipped to 22 below zero in Massena, N.Y., early today after falling to record lows Tuesday in many Southeastern cities. Temperatures hit 7 in Wilmington, N.C., and 8 in Tallahassee, Fla. New England continued to register temperatures from the teens to below zero.

At least 44 deaths — most from exposure and over-exertion while shoveling snow — have been reported in 14 states since Christmas.

The cold meant trouble to people trying to travel in sluggish cars or buses and to people staying at homes affected by sporadic power outages and heating fuel shortages.

There were rotating power blackouts for some 250,000 homes in dozens of Florida communities as cold-weather demand strained generating plants.

In Massachusetts, Gov. Edward J. King declared a statewide emergency because of a natural gas shortage and urged residential customers of the state's

largest gas company, Boston Gas Co., to keep thermostats at 63 degrees from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m. and lower at night.

Customers of Philadelphia Gas Works also have been asked to roll back thermostats 5 to 20 degrees because of potential shortages.

New York City officials have logged nearly 10,000 telephone calls this week from tenants without heat or hot water.

Mass transit in many cities was affected by the cold — nearly one of every five scheduled subways and buses in New York City was disabled Tuesday by mechanical troubles from frigid temperatures.

As much as a fifth of Florida's orange crop — equal to 49 million gallons of concentrated juice — has been damaged by temperatures hovering in the 20s.

In the ice-bound harbors of New England, fishing fleets were trapped at the docks where ice floes uprooted piers and knocked holes in boat hulls.

The super-cold air is the product of a stubborn high-pressure system extending from the Southwest into Canada, according to the National Weather Service's Server Storms Forecast Center in Kansas City.

Reagan says goodbye, heads to Washington

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After bidding a fond farewell to California as a private citizen, Ronald Reagan is heading east to wait out the final days before the extra word gets lopped off his title as president-elect.

During a day of official goodbyes Tuesday in his adopted hometown, Reagan vowed to keep politics out of the Oval Office and pledged anew to start returning authority to local government once he is sworn in as president on Jan. 20.

And he promised to come west frequently during his presidency, adding: "Sometimes I won't even pretend it's on business. I'll just come here."

"I've had a love affair with California for a great many years," Reagan said.

Reagan, who came west nearly half a century ago to carve out a career as a movie actor, was making the flight to Washington today aboard the large Air Force jet commonly called Air Force One.

President Carter dispatched the plane — known officially by its tail number except when the president is on board — to ferry Reagan on his triumphal coast-to-coast flight to assume the reins of government.

School children on Reagan's street in Pacific Palisades were given the day off today to see him off and the president-elect's neighbors planned a more personal sendoff than the formal activities of Tuesday.

The president-elect and his wife, Nancy, were to arrive at Washington's Andrews Air Force Base early this evening.

Deciding which of Reagan's political friends would get to make the special flight and which would not was a delicate problem assigned to Michael Deaver, who will be the deputy chief of Reagan's White House staff.

"Every big Republican leader in California wants to ride back to Washington," said Reagan spokesman Joe Holmes.

The Reagans are keeping their ranch near Santa Barbara, Calif., but they have put their home here on the market. The five-bedroom house, for which they are asking \$1.9 million, has a spectacular view of the Pacific Ocean from its hillside perch in the exclusive community.

Weather — Clear skies, mild temps all over Texas

By the Associated Press
Clear skies and mild temperatures were forecast for all of Texas today.

Light rain, drizzle and fog was reported during the night in South Texas, but forecasters said the rain would end and skies would clear over the area before noon today.

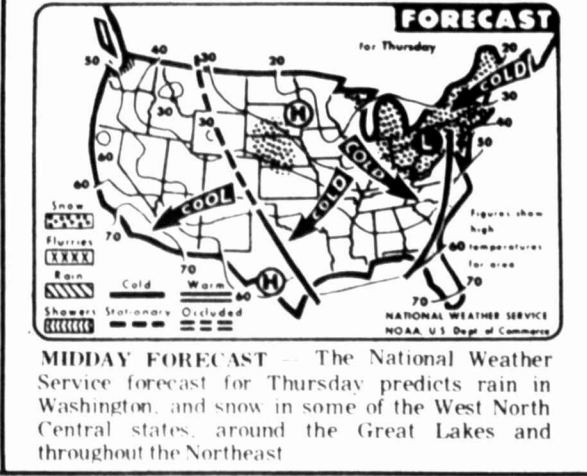
Forecasters called for mostly clear skies. Highs were to be in the 50s in the

northern half of the state and the 60s in the southern half.

Most of Texas had clear skies early today except South Texas.

Early morning temperatures ranged from the 20s in Northwest Texas and the 30s and 40s over the remainder of North Texas to the 40s and 50s over South Texas. Extremes ranged from 24 at Amarillo to 56 at Brownsville.

FORECASTS		TEMPERATURES	
WEST TEXAS	Fair through Thursday. Warmer south today. cooler. Panhandle. Thursday Highs 50s except upper 40s. Mountains. Lows low 20s. Panhandle to near 40. Extreme south. Highs Thursday low 50s. Panhandle to near 40. Big Bend + High 4 low 20s north to mid 50s extreme south.	CITY	MAX MIN
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		Sun sets today at 6:03 p.m. Sun rises Thursday at 7:47 a.m. Highest temperature this date 80 in 1978. Lowest temperature 5 in 1972. Most precipitation 0.43 in 1954.	



Annual awards dinner production in itself

COLORADO CITY — The annual awards dinner of the Colorado City Playhouse was a production in itself Friday evening in the Thompson Room of The City National Bank Annex.

Good food was followed by good news. Treasurer Carl Berry reported the Playhouse has \$1,300 in its checking account and \$13,000 in its building and expansion account.

A new board member, Ms. Trina Taylor, was named.

The climax of the evening was the presentation of the annual awards. Mrs. Carl Moore received the "Best Minor Role" for her part in "Showboat." Best Supporting Actor award went to Carl Moore for his role in "Wait Until Dark." Mrs. Moore won another award, "Best Supporting Actress" for her role in "Picnic," while Kent Womack walked off with the "Best Actor" award for his role in "Never Too Late."

"Best Actress Award" went to Debbie Kelley for "Wait Until Dark." The "President's Award" went to George Womack, who has worked on every Playhouse production since its inception in 1964. The "Best Production Award" went to Porter Richardson and Mrs. Moore, co-directors of "Wait Until Dark."

New officers named were president, Mrs. H. Gene Steakley, vice-president,

Mrs. John Mikow, secretary, Mrs. Joe Maddox, and treasurer, Mrs. Don Delaney.

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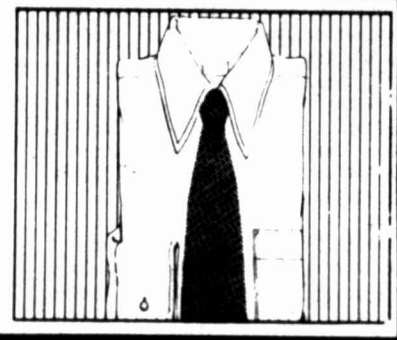
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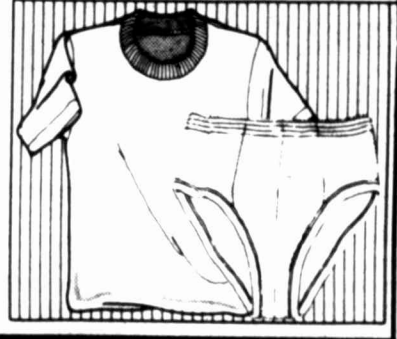
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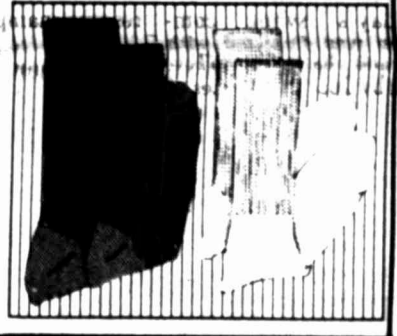
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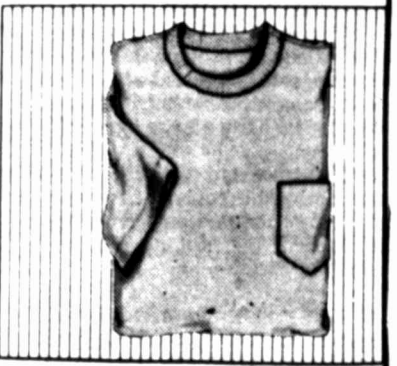
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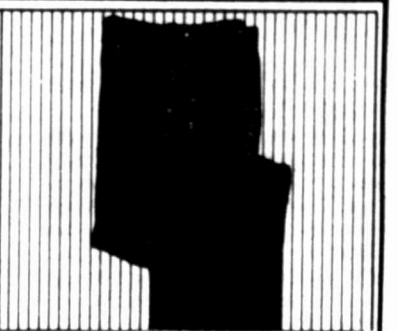
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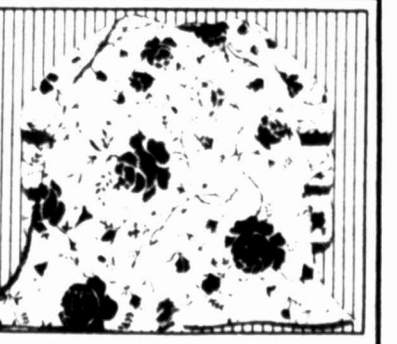
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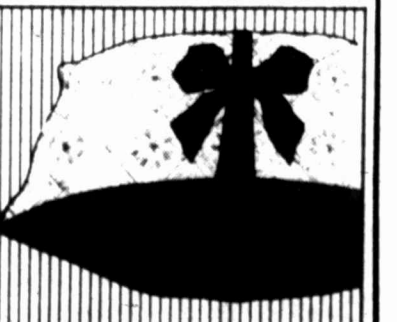
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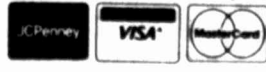


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Rising minimum pay, jobless teens

With the new year comes a raise in the minimum wage to \$3.35 an hour, affecting about 5.6 million Americans. Even as the automatic raise goes into effect, the forces for and against the minimum wage are preparing for renewed battle in Congress.

DOES A MINIMUM WAGE cause higher unemployment among teenagers? Or does it simply assure that low-wage workers are given a raise? Republicans in the new Congress are certain to push for a new minimum wage for young people. Sen.

Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, plans to make the program a priority when he takes over as Chairman of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee next month.

BUSINESSMEN and many economists contend a lower wage for youths entering the job market would ease unemployment rates that range up to 36.3 percent for teens.

Employers, they insist, cannot afford to pay the minimum wage to youngsters who have little or no skill.

Employers therefore tend to pay higher wages to older, more experienced employees.

Critics of the minimum wage argue that trade unions want it because it tends to protect jobs in the higher wage scales.

THE UNIONS, OF COURSE, reject that argument, saying the minimum wage is but a means to assure fairness to workers on the bottom end of the pay scale.

The argument is certain to heat up

in the new Congress and there is a good chance some form of Hatch's lower minimum for young workers will pass.

ONE THING IS CERTAIN. Unemployment rates for the young workers have been steadily increasing while the minimum wage has also been increasing.

Perhaps there is no connection between the two, but maybe it is time to give the lower minimum wage for youngsters a try.



The final offer

Joseph Kraft

WASHINGTON — American honor finds cold comfort in the final offer made by the Carter Administration to spring the hostages. Still the national interest lies in an acceptance by Iran. For the incoming administration, while holding a basically sound position, is ill-prepared to deal with what has become a well-nigh hysterical issue.

The offer transmitted to Iran by Algerian intermediaries last week is a straight quid pro quo deal. The Iranians turn over the hostages through the good offices of Algeria. The U.S. makes available to Iran, through the Algerians, some \$5 or 6 billion in assets frozen by President Carter after the hostages were taken. In addition, the Iranians are given a license to hunt for the assets of the late Shah, insofar as they are located in this country (which is to no great degree) and the courts will allow (which is uncertain).

COMPARED TO previous terms accepted by the Carter Administration, the final offer is a Gibraltar of firmness. The U.S. does not, as President Carter once said he would, turn over important stocks of weapons to Iran. It does not admit the principle, explicit in the dealings through the United Nations last year, that an international tribunal (largely composed of America Lesters) sit in judgment of past actions by this country in Iran.

Still the very idea of a bargain for the hostages is abhorrent. It gives legitimacy to illegitimate actions. It shows the U.S. can be held up by the threat of violence against a handful of citizens. It invites further blackmail.

Gov. Reagan, throughout the election campaign and since, showed a keen understanding of those points. He is well placed now to take the position which some of us urged upon the Carter administration — at the beginning of the affair.

That position starts from the premise that the seizure of the hostages was an illegal act in violation of all accepted norms of behavior. It includes an expression of willingness to negotiate legitimate complaints. But not under duress. As a precondition for any discussions pertaining to Iran, it requires release of the hostages.

By taking such a stance, the U.S. would reverse the conditions which have obtained for the last 14 months. It would lay upon the Iranian government the burden of proving that it is a responsible actor in world affairs, a legitimate regime able to discipline its citizens, including those who held the hostages.

That position is still the first position. It is the stance a Reagan administration should, and probably would, take, if the hostage problem fell into its lap.

BUT THE ISSUE now goes beyond the matter of a basic stance. The hostages, always an element in the affairs of Tehran, have now become fat on the griddle of Iranian politics. They are not merely being held. If no deal is done, some at least may well be subjected to trial. Some, perhaps, to harsh punishment.

For that eventuality, a sit-tight policy does not suffice. Retaliatory actions have to be taken. They need to be organized in a ladder of graduated chastisement. They have to be coordinated with other countries — friendly and not so friendly. For at some point, and probably early on, blockade of the Persian Gulf approaches to Iran would come up for consideration.

But Gov. Reagan and his people are not ready for such a test. They have not studied the negotiating records in detail. They have not familiarized themselves with the cases of the individual hostages. They have not sounded the attitudes of foreign governments.

In those conditions, the incoming administration would probably make even more of a mess of the hostage affair.



"True, it could be cancer, but it's probably a rare, exotic malaise indigenous unto despotic revolutionaries."

THE L. A. TIMES SYNDICATE



Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

Pernicious anemia revisited

Dear Dr. Donohue: What are the symptoms of pernicious anemia? I have read about the "intrinsic factor." Why is it not produced in the stomach, as it should? How long does it take to repair nerve damage this does to the hands and feet? I would like a good rundown on these facts. — L.S.

I'll do my best. I did write on this recently, but I couldn't cover all the ground.

As I have said, medicine has taken most of the perniciousness out of pernicious anemia. It has symptoms common to other anemias — lowered red blood cell numbers, weakness, fatigue, shortness of breath with exertion, dizziness, etc. But it also has its own unique signs — a yellowing of the skin, numbness of the hands and feet and tongue soreness.

The problem is one of the body's inability to absorb vitamin B-12, which is essential in production of red blood cells. The stomach must produce what is called the "intrinsic factor" for absorption to take place. Normally, this factor takes B-12 "by the hand" and leads it from the intestines into the bloodstream. That's called absorption. People who lack this intrinsic factor have anemia, because, of course, without B-12 absorption fewer red blood cells are made.

Since B-12 is also needed for nerve health (spinal cord, too) numbness sets in. Fortunately, this problem can be overcome through B-12 injections, and the tingling and numbness go away in time. The injections are needed for life because the intrinsic factor deficiency usually persists for life.

