



**WHO ME? CRAZY?** — Mary Morrison of 1501 E. 11th (left) and Judge Bill Tune enjoy a laugh during her mock sanity hearing in Howard County court Monday. Mrs. Morrison was being "committed" for staying married to the same man so long. Mrs. Morrison and her husband Walton (see inset) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday. Tune and other friends of the couple arranged the fake insanity hearing which included Mrs. Morrison's arrest by Sheriff A.N. Standard.

## Wife of 50 years 'insane'

*Couple celebrates anniversary with mock sanity hearing*

By MIKE DOWNEY  
Staff Writer

Mary Morrison did not celebrate her 50th wedding anniversary quite like everyone else. She found herself picked up by the sheriff and hauled to Howard County court for a sanity hearing, thanks to a playful husband and some devious friends.

Local Attorney R. H. Weaver argued in Judge Bill Tune's courtroom that Mrs. Morrison was of "un-

sound mind" for staying married to Walton Morrison for 50 years. He said she should be committed to the state hospital.

The audience — made up of Morrison, several local attorneys, and other friends of the Morrises — chuckled and laughed at Weaver's passionate demand for Mrs. Morrison's commitment.

When Judge Tune asked how she pleaded to the

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## Reagan will sign spending measure

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan will sign a compromise catch-all money bill, replenishing the pockets of government agencies that technically went broke three days ago, deputy White House press secretary Larry Speakes said today.

"The levels are consistent with what we sought," the White House spokesman said. He said the legislation reached the White House at 10:55 p.m. CST Monday and would be signed sometime today.

The special lame-duck congressional session, rushing toward adjournment, passed the spending measure Monday night with its \$9.138 billion Christmas pay raise for House members and none of the public service jobs for the nation's unemployed that both the House and Senate had approved earlier.

Speakes sought to portray the special session as a success, because Reagan, he said, called it in to deal with appropriations measures and that is what the Congress did, although defense spending was not quite as high as the amount Reagan sought and a major immigration bill was stalled.

The president also lost the \$988 million he wanted to produce the big new MX nuclear missile.

Early today, the Senate approved a nickel-a-gallon hike in the federal gasoline tax that Reagan had wanted. The measure, which must go back to the House for additional action, is designed to pay for highway and bridge repairs and create jobs.

One administration official, who asked to remain anonymous, said

## Congress finishing work, nears vote on gas tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress, working with last-minute urgency, is nearing a final vote on legislation to raise the federal gasoline tax by a nickel a gallon.

Reagan's proposal for a 5-cent-a-gallon increase in the gasoline tax passed the Senate by a 56-34 vote. That means the measure will go back to the House for a vote, where a different gas tax bill has passed.

Normally a House-Senate conference committee would come up with a single compromise version of the two bills, but congressional leaders have agreed to skip that step for lack of time.

The House was in recess and not expected to take up the Senate bill until later today. House Leaders were concerned that many members may have already left town for the Christmas holidays, making it difficult to muster a quorum.

Some independent truckers responded to what they saw as imminent passage of the bill by calling for a strike. The Organization of Owner Operators-Independent Drivers of America said they would stop work today, along with the Council of Independent Truckers.

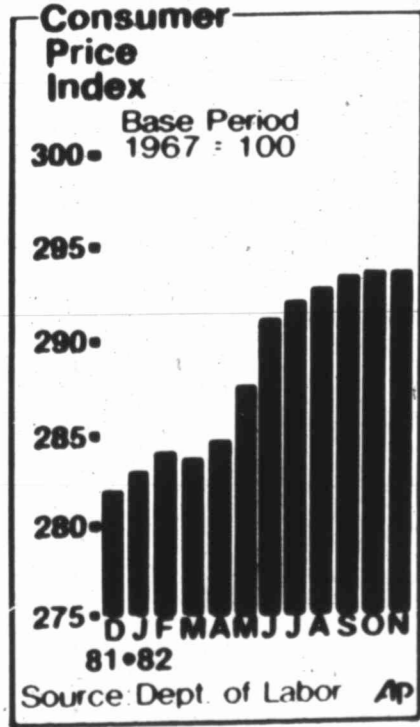
Independent Truckers' Association representative Charles Brown, of New Jersey, said the ITA would honor the strike.

Brown said a nickel-a-gallon gas tax increase would cost the average independent driver about \$1,400 a year.

The emergency spending bill provides financing through Sept. 30 for dozens of agencies, including the Departments of Defense, Labor, Health and Human Services, State, Justice, Commerce and Treasury.

Reagan's early strategy was to hold off signing the spending bill when it came to his desk Monday night to keep pressure on senators to act on the gas tax.

Speakes said today Reagan would continue pushing today for passage of his Caribbean Basin Initiative to



## Inflation slows to crawl

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices rose a minuscule 0.1 percent in November, the smallest gain since March, the government said today. For the year, inflation is running at a modest annual rate of 4.5 percent.

The new report, which attributed much of last month's moderation to tumbling mortgage interest rates, bolstered economists' predictions that, for all of 1982, inflation could be at its lowest in a decade.

At the White House, presidential spokesman Larry Speakes said, "It's clear we have brought about a dramatic decline in the underlying rate of inflation in the two years since the president has been in office."

In a separate, somber assessment made public today, Commerce Department economists said their

preliminary indications are that the economy, after six months of growth, is declining in the last three months of the year.

Sources who requested anonymity said the department's "flash" estimate of gross national product showed economic activity is falling at an annual rate of 2.2 percent in the October-December quarter.

As for consumer prices, today's Labor Department report said fuel oil and natural gas prices jumped sharply last month while food costs rose slightly, apparel prices fell and medical care costs posted fresh, substantial gains.

The report said the biggest contributor to the tiny overall increase in its Consumer Price Index was the 0.2 percent decline in housing costs.

Mortgage interest rates fell 2.5 percent, the most since August 1980,

and the prices of homes themselves rose a small 0.2 percent.

Home prices had surged 1.1 percent in October and mortgage rates tumbled 2.3 percent. Overall, housing costs in October rose 0.4 percent.

Economists attribute the improved inflation picture to the poor economy, oil surplus and plentiful harvests.

If the 4.5 percent 11-month rate holds through December, the full-year gain would be the lowest since the 3.4 percent of 1971 and 1972.

Overall, last month's 0.1 percent seasonally adjusted increase was the economy's best monthly showing since the 0.3 percent decline in March. Consumer prices rose 0.5 percent in October and 0.2 percent in September.

## Big Springers led to jail with wedding party

(The following article, involving several Big Spring residents, appeared Dec. 7 in the Austin American-Statesman. An Austin police official verified the story's accuracy.)

By MIKE COX and JERRY WHITE  
American-Statesman Staff

Two Cedar Park newlyweds spent their wedding night in City Jail after a minor traffic accident trig-

gered a confrontation between 40 members of the couple's wedding party and about 12 police officers.

The parents and brother of the bride, the maid of honor and the helicopter pilot who flew the parents to Austin for the wedding also were arrested.

"We had just gotten married and we were a couple blocks away from the church when we had a little traffic accident," said the bridegroom,

25-year-old Mike Hebert.