It's not clear why some peoples' stomachs don't make the factor. Perhaps the body develops an allergy to some of its own stomach cells — the ones that are supposed to be producing it.

Note: Strict vegetarians may suffer a B-12 deficiency and develop a form of pernicious anemia. Vegetables are poor sources of that vitamin. They can reverse the deficiency by adding B-12 foods or by using vitamin supplements. Those with the factor deficiency cannot do this.

Dear Dr. Donohue: Please help us with our 49-year-old son. He has always done strenuous physical exercise, and within the last two years he has had four spells of his heart beating too fast. He was told he has P.A.T. Can you explain? What is to be

done for this? — Mr. and Mrs. E.A. "P.A.T." comes by its name honestly. It occurs suddenly (paroxysmally), begins in the upper part of the heart (atrium) and produces a rapid beat (tachycardia).

Most people with P.A.T. hearts are healthy. Emotional upset might cause it one time, nervousness, fatigue or alcohol, for examples, on others. Some hearts are just built to react in such ways under a variety of circumstances.

Unless the episodes are numerous, no treatment is needed between attacks. Four episodes in two years does not seem an inordinate frequency. If they come on with regularity, then drugs — digitalis, quinidine or propranolol — are sometimes prescribed. If an attack does not stop quickly on its own, your son should head for the nearest emergency room where he can be treated to stop it.

There are some simple measures he can try on his own to stop an attack, but I'd like to defer to his doctor for their appropriateness.

Dear Dr. Donohue: I've heard of surgery to make the ears smaller. Can you explain how it's done? Would a person have to be put to sleep? — Mrs. M.

I presume you are speaking of protruding ears. This often results from a lack of a normal antihelix fold. That's the prominent fold inside the ear which disappears when you pull the ear lobe away from the head. When you push the lobe inward it becomes visible again. In surgery, this fold is created and some of the excess cartilage is removed. The surgery is done under both general anesthesia or with local numbing drugs.

Dear Dr. Donohue: Should a hysterectomy cause hot flashes or other menopause symptoms? — Mrs. R.L.J.

No, but if the ovaries are removed at the same time as the uterus these

symptoms might be present. Hysterectomy is removal of the uterus only.

For a comprehensive discussion of how to cope with the change of life, write to Dr. Donohue, in care of the Big Spring Herald, for his invaluable booklet, "Make Menopause Easier." Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 50 cents.

Dear Dr. Donohue: Will you please tell me if two teaspoons of honey and two of vinegar mixed in water taken twice a day will cure arthritis? — W.A.S.

No, why should it? Arthritis sufferers can be helped. For a copy of the booklet, "How You Can Control Arthritis," which discusses many types of arthritis and related joint diseases as well as effective treatments and medications, write to Dr. Donohue, in care of the Big Spring Herald. Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 50 cents.

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

NRC allows firm to resume work

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has told Houston Lighting & Power it may resume limited safety-related concrete pouring at its South Texas nuclear power plant under construction near Bay City.

The NRC staff action, announced Tuesday afternoon, was taken after review of specific detailed plans and assurances from HLP management responsible for supervising the construction activities at the plant site.

My answer

Billy Graham



DEAR DR. GRAHAM: My nephew says he doesn't believe in God anymore. The reason, he says, is because of all the sickness and warfare in the world. How can I answer him? — A.L.

DEAR A.L.: It is not surprising that your nephew has become discouraged by all the evils that plague our world today. But he is entirely in error for blaming God when man is really at fault. It is man who sowed the seeds of evil in the Garden of Eden.

At the beginning of human history, God placed the first parents in a perfect environment: No wars, no corruption, no fears. Adam and Eve lived at peace with God; their marriage was happy; their work was enjoyable. But this utopia was destroyed when their hearts changed towards God.

In an attitude of arrogance and self-sufficiency, they rejected God's authority and counsel for their lives. The rebellion against God is called sin

— a "heart" disease which the whole human race has inherited. It is men's sins which have created the evils which pervade our society. Jesus said: "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander" (Matthew 15:19).

Your nephew must realize that man is responsible for producing the problem and that it is a loving God who provides the cure. The Great Physician can perform a heart transplant which can completely change a person's attitude and actions. Only God can truly alter human behavior — and he does it through salvation in Christ. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (II Corinthians 5:17).

Your nephew can help our suffering world by making certain that his heart is right with God, and then by sharing with others God's message of salvation through Christ.



Alpha, omega

Around the rim

Robbi Crow

How do you sum up seven years in a two-column by ten-inch space? It's sure not going to be easy, but I'll give it a try.

It was a little over 2½ years ago I accepted the challenge that came with becoming the Herald's family news editor. It was at that time I timidly set at my typewriter, thinking and rethinking the thoughts that I would combine to create my very first rim.

Today I am again sitting at my typewriter, this time thinking and rethinking the thoughts that I will combine to become my very last rim.

IT WAS A COMMENT made by my brother during a recent Dallas Cowboy game that prompted my decision to move on.

"Robbi," he said in his usual I've-got-something-to-tell-you voice, "I hate to say it, but your rims are getting boring."

I was crushed. After all, when a member of your family brings the roof down over your head, things must be pretty bad.

After suffering through the initial reactions — feelings of shock, rejection, dejection and abandonment — I dried my tears and began to ponder his tactful but heartless summation.

"Was he right?" I thought. Had I, after two years of rim after rim after rim peaked at my potential in the journalistic field?

Was I really writing garbage canning material for all two of my devoted fans, namely my mother and my brother?

Actually, my decision to retire from my short-lived journalistic adventure was a little bit more complex than the comment made by my brother, as damaging as it was.

A new opportunity in a new and challenging field is basically the bottom line.

AS IS CUSTOMARY when writing a 'last' rim, I would like to thank a few people who made my job a little easier, my days a little brighter and my problems somewhat fewer.

First of all, I appreciate you club reporters who took with a grain of salt all the new rules and regulations that came with this particular family news editor, especially when you didn't agree with them.

A big 'thank you' to the editorial staff who got a newcomer to that department on the right track. And as far as bosses go, no one could ever top editor Tommy Hart.

But probably the hardest people for me to say goodbye to will be a couple of composing room employees, AKI supervisor Sandra Green and assistant supervisor, Bertina DeLeon.

It was in that department where I began my newspaper career. Sandra was here before I came along and Bertina joined the picture not long after I did.

Their friendship has been invaluable to me.

And to add a little more sugar to an already syrupy rim, I've got to give an extra special thank you to my daddy, Bob Rogers, for his never-ending support, advice and encouragement that he's given to me over the past seven years at the Herald. (But most of all BR, thanks for the 30 cents you let me bum off of you each day for a Coke.)

In one aspect, the end of this era seems sad, but I look forward with much enthusiasm to the challenge and opportunity that awaits me. See ya around.



Mystery case

Jack Anderson

WASHINGTON — There is another, unreported American hostage sweating it out in an Iranian prison cell. He was dragged from his room at the Tehran Hilton by Revolutionary Guards more than 10 months ago and was accused of being a CIA spy.

His name is Zia Nassry. Until his ill-fated venture into Iran in March 1980, he was a New York City travel agent. His strange odyssey from a Greenwich Village apartment to a dank cell in Tehran's Evin Prison is a tale of heroism, danger, international intrigue and, above all, mystery. It was pieced together by my associate Howard Rosenberg.

ON MARCH 1, Nassry told his wife, Tur, that he was going to Tehran to open a clinic for Afghan refugees. The announcement did not surprise Mrs. Nassry. Her husband was born into a prominent Afghan family 34 years ago and came to this country as a youth. He attended Harvard Business School and became well known in the Afghan exile community. He also became a U.S. citizen.

Nassry had made two trips earlier in the year to Peshawar, the city on the Pakistan end of the Khyber Pass into Afghanistan. There, he told his wife, he had opened a clinic for the hordes of refugees fleeing the Soviet invaders.

But in fact, according to our sources, Nassry had been smuggling weapons to Afghan rebels on his trips to Peshawar. He had also made himself useful to exiled rebel leaders, arranging press conferences and acting as their contact with western reporters.

Eventually, however, Nassry took to describing himself as a rebel leader. Unimpressed, Pakistani authorities arrested him several times, and finally kicked him out.

It was then that Nassry made his decision to renew contact with the Afghan rebels through Iran. But his plans went terribly awry.

The last contact Mrs. Nassry had with her husband was on March 8, when he called from London to say he was on his way to Tehran. When a month went by with no further word, his wife called the Tehran Hilton. A clerk informed her brusquely that Nassry had indeed checked in on March 11, but then added cryptically: "Someone checked him out."

AFTER SEVEN MONTHS of appeals for information to every governmental and private agency she could

think of, Nassry's wife was finally contacted by a representative of the Swiss Embassy in Washington. The message was shattering: Nassry was alive, but in prison, charged as an American spy.

Sources within the Afghan exile community say Nassry was caught red-handed by the Iranian police in possession of several weapons in his hotel room.

Zia Nassry's true reason for being in Tehran remains a mystery. If he was an arms smuggler, he was a small-time operator and clearly inexperienced. If he was in fact a CIA agent, he kept it from his wife, who scoffs at the very suggestion.

Nassry never seemed to lack for money, and he always traveled in style — though that would not in itself be surprising for a successful travel agent. He stayed at posh hotels in Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Washington, and claimed to keep a permanent suite at the Khyber International Hotel in Peshawar. Yet during the Islamic Conference in Islamabad a year ago, Nassry had only a modest room at the Holiday Inn.

Nassry's father once headed Afghanistan's modest intelligence agency in the 1950s, but Nassry's own connection with any American intelligence agency seems doubtful. What appears more likely is that Nassry is the victim not so much of circumstances as of his own delusions of grandeur.

Glib and gregarious, Nassry has been described variously as a hustler, braggart, loving husband and father. In addition to his self-proclaimed ties to the Afghan rebels and his suspected connection with the CIA, Nassry is rumored to be mixed up with the Soviet secret police and the Muslim Brotherhood. Such rumors might well have originated with the suspect himself.

Nassry's opportunism got him some dubious publicity over the past few years when he promoted a New York peckie salesman, Hassan Durrani, as the pretender to the vacant throne of Afghanistan. After I exposed the scheme, Nassry disavowed the pumped-up pretender.

Whatever Nassry is — con man, spy or hero — this much is certain: He is a prisoner of the Iranians, at times kept bound hand and foot and blindfolded, held incommunicado despite requests from the Swiss Embassy in Tehran to visit him. One more thing: He is also an American citizen.

EPA's heavy band

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says it will cut off \$900 million in federal sewage treatment and transportation-related anti-pollution grants in California and Kentucky.

The two states are being punished for refusal of the California Legislature and two Kentucky counties to authorize costly and bothersome automobile emission inspection and maintenance programs.

BUT, YOU MAY ASK, how does it improve the environment to stop much-needed sewage treatment projects and pull the money out of air quality control programs?

A good question. But environmental protection isn't the issue here. The problem is that lowly state and county officials have dared to argue with Federal bureaucrats on a single issue, and they must be punished swiftly and severely. If the harshest means of punishment is to cut off sewage programs, then let 'em live with raw sewage.

IF THE FEDS say states must create huge new police forces to inspect automobile exhausts and harass motorists with monstrous repair bills, then so be it. Resistance must be trampled out swiftly and surely.

What do you think this is? A democracy?

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

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Who will be around to defend federal food stamp program?

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WASHINGTON — When conservative Republicans wage a battle against one of their favorite welfare targets this year, they may find the Democrats' opposition has disappeared.
 The conservatives are

gearing up for an all-out attack on the burgeoning multi-billion federal food stamp program, which comes up for reauthorization this May.
 The results will have a direct impact on many of the 1.2 million Texans who are

getting food stamps. In October 1980 Texas recipients received more than \$45 million in food stamps.
 Congress number one food stamp critic, Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., is taking over the chairmanship of the Senate Agriculture Committee, which oversees food stamps. It is a significant boost for Helms, who has never managed to garner much support for his efforts to revamp the food stamp system.

Democrat on the Agriculture Committee. But he doesn't plan to rally to the food stamp cause.
 "I am not going to attempt to take over McGovern's role. I will continue the same posture of supporting the program and generally looking for ways to improve it... I am certainly not going to be as vocal and strong a supporter of some aspects of the program as McGovern," he said.

In fact, Helms' views have been shared by only a small minority of extremely conservative members of the Senate.
 Huddleston aide Tom Little denied that his boss has shifted his views on food stamps.
 "I don't want you to read into this what you would call a shift of concern about people who are needy," Little said. "What he's saying probably is he still has the concerns he had. He also realizes and assumes we have to do a better job of bringing some of the programs that have escalated in the last two to three under control."

—Reinstitution of the "purchase requirement." This was dropped in 1979, and critics blame that for the explosive growth in benefits since. Under the requirement, food stamp recipients paid \$30 for each \$100 in benefits.
 —Removal of duplication in other aid programs.
 —Curbing of deductions. Deductions are allowed for childcare, rent, transportation and from work, utilities and for elderly recipients, medical costs.

with McGovern on key food stamp legislation.
 "I'll be playing a leading role in the program, but whether it be the same thing that McGovern would have advocated, probably not...
 I'm realistic enough to know that we're going to have to restrain the growth of that program just as we've restrained the growth of every other program around here."

Judge pleased with jury selection in trooper trial

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — A state district judge says he's happy that three jurors have been selected from the first five potential panelists questioned in the capital murder trial of Billy Wayne Alexander, but cautions that jury selection may start slowing down.

State District Judge Bob Wright said Tuesday attorneys for the prosecution and defense had "a streak of luck" in agreeing on three jurors so quickly, but said he was afraid the process would "stall out."
 "We might not get another one (juror) until Thursday," Wright said.

Alexander is charged with the Oct. 5 shooting of DPS trooper Jerry Don Davis of Slayton. The trooper was found shot to death in his car after making a traffic stop.

Attorneys Monday picked a 45-year-old mother of four who told the court she was active in the Mormon Church.
 On Tuesday, the second juror selected was a 38-year-old hospital business manager who is also a deacon in the Baptist Church. The third panelist is a 23-year-old man who is an administrative assistant at a hospital.

The trial enters its third day of jury selection today. It was moved to Abilene after defense attorneys requested a change of venue.

Defense attorneys Floyd Holder and Dick Alexander used one of their challenges Tuesday to dismiss a 22-year-old mechanic when they found out he was the son of a DPS trooper.

"The program will be under attack, no doubt about it," Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kansas, a senior member of the Agriculture Committee, said.
 The question is who will be around to defend it.
 Sen. George McGovern, D-S.D., the chief food stamp advocate in Congress, will be gone. McGovern chaired the Agriculture subcommittee on nutrition and was the ranking Democrat behind outgoing Agriculture Committee Chairman Sen. Herman Talmadge, D-Ga., until they both lost in the November election.

Sen. Walter "Dee" Huddleston, D-Ky., a consistent voting ally of McGovern on the issue, becomes the ranking

Democrat on the Agriculture Committee. But he doesn't plan to rally to the food stamp cause.
 "I am not going to attempt to take over McGovern's role. I will continue the same posture of supporting the program and generally looking for ways to improve it... I am certainly not going to be as vocal and strong a supporter of some aspects of the program as McGovern," he said.

"There is no question there should be some tightening," Huddleston said, adding, "Some would go further than I would go."
 "We've got to take a look at whether there are not too many deductibles... I am not ready yet to say specifically which ones I would like to eliminate or reduce." Huddleston said Congress is "going to have to look" at the proposal to reinstitute the purchase requirement.

Requiring the able-bodied to work is "a desired objective," he said. "The problem is, as I see it, designing an appropriate mechanism."
 These views appear to contrast with Huddleston's voting record. Huddleston has nearly always voted against Helms reform bills

Regardless of economic woes, Helms has said the \$11 billion estimated cost of food stamps for fiscal 1981 covering 22 million Americans is too high.
 In a recent North Carolina newspaper article, Helms lashed out at the program.
 "Most of the excessive costs and mushrooming growth of the food stamp program have come about simply because far too many people who do not deserve food stamps are receiving them," he wrote.

Helms' staff say he is considering several changes:

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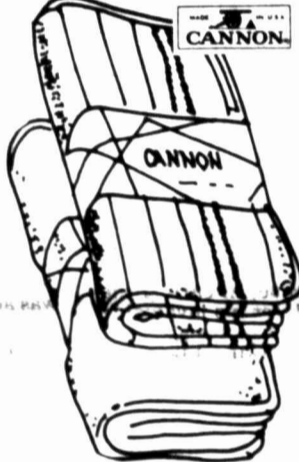


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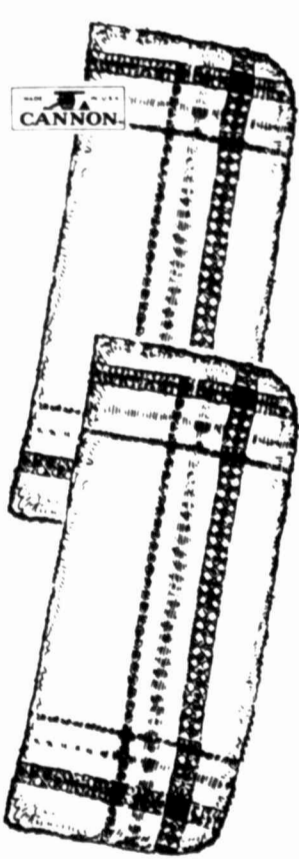
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James cites heroism

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Alabama Gov. Fob James, whose morning shave was interrupted by a neighbor seeking help with gun-toting burglars, says the hero of the day was a youth who got a good look at the getaway car.

James was in his private antebellum mansion Tuesday when a neighbor called him to the door.

"She was crying and saying there were burglars in the house and her husband was still in there," the governor's wife, Bobbie, said. As James called the police, a man identified as Jeff Cox came up and said he saw the burglars leave the home of Roger Herick.

Bess Truman improving

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Bess Truman, the oldest surviving former first lady, has walked for the first time since she was admitted to Research Medical Center on Dec. 30, hospital officials say.

Dr. Wallace Graham, the Truman family physician, said the 95-year-old widow of President Harry S. Truman took a few steps in her room Tuesday. He said that her condition was continuing to improve and that her spirits remained good.

Mrs. Truman is being treated for a urinary tract ailment and skin irritation, Graham said.

Kozlovs join ballet

NEW YORK (AP) — Leonid and Valentina Kozlov, who defected from the Bolshoi Ballet in 1979, are joining the Australian ballet for the 1981 season.

Mrs. Kozlov made her debut with the company in Sydney last October as Anna in Andre Prokofsky's "Anna Karenina."

Company administrator Peter Bahen announced the signing of the Russian couple as principal artists on Tuesday.

Robbins recovering

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Country music singer Marty Robbins, recovering from a heart attack, may be able to go home by the end of the week, a St. Thomas Hospital spokeswoman says.

The 55-year-old Grand Ole Opry star was reported in fair condition Tuesday and won't have to undergo surgery, the hospital official said.

Meanwhile, Grand Ole Opry veteran Ernest Tubb, 66, was released from another Nashville hospital where he was treated for a mild case of pneumonia.

Another round of record-breaking low temperatures

Florida growers face threat of further losses

By the Associated Press

Florida growers faced the possibility of further losses today from a second round of record-breaking frigid temperatures that have damaged winter vegetables and as much as a fifth of the state's lush orange crop.

South Florida was spared somewhat during the night and early morning by patchy high cloudiness, according to National Weather Service

forecasters. But calm winds allowed some frost to form in the colder inland locations.

Weather forecasters said heavy frost formed in most other farming areas during the night as temperatures in central and northern regions were mostly in the mid-20s to around 30. Readings of near 20 degrees were reported in some colder spots of north-central and west-central

Florida.

Daytona Beach reported a new record low of 19 degrees for this date, breaking the old record set in 1964. But by about 6 a.m., temperatures were on the upswing there and across the state, and forecasters said they should remain warmer at least until Friday.

Early morning temperatures were several

degrees higher than expected in Dade and Broward counties today. Miami reported a balmy 46 degrees, while Fort Lauderdale and west Dade County reported 36.

Forecasters said the South Florida frost problem would end with sunrise today.

On some farms, growers spent a second night trying to prevent further damage to

the fruit. But others didn't have — and couldn't afford — the sprayers, heaters and whirlybirds involved in such measures. Some said it would be useless anyway.

Gov. Bob Graham declared an emergency late Tuesday, lifting weight limits on trucks rushing frozen citrus to processors in hopes of salvaging much of the juice before it thaws and spoils.

And officials farther south in the nation's "winter vegetable basket" said crop damage there also would be severe.

"Most growers expect damage to be on a par with the January 1977 freeze, when the equivalent of 50 million boxes of oranges and juice yield was lost," said Bobby McKown, executive vice president of Florida Citrus Mutual.

Officials at Citrus Mutual, a Lakeland-based cooperative of 15,000 growers, put their loss Tuesday at 49 million gallons of concentrated orange juice, or about 36 million 90-pound boxes. Grapefruit damage was not as extensive.

Vegetable fields from south Dade County to

Immokalee were transformed into crystal forests as growers with irrigation systems pumped 70-degree water over their plants to form ice cocoons.

Flooded strawberry patches around Plant City looked like ice skating rinks in the morning sunlight. Farmers hoped the ice would save their tender fruit from damage.

But only about 10 percent of Florida farmers have such equipment and in some areas the temperature was "too low for anything that might be sensibly done," said Frank Teets, general manager of South Bay Growers near Lake Okechobee.

"We can't use heaters like we did a few years back because the price of fuel oil is too expensive," said W.R. Hancock Sr., owner of Hancock Groves in Leesburg. "The only other thing we can really do is pray. And we're praying plenty."

Tuesday's lows included: 8 in Tallahassee, breaking the 1971 record by 3 degrees; 13 in Jacksonville, breaking the 95-year-old January mark by 2 degrees; 22 in Tampa, breaking a 1905 mark, and 32 in Miami, the coldest Jan. 13 since 1962.

Shiver a little longer

Carter extends thermostat controls for another nine months

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans shivering through their second winter with mandatory temperature controls where they work and shop will have to shiver at least a little longer.

President Carter extended the controls, which were scheduled to expire Friday, for another nine months Tuesday.

Whether the controls stay in effect anywhere near that long is far from certain, however. Ronald Reagan can undo Carter's action as soon as he takes office.

Reagan aides refused Tuesday to say what the president-elect will do, but during the campaign Reagan

was critical of mandatory energy conservation efforts.

The controls, which have been in effect for 18 months, require thermostats in 2.8 million non-residential buildings to be set at 65 degrees in the winter and 78 degrees in summer.

Carter cited the continuing precarious world oil supply situation as justification for keeping the controls. By law the restrictions can impose the penalties no more than nine months at a time.

The controls were first imposed in July 1979, when many Americans were sitting in gasoline lines following the Iranian revolution.

Carter said the Iran-Iraq war and other Middle East tensions in the past few months have increased the "risks from reliance on insecure oil imports."

Although businesses that fail to comply with the controls may be fined, no penalties have been imposed. Nevertheless, the Energy Department says the program is saving the country 140 million barrels of oil annually, or 6 percent of U.S. imports a year.

DOE officials estimate the compliance rate for the program is 80 percent, based on 50,000 actual inspections. They say that of 68,000

telephone calls the department has received concerning the program, less than 1 percent have been complaints.

"This program is needed and it works. I just hope the president-elect gives us time to explain the benefits before he makes a decision on rescinding it," said Lorn Harvey, deputy DOE director of emergency conservation programs.

Jim Atkin, a member of the Reagan energy transition team, refused to say whether aides have made a recommendation to Reagan on keeping the controls.

Colorado City Area Chamber books Manning as speaker

COLORADO CITY — Doug Manning, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Hereford, will be the guest speaker at the Jan. 22 membership banquet of the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce, scheduled to start at 7 p.m. in the Civic Center.

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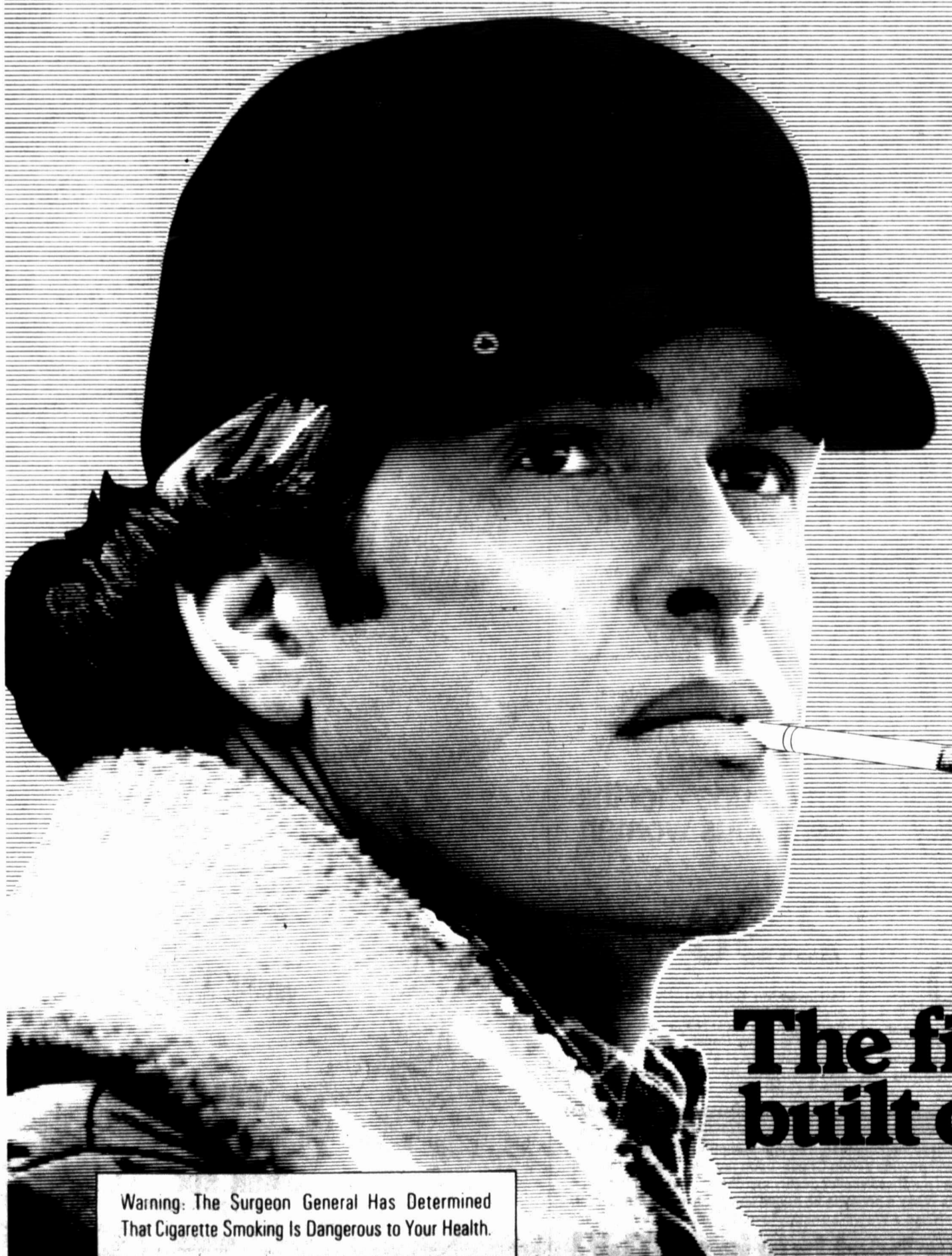
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WORLD WAR II RELICS — Allan Olson with one of the many relics that are being found off the bottom of Lake Michigan around the Chicago shoreline. Olson believes the pieces that are found would make excellent spare parts for vintage planes. (AP LASERPHOTO)

Rookie pilots practiced over Lake Michigan Wrecked World War II planes preserved on lake bottom

CHICAGO (AP) — The bottom of Lake Michigan off Chicago's lakefront is littered with assorted fighter planes wrecked by rookie pilots practicing flat-top landings during World War II, say divers who are discovering them.

"There must be at least 50 of them less than a dozen miles off Navy Pier," says Allan Olson, 25, who dives from a 21-foot motorboat equipped with the latest sonar.

"It's like a place where elephants go to die, only these are airplanes," Olson said. The wrecked planes would make an excellent source of parts for vintage planes now in museums or being restored by enthusiasts.

"Last spring I positioned one in 45 feet of water five miles out from Chicago. I made a dive and landed on a wing that had a big white star insignia. It was a Grumman Wildcat fighter, broken in half.

"I looked in the cockpit and wiped a thin layer of silt off the instrument panel with my hand," he continued.

"The fresh water at ideal temperatures had preserved everything so well I could read every instrument."

Olson, who is president of the Downriggers Dive Club, said: "There are so many out there that I developed a passion for them — intrigued by the mystery of it all. I've spent hours in libraries studying World War II planes and have hundreds of sheets of microfilm on them. Those in the lake came from

doing this about every day for three years during the war. So you know a lot of planes are on the bottom."

Harry Zych, operator of the American Dive and Salvage Co. that raised the Avenger torpedo bomber last year, said that 13 years ago, another Avenger was partially recovered 14 miles out from Chicago.

"The skeletal remains of the radioman were found still strapped in his section of the plane," Zych said. "They were turned over to the Navy."

Most of the young pilots and radiomen survived the crashes, however, either bailing out of the low-flying planes or scrambling from the wrecks before they sank. Former pilots involved with Great Lakes training estimate that no more than a dozen lives were lost in three

years of rookie flights.

Zych also told of an old acquaintance named Frank Hefling, a diver who was sucked up and killed by a tugboat as he worked the bottom of Calumet harbor 12 years ago. He was 60 at his death.

"Hefling had a contract with the Navy during World War II to retrieve bodies lodged in planes when they crashed trying to make those flat-top landings," Zych said. "He never said how many he brought up. But he did tell me that there were easily 50 crashes a year."

"It would be extremely difficult to determine the number of planes that went down in Lake Michigan," he said. "If we had specific dates of a wreck, we could probably pinpoint it."

New research verifies findings on cause of toxic shock syndrome

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — New research has clearly linked a greater risk of toxic shock syndrome to the use of super-absorbent tampons, but scientists don't know why those tampons are at fault and still are reluctant to warn women off particular products.

"The risk of toxic shock is present, regardless of whether someone uses tampons or not," said Dr. Michael Osterholm, who directed a study by three Midwestern health departments. The results were released Tuesday.