The accident happened at 10:30 p.m. Saturday when Hebert tried to change lanes and hit another car at Guadalupe and Seventh streets, police said.

About 40 people in the wedding party stopped and got out of their cars to wait for the accident to be investigated.

The trouble started when patrol officer Leo Enriquez asked Hebert

to sign a ticket for unsafe movement to the left and Hebert refused, police said.

"The officer wouldn't even listen to our explanation," Hebert said. "He was intent on writing us a ticket without hearing our side of the story."

After discussing the ticket with the officer for several minutes while sitting in the patrol car, See *Wedding*, page 2-A

## Focalpoint

### Action/reaction: Dear Sonya

Q. How can I write "Sonya," the TV talk show on USA Network?  
A. Write "Sonya" in care of USA Network, c/o HBO, 1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020.

### Calendar: D.A.V. meet

- TODAY**
- The Howard County Library will be closed Thursday through Saturday. It will reopen Dec. 28.
  - "The History of Howard County" books can be picked up between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Howard County Historical Commission in the county library basement.
  - Chapter 47 of the Disabled American Veterans and its auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. in the lobby of the Veteran's Administration Medical Center to distribute gifts to patients.
  - The Howard County Program Building Committee and agriculture extension staff will hold open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the county courthouse.
  - The American Association of University Women will meet at 7:30 p.m. at 608 W. 15th.

### WEDNESDAY

• North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church will hold a candlelight communion service at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited.

### Tops on TV: 'Bill'

At 8 p.m. on channel 7 the G.E. Theater presents "Bill" starring Mickey Rooney and Dennis Quaid. This is the true story of Bill Sackler, a mentally retarded adult who made a life for himself in the real world after spending 44 years in a mental institution. At 9 p.m. on channel 13 "St. Elsewhere" has an episode in which the mysterious disease plaguing the hospital is brought under control.

### Outside: Fair

Fair today with temperatures in the 70s. Low tonight in the lower 40s. Winds should be from the southwest at 5 to 10 miles per hour. Wednesday's forecast calls for a high in the mid-70s and winds from the southwest at 10-20 miles per hour.

## Christmas Appeal tops \$11,000

The Salvation Army's Christmas Appeal Campaign total now stands at \$11,128.05 toward a goal of \$16,000. The funds are being raised to provide material and spiritual assistance for the needy. Recent contributors to the fund are as follows.

Contributions can be made to the SA at 308 Aylford.

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| Rev. Dorothy Brooks                                     | \$10    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Brooks                              | \$100   |
| Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Creighton                          | \$100   |
| Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Creighton                          | \$25    |
| Robert M. Dean  | \$25    |
| First Presbyterian Church, Covenant Sunday school class | \$150   |
| Forsan Baptist Church Docas Sunday school class         | \$10    |
| Mrs. James E. Gillespie                                 | \$50    |
| Jack Hancock  | \$25    |
| Anonymous   | \$500   |
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| Mr. and Mrs. Burt W. Johnson III                        | \$150   |
| Williams E. Moran III                                   | \$20    |
| Nalley-Pickle and River-Welch                           | \$25    |
| Mrs. Terry W. Sanderson                                 | \$15    |
| Dr. and Mrs. William I. Schmitt                         | \$25    |
| Walker-Batley-Valley View Acres Inc.                    | \$10    |
| Big Spring Thrifty Lodge                                | \$11.95 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boren                                  | \$100   |
| Mr. and Mrs. Bob Carlisle                               | \$25    |
| Pete Correa   | \$1     |
| Lowell W. Davis   | \$25    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis                              | \$25    |
| Lennie Griffith   | \$10    |
| Joe M. Jaure  | \$15    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Lowell N. Jones                            | \$100   |
| Corely C. King  | \$200   |
| George Westberry  | \$5     |
| Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Mullen, ret.                     | \$100   |
| Mr. and Mrs. John E. Newman                             | \$25    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Osborne                          | \$10    |
| Lucille Petty   | \$5     |
| Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pond                                   | \$150   |
| Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Phillips                              | \$25    |
| Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Phillips                             | \$10    |

## Man indicted for assault on policeman

The Howard County grand jury returned 19 indictments yesterday in 24 cases presented by the district attorney's office, including one against Dan Busby Jr. of Midland for aggravated assault on a Big Spring police officer.

Busby was charged with attempted capital murder of a police officer in a Oct. 23 incident in which he was accused of striking an officer and taking his service revolver during an arrest. The grand jury reduced the charge to aggravated assault in returning the true bill.

In other cases, the grand jury returned no indictments in the investigation into the shooting of 11-year-old Johnny Solis of Big Spring. Solis was shot by police as he fled the scene of a burglary stake-out Aug. 31.

LaSandra Jackson, 18, of 1002 N. Main was indicted on two charges: burglary of a building and burglary of a habitation. Ms. Jackson was no-billed on a third charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Debra Lewis, 17, of 1501 A. Wood was indicted on two charges of theft of stolen property and burglary of a habitation.

April Edwards of 1501 Wood was true-billed on two charges of theft of stolen property and burglary of a habitation.

Virginia Diaz of 705 S. Lancaster was indicted for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in an Oct. 26 incident.

Other indictments include the following: Johnny Ray Hash, 1504 E. 17th, involuntary manslaughter; James Franklin Dollison, 2911 W.

See *Jury*, page 2-A

## Woman files suit over heavy melon

A Big Spring woman is suing her employer for \$100,000 for injuries she claims she suffered when she was allegedly forced to pick up a watermelon.

Laverne D. Myers has filed suit in 118th District Court against Wayne Henry and Wayne Henry's Steak House. The suit states Ms. Myers suffered a back injury Oct. 9, 1982 while working at the steak house. The suit claims the injury occurred while Ms. Myers was lifting a

watermelon at Henry's orders. Ms. Myers required hospitalization as a result of the injury, the suit states, and was unable to return to work until recently. She received no workman's compensation, the suit claims.

The \$100,000 in damages is asked for Henry's alleged negligence resulting in permanent disability and other medical expenses, the suit states. Robert Miller is representing Ms. Myers.

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# Grand pianist

## Arthur Rubinstein dies at age 95

By HANNS NEUERBOURG  
Associated Press Writer  
GENEVA, Switzerland — Arthur Rubinstein, one of this century's greatest pianists, whose work on world concert stages dazzled audiences for more than half a century, has died. He was 95.  
Rubinstein, who would have been 96 on Jan. 28, died in bed Monday afternoon at his home after months of failing health following prostate gland surgery in 1980. His companion for the past three years, Annabelle Whitestone, said his morale in the last days "could not have been better."  
She said Rubinstein, one of the last of the great Romantic virtuosi, had not been feeling well since developing a slight fever Saturday and was semi-conscious when he died "very peacefully."  
His wife, Aniela, from whom he separated in 1980 after 48 years of marriage, lives in Paris and was expected in Geneva today, Miss Whitestone said. They have two sons and two daughters in the United States.  
Miss Whitestone said funeral plans were incomplete. But Rubinstein did not believe in God and specified he did not want a religious ceremony.  
The Polish-born pianist retired in 1976 — 70 years after his U.S. debut — when an attack of shingles left

him nearly blind. After his retirement, he completed a second volume of his autobiography, visited his children and listened to records at his Geneva retirement home.  
After he retired, Rubinstein once said, "I think I can say no man has lived his life more fully than I have. I think it's late enough in the day for me to have the right to say it: My life is made. If I die today, still I had it. Nobody can say I've been deprived of anything."  
Musical colleagues and admirers reacted with shock and sadness to Rubinstein's death.  
"I shall always miss Arthur," said composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein, reached for comment in New York. He said Rubinstein was "my perfect playmate whether playing music or being a joyous companion in the scherzo we call 'civilized living.'"  
New York Philharmonic musical director Zubin Mehta, reached in his native Bombay, India, where he was visiting, was stunned at the

news.  
"Oh my God," he said. "I was with him just two weeks ago. At this moment I have photos in my hand and I am looking at pictures of us together," he continued in a choked voice.  
He said Rubinstein's death was "the passing of a giant."  
Rubinstein made his debut at age 5 at a charity concert in his native Poland and first played professionally at age 11 in Berlin. But it was not until 1937 when he was 50