"We're not yet in a position to tell anyone to use or not to use tampons or super-absorbent tampons. Women can assess the data and decide for themselves. It should be an individual choice at this time," Osterholm said.

Since 1978, when toxic shock was given its name, the disease has affected 818 people — mostly women younger than 30, but also

some men and children — and 69 women have died. Symptoms include fever, diarrhea, vomiting, a drop in blood pressure and a sun-burn-like rash.

The study found that menstruating women who use the so-called super absorbent tampons, which contain synthetic fibers and chemical compounds not found in the older, 100 percent cotton tampons, stand a much greater risk of contracting toxic shock than women who use less absorbent tampons — or no tampons at all.

Osterholm said the study, involving 240 women from Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa, produced these findings:

—Women who use tampons of any kind stand a 17 times greater chance of falling prey to toxic shock than women who use some other protection during menstruation.

—Women who use super-absorbent tampons exclusively are 30 times more likely to contract TSS than women who use no tampons.

—There is "no evidence that any chemical composition of any of the tampons was related to the occurrence of toxic shock."

The study could not determine just why super-absorbent tampons seemed more likely to bring on TSS.

Previous theories about TSS have centered on the new tampons' efficiency — that they so effectively block menstrual fluid that it backs up into the body through the Fallopian tubes and, if infected, spreads bacteria into the bloodstream — or on their new ingredients.

Chief suspect in the latter theory is carbonylmethylcellulose, a compound in all the super-absorbent tampons. Scientists thought it might nourish the Staphylococcus aureus bacterium known to cause TSS, or that it might irritate the vaginal lining and allow bacteria into the blood that way.

But Osterholm, chief of acute disease epidemiology at the Minnesota health department, said the study had ruled out carbonylmethylcellulose as a culprit.



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Liberals, conservatives at odds as Legislature convenes

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Clayton, newly elected to an unprecedented fourth term as speaker, are starting the new legislative session in anything but an era of good feeling.

The big event of the 67th Legislature's opening day Tuesday was Clayton's reelection as speaker, climaxing his rebound from the FBI's Brilab "sting" investigation.

Clayton, acquitted of corruption charges by a federal court jury in October, told the assembled state representatives it was "only by God's grace" that he stood before them again as their presiding officer.

Rep. John Bryant, D-Dallas, allowed his name to be placed in nomination for speaker but after all the speeches were done, he withdrew. Bryant said he knew he would lose and wanted his pledged supporters to feel free to save their political

necks by voting for, for Clayton. Still, 26 representatives went on record as voting against Clayton's election by acclamation. Clayton is expected to maintain tight control over the process that will draw the districts in which House members will be elected in 1982.

But the speakership election didn't put an end to liberal-conservative warfare. Far from it.

Bryant's chief ally, Rep. Ron Coleman, D-El Paso, was ringleader of a group of 35 representatives, predominantly liberal, who blocked a routine resolution suspending the constitutional order of legislative business. With the constitutional rule in place, the House will need a hard

to get four-fifths majority — 120 votes — to take up a bill for floor action in the first 60 days of the session.

Rep. Buck Florence, D-Hughes Springs, said this meant the House would "waste a great deal of the taxpayers' money the first 60 days due to the fact that we will be virtually crippled."

Coleman said the liberal minority would continue the delaying action until Clayton's "team" agreed to talks on organizing the House along party lines. That would mean a Democratic caucus would select a majority leader and exercise considerable control over legislation, taking some power from the speaker.

He said Coleman's idea of a Democratic caucus had "some merit" but his advisers felt the time for party organization would come when the Republican minority of 36 grew to about 50 members.

Later in the day, many of Clayton's committee chairmen and other conservatives packed a meeting of the House Study Group, which had planned to elect a new chairman. Bryant was chairman until the new session began Tuesday.

The Study Group provides its members — who pay its expenses from their House operating allowances — with research reports and bill analyses, generally regarded as factual and neutral.

Bryant said he wasn't all that interested in running for chairman again, but he clearly was agitated that conservative Rep. Ray Keller, D-Duncanville, wanted the job.

Keller brought lots of friends, but the temporary chairman, Rep. Mary Polk, D-El Paso, said they couldn't vote unless they had joined the study group by Monday. Eleven joined Tuesday.

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Bergland expects Soviet grain embargo or limit to stay

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland says he thinks the incoming Reagan administration will keep the grain embargo in place for the time being or at least limit the amount of grain that can be sold to the Soviet Union.

"The most sophisticated grain analysts and others don't believe Governor Reagan will lift the embargo as President Reagan soon after he takes office Jan. 20," Bergland said.

"Most people I talk to that are watching this one very carefully believe that once Mr. Reagan has access to all of the documents, and the vast security implications are thought through he will not lift it, notwithstanding his pledge to the contrary," Bergland said.

"He will simply break that pledge, and there will be some political reaction because I know some people who supported him vigorously on that issue only."

Bergland, whose remarks were included in a wide-ranging interview Monday, said the embargo issue kept emerging during his campaign for President Carter last fall.

"And I just got beat black and blue out there in that election campaign," Bergland said. "I could not sell the presidential position on the grain embargo."

Although Reagan promised quick action to ease the embargo during his campaign, talk from his camp lately has been that the situation will have to be looked at more closely.

John R. Block, Reagan's choice for secretary of agriculture, opposes the embargo and said at his nomination hearing last week that a sales ban should be imposed "only as a last resort under extreme circumstances."

But Block also said he did not "know all the details" on whether the current embargo might qualify as an extreme circumstance.

Virtually all farm groups and the National Grange is one exception want an immediate end to the embargo, imposed by Carter Jan. 4, 1980 in retaliation for the Soviet Union's military intervention in Afghanistan.

It was a partial lid, affecting about 17 million metric tons of U.S. corn and wheat plus some soybeans and other products that the

Soviet Union had been expected to get during the 1979-80 year that ended last Sept. 30.

A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds and is equal to 39.4 bushels of corn or 36.7 bushels of wheat.

Carter exempted 8 million metric tons of corn and wheat that had been specified under a prior agreement. That pact, which covered five years, expires Sept. 30, 1981.

The agreement was made after Russia, following poor crops, once again began buying U.S. grain on a large scale in 1975. It called for regular purchases by the Soviets and guarantees of up to 8 million metric tons annually by the United States.

Another feature of the pact is that it requires con-

sultation between the two countries if the Soviets, in any one year, want more grain than the 8 million metric tons guaranteed in it.

Bergland said he thinks "the real test will come" when the Reagan administration has to decide whether to seek an extension of the five-year agreement.

Even if the embargo is lifted, Reagan will have to decide on how to deal with the Russians regarding farm commodities in the future, he said.

What if the five-year agreement is allowed to lapse this fall?

"That puts them (the Soviets) in a position where they can really create a commotion in this market. They can manipulate it to suit themselves. They can issue statements that have

depressing effects on the grain markets and then they can very quietly buy," Bergland said.

"They're big enough and powerful enough so they can manipulate the whole economy of the United States by issuing statements which are taken by investors and speculators as market sensitive, and simply not following through."

But Bergland added, "I can't really believe that any president would allow this economy to be horsewhipped or to be so manipulated by the Soviet Union."

Thus, he said, there probably will be "some agreement, some limits" on grain sales to the Soviet Union. "That's speculation on my part," he added.

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Baby shower held for Lupe Gonzales

Lupe (Mrs. Cruz) Gonzales was feted with a baby shower the evening of Jan. 8 in the Texas Electric Company Reddy Room. Special guest was her mother, Tomasa Morales. The honoree was presented with a corsage of blue and pink carnations interspersed with baby's breath.

The refreshment table was covered with a white Hallmark tablecloth

featuring babies and centered with three pink and yellow blocks with baby dolls crawling on each.

Hostesses were the honoree's sisters, Amelia, Nora and Dora Morales and Janie Lopez.

The hostess gift was a bassinet loaded with blankets and articles of baby clothing.

Baby Gonzales is expected around Jan. 28.



(AP LASERPHOTO)

STEPPING OUT IN STYLE — Nancy Reagan will wear these rhinestone and crystal bead hand-embroidered evening pumps of cream-colored satin to inaugurate festivities the evening of January 20. They were designed by David Evans, who also designed footwear for two former First Ladies: Jacqueline Kennedy and Lady Bird Johnson.

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PAMELA B.

DEAR PAMELA: I'm for anything that keeps kids from becoming sexually active before they're sufficiently mature to handle it. The button could serve another purpose. If the aggressors refuse to take NO for an answer, remove the pin and stick 'em with it. They'll get the point.

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DEAR ABBY: My 10-year-old son, Jimmy, is taking clarinet lessons in grade school. He told me that his music teacher, whom he likes very much, will very often take his (Jimmy's) clarinet and put it into his own mouth to teach him how to play something, then hand the clarinet back to Jimmy to use. Abby, keep in mind that the mouthpiece and reed go from Jimmy's mouth to his teacher's, then back to Jimmy's.

I'm not excessively fussy about germs, but let's face it, a simple swipe across the shirt/sleeve before and after using another's mouthpiece is not very sanitary.

Jimmy will have this teacher another three years, so I don't want to spoil their good relationship, but I would like to put an end to this unsanitary practice if possible. Can you help?

JIMMY'S MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: Show Jimmy how to disinfect the mouthpiece of his clarinet by wiping it thoroughly with a tissue that's been saturated with an appropriate germicide. Give him some to use at school with instructions to always disinfect his mouthpiece after his teacher has used it.

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DEAR ABBY: Well, another Christmas has come and gone, and here I sit, counting my newly acquired "blessings." They include six boxes of candy, two tins of fancy cookies, three fruitcakes and 5 pounds of nuts!

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Deputy Grand Matron visits Chapter No. 1019

Ninta Truitt, deputy grand matron, Lamesa, made her official visit to the Laura B. Hart Chapter No. 1019, Order of the Eastern Star, on the evening of Jan. 8. She was honored with a supper at Furr's Cafeteria prior to her visit to the chapter.

Mrs. Ruth Sweatt, worthy matron, called the meeting to order and Paul Sweatt, worthy patron, gave the invocation.

Mrs. Truitt brought greetings from the Worthy Grand Matron, Lena Mae Cook, and gave instructions in various parts of the work.

Other grand officers who were introduced and welcomed were: Candy

Andrews, Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Butterfly visitation committee; Emily Beckham, Coahoma Chapter No. 499, music committee, and Dorothy Edge, Midland chapter No. 235, circle of love committee. Five chapters were represented at the meeting.

Thank You notes were read from the recipients of Christmas baskets. The death of the first worthy patron, Lee Cahoon, was reported.

Tables decorated with snowmen greeted members when they retired for refreshments. The next meeting of the chapter will be Jan. 22, at 8 o'clock.

Lingerie shower honors bride-elect of Chesworth

A lingerie shower was held in honor of Candy Spencer on Jan. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Barcelona Party Room. Ms. Spencer was presented a corsage of blue silk flowers.

The guests were served cake and champagne punch. Hostesses for the shower were Kathie Gomez, Delynn

Howard, Lisa Murphy, Robin Patton, Oleta Weaver and Vonda Wrye.

Ms. Spencer is the bride-elect of Pat Chesworth. The couple will be married on January 23, at the First Church of the Nazarene. The bride's selection is at the Final Touch.

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How to handle embarrassment

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Teens: You've just tipped a plate load of spaghetti into your date's lap and you wish the earth would swallow you whole.

Feelings of embarrassment can sneak up and overwhelm us at almost any time. Here are some pointers that can help you smile at your next slipup.

— Acknowledge your slipup. It doesn't help to try to cover up in an embarrassing situation. If, for example, you can't remember an acquaintance's name, it's better to admit that you've forgotten than to try bluffing your way through an awkward exchange.

— Don't focus on the symptoms. The more you struggle to mask your blushing, perspiring, or heart palpitations, the more troublesome they are likely to become. Instead, try taking a few deep breaths and dealing with the situation that caused your discomfort rather than the symptoms.

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Decline in SAT scores may reflect numbers instead of skill

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The decline in national average scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test may not reflect a decline in academic skills among the nation's high school students, say two Texas A&M University business analysts.

Instead, the average test scores — which have been steadily dropping over the last 20 years — simply may reflect the greater number of students taking the exam, Drs. Robert Hill and William Fuerst say in a study.

As the number of test-takers increases, average test scores tend to decline because the students have become more representative of an underlying population, the study says.

The study, financed by the university's College of Business Administration, looks for changes in the performance of the entire class of graduating high school seniors instead of the select group that takes the SAT.

The average test score from top tenth of a high school class would be higher than the score from the top 25 percent, Hill said. When a small proportion of the seniors choose to take the exam, most of the test takers will be from the upper class ranks and few will be from the lower class ranks, he added.

Between 1951-52 and 1976-77, the number of students

taking the SAT increased from 81,000 to in excess of 1.4 million. At the same time, the average score has dropped 70 points, from 970 to 900. The top possible score is 1,600, with a top possible score of 800 on the test's two parts — math and English. The average score in English

dropped by 47 points while the average score on the math portion of the test dropped by 23 points.

Many public school administrators have stressed a return to basic skills, partly in response to the reported decline, to try to create seniors who score higher on the tests.

But the continued decline in the national average SAT score has caused educators to turn their attention to other factors, that could be cited as reasons for the decline.

"Our research is im-

portant because the change being examined in the test-taking population does not assume the underlying population of high school students has changed," Hill said. "It implies that the decline in the scores has largely been a result of the process that selects students to take the SAT."

Pressure from peers, teachers and parents, college entrance requirements, the increasing number of high school graduates and employers' demand for college-educated employees are factors that attribute to the increasing number of students choosing to take the test, he added.

"If, as it is partially supported in our study, the SAT test score decline is a result of the sampling method used to select test-takers, then educators and society as a whole have overreacted," Hill said.

"The changes in the public education system that have been motivated by the decline may have been unnecessary and possibly damaging to the educational process."

Chrysler caught between complaints

WASHINGTON (AP) — With its survival hanging in the balance, Chrysler Corp. is caught between union complaints that the company wants too much from its workers and government hints that the firm should squeeze even more wage concessions from them.

The answer — perhaps the final thumbs up or thumbs down signal for Chrysler — was expected later today at a meeting of the Chrysler Loan Guarantee Board.

Nobody in authority is

saying what happens if Chrysler, which received \$800 million last year, is turned down for the additional loan guarantee.

But most analysts expect the result would be a quick trip into federal court to seek protection from creditors under the federal bankruptcy law.

"Secretary Miller was very frank and honest that they will make a decision

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(Have you guessed?)

Judge says Dohrn's separation was enough punishment

CHICAGO (AP) — A judge who said that Bernardine Dohrn's 11-year separation from friends and family was punishment enough has sentenced the former fugitive radical to three years probation and a \$1,500 fine.

Ms. Dohrn, 38, was sentenced Tuesday on her guilty pleas to two counts of aggravated battery and two counts of bail-jumping. The charges were filed in connection with her participation in a 1969 anti-war protest in Chicago known as the Days of Rage. A number of policemen were hurt in the protest.

Ms. Dohrn, a former leader of the militant Weather Underground, went into hiding after the protest. She surrendered to authorities in December and had faced a maximum of eight years in prison if convicted of all the charges filed against her.