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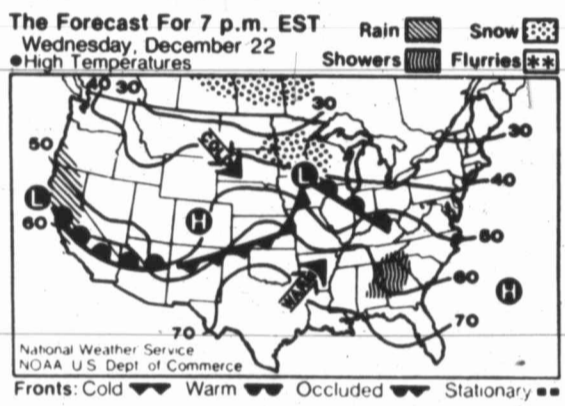
— Arthur Rubinstein

that he settled down and his artistry matured.  
He commanded 70 percent of the gross of any concert or a flat minimum fee of \$6,000. But the money seemed to be secondary.  
"Music is not a hobby, not even a passion with me; music is me," he said. "I feel what people get out of me is this outlook on life, which comes out in my music. My music is the last expression of all that."  
Rubinstein thrived by infusing what he called a "drop of fresh blood" in every performance.



ON STAGE — Pianist Arthur Rubinstein performs in New York's Carnegie Hall in March 1974. He retired from the stage in 1976 when an attack of shingles left him nearly blind. He died Monday in Geneva after months of failing health. He would have been 96 on Jan. 28.

### Weather



### Fog covers South Texas

By The Associated Press  
Dense fog covered parts of South Central Texas, the coastal bend and Southeast Texas before dawn, reducing visibility to near zero in many areas.  
Low clouds also were noted in portions of East Texas. Skies were clear across the rest of the state. Pre-dawn temperatures were mostly in the 30s and 40s over the western half of Texas, while readings in the 40s and 50s were reported over the eastern half. Temperatures at 4 a.m. ranged from 25 at Marfa to 61 at Brownsville, McAllen and Galveston.  
Winds were mostly from the south and southwest at speeds less than 10 mph.  
The forecast called for some nighttime and early morning clouds and fog over South and East Texas through Wednesday. Otherwise, fair skies and mild temperatures were expected to remain the rule.

WET AND WINDY weather continued over the Pacific Northwest today, as snow fell on Nevada and the northern Montana Rockies. Clouds and snow covered much of the northeast United States.  
Dense fog developed over eastern South Dakota and over the southern tip of Texas. Fair skies were over much of the rest of the nation.  
Snow was predicted from the Northern Plateau to the West Coast, and snow showers were expected to drift from eastern Michigan across western New York and New England.  
Snow was also predicted for the mountains of Washington, Oregon, northern California, Utah and northern Arizona, as well as in the mountains of West Virginia and Pennsylvania.  
Rain was predicted spreading through the central plateau and much of the Pacific coast, with sunny skies forecast for the southern half of the United States.  
Temperatures around the nation at 3 a.m. CST ranged from minus 1 in Hibbing, Minn., to 64 in Key West, Fla.  
Other reports:  
• East: Atlanta 36 fair; Boston 31 cloudy; Buffalo 31 snow; Charleston, S.C., 42 fair; Cincinnati 31 cloudy; Cleveland 33 windy; Detroit 33 windy; Miami 52 fair; New York 38 windy; Philadelphia 36 fair; Pittsburgh 29 snow; Washington 36 fair.  
• Central: Bismarck 23 fair; Chicago 21 fair; Dallas-Fort Worth 51 fair; Denver 32 fair; Des Moines 27 foggy; Indianapolis 32 cloudy; Kansas City 31 fair; Minneapolis-St. Paul 18 foggy; Nashville 37 fair; New Orleans 47 fair; St. Louis 23 fair.  
• West: Albuquerque 32 fair; Anchorage 20 partly cloudy; Las Vegas 42 partly cloudy; Los Angeles 56 hazy; Phoenix 49 fair; Salt Lake City 45 cloudy; San Diego 58 foggy; San Francisco 57 rain; Seattle 40 rain.  
• Canada: Montreal 25 snow; Toronto 28 cloudy.

FORECAST  
West Texas — Fair through Wednesday. Cooler north Wednesday. Highs 60s mountains and north to 70 Big Bend. Lows 20s north and mountains to 40 extreme south. Highs Wednesday 60s mountains and north to near 80 Big Bend.  
CHRISTMAS FORECASTS  
West Texas: Generally fair, temperatures above seasonal averages. Turning cooler over the weekend. Highs upper 50s Panhandle, extreme west to mid 70s Big Bend Saturday. Lows 20s mountains, Panhandle to mid 40s Big Bend Thursday, Friday, cooling to mid 20s Panhandle to low 30s Big Bend Saturday.  
North Texas: Scattered showers through Saturday. Cooler Saturday. Highs 60s through Friday, mostly 50s Saturday. Lows upper 30s to mid 40s except 40 to 50 Friday.  
South Texas: Partly cloudy, mild through Friday. Partly cloudy, little cooler Saturday; chance of showers over Southeast Texas. Highs 70s and 80s through Friday, lowering to the 60s and 70s Saturday. Lows from 40s hill country to the 50s extreme south.

## Panel criticizes air controllers' training

By H. JOSEF HEBERT  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON — Many new air traffic controllers are getting on-the-job training from inexperienced instructors, said a federal safety board in a report critical of the government's teaching methods.  
The National Transportation Safety Board said Monday its examination of 50 air traffic control facilities showed that in many cases controllers who just completed their training are being used to instruct newcomers.  
The board said the practice raises safety questions and contradicts Federal Aviation Administration regulations that require instructors to be "highly skilled" in the area in which they are teaching.  
The FAA said it would study the board's findings, but a spokesman insisted that "training and air traffic operations are progressing safely" as the controller workforce is brought back to full strength.  
"We're very, very closely monitoring the training operations. We're fully cognizant of the situation," said FAA spokesman John Leyden.  
But the NTSB said its investigation into the air traffic control system has "revealed some specific safety problems (that) require immediate, corrective action" to ensure that instructors are properly trained in teaching techniques and sufficiently experienced.  
The board does not expect to finish its investigation until early next year, but it said it announced its find-

### Mexican officials foresee profiteering

EL PASO (AP) — The peso jumped 15 percent to a record 155 to the dollar on the first day of a new Mexican currency control system, but three-figure inflation rates and profiteering soon will prevail along the Mexico-U.S. border, authorities say.  
The peso's first appearance on the free market means Mexico is exceptionally cheap for American travelers or those with dollars, but opens the way for backdoor dealings, longtime Mexican observers said Monday.  
"In Mexico, there is now a great potential for wind-fall profit and tremendous potential for the bribing of officials," said border business research analyst Dr. Thomas Lee.  
Lee's predictions followed the Sunday announcement by the Mexican government of a currency exchange control system using three rates — from 70 pesos to the dollar for most multinational businesses, to 95 pesos for other import goods, and a free market float that Monday was at 155 to the dollar.  
Friday, pesos from Chula Vista, Calif., to Brownsville, Texas, were 135 to the dollar — 15 percent lower than Monday's new rates.  
Bankers along the 1,760-mile U.S.-Mexico border were cautious in their assessment of Mexico's attempts to curtail an inflation rate that has averaged 110 percent through 1982, and the devaluation of the stricken peso from 27 to the dollar in January to one-sixth what it was 11 months ago.  
"It's a crashpot. No one knows what lies ahead," said Don Shuffstall, assistant vice president of the State National Bank's international department in El Paso.

### Savings Rates

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Checking account	\$100	5.25%
Passbook account	\$5	5.50%
30 Month Special	\$1,000	9.70%
3 1/2 Year Certificate	\$500	fixed 10.50%
91 Day Certificate	\$7,500	7.857%
7-31 Day Certificate	\$20,000	8.50%
6 Month Money Market	\$10,000	8.788%
All Savers Tax Free C.D.	\$500	6.490%
IRA	Optional Terms	varying rates
Jumbo Certificate	\$100,000	negotiable

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ings on training so that the FAA could take action.  
The FAA has said it expects to bring the controller staff to full strength by mid-1984. More than 11,500 controllers — about two-thirds of the workforce — were fired after they went on strike in August 1981. The government has reduced the flow of air traffic and is using supervisors and newly training controllers as it gradually rebuilds the system.  
The safety board said:  
• In many instances newly certified controllers were used almost immediately for on-the-job training of newcomers from the FAA school in Oklahoma City despite regulations that require instructors to be "highly skilled."  
• In one case, the investigators said two controllers switched off as instructors and trainees as they switched to different radar control positions.  
• Since last May instructors have not been required to take "approved instructor training" before conducting on-the-job lessons. Such training previously was required.  
• Senior controllers at times were found to be conducting training in stretches as long as 5 to 7 hours, causing complaints from some controllers about stress to both instructors and trainees.  
• Such long hours, said the board, are "very stressful for the instructors and trainees... (and) do not provide for a meaningful learning situation."  
The safety panel urged the FAA to act immediately "to ensure that the instructors are experienced, profi-

cient and trained in instructor techniques" and that training sessions be limited in duration.  
NTSB spokesman Ira Furman said the findings "represent the state of the (air traffic control) system" but that the board would not disclose problems found at any specific facilities.  
No facility was specifically cited by the board except for the tower at LaGuardia Airport in New York City. Investigators praised management at the LaGuardia tower for using a team evaluation program and suggested it should be considered nationwide.  
The NTSB a year ago concluded after its first investigation of the air traffic control system that despite the reduced staff there were no serious safety problems.  
But the board at the time expressed concern that problems may result eventually because of fatigue and continued long working hours, and that it intended take another look at the system. Last October, the board began another investigation with special attention to training procedures.  
The FAA repeatedly has said the air control system is being operated safely. Last February, an independent consultant's report also said planes are being directed without serious threat to safe operation.

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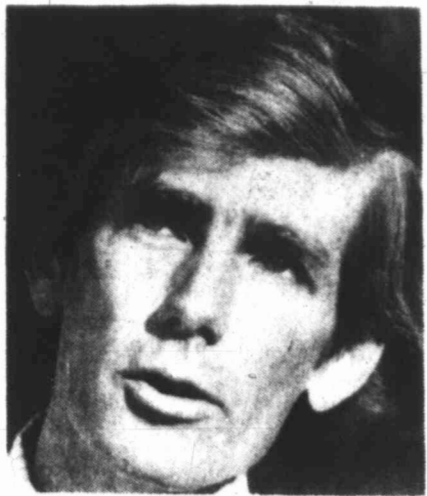
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## Artificial heart patient stands for first time

By DONNA ANDERSON  
Associated Press Writer  
SALT LAKE CITY — An alert, coordinated and joking Barney Clark stood on his feet for the first time since surgery Dec. 2 to implant an artificial heart, and his reassured doctor said Clark will soon be taken off a respirator.



DR. WILLIAM DEVRIES  
...surgeon encouraged

"He's sitting in a chair looking out the window with his wife," said Dr. William DeVries, the surgeon who implanted the polyurethane Jarvik-7 heart 20 days ago.

"There seems to be no signs of infection anywhere," DeVries said at a Monday news briefing. "In fact, we stopped all antibiotics this morning." Clark occasionally breathed unassisted during the past several days, and DeVries said he planned today to remove the cupped tracheostomy tube which was inserted in Clark's neck and attached to a respirator.

The tube, which has prevented Clark from speaking audibly, would be replaced with one that would allow him to speak, DeVries said. Clark has been gesturing and mouthing words to communicate, the surgeon said.

"It is a bit frustrating talking to him, trying to figure out what he's saying, and he's frustrated, also," DeVries said.

"He's a lot more alert than he has been in the past, talking to his wife, making signs and gestures to us, spontaneously joining in the conversation for the last few days — which has been very, very reassuring," DeVries said. The 61-year-old retired dentist from suburban Seattle was listed in serious but stable condition today. His condition was upgraded from critical during the weekend.

HE WAS PICKED up from his bed Monday by doctors and "he stood on his feet by himself," DeVries said. The doctors turned Clark around and guided him down into a hospital chair, DeVries said.

Clark took no steps because the chair was right next to him, but showed much more strength than on Friday, the first time he sat in a chair, DeVries said. At that time, "we literally had to pick him up and move him. He tried to do it, but he just didn't have the strength," the surgeon said.

"His muscular coordination ... is much, much better," DeVries said. Christmas for Clark would "just be a regular healing day," DeVries said.

Clark's progress was being taken "day by day and we'll just have to celebrate that in whatever way is appropriate."

"His sense of humor is returning," said Dr. Chase Peterson, University of Utah vice president for health sciences.

Clark's daughter, Karen Shaffer, asked her father how long he thought he had been in the hospital, Peterson said. Clark raised three fingers.

"She said, 'Weeks?' He nodded and said 'Yes' and then held up five fingers. She said, 'Days? Weeks?' He said, 'No.' She said 'Years?' He said, 'Yes. It feels like five years,'" Peterson said.

"We've felt the same way, everybody that's been taking care of him. It's been five years for us, too," DeVries added. "It's just as difficult now as when we put it in. Our job is continuing every single day, every minute."