Meanwhile, in another case involving a member of the Weather Underground, Cathlyn Platt Wilkerson asked a judge in New York to reduce a three-year prison sentence imposed for her role in a fatal 1970 explosion at a radical "bomb factory" in Greenwich Village.

She said her attorneys would argue for the reduction at a hearing today. She was to surrender Thursday to begin her sentence.

In a negotiated agreement reached Tuesday, Ms. Dohrn withdrew her earlier plea of innocent to all charges — which had also included mob action and soliciting mob action — and pleaded guilty to jumping bond and aggravated battery in attacks on police officers. The other charges were dropped.

Although the court agreement stipulated that Ms. Dohrn struck a police officer with a club during the disturbances, Michael Kennedy, her attorney, told the judge his client's only weapon that day "was her tongue, making speeches."

Circuit Court Judge Fred Suria denied a prosecution request to sentence Ms. Dohrn to 30 days in jail in addition to the probation. He told Ms. Dohrn that she had already "paid a penalty by giving up contact with your friends and relations while being underground."

Suria lectured Ms. Dohrn on non-violent methods of achieving changes in society.

"We do have freedom of speech, but it is conditioned upon mutual respect and mutual understanding," he said.

"If you wish to change the system, you don't have to take to the streets," he said. "Are you ready to join us, regardless of our political persuasion, race, creed, color or nationality?"

Ms. Dohrn smiled, then replied: "You and I have different views of the world. I understand what you said and I understand what happened that day."

Ms. Wilkerson, 35, who spent 10 years as a fugitive, told state Supreme Court Justice Harold Rothwax in court papers that the sentence would have "grossly harmful psychological effect" on her 3-year-old daughter.

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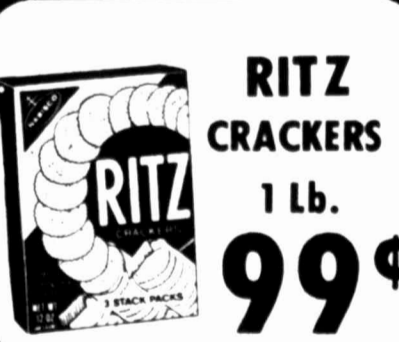
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Texas congressmen 'see the world'

Stenholm tours Bavaria

WASHINGTON — "See the world" is a phrase usually identified with military recruiters, but it could be a lure to membership in Congress as well.

Since Thanksgiving, 11 Texas representatives and many of their wives have travelled from Washington to a variety of foreign locations for inspections, seminars and briefings — all commonly known as "junkets."

The most popular trip to date has been an all-expense paid tour of the Mideast, including Egypt and Israel and portions of the West Bank and Jerusalem. The trip, which drew five Texans and an Oklahoman for 10 days between Nov. 23 and Dec. 3, was sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith International in Texas.

The five Texas congressmen, who met briefly with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat on the tour, included Marvin Leath of Marlin, Kent Hance of Lubbock, Phil Gramm of College Station, and James Mattox and Martin Frost of Dallas.

Both Leath and Mattox took European trips in 1979 at government expense.

The trip was paid for by about 65 ADL members in Texas and Oklahoma who raised some \$17,000 for the House members, none of whom had been to the Mideast before. The ADL is dedicated to "fighting the defamation of the Jewish people" and sees support of Israel as a cornerstone of that policy, a spokesman said.

Foundation here and paid for by a like-minded German group called Hans Seidel. The party joined the American lawmakers in conference on military and economic issues with members of the West German Bundestag, who will likely come to Washington on the Heritage Foundation dole in the spring.

Hance and Gramm were invited to attend the Bavarian meeting and declined.

Meanwhile, Vernon Democrat Jack Hightower is on a government-paid trip to inspect security and communications in U.S. embassies in Bonn and Frankfurt, West Germany, Geneva, Switzerland, and Rome.

In addition to the embassy checks, Hightower, along with Rep. George O'Brien, R-Ill. and their wives, will discuss "refugee problems and budget, (and) program management activities of international organizations," while in Geneva.

Hightower visited Great Britain, West Germany, Italy and France at government expense in 1979.

Another current trip finds a delegation of the House Armed Services Committee including El Paso Democrat Richard White, who travelled to China at government expense in 1979, on a "fact-finding" mission to India.

The India tour, with stops in Egypt, Israel and Greece, comes less than a month after a state visit to the government of Indira Gandhi by Soviet President

Leonid Brezhnev.

Kazen made two trips in 1979 — one to China, Japan and South Korea and another to Mexico — at government expense.

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Ron Litterell remembers Blackthorn collision

Memories haunt Coast Guard survivor

MIAMI (AP) — Sometimes, in the quiet of a night, the nightmares return and Ron Litterell relives another night, a moonlit evening almost a year ago when his sinking ship almost sucked him beneath the murky waters of Tampa Bay.

He recalls the sickening crash as an oil tanker's anchor gouged a great hole in the side of the Coast Guard cutter Blackthorn. He remembers the ship shuddering, then tilting as it rolled over and sank, so fast that most of the crew never had a chance to get to the life rafts.

The 31-year-old chief machinery technician was lucky. Along with 27 crewmates, he survived the worst peacetime disaster in the 190-year history of the U.S. Coast Guard. But it's the memory of the 23 men who died last Jan. 28 that haunts Litterell.

On Tuesday, a Coast Guard Marine Board of Inquiry issued a ruling that said both the SS Capricorn and the aging buoy tender were at fault for the collision, having failed to exchange proper whistle signals and each straying too close to the center of the channel.

Litterell was resting on his bunk deep inside the aging Blackthorn at 8:21 EST when it was rammed, almost head-on, in the Tampa Bay shipping channel by the 605-foot oil tanker. The Blackthorn — on its way home to Galveston, Texas, after undergoing repairs — flipped over when the Capricorn's anchor hooked

its side. It sank within minutes.

Litterell remembers scrambling above decks and leaping overboard into an oil slick that burned his eyes and skin, then helping other crewmates before scrambling to safety aboard a rescue boat.

After recovering from his physical injuries, Litterell was examined by the Coast Guard and ruled ineligible for sea duty, largely due to his uncertain mental state. He will be re-examined in two years. "At that time, hopefully, everything will be OK," he said.

In a telephone interview from his Texas City, Texas, home, Litterell said he had just made a "long, hard decision" and extended his enlistment for two more years.

"It has been an up and down year, the Coast Guard trying to decide what I could do. You see, I couldn't re-enlist (for a four-to-six-year stretch) because of physical reasons. Though I'm getting better physically, I think it's better that I don't go back to sea right now," he said.

"To be in the position of a chief right now, I could probably go on a ship. But if an emergency would occur, could I compose myself from the memories I would have? I don't think it would be fair to the men looking to me for leadership to be wondering if

I could compose myself.

"There's still a part of me that asks: 'Are you OK? What's going to happen to me in a similar situation?' Until I come to grips with that, I can't put others into that kind of situation," he said.

Litterell, who is awaiting assignment to active land duty, said he still longs to return to the sea.

"Part of me, being a family man...naturally I don't like to serve away," he said. "But I think you tend to be more comfortable at sea. You feel a closeness to your shipmates. There is a closeness in sea duty that you don't develop ashore."

"My hopes are that I will be able to handle the situation and the problems and that I'll be able to go back," Litterell said.

Since the accident, many of the enlisted men who survived have left the Coast Guard, Litterell said.

"Most of the ones I've kept in touch with have gotten out or are getting out," Litterell said. "This has affected different people in different ways."

Before the accident, Litterell said, he had planned to make the Coast Guard his career. Now he is not so sure how long he will wear the Coast Guard blue.

"As far as myself, as long as I remain in the Coast Guard, I can see the accident

Awards given at Steer Band marching banquet

The Big Spring Steer Band celebrated the end of the 1980 marching season, Saturday, with their annual dinner. The dinner was sponsored by the Morning Optimists Club and the Band Boosters.

Robert Lovett, band director at Brownfield High School, was the guest speaker at the dinner. He commended the students on their attitude, hard work, and the fact that Big Spring has the most innovative band in the area.

Students in the band were congratulated for outstanding achievements during the fall season. Many students received individual awards.

Patty Griffin received the John Philip Sousa award, which is sponsored by the Morning Optimists Club. This award is given in recognition of outstanding achievement on here instrument.

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Abilene takes exciting 5-A AAAA opener

Charity kills the Steers

By NATHAN POSS
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers played the role of the charitable host here Tuesday in their 5-A AAAA opener, and the Abilene Eagles were more than happy to take their gifts and convert them into an exciting 68-62 triumph that wasn't decided until the final seconds.

The charity was in the form of five one-and-one free throw opportunities in the final stanza, and the sharp-shooting Eagles converted every one of them, going 10 for 10 in the deciding final minutes. Meanwhile, Big Spring couldn't connect on either of their free throw opportunities, thereby dropping the chance at ousting the Eagles, who were picked to finish second in the pre-District 5-A AAAA poll.

And while the loss had to be disheartening for both the Steers and their coach, Ed Haller, it was not before the BSHS crew played the favored Abilene crew on more than even terms throughout the contest.

Neither team could manage a sizable lead in the contest, with the final six-point advantage by the Eagles being the biggest point difference of the night.

The Eagles, a speedy crew, ran past the Big Spring press in the first few minutes, to break for a 10-6 lead, but Haller ordered his Steers out of it. By the end of the first stanza, it was tied at 14-14.

"Abilene was too quick for us to press," explained Haller. "When I realized this, I knew it was time to get out. If we would have stayed with the press, they would have blown us out."

But the Steers played it their way, slowing things down and relying on the first half scoring of sophomore Jerald Wrightsil to stay close. Abilene held a 34-32 halftime lead.

One big aspect that hurt the Steers at times during the night was the foul trouble of junior jumping jack Bobby Earl Williams. When Williams was in the line-up, the Bovines could rebound with the taller Eagles, but without him were hurting on the boards. Williams drew his third foul of the game with 2:40 remaining in the half, and sat out until intermission.

The opening minutes of the third stanza found both teams cold, thanks to some aggressive defense, but a big blow was seemingly struck when Williams drew his fourth personal with just over three minutes left in the quarter and Steers holding a 38-37 lead.

But senior guard James Doss and Jerald Wrightsil dazzled the Abilene defense on some excellent passing and breaking to the bucket, and the Steers managed to take a 48-46 lead into the final period.

But with Williams still on the bench, Abilene began hurting the Steers on the boards, finally taking the lead with six minutes to go. At this point, Haller reinstated the versatile Steer junior into the line-up.

Williams immediately made his presence known, stealing an Abilene pass and driving the length of the floor. But he lost control on the two-one-one break, losing the ball and running into an obstacle out of bounds that

Steer JVs lose

The Abilene JV basketball team outscored the Big Spring JVs in the first three stanzas and then held off a late rally to take an 80-71 win here Tuesday evening.

The contest was the first for both boys teams in District 5-A AAAA play.

Terry Spears led the Big Spring team with 18 points, with Tony Randle adding 11. Hines had 26 for Abilene, with Simmon contributing 22.

forced him to leave the game momentarily with the Bovines behind 56-54.

But Doss continued the Steers thievery, taking an Abilene pass and driving past two defenders to tie the game with just 2:40

remaining. But Abilene's Robert Haynes put the Eagles on top for good at this point, bombing two long range shots and then sinking both ends of a one-and-one free throw situation for a 62-56

Eagle lead. Williams had returned again, and scored to narrow the margin to 62-58. On Abilene's next possession, Williams stole another Eagle pass and fed Fletcher Johnson.

But Johnson's off balance shot failed, and Abilene controlled, with Mike Judie was fouled with 37 seconds remaining.

He sank both ends of his charity line opportunity, but the Steers Dickie Wrightsil canned one of his patented jump shots to bring the Steers back to within four with 30 seconds left.

The Steers quickly fouled Abilene's Tye Sasin, but the Eagle senior coolly sank both ends of the one-and-one for yet another six-point lead with 24 seconds left.

It seemed to sew the game up for the Abilene crew, but the ever hustling Steers, led by Williams, were not dead yet.

After Williams muscled inside for two points to cut the score to 66-62, he quickly forced a charging foul on Abilene's Sasin, thereby giving the Steers a glimmer of hope with nine seconds remaining.

But with time and the scoreboard both working against the Steers, Dickie Wrightsil's 15-foot jumper under heavy pressure was off the mark, with Judie rebounding.

He was quickly fouled, and in what seemed to typically cap the Abilene win, sank both ends of the one-and-one chance.

The Big Spring crew gave supreme effort during the contest, but it was only when they decided to run again in the final minutes that Abilene took the lead for good. And that forced the fouls, which inevitably handed the Eagles the win at the charity line.

Both teams had numerous players in double figures, as it was a most balanced game. Sasin led Abilene with 16 points, while Jerald Wrightsil and older brother Dickie paced the Steers with 16 and 14, respectively. Williams added 12 and was the leading rebounder.

The Steers outscored the Eagles 10 from the field, but Abilene literally defeated them at the free throw line. The Eagles converted 20 of 26 in the contest, while the Steers managed an anemic two of nine.

A pained Coach Haller discussed the game in his office moments later, expressing both disappointment and hope. "We just lost our composure in the last few minutes," Haller said. "We play our game for most of the entire game, and then started trying to run in the final minutes. That ended up killing us, because it put us in the situation that we had to go for the steal and foul if we missed."

"Getting away from our game and the free throw situation is all mental," a downtrodden Haller continued. "We go zero for two on one-and-one opportunities."

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5-A AAAA Roundup

Both Abilene schools and both Midland schools emerged with wins on the opening night in District 5-A AAAA boys basketball action.

Abilene managed a 68-62 win over Big Spring, while Abilene Cooper pulled a big surprise in holding off a San Angelo rally for a 52-50 win.

Midland High used a 26 point effort from blue-chipper Herbert Johnson to down Odessa Permian 68-59, while Midland Lee took a 65-55 win over Odessa High.

Action will resume on Friday when Midland travels to Big Spring, San Angelo is at Midland Lee, Odessa Permian visits Abilene and Abilene Cooper goes to OHS.

Women accepted into NCAA body

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Women are now a part of the NCAA, breaking 75 years of male domination, but they may never play any athletic contest to surpass the drama and tenseness that surrounded their entry at the association's convention.

Bob Steidel, who committed what turned out to be a fatal strategic error at the moment of the anti-women's programs moment of triumph, will occupy a curious place in the history of the women's movement.

After a bitter, emotional debate, "the" much parliamentary maneuvering, convention delegates Tuesday passed a controversial package of proposals that bring women into the NCAA's governing structure and will give Division I schools the option of sponsoring women's championships.

Women are now guaranteed representation on the NCAA's highest levels. The Council, Executive Committee and steering committees. In addition, their presence will be felt on the committees that negotiate football television contracts, put schools on probation and decide which cities are awarded such financial plums as the basketball championship finals.

Opponents of the NCAA's entry into women's athletics were generally from two camps — the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women and big-time football

and basketball schools that are afraid they will end up paying the bill.

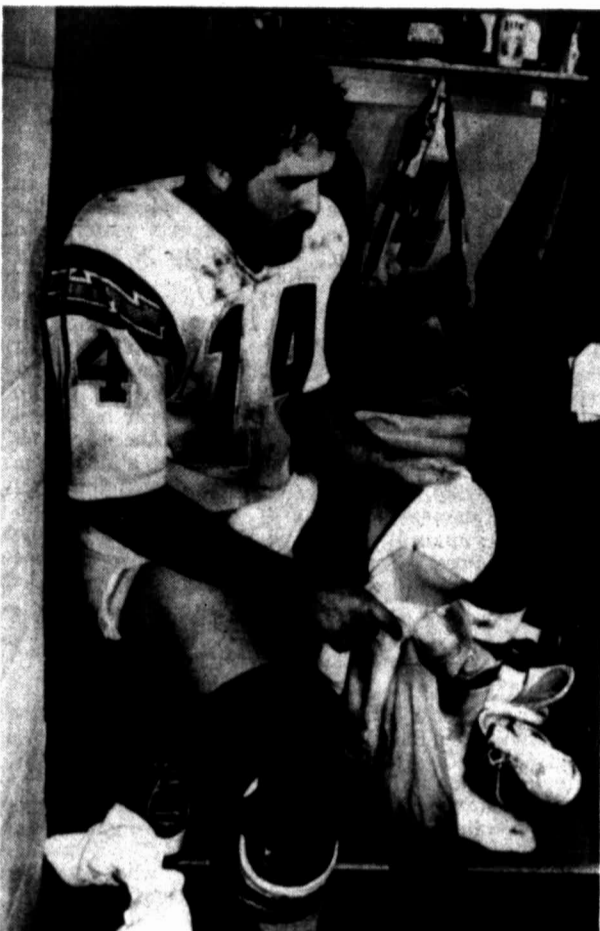
After the morning session, the first battle was waged over Proposal 51, dealing with the administrative structure, which needed a two-thirds majority and squeezed past on a 383-168 vote. Then Proposal 53, assuring female representation on committees, was passed.

But the real showdown came on number 72, women's championships in Division I. Frank Broyles, Arkansas athletic director and former football coach, spoke forcefully against adoption.

"Let me make one thing clear once and for all, we will have no choice in the national championships," he said, noting that AIAW rules prohibit off-campus recruiting. Broyles said thunderously, "Any coach knows he's going to have to meet the competition. If I choose to stay in AIAW, I can't recruit off-campus and I won't have the best players."

"There is no option for any athletic director in this room, believe me, there is no option. You're asking women to join a method of recruiting that has driven men out of coaching. And maybe double the enforcement staff."

Finally, the vote was taken and it wound up a 124-124 tie. A second vote defeated the plan 128-127 and Broyles cut loose with a loud cheer, joined by many others.



(AP LASERPHOTO)

MAYBE NEXT YEAR DAN — San Diego Chargers quarterback Dan Fouts sits dejectedly in the locker room after the Oakland Raiders beat the Chargers for the AFC Championship in San Diego, Calif. Sunday 34-27.

Then predicts Raiders in Super Bowl

MVP Sipe ready to forget ending

NEW YORK (AP) — Quarterback Brian Sipe, who's overcome long odds throughout his National Football League career, likes the underdog Oakland Raiders in Super Bowl XV.

"All year long, if some one told me it would be Philadelphia-Oakland, I would have bet the ranch on Philadelphia," said Sipe. "Now I wouldn't bet against Oakland. They're really hot."

"In order to beat Oakland, Philadelphia has to beat the individual man-to-man coverages. Oakland's style is to always try to get man-to-man matchups. Consequently, you're not beating defensive theories, you're beating matchups."

Sipe certainly has some first-hand experience. His Cleveland Browns were beaten 14-12 in the divisional playoffs by Oakland two weeks ago, when Sipe's last-minute pass, killing a deep drive, was intercepted by Mike Davis.

The forthright Sipe had shaken off his disappointment Tuesday when he was here to collect the Professional Football Writers' Schick Trophy as the National Football League's Most Valuable Player.

Sipe said the play was designed to go to Dave Logan, but Oakland safety Burgess Owens had picked up the Browns' wide receiver. "So I switched to (Ozzie) Newsome," Sipe said. "Our passing game is predicated on what the defense does. When Burgess did what he did, it changed my whole thinking."

"But I'm not at all trying to dodge responsibility. The play selection is not as important as the execution."

Cleveland Coach Sam Rutigliano called the play, although Sipe was in favor of a conservative approach to ensure a field goal try. But Sipe said Tuesday he didn't try to talk his coach out of the selection. "I just wanted to make sure we went over all the options," he said. "His last words to me were 'Just don't get sacked.'"

Sipe, also The Associated Press' MVP, was an afterthought draft choice, coming on the 13th round from San Diego State in 1974. Sipe predicts more good things for Cleveland. "The Browns can compete with any (team) and I expect you'll be hearing from us for some time to come."

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Forsan, Stanton split 5-AA games

STANTON — Two herds of Buffaloes met here Tuesday night in District 5-AAA action, and when the dust had cleared, both the Forsan and Stanton groups had taken one victory each.

The Forsan girls continued their winning ways in the first contest, taking a hard earned 52-48 triumph over the Stanton fems. Forsan is now 4-0 in district play and 15-3 on the year, while Stanton dropped to 1-2 in league play and 4-9 on the year.

Monica Dyess continued her excellent play for the Forsan girls, scoring 14 points, with Christi Adams adding 11.

Lana Looney paced the Stanton girls with 14 points, with Della Brown adding 12.

Forsan Coach Ron Taylor was happy to escape with the win, but still feels his defending district champs need to be more prepared.

"Stanton played a real good game, I've got to give them credit for that," said Taylor. "We only hit 20 of 75 from the field, so we really were lucky

to beat them shooting like that. "But our girls are going to have to learn that they must play hard every game," Taylor continued. "We are the defending district champs and leading it now, and everybody is going to play better against us. We must learn that we must be prepared every time we play."

In the boys contest, Stanton jumped out to an early lead and never relinquished it in cruising to a 55-44 win. The Stanton triumph allows them to remain perfect in 5-AA play after three games, and improved their season record to 14-5. Forsan is now 2-2 and 9-7.

Four players hit in double figures for Stanton, with Curtis Williams 18 points leading the way. Craig Eiland added 16, with David McReynolds and Lewis Henry chipping in 10.

David Harrell had 14 points for the Forsan team.

Coahoma boys hold off C-City

COLORADO CITY — The Coahoma Bulldogs boys basketball team ended their non-district schedule on a winning note, taking a 44-39 triumph over the Colorado City Wolves here Tuesday night.

Coahoma led by 37-24 entering the final stanza, but had to hold off a slight Wolves rally to take the win, which allowed Coach Doug Harriman's squad to enter their District 6-AAA slate with a mark of 11-5.

"We're really looking forward to district play," said Harriman. "I think that us, Seminole and Denver City are about even, with Crane not quite as good. It should be interesting."

As usual, Michael Meyer and Philip Ritchey paced the Coahoma boys in their win, scoring 13 and 12 points, respectively. Useton, Jackson, and Scott each had eight for Colorado City.

Coahoma opens their 6-AAA slate at home on Friday

against Seminole. In the boys JV game, Coahoma took a 33-29 win. The triumph gave the Coahoma JVs a season record of 10-0.

Varsity Game
Coahoma 14 31 37 44
C-City 9 18 24 39
COAHOMA (44)—Walker 10-2; Hermon 9-2; Tucker 8-4; Clanton 8-3; Ritchey 6-12; Hall 10-2; Meyer 5-13; Whitworth 3-6; TOTALS 106-44

COLORADO CITY (39)—Scott 14-8; Tarler 2-7; Carter 1-2; Jackson 4-8; Johnson 0-2; Useton 2-8; Staats 2-0-4; TOTALS 12-39

Coahoma girls take 6-AAA win

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs girls basketball team erupted to a 26-point halftime lead and then coasted to a 50-44 win over Crane in a District 6-AAA contest here Tuesday evening.

The win gave Coach Billy Gordon's crew a district mark of 2-0, and improved their season record to 13-5.

Gayla Paige led a balanced scoring attack with 14 points. She drew praise from Gordon, as well as Darla Henry, Robbie Ritchey and Kari Robinson.

Gonzales paced Crane with 16 points. In the girls JV contest, Coahoma rode the 14-point effort of Debra Gilbert for a 43-33 triumph.

Coahoma returns to action Friday when they host Seminole.

Varsity Game
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Crane 6 10 23 44
COAHOMA (50)—Fowler 4-9; Henry 3-8; Rinard 2-0-4; Paige 5-14; Ritchey 4-8; Robinson 3-1-7; TOTALS 21-48

CRANE (44)—Brunson 10-2; Mitchell 4-8; Enos 5-10; Fort 0-1-1; White 0-1-1; Peek 0-2-2; Hargrave 1-0-2; Hinds 1-0-2; Gonzales 8-0-16; TOTALS 19-44

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NAMED ATHLETE OF THE YEAR — Chris Evert Lloyd shows concentration in this 1980 file photo taken during the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament in New York. Mrs. Lloyd was named Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for a fourth time.

For outstanding comeback following marriage

Chrissie named Female Athlete of Year

NEW YORK (AP) — "I think I taught people a lesson," said Chris Evert Lloyd. "You never can be counted out. If you hang in there and try hard enough, you can still achieve your goals."

One of Lloyd's goals was to be the world's No. 1 tennis player again.

She reached that goal when the Women's Tennis Association computer showed her in the No. 1 spot at the end of 1980. Tuesday, she received another honor. She was named The Associated Press Female

Athlete of the Year.

"I honestly couldn't believe it," Chris said when told of her selection by the nation's sports writers and broadcasters. "I was really thrilled."

"I knew it would be hard to regain my No. 1 ranking but to be pretty much the No. 1 athlete of all sports. I just never thought it would happen this year because I just think that there are a lot of great women athletes who accomplished something this year."

It was the fourth time the 26-year-old tennis pro has

been selected the Female Athlete of the Year. She won the annual award in 1974, 1975 and 1977.

Last year's winner, tennis star Tracy Austin, finished only two votes behind Lloyd, 102-100. Tracy, 18, also finished second to Chris on the WTA computer.

Third with 39 points was Genuine Risk, the first filly to win the Kentucky Derby since Regret did it in 1915. Risk also was the first filly ever to run in all three Triple Crown events, finishing second in both the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes, and

was the only 3-year-old, regardless of sex, to race in all three last year.

Fourth was basketball star Nancy Lieberman of Old Dominion with 38 votes, followed by distance runner Grete Waitz of Norway, 35; tennis pro Evonne Goolagong of Australia, 13; golfer Beth Daniel, 12; runner Mary Decker, 9; speed skater Beth Heiden, 8; tennis star Andrea Jaeger, 7; and skier Hammi Wenzel of Liechtenstein, 5.

Others garnering votes included golfers Amy Alcott, Joanne Carner, Nancy

Lopez-Melton and Donna Caponi, tennis pros Martina Navratilova and Billie Jean King, basketball players Lynette Woodard, Janet Karvonon and Bonnie Caulkens, Mary Meagher and Kim Lineham; ice skaters Tai Babilonia and Linda Fratianne; drag racer Shirley Muldowney, skier Anna-Marie Moser-Proell, gymnast Nadia Comaneci and runners Patii Lyons and Julie Shea.

Lloyd began 1980 by losing in the finals of her first two tournaments — to Austin and Navratilova — and was forced to withdraw from the third because of illness.

Then she took a three-month vacation.

But when she returned, she came back strong. She won 42 of 43 matches, capturing the Italian, French, Canadian and U.S. Opens. Her only loss was to Goolagong in the finals at Wimbledon.

Pastorini on way out in Oakland?

OAKLAND (AP) — For the third year in a row, quarterback Dan Pastorini's team battled for the American Football Conference championship. But Pastorini watched from the sidelines, in street clothes, as the Oakland Raiders won a Super Bowl berth.

Pastorini may be yet further from the Raiders' action next year. Gone. A television commentator said that Raiders owner Al Davis said he is trying to swap Pastorini. "It's just a matter of where," Davis told the broadcaster.

Pastorini, the handsome

32-year-old veteran, played the supporting role for the Cinderella-style return to stardom of Jim Plunkett, who led the team to the Super Bowl after Pastorini broke a leg five games into the season.

Pastorini, who attended schools in nearby San Jose, is healthy and has been working out for nearly two months. But Davis did not activate the 10-year veteran, even as a backup, for the championship series.

A source close to the team said that the reasons were Pastorini's off-field troubles: a spat with a

Houston sportswriter, an auto accident, the police discovery of a suspected drug in his car and possession of a liquor bottle on a team flight. He was never charged with a crime.

Pastorini received some good news Monday. Alameda County Deputy District Attorney John Adams said that Pastorini would not be prosecuted on a drunk driving charge because a test that indicated he was drunk would be inadmissible in court.

The test, given to Pastorini after a Dec. 27 single-car crash in Alameda, showed his blood-alcohol level as .14, while the legal presumption of drunkenness is .10.

But Adams said the officer failed to arrest Pastorini before giving him the test, ruling out its use in court.

Earlier, Santa Clara County prosecutors decided not to charge Pastorini with cocaine possession because the suspected drug was found in his car during an illegal search.

SWC Roundup

It takes 3 OTs, but SMU stuns Cougs

By the Associated Press

"It's just another typical Southwest Conference basketball game." Southern Methodist University coach Dave Bliss said after the Mustangs upset Houston, 72-70, in triple overtime Tuesday night.

It was the second overtime

upset for the Mustangs in as many weeks as they beat the University of Texas Longhorns in overtime at Austin last week. It also continued a string of SWC upsets, coming one night after Texas upset Arkansas.

In other Southwest Conference action, Texas Tech

Nicklaus wants more success in 1980 tour

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Jack Nicklaus, enthusiastically and optimistically seeking improvement over one of his great years, opens his 1981 pro golf season in the \$304,500 Bob Hope Desert Classic.

"I'm still interested in playing golf, excited about the competition," said Nicklaus, a week away from his 41st birthday and starting his 20th professional season in the 90-hole, 5-day event that began today.

"Any time you win two majors, it's a good year," Nicklaus said of his great comeback in the 1980 season in which he scored record-setting triumphs in the U.S. Open and the PGA.

"But I didn't have the consistency I'd like. I won two majors but I didn't play very well in the other two. There's always room for improvement."

"I've worked some at home the last few weeks and I'm looking forward to the season," Nicklaus said.

Although he hasn't played

competitively since early last fall, the Golden Bear, now the owner of a record 17 major professional titles, was one of the prime favorites for the \$50,000 first prize that goes to the winner of the game's longest tournament.

The unique format calls for the limited field of 128 pros to play one round on each of four desert courses, La Quinta, Indian Wells, Tamarisk and Bermuda Dunes.

On each of the first four days they'll play with a different three-man team of amateurs, including political and sports figures and show-business friends of the host who are competing in the pro-am section of the event.

Former President Gerald Ford, who plays one round each with Nicklaus, Lee Trevino, Tom Kite and defending champion Craig Stadler, tops the amateur field which also includes Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill.

Sports figures include George Brett, Billy Martin, Pancho Gonzales and Johnny Bench. From the entertainment field there are Charley Pride, Telly Savalas, Jack Lemmon, Gordon MacRae, Andy Williams, Fred MacMurray, Robert Goulet and Foster Brooks.

At the end of four days and 72 holes, the field will be trimmed for the pros-only final round at Bermuda Dunes.

Astros ink with new radio station

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros have signed a three-year agreement with Radio Station KENR-AM to broadcast the team's games over a network that last year included 34 stations.