Asked how Clark feels about his progress and his new heart, DeVries said "he's a very, very sick man and it is very difficult to interpret his view of national politics or life or anything else."

DEVRIES SAID, however, he felt Clark's chances of eventually leaving the hospital for a private home were good.

It is too early to tell whether the implant will be a success for Clark, he said, but, "I believe deep down in the bottom of my heart, it will be."

"If you determine your success by the patient's quality of life, he's still got a ways to go before he (Clark) will consider it a success," DeVries said. "I'll be happy when his life is better than it was before the surgery."

DeVries, the only surgeon authorized by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to perform the operation, said he didn't know when he would do more implants.

## Prairie View A&M may gain bigger share of funding

By FRITZ LANHAM  
Harte-Hanks News Service  
COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M University System officials and officials of the University of Texas System are close to an agreement on a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow Prairie View A&M a bigger share of the Available University Fund, sources close to the negotiations said Monday.

The agreement would also call for the University of Texas System to contribute part of its share of the Available University Fund for the predominantly black school, which is part of the A&M system.

"There is an agreement on a constitutional amendment that will be taken up during the (legislative) session that will...include a special provision for Prairie View A&M," said George Torres, chief clerk of the House Committee on Higher Education.

Torres is also a legislative assistant to Rep. Wilhelmina Delco (D-Austin), who pushed unsuccessfully during the last legislative session for a constitutional amendment that would have earmarked one-sixth of the Available University Fund (AUF) for use at Prairie View.

Delco, contacted Monday night, would only say an agreement "is very close."

SHE DECLINED to discuss the specifics of the negotiations that have involved A&M and UT officials, Delco and her staff, and John Fainter, first assistant attorney general and one of Gov.-elect Mark White's top aides.

She did say, "We are very, very confident we can come up with something that will be agreeable to everybody and be of significant benefit not just for Prairie View but for Texas A&M and UT as well."

Delco, who chairs the House higher education committee, has agreed to sponsor the legislation proposing the change as part of a broader constitutional amendment that would also establish a guaranteed source of construction funds for state colleges and universities outside the UT-A&M systems.

In addition, the proposed amendment would allow all components of the UT-A&M systems access to PUF building bonds and would increase the fund's bonding capacity from 20 to 30 percent.

The AUF consists of investment income from the \$1.7 billion Permanent University Fund. Prairie View may now use proceeds from the sale of PUF bonds for construction needs.

The proposed constitutional amendment would open the door for use of AUF money for other purposes at Prairie View, but Delco said the amendment does not state that a fixed percentage of the AUF must be spent at the Waller County institution.

She said the language of the amendment "gives flexibility to A&M (regents) but also gives some guarantees to Prairie View."

Delco would not say what figure the University of Texas has agreed to contribute, beyond saying UT officials have "agreed to share an aspect of the Available Fund for the benefit of Prairie View."

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# Lifestyle

## Hospital recognizes employee

Leslie Williams, R.N., has been chosen the Malone-Hogan Hospital employee-of-the month for December. The contest is a new project sponsored by the hospital's employee activity committee, composed of representatives from all departments of the hospital.



LESLIE WILLIAMS...employee of month

Mrs. Williams remembers one of her first days on the job as charge nurse in the emergency room of Malone-Hogan Hospital. That day, she heard the call from an incoming ambulance signaling it was bringing in a female with several gunshot wounds.

"I had an overdosed patient on one bed, and an open fractured patient in another. The doctor covering the emergency room for the night was on his way in, and I knew that Dr. Moore was up on the hospital floors. Still, I knew that in the next few minutes, I would ex-

perience a 'moment of truth,' my first experience with gunshot wounds. It was a terrifying feeling knowing that this woman's life was in my hands."

Eighteen months and 4,000 patients later, Mrs.

Williams can still recall that incident, although she rose to the occasion. She says now, when the ambulance call sounds, the adrenaline starts flowing. She thinks she may be at her best in the face of such extreme emergency.

"Heart attacks and gunshot wounds call for everything we know about trauma treatment. It sounds terrible, but I love working in the emergency room. There's something about the immediacy and need in real emergencies that gives me a sense of satisfaction. Being a part of a team that can make the scales tip in favor of the person lying there, facing death, is a high moment," Mrs. Williams said.

She started with Malone-Hogan Hospital in June, 1981, after graduating from Howard College Associate Degree of Nursing plan.

She enjoys working the emergency room because "I liked the seven days on, seven days off. That was a

big attraction to me, in spite of the fact that we work 12 hours a day on the days we work."

Employees nominating her for the award mentioned her "caring way of dealing with difficult people" who are a natural part of the emergency room scene.

"I don't know about that. I'm from a large family myself — lots of aunts and uncles, grandparents, cousins, and we all live fairly close. So it may be that I understand family frustrations better than some," she said.

"I know that most folks don't want to be rude. I try not to take it personally."

Mrs. Williams' husband, Geary, is a cotton farmer in the Vealmoor community. They have a son, Ryan, 6, who attends St. Mary's School.

She is the daughter of Gerald and Ramona Harris, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Weaver.



**SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS** — Dan Wise and Aurora Etheridge present Sammie Sullivan and Yolanda De La Garza, both students in the Malone-Hogan Hospital School of Radiologic Technology, with \$250 scholarship checks. In the lower photo, Wise presents checks to Kathy DeGroff and Jean Thomas, students in the advanced degree of nursing program at Howard College. The scholarships were given by the Malone-Hogan Hospital Volunteers, Helen Draper, president.

Dear Abby



### Reader relief

DEAR ABBY: A while back you recommended a "saliva substitute" for people who suffer from dry mouth. Having suffered from that condition for two years, I went immediately to the pharmacy and asked for a saliva substitute. The pharmacist said she had never heard of such a product and told me to ask my dentist what the brand name was.

I called my dentist and he had never heard of a saliva substitute either. Abby, can you tell me the name of this product and where it can be purchased? NEEDS IT IN ILLINOIS

DEAR NEEDS: I had no idea that the problem of "dry mouth" was so widespread until I mentioned it in my column and was promptly deluged with letters from readers seeking relief from that condition.

There are at least four brands of saliva substitutes on the market today. Ask your pharmacist to check the "Annual Pharmacists' Reference Red Book," "Facts and Comparisons" or "Physicians' Desk Reference For Non-Prescription Drugs," under "Saliva Substitutes."

Readers, for your information, "xerostomia" (dry mouth) can be caused by disease, medication, radiation therapy or the normal aging process. This condition can cause acute discomfort, tooth decay, inability to eat, swallow or talk, as well as difficulty in wearing dentures.

If your pharmacist has never heard of it and doesn't know where to get it, find another pharmacist.

DEAR ABBY: Forty-seven years ago I fell in love with a young man, but his mother didn't think I was good enough for him so I gave up. I moved out of town, met another man and married him.

Last summer I went back to my old hometown and ran into my first love by accident. I could tell it was him a block away. We had coffee and talked over old times, and I knew the spark was still there. He never married, I was married twice and widowed twice. I just turned 71 and he's 70. Do you think we're too old to get married now? Sign this ...