KENR paid the Astros \$1.2 million, outbidding several other stations, including Radio Station KPRC, which had broadcast Astros' games throughout its 19-year history.

Art Elliott, Astros director of broadcasting, said other stations, including KULF and KTRH, showed interest in broadcasting the games "but after quite a bit of soul-searching, we decided on KENR."

Gene Elston, who has handled Astros play-by-play throughout the team's history, and Dewayne Staats, will remain as the broadcast crew. Former Astros 20-game winner Larry Dierker also will continue as a color commentator.

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P205/75R14	FR78-14	White	\$70.00	\$2.40	
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Oregon State new No. 1

By The Associated Press
Oregon State edged Virginia for the No. 1 position in The Associated Press college basketball poll Tuesday as DePaul, which held the top slot for the past

Aguirre led DePaul wins in new role

Derailed over the weekend, DePaul is back on the track now. "We learned more from the loss to Old Dominion than from any other game in the last two years," said DePaul Coach Ray Aguirre. "Tuesday night after a 93-67 decision over St. Louis University. "While we were No. 1, we played not to lose. Now that we are fourth, we have something to shoot at."

The Blue Demons were ranked No. 1 most of the college basketball season until Saturday night, when they were upset at home 63-62 by an unheralded Old Dominion team. As a result of that shocker, they were dropped to No. 4 in the national polls. But it didn't necessarily bother Meyer's players. "Being on top is only important at the end of the season," said DePaul forward Mark Aguirre. "At this point, it doesn't mean a thing. Tonight, we were able to do almost anything we wanted. And when we come to play, we know we can do our thing."

Aguirre did his "thing" for one, scoring 36 points as the Blue Demons outlasted the Billikens. "There is no way we could compete with them on a

possible 1,220 in the balloting by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. The top-ranking marks the first time in Ralph Miller's 30-year coaching career that one of his team's has reached to the nation's top position.

Virginia, which was in the No. 3 position last week, was tabbed No. 1 on 20 ballots and garnered 1,169 points. The Cavaliers' 11-0, posted triumphs over Delaware, North Carolina State and North Carolina last week.

Preseason favorite Kentucky jumped from fourth to No. 3 with 1,041 points. The Wildcats, 10-1, defeated Auburn and edged then-No. 13 Tennessee 48-47 in action last week.

DePaul, which still managed to collect the final two first-place votes despite the 63-62 loss to Old Dominion, received 1,002 points — 12 more than undefeated Wake Forest. The Deacons, 12-0, whipped Appalachian State and nipped then-No. 20 Clemson 73-71 last week.

DePaul, 14-1, grabbed a 46-29 halftime lead as Aguirre scored 19 points and reserve Bernard Randolph added 10. During one stretch, the Blue Demons scored 20 straight points, and in a seven-minute flurry outscored the Billikens 30-5.

Aguirre has now amassed 1,877 points and is within 19 of the all-time record held by former DePaul center Dave Corzine. Only a junior, he has long surpassed one of the greatest players in DePaul history in George Mikan.

St. Louis was led by freshman Willie Becton's 24 points. South Alabama's Ed Rains scored 31 points to lead the Jaguars over North Carolina-Charlotte, their 13th consecutive victory. Rains hit 14 of 19 field goal shots and three of five from the foul line as South Alabama improved its record to 14-1.

Lakers like pressure for spark

NBA Roundup
Sometimes the Los Angeles Lakers need a little extra incentive. Falling behind by 11 points is just the ticket.

"As a team we play a little better when we know we're in the most crucial part of a game," said Lakers center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, who scored four clutch baskets in the fourth quarter as Los Angeles rallied to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 108-104 Tuesday night. "Maybe we just gear up a little bit extra."

The Lakers trailed 69-58 midway through the third quarter before guard Norm Nixon got them untracked, scoring 15 points in a 4 1/2-

Lakers with 29 points and Nixon scored 25. Nixon, who sprained his right ankle Sunday in Detroit, didn't test it until the pregame warm-up.

Celtics 93, Knicks 89
Boston held New York without a field goal for the final 4:17 and outscored the Knicks 8-3 down the stretch to post its fifth consecutive victory. Larry Bird topped the Celtics with 21 points and also had 11 rebounds and eight assists.

Suns 104, Sonics 99
Guard Walter Davis hit two jump shots in the final minute as Phoenix held off Seattle. The Sonics had

Nuggets 135, Hawks 132
Two free throws apiece by David Thompson and Kiki Vandeweghe in the last 25 seconds gave Denver the victory over Atlanta. Alex English topped the Nuggets with 36 points while John Drew scored 33 for Atlanta.

Bucks 119, Pistons 96
Milwaukee outscored Detroit 41-19 in the third period to wipe out an eight-point halftime deficit and wiped out a nine-point deficit to draw even with 2:35 to play but were outscored 7-2 after that.

Len Robinson scored 22 points for Phoenix and ex-Sonic Dennis Johnson added 18. Paul Westphal, who was

dealt to Seattle last summer in exchange for Johnson, led the Sonics with 19 points. He hand the Pistons their fifth straight loss. Marques Johnson led Milwaukee with 34 points, including seven late in the third period when the Bucks reeled off 14 in row.

Abilene gets pro golf tour

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — A \$350,000 Professional Golfers' Association tournament has been scheduled for Sept. 17-20 at the Fairway Oaks Golf and Racquet Club, Tony Anderson, president of LaJet Oil Inc. said Monday.

The 72-hole tournament, sponsored by LaJet and called the LaJet Classic, will offer first prize money of \$63,000, Anderson said. Proceeds from the tournament will go to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Anderson said only seven other tournaments on the fall PGA tour pay more than the LaJet Classic and the Michelob Open in Houston is the only PGA event in Texas that will match the purse.

Hal McGlothin, president of Fairway Oaks, will be the tournament director. Charles Coody, 1971 Masters champion, is the club professional.

Anderson said the tournament will be preceded by a \$7,500 pro-am match Sept. 16.

Jeelani uses corset in rare Dallas win

DALLAS (AP) — Abdul Jeelani wasn't even expected to play because of back spasms he'd been suffering after pulling a muscle, but thanks to a special corset he got into the Chicago-Dallas game and pulled off another fourth-quarter miracle Tuesday night.

Jeelani scored 16 points after coming into the game in the last quarter to lead the Dallas Mavericks to a 112-106 National Basketball Association victory over the Bulls.

"I know now how women feel when they have to wear these things," the second-year pro from Wisconsin-Parkside said after wriggling out of a girdle in the Maverick dressing room.

"You can't breathe. But it worked. I never ever felt the muscle pull that I have," Jeelani said.

The 6-8, 210-pound forward scored eight points in the first 3:20 of the fourth quarter, which began with his team in a narrow 77-75 lead. He hadn't even been able to participate in the team's last practice.

"I'm not going to let Abdul practice anymore. He's also not playing until the fourth quarter," Dallas coach Dick Motta joked.

Jeelani had come off the bench on Dec. 23 to score 20 points, all in the final period, to lead Dallas to a 119-111

victory over Denver. The victory gave Dallas only its seventh victory against 40 losses this season. Chicago, dropping its third straight game, fell to 21-24.

"The team took the Mavericks too lightly," Chicago coach Jerry Sloan said. "Dallas executed as well as any team we have played. They kept us in a half court game. They kept us from getting the ball out, and this has been one of our strengths."

Motta said of the victory, "That's about as good as we can play."

Bill Robinson scored a season-high 26 and Tom LaGarde had 24 for Dallas. David Greenwood scored 26 for Chicago before fouling out with 3:41 to play.

Jeelani said he's always been able to produce in the fourth quarter.

"That's my money time, and that's the best time to play. I enjoy it. You have to be enthusiastic, and you can't be thinking about what the score is or how much time is left," he laughed.

"I came to the bench during time out and Coach Motta asked, 'Hey, what are you doing? You drove on Artis Gilmore!' But it takes that kind of unconsciousness sometimes to do the job," Jeelani said.

The AP Top Twenty
By The Associated Press
The Top Twenty teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. This season's records and total points. Points based on 20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.

1. Oregon St. (9)	12-0	1,977
2. Virginia (20)	11-0	1,169
3. Kentucky	10-1	1,041
4. DePaul (2)	13-1	1,022
5. Wake Forest	12-0	990
6. Louisiana St.	12-1	882
7. Notre Dame	8-2	690
8. UCLA	8-2	675
9. Michigan	10-1	597
10. Maryland	11-2	583
11. Tennessee	10-2	513
12. Arizona St.	11-2	502
13. S. Alabama	13-1	472
14. Iowa	9-2	379
15. Brigham Young	12-2	371
16. Utah	13-1	351
17. North Carolina	10-4	189
18. Illinois	9-2	184
19. Clemson	12-2	143
20. Minnesota	9-2	139

Cowboys might change jerseys

DALLAS (AP) — While insisting he does not believe in a blue-jersey jinx, Dallas Cowboys president Tex Schramm says he plans a change in the team's dark-colored football shirts before next season.

"We've been working on this the last couple of months," Schramm said. "It's no secret."

Dallas, wearing blue jerseys, lost to Philadelphia 20-7 in the NFC Championship game Sunday. That loss made the Cowboys' blue-clad record 1-4 in the 1980 season, 10-11 overall.

National Football League teams are required to have two sets of uniforms,

one with dark jerseys and one with white jerseys. Normally, a team wears dark jerseys for its home games and white ones on the road, but the Cowboys wear white at home and rarely don the blue shirts.

However, some in the NFL believe the record proves the Cowboys are jinxed when they wear blue and force Dallas to wear the dark shirts as a psychological ploy.

Philadelphia Coach Dick Vermeil put the Eagles in white jerseys for Sunday's championship game, instead of their usual home green, to force Dallas to wear blue.

Haller praises Steer effort

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in the last quarter, and they never missed one. Those free throws are concentration, and that's all mental.

"But gosh, I hope these guys (BHS) team don't get down on themselves," the Steer mentor continued. "I can't ask any team to play any harder than these guys

do. Nobody gives more effort than they did tonight. It's like I told them after the game, 'You guys work your butts off in practice and in the games, and then got beat mentally at the end. It doesn't have to be that way.' But I'm sure they'll bounce back."

The Steers will have to bounce back, as the highly

rated Midland Bulldogs come to town Friday night. The pre-season favorite to win 5-AAAAA and ranked in the top 10 in the state in almost every poll, Midland boasts one of the finest performers in the state in 6'9" forward Herbert Johnson.

"Playing Midland after Abilene will be like jumping from the oven into the frying pan. They're by far the best team we'll play this year," said Haller.

By quarters	14	18	16	14-42
Big Spring	14	20	12	22-48
Abilene				
BIG SPRING		7-0-14		
D. Wright		1-3-4		
Rubio		8-0-16		
J. Wright		3-0-6		
Doss		4-0-12		
Williams		4-2-10		
Johnson		4-2-10		
TOTALS		29	4	42
ABILENE				
Haynes		4-5-13		
Christian		0-2-2		
Sasin		5-4-16		
Chalk		6-0-12		
Jodie		5-4-14		
Wright		4-2-10		
Daniel		0-1-1		
TOTALS		24	20	48
Total Fouls: Big Spring 16, Abilene 13				

Sipe wanted field goal

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Considered too small and supposedly possessing a weak arm, he spent two years on the taxi squad before becoming the Browns' starting quarterback early in 1976.

Sipe carried the Browns' "Cardiac Attack" to numerous comeback victories. Picked by many to finish last in the AFC Central Division, the Browns lost their first two games and were 2-3 after five games.

But they were 9-2 the rest of the way, finishing ahead of Houston and Pittsburgh in what Sipe calls "the toughest division."

"We got there (the playoffs) by taking chances," said Sipe, the NFL's top-rated passer in 1980. "I'm not gonna apologize for that. It took us a long way. It was just unfortunate with all the great things that happened, only one play will be remembered. I feel bad that most of us will not be able to savor the good things."

Scorecard

NBA			
Eastern Conference			
Atlantic Division			
Philadelphia	18	7	844
Boston	7	35	795
New York	27	17	614
Washington	17	27	386
New Jersey	12	24	261
Central Division			
Milwaukee	30	12	730
Indiana	27	18	600
Chicago	21	24	487
Atlanta	18	27	400
Cleveland	16	29	356
Detroit	11	34	244
Western Conference			
Midwest Division			
San Antonio	31	15	674
Kansas City	21	25	487
Houston	19	25	422
Utah	19	26	422
Danver	14	28	364
Dallas	7	40	149
Pacific Division			
Phoenix	36	11	766
Los Angeles	30	16	652
Golden State	24	20	545
Portland	22	24	478
Seattle	21	25	465
San Diego	19	26	422
Tuesday's Games			
Boston 73, New York 89			
Los Angeles 108, Cleveland 104			
Milwaukee 119, Detroit 96			
Dallas 92, Chicago 106			
Denver 135, Atlanta 132			
Phoenix 104, Seattle 99			
Wednesday's Games			
New Jersey at Philadelphia			
Cleveland at Boston			
Detroit at Indiana			
Los Angeles at Washington			
New York at San Antonio			
Portland at Kansas City			
Chicago at Houston			
Denver at Phoenix			
Atlanta at San Diego			
Utah at Golden State			
TRANS			
BASEBALL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE—Named Horace J. Gibbs director of security.			
American League			
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Extended the contract of Bert Blyleven, pitcher, through the 1984 season.			
FOOTBALL			
National Football League			
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Named Joe Gibbs new coach. Retained Richie Petitbon as defensive coach.			
COLLEGE			
BOWLING GREEN—Named Tim McConnell, an assistant football coach.			
COLLEGE			
EAST			
American U. 84, Washington Coll. 61			
Army 77, Yale 62			
Boston St. 87, Westfield St. 77			
Harvard 69, St. Anselm's 49			
Iona 85, Wagner 80, OT			
Rhode Island 81, Widener 62			
St. Joseph's 59, Lafayette 41			
SOUTH			
Florida A&M 86, Jackson St. 73			
St. Augustine's 95, Virginia St. 79			
S. Alabama 80, N. C. Charlotte 63			
Tulane 87, Mercer 57			
W. Carolina 108, Cent. Wesleyan 79			

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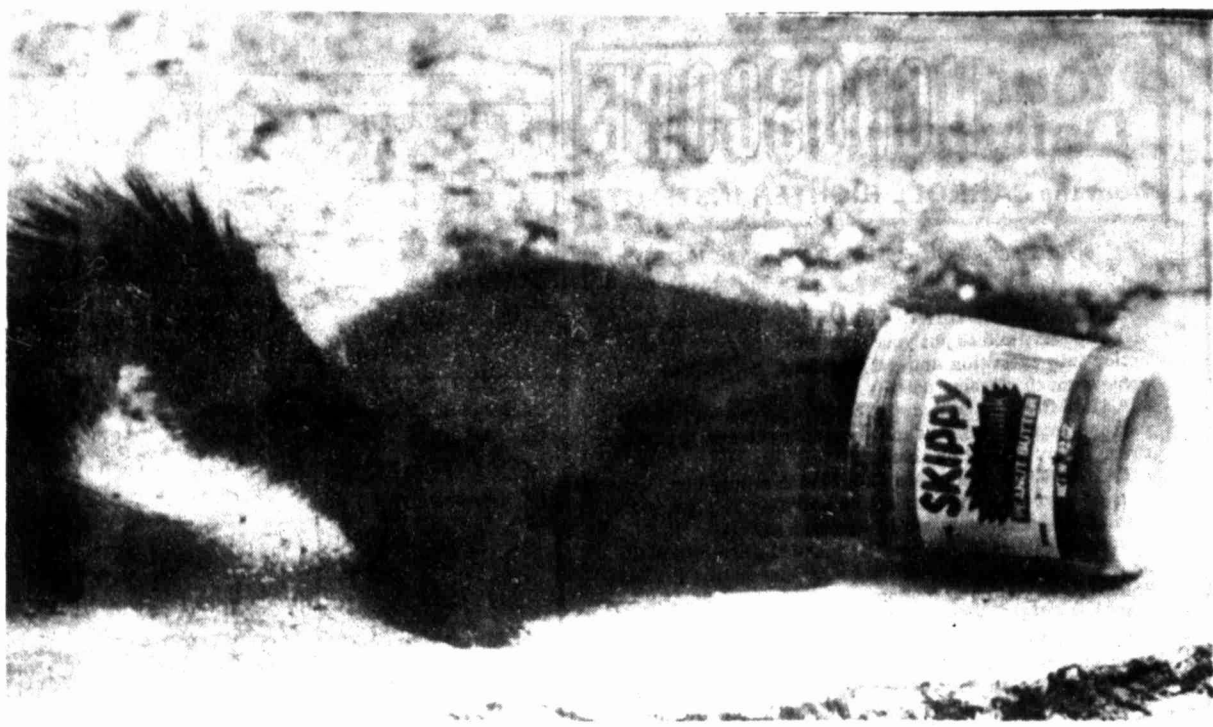
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Reagan team facing hard choices if a tax slash is to be delivered

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ronald Reagan's strategists face some hard choices over the timing and scope of the president-elect's touted tax cuts. No matter which way they turn, they risk severe dangers aggravated by an economy even weaker than it was Election Day.