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Dr. Donohue

### Proper boil care

Dear Dr. Donohue: I am writing for any information you can give me about my recurring boils. At least two or three times a month I get them — in the armpits and on the insides of my thighs. How can they be prevented, and what can be used to treat them? — A.W.

Most boils are caused by staph bacteria that have infected hair follicles. For recurring boils, only a vigorous program to eradicate the source of the germ works. And usually, when the boils are numerous and large, treatment has to begin with one of the penicillin antibiotics, for which you will need a doctor's prescription.

Boils can occur in people who are very careful with regards cleanliness, and the prevention program demands even greater attention to hygiene. You must bathe more frequently and use one of the anti-bacterial soaps, such as chlorhexidine. Between bathings, you can use an anti-bacterial ointment applied lightly to the boil — one like bacitracin.

Now remember what I said about getting to the source of the bacterial infection. One of those focal points can be inside the front part of the nose. The staph germs often find a safe harbor there, lying in wait for the person to transport them (via the hand) to other places in the body where they can really stir up trouble — like the armpits, thighs, or back of the neck. So, it is helpful to apply a thin coating of the bacitracin ointment over this nasal area. Clip your fingernails

close; that's another favored haven for the germ.

Boil sheets for a period of time, and do not share towels or washcloths with other family members. Another thought: You will need to see your doctor for an antibiotic prescription anyway, so while there you might ask him to check you to see if you have a weakness in your defenses against infections. This occurs with diabetes, for example.

Dear Dr. Donohue: I know you have probably gotten this question before, but please, one more time? Can you or can you not get herpes virus from toilet seats? — Miss R.R.

And one more time, my answer has to be a weak and very qualified yes. The virus has been found on inanimate objects like toilet seats. But we are not certain just what this means so far as transfer to the human and subsequent development of symptoms. It is generally thought that that is rare enough (if it happens at all) to be insignificant so far as control measures are concerned.

I've tried to answer most of these herpes questions in a single booklet, just back from the printer. It's called "Herpes: Don't Panic," and outlines treatments and my general feelings on this subject. A copy is on the way. Other readers may order a copy by writing me in care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$1.00.

### Hospital volunteers distribute scholarships

Four students were given \$250 each in scholarships by the Malone-Hogan Hospital Volunteers. Students are Jean Thomas and Katy Digoff, both attending Howard College School of Nursing, and Yolanda Garza and Sammie Sullivan, both attending the Malone-Hogan School of Radiologic Technology.

Hospitals need increasing numbers of nurses and trained technicians, according to officials at Malone-Hogan Hospital. More than 10,000 budgeted jobs were unfilled in Texas Hospitals in May of this year.

"It's reason enough to put some of our dollars into scholarships to encourage young people to enter the health field as a chosen profession," said Dan Wise, director of social services and volunteers at Malone-Hogan Hospital.

"Private industry must assume responsibility for programs that will lose funds this year, due to withdrawal of government monies. Student loans have been all but dropped," said John Bingham, hospital administrator.

Those interested in applying for the Volunteers' 1983 scholarships may call Ann Duncan, financial aids director, Howard College, 915-267-6311.

### Scholarship recipient named

Beverly Foster is this year's recipient of the Business and Professional Women's Scholarship at Howard College. This award is presented to assist students to further their educational goals. The recipient is a student who demonstrates outstanding leadership and character.

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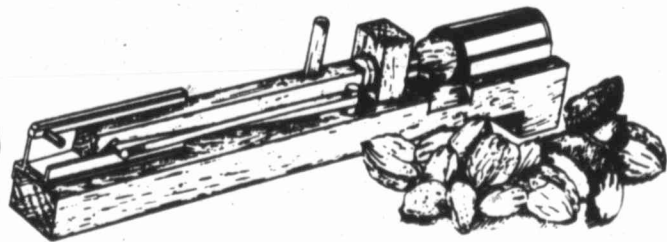
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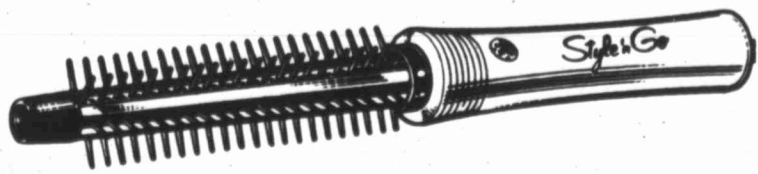
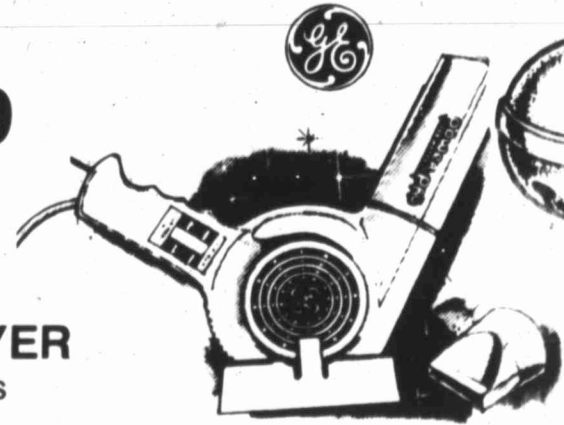
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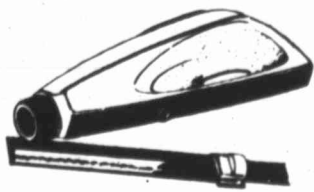
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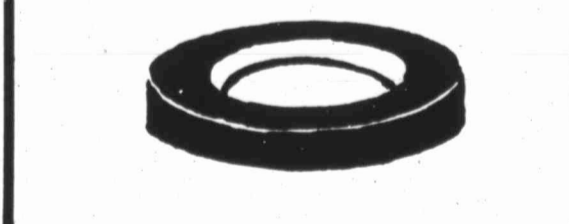
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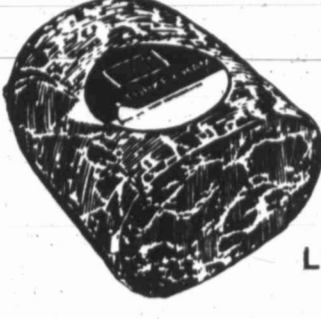
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## Italy raps 'East-bloc subversion'

ROME (AP) — The Italian press reacted with outrage today about what it called East-bloc subversion after the government implied publicly for the first time that Bulgarian spies helped plot the shooting of the pope.

The conservative Il Giornale Nuovo of Milan said speeches by four ministers at an extraordinary parliamentary session Monday "accentuated the impression that our country has been a theater for the worst communist espionage for far too long."

If links between the May 13, 1981, assassination attempt and Bulgarian secret services were proven, the leading Corriere Della Sera of Milan said in an editorial, "the Italian government ought to take steps: but those would concern the whole of the West."

Several newspapers focused on a speech by Socialist Defense Minister Lelio Lagorio. He said the attack on the pope by Turkish terrorist Mehmet Ali Agca must be looked on as "a true act of war in peacetime."

Bulgaria's attorney-general Monday said accusations that three Bulgarians were implicated in the shooting were "ungrounded."