Reagan has long advocated a 30 percent tax cut over three years with the first stage to be retroactive to Jan. 1. But going ahead with the plan now could risk an even bigger budget deficit and thus higher interest rates and worse inflation. President Carter's economists are predicting a deficit of nearly \$60 billion for fiscal 1981, even without a tax cut this year.

Some Reagan advisers suggest that the tax cut's first installment be delayed — probably until mid-year. A delay would tend to hold down the deficit, but also could hinder an economic recovery that must occur if the budget is to be balanced during Reagan's administration.

Here, in question and answer form, is a look at the situation.

Q. Who supports a rapid personal tax cut and why?

A. The most radical advisers — the so-called supply-siders — are led by David Stockman, Reagan's budget director-designate, and Rep. Jack Kemp. They argue that sweeping tax cuts would stimulate new production. While the deficit will widen immediately, this imbalance would be only temporary, they say. The ensuing economic boom would eventually generate enough revenues to offset the tax loss.

Q. Why oppose this thinking?

A. Other, more conservative advisers fear that unbalancing the budget further now would drive up already high interest rates and worsen inflation, thus deterring the future economic growth Stockman expects. They would not risk such drastic tax cuts until they can prove successful in reducing federal spending.

Q. Who is right?

A. No one really knows because taxes have never been done in so bold a way under similar circumstances.

Q. If government cuts spending enough, won't tax cuts make sense?

A. Quite possibly. But cutting spending fast enough is by no means a certainty, economists argue. Stockman himself said this week: "It's clear now that the budget is \$60 billion in deficit" for the year ending Sept. 30, "that spending has increased \$45 billion over what was projected in June and that the problem of trying to control that is going to be even greater than we expected."

Q. Is delaying the tax cuts an answer?

A. "A deficit \$10 billion bigger (resulting from a quick tax cut) or smaller (by delaying) doesn't make that much difference economically," says a Congressional Budget Office economist. "But psychologically, it would help. People would like to see Washington make some progress. Not to attack the deficit, as pledged, would erode confidence," he said. This could aggravate inflation.

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Discussions of equal taxation are renewed

NEW YORK (AP) — If you suspect the country likes to talk rather than act about financial and economic inequities, you will again find documentation in the annual discussion of the equitable income tax.

It has its corollary too: the "fair and simple" tax return form, which has been so simplified you sometimes can obtain a half dozen different opinions, all from people who call themselves experts.

Both the tax and its forms are in the news again, as they are every year at this time. The same proposals, same gripes, same confusions, same inequities, same temptations, same evasions.

"Filing taxes used to be the most personal link between the U.S. government and its citizens," says Professor Michael Graetz of the University of Southern California. No more, he says.

"In the past decade inflation and the complexity of the tax laws have sent hordes of taxpayers scurrying to tax-preparation professional in search of deductions and credits," he says.

Inflation is one of the biggest complaints. First, it lowers the buying power of the dollar. Second, it forces taxpayers into higher brackets, where greater percentages of the paycheck are taken.

Confusion about the meaning of instructions is a major source of dissatisfaction. Doubts about the fairness of regulations accompanies it. A feeling that the rich do not pay their share is commonly held.

The remedy most often suggested is to simplify the tax so that everyone pays an "equitable" amount, but nobody has ever been able to arrive at a percentage or a system that seems to satisfy everyone.

A big problem with simple solutions is that the income tax is not just for raising revenue, but it is one of the most potent tools for implementing the country's socio-economic goals.

The strongest attempt at social change comes through the progressive nature of the tax, with the rich supposedly paying more because of a national bent toward bolstering the middle and lower incomes.

Now the progressive nature of the tax has become one of the biggest sources of trouble, because rising incomes are raising the tax burden of wage-earners who already consider themselves taxed too high.

"Inflation has driven many taxpayers to consider cheating," says Graetz. "Middle income citizens try to increase their incomes to keep up with escalating prices. But when they do they enter higher brackets and a bigger tax bite is taken from each additional dollar they earn."

Now, he claims, "According to prevailing sentiment, if you don't have a legal loophole to escape taxes it's now ethically appropriate to engage in outright dishonesty."

The complexity of the tax is to a large extent a result of attempts to make it fairer, which suggests that whenever you tamper with the incredible income tax you only make it worse than it was.

'Dallas', CBS win ratings competition once again

NEW YORK (AP) — With "Dallas" on top for the eighth time in 10 weeks, CBS was a clear-cut winner in the networks' prime-time ratings competition, according to figures from the A.C. Nielsen Co.

CBS' margin of victory in the week ending Jan. 11 was slightly better than two points, 20.5 to 18.4 for runner-up NBC and 18.3 for ABC. A huge audience for "Dallas" contended the gap.

The networks say CBS' rating means that in an average prime-time minute during the week, 20.5 percent of the nation's homes with television were tuned to the No. 1 network.

CBS now has been first or tied for first six weeks in a row, while NBC's No. 2 finish was the network's second straight after nine consecutive weeks in the ratings cellar.

The rating for "Dallas," which until three weeks ago had spent seven weeks as the No. 1 program, was 33.9, nearly four points higher than the score for the runner-up show, the American Football Conference championship between Oakland and San Diego on NBC.

Nielsen says the rating means of all the TV-equipped homes in the country, 33.9 percent saw at least part of "Dallas."

The highest-rated of the season's new series was "Too Close for Comfort" on ABC, in 17th place, with CBS' "Magnum, P.I." 23rd and "Flamingo Road" from NBC 24th.

Of the week's five lowest-rated programs, four were from new series and one was a special ABC's "Breaking Away" was 64th, followed by "Freebie and the Bean" on CBS, a movie, "Mamma the Detective" on NBC, CBS' "Secrets of Midland Heights" and "NBC Magazine" with David Brinkley.

CBS and ABC maintain the 1980-81 season began Oct. 27, and CBS' average rating for the period is 20 to 18.3 for ABC and 16.6 for NBC. NBC argues the season started Sept. 15, despite the actors' strike, and by that standard, it's CBS 18.7, NBC 18, ABC 17.9.

Here are the week's 10 highest-rated shows:

"Dallas," with a rating of 33.9 representing 2.4 million homes, CBS, NFL Playoff Game, Oakland vs. San Diego, 30.9 or 24 million, NBC, "Dukes of Hazzard," 29.8 or 23.2 million, CBS, "The Jeffersons" and "M-A-S-H," both 27.3 or 21.2 million, both CBS, "Love Boat," 25.9 or 20.2 million, ABC, "60 Minutes" and "Alice," both 25.2 or 19.6 million, both CBS, "Little House on the Prairie," 24.8 or 19.3 million, NBC, and "Trapper John, M.D.," 24.6 or 19.1 million, CBS.

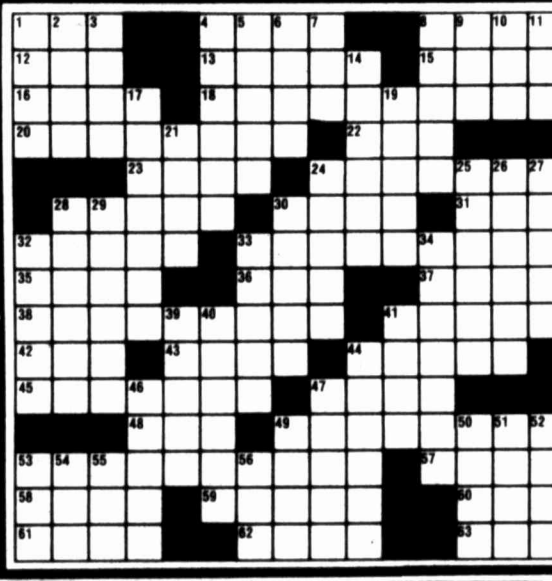
The next 11 programs:

"One Day at a Time," CBS, "Fantasy Island," ABC, "House Calls," CBS, "Three's Company," ABC, "Different Strokes," NBC, "Lou Grant," CBS, "Too Close for Comfort," ABC, and "Lobo" and "Real People," both NBC, "Archie Bunker's Place," CBS, add "Laverne and Shirley," ABC, four-way tie.

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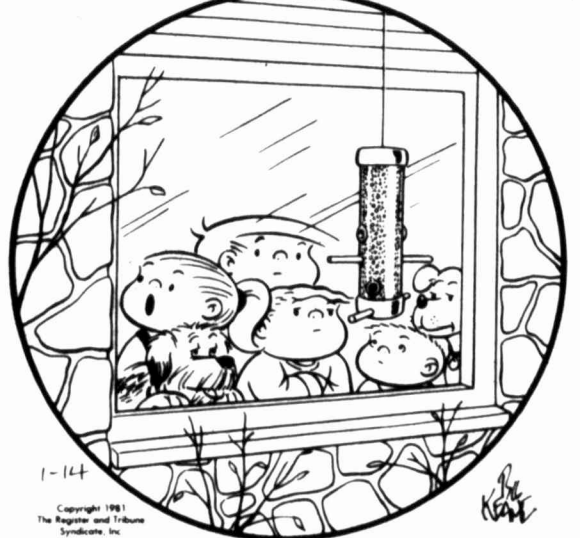


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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Make sure you know what partners expect from you and show that you aim to please them. Enjoy recreation tonight.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Plan carefully how best to handle work in the near future and then you get good results. Personal goals can be attained now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Make the arrangements now for social and recreational activities in the future. Show others you have wisdom.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Good day to get your home in fine condition. Talk over your ideas with associates and gain their cooperation.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make constructive plans that could give you more abundance in the future. Adopt a more practical outlook on life.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make sure you get a monetary deal handled intelligently and satisfactorily today. Take no risks with your reputation now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Going after personal aims is wise now since you can easily gain them. Show closest tie that you are really devoted.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You are now able to garner the information you want that has been difficult to get in the past. Put it to good use.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Put those ideas across to friends that will brighten their future as well as your own. Show that you have poise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Plan just how you can expand in career activities in the future. Bring your finest talents to the attention of higher-ups.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Get busy studying new philosophies and other interests that could be useful to you. Express happiness.

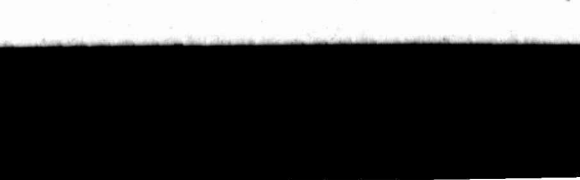
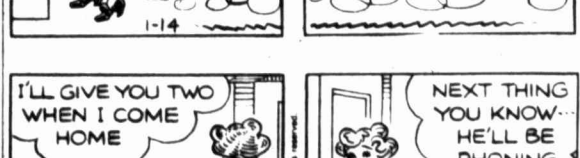
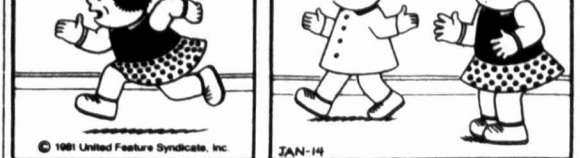
PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Discuss the future with loved one and come to a fine agreement. Steer clear of a group meeting today. Be wise.

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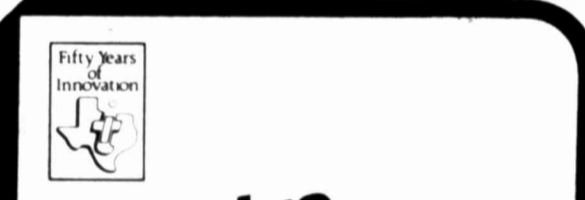
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DOUBLE TAKE — David Becker who could pass for president-elect Ronald Reagan posed for a camera Tuesday. Becker, who is a security guard in Los Angeles is employed by Ron Smith Celebrity Look Alikes, will be going to Washington for the inauguration Jan. 20. Becker and others will appear at an unofficial inaugural ball for those persons not invited to the real thing.

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Collapse of ABC season's top story?

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fred Silverman, weary of reading about his own tribulations at the helm of a badly listing NBC, is said to be blaming ABC, his former network, for part of his troubles.

Some at NBC say their boss has wondered aloud whether some of his bad press — centering on speculation that Silverman's days as NBC president are numbered — might have been fostered by ABC, eager to divert attention from its own problems. Anyway, NBC struck back last week, issuing a release which began:

"The collapse of ABC's returning prime-time series continues to be a major story of the 1980-81 season."

The four-page memo went on to outline ABC's manifold prime-time problems, managing to paint a gray picture of CBS along the way. In fact, this creative memorandum might have you believing that NBC is really leading the way in prime-time television, with the other two networks struggling to keep pace.

"Seventeen of the 19 series that returned from the ABC lineup from a year ago have lost portions of their share of audience," the release states. "CBS returned 20 shows from last season, 12 of them are down in share."

Indeed, ABC has suffered this season, and began the new year with a third-place finish in the ratings. "Charlie's Angels" is ABC's most notable disappointment, getting absolutely drummed on Sunday night before being moved to Saturdays effective later this month. "Breaking Away," warmly received by some critics, yawned at by audiences, has slipped off the ABC schedule.

With just a couple of exceptions, ABC's series are attracting smaller audiences than they were two seasons ago. But that was news last year, when CBS overcame ABC in prime time ratings.

What NBC's release doesn't mention is that most of ABC's shows, diminished as they are, are still getting better ratings than most of NBC's series, even by NBC's own reckoning.

ABC's programs have fallen since 1978, but they had room to fall. NBC, meanwhile, only has six shows that were even on the air in 1978. Three of them have lost some of their share of audience, two are unchanged and only two — "Different Strokes" and "Quincy" — have gained.

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