In what the newspapers said was the most outspoken speech, Lagorio called the shooting of Polish-born John Paul II "a protective and alternative solution to an invasion of Poland," and said concerns over a Bulgarian connection were fully warranted.

The defense minister did not say how the papal shooting precluded an invasion of Poland. He also did not elaborate on who would have invaded the East-bloc country, racked by more than a year of martial law because of labor unrest.

John Paul has repeatedly condemned the Warsaw government for the Dec. 13, 1981 crackdown on the independent Solidarity union, which was later outlawed as a subversive group seeking to overthrow the Polish communist system.

Lagorio spoke after Justice Minister Clelio Darida formally confirmed that three Bulgarians had been implicated in the papal shooting, revealed that two others were under investigation for alleged espionage and called the Bulgarian capital "a principal contact point," for arms and drug trafficking.

On Monday night the Italian state television network RAI for the first time broadcast a television documentary by NBC News that investigated possible links between the shooting of the pontiff and the KGB, the Soviet secret service.

Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo said Monday the government would impose more stringent requirements for Bulgarians seeking visas to Italy. He also said the government was considering reducing the staff of the Bulgarian embassy, which he said is larger than the Italian embassy staff in Sofia, the Bulgarian capital.

## Lebanon wants early action on withdrawal

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanon wants to start talking this week with the United States and Israel to arrange the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Lebanese lands, official sources said today.

The sources said the request was made by President Amin Gemayel and Foreign Minister Elie Salem to U.S. presidential envoy Morris Draper during a series of conferences Monday. Draper was expected to shuttle back to Israel, they said.

"Lebanon has asked for the earliest possible session, preferably this week, by the tripartite liaison committee to begin talks on withdrawal arrangements," one official said. He requested anonymity in conformity with government regulations.

The liaison committee is what Lebanon calls the U.S., Israeli, and Lebanese negotiating teams that would meet to draft arrangements for the pullout of Israeli, Syrian and Palestinian forces from this war-torn Middle East country.

The official said the Lebanese government will leave the choice for the location of talks to the United States, following Israel's decision Sunday to drop its demand that part of the talks be conducted in Jerusalem.

Lebanon had refused to send its negotiators to Jerusalem because their presence there could be interpreted as a violation of an Arab refusal to recognize the ancient city as the capital of Israel.

Lebanon has proposed a beachside hotel in suburban Khalde on Beirut's southern edge as a site for the opening session because of its closeness to all parties involved, the official said.

"But if the Israeli side vetoes Khalde or the Americans object, then we are willing to go wherever the American side selects," the official added.

Rome, Washington, Vienna and even Cairo have been mentioned in the Beirut media as possible alternatives for Khalde, 7.5 miles south of central Beirut in Israeli-held territory.

Two personal emissaries of Gemayel were bound for Tunis today to brief Arab League officials on the upcoming withdrawal talks. The emissaries, former newspaper columnist Jean Obeid and Brig. Gen. Nabil Koraitem, who heads the army's higher defense council, were expected to visit Morocco and Saudi Arabia after Tunisia for the same purpose, Lebanon's state radio reported.

Obeid secured Syria's consent last week to withdraw its forces from Lebanon simultaneously with an Israeli pullout. The leftist Beirut newspaper as-Safir said Obeid was expected to negotiate a similar commitment in Tunis with the Palestine Liberation Organization and its leader, Yasser Arafat.

In Kuwait, the newspaper al-Qabas said today that Syrian President Hafez Assad has "assured" Gemayel that Syrian forces would partially pull out of the Bekaa Valley by the end of the month.

"We shall do whatever is required to spare the Lebanese government any difficulties on the question of withdrawals," Khaled Fahoum, speaker of the Palestine National Council, the PLO's parliament-in-exile, said in an interview published today by the leftist Lebanese magazine al-Shiraa.

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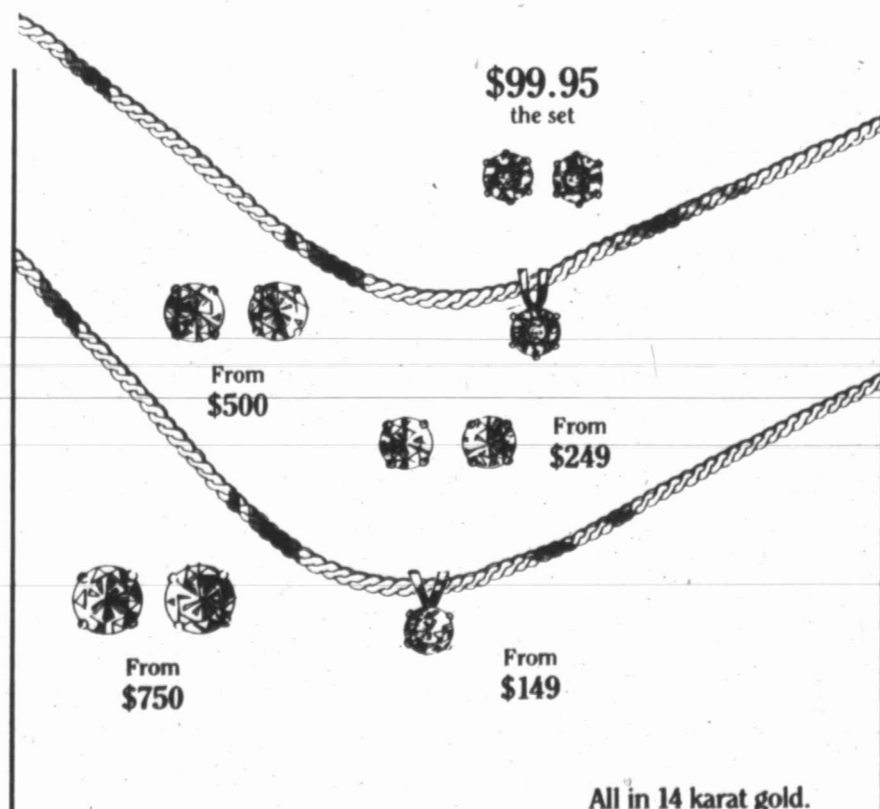
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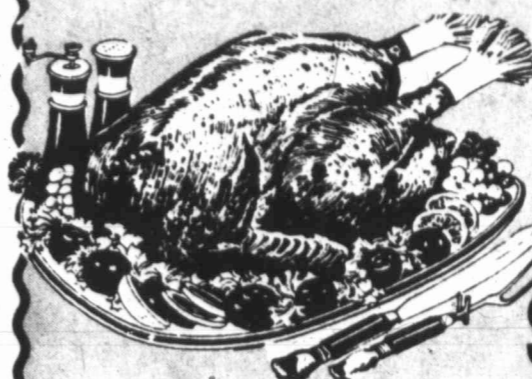
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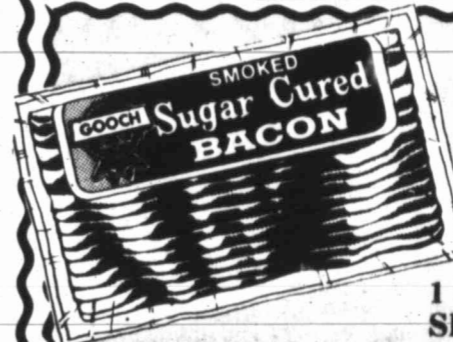
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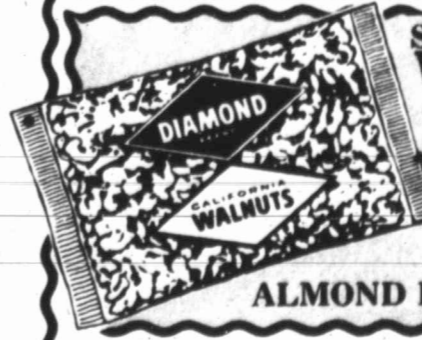


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**DOMINO THOUGHTS** — C.C. Cooner sits with three other players in the Lufkin Domino Pavilion and scratches his chin while deciding his next move. Cooner, from Homer, Texas, is in the game with Rayburn Richardson, left, from Central, Texas.

# The domino effect

Lufkin's newest game pavilion is a terrific draw

By KAREN BANDON  
The Lufkin Daily News

LUFKIN — The everyday actions mark the passage of time here. The regular sound of tobacco-spitting. The constant smack of a domino announcing a win to the well-worn table. The calculated pull of colored beads along the abacus.

Each of these is perhaps more accurate than the dingy Dr Pepper clock on the wall, when it comes to graphing the time spent and the games played at one spot that has become a landmark of Lufkin — Domino Pavilion.

For nearly 14 years, the building — more commonly known as Domino Hall — has made the northeast corner of the courthouse lawn the busiest, noisiest and most charismatic. It has become a sort of combination second home and sport arena for the area's retired men, who never, but never, seem to tire of the game that draws them there.

That draw is tough to pinpoint. What is it about a one-room building filled with folding chairs, play-worn tables and vegetable-can spittoons that makes a man go there so frequently it could be considered his full-time office?

That "draw factor" lies somewhere between the fraternity of domino players and their fascination with the game. Most of them donate \$3 each month for the coffee. In return, Domino Hall provides them with their friends, their entertainment and a dawn-to-dusk excuse to get out of the house.

It is a sort of men's club — minus the stuffed chairs and stuffy cigars — of the retired set. They'll be the first to say that women are welcome. But none of the women seem attracted to the domino hot spot. As for male regulars, there is no place they'd rather kill time.

As Russ Herring, one Domino Hall regular, says, "If it wasn't here, I guess I'd have to move."

Of course, many of the domino addicts are old enough to remember a time when Domino Hall wasn't here. But none can recall an era when the game itself wasn't.

"When we first started out playing, we were out right around here on the courthouse lawn under the oak trees," says John Eaton. "We moved to different corners, but you couldn't play when it was raining or in cold weather." Mrs. Leland Jordan still recalls the outdoor domino games, too. She and her husband built

build a shelter so these men could play the game all year round," she says.

A busy life with many years spent abroad kept Mrs. Jordan and her husband from completing the project immediately. But when the time came, Mrs. Jordan consulted the man who knew best just what shape the building should take.

"They didn't want air conditioning. They didn't want central heating. They didn't want carpeting," she said. "They wanted it open so you could get a breeze, and they could feel like they were still playing under the trees."

As anyone who's had courthouse business knows, they're still playing. They play so hard and so intently that it borders on being considered part of courthouse business.

"I've played every Saturday night for the last 55 years," says Morgan Flournoy. "Every time one of my sons got married, why then I had to miss a Saturday night."

During one round Jimmy Griggs says, "There haven't been too many days in the last 30 years that I haven't been down here to play a little. I'm practicing for retirement."

Many of the players spend about 30 hours each week slapping dominoes and spitting chew into the giant vegetable cans that have replaced the original brass spittoons that "disappeared" after the hall opened. But the players don't say too much about their pastime. The noise level doesn't allow for a lot of conversation. And the players — most of them near-experts at the game — are simply too engrossed.

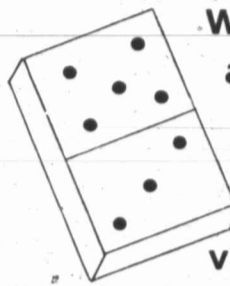
"Look here! This is what goes on here. That old fossil will cheat you every time he gets the chance."

"That's a nickel. We're working him over now."

"You'd better be thinking one step ahead."

When the tempo of the game slows, they may stop to reflect. The players still remember Mrs. Jordan's gift to them with a Christmas card and a poinsettia.

**What is it about a one-room building filled with folding chairs and vegetable-can spittoons that makes a man go there so frequently it could be considered his full-time office**



## Even at Christmas, mother of 15 finds no need to slow down

By CONNIE PRYZANT  
Austin American-Statesman

WALBURG, Texas — When her 15 children were growing up, Mary Ziegler used a 25-pound sack of flour to bake a week's supply of bread and collected 10 dozen eggs weekly from her chickens.

She's washed at least one load of laundry every day as long as she can remember. She still snips all the family haircuts.

At Christmas time last year, her children gathered at the Zieglers' and had to walk gingerly through the living room so as not to disturb the mounds of presents around the six-foot tree.

In an age of family planning, this 61-year-old mother never considered a curb on having children.

As a devout Catholic, she didn't believe in contraception, and as mother, she says, "I guess there was always enough love to go around."

Even before she had her first child, rearing children came as naturally as eating and sleeping. She was the oldest of 14 children in a northwest Indiana town and had a hand in mothering her 12 brothers and one sister. "People just had bigger families back then, and it

was cheaper to live," she says.

Mary and Jim, her husband of 37 years, moved with all their children from Indiana to Georgetown 12 1/2 years ago. Since then, seven daughters and two sons have married.

Thirteen of the children live within 20 miles of the Zieglers; four still live at home. The other two live farther away, but still in the state, in Tyler and Coleman.

These days, Mary has a little time to herself. She sews clothes for herself, collects S&H Green Stamps, reads Ladies Home Journal and Family Circle, clips coupons, hunts for bargains and gossips with her children, most of whom drop in at least once a week.

She and Jim traveled back to Indiana last year for two weeks to see her family. They also plan to travel around Texas now that they've got some time on their hands.

But in the years when at least 12 offspring were in school, leisure was a foreign word to Mary, who awakened the children, dressed them and hustled them off to their respective buses every morning. With the children in school, Mary turned to bread-baking,

cooking and cleaning chores.

After her fifth child was born, Mary had nervous breakdown from exhaustion. She recovered through shock treatments, and in the years that followed, the older children helped with their younger siblings.

"We always had something to do," says Jane Danek, 29, her seventh child.

The eight girls were expected to do the inside chores like taking care of the younger children, sewing and canning, while the seven boys helped their dad with his carpentry, chopped firewood, and took care of the garden and the yard.

Every Sunday, the family of 17 would pile into their 1959 Chevrolet station wagon and go to church. Jane says, "We all sat on each other's laps and somehow we

fit in."

"When you come right down to it, having a large family is no different from having a small family," said Jim. In response to his daughters' saying they won't have as many children as their parents, he scoffs. "You don't know what you're missing."

The Ziegler children weren't spoiled, their dad says. "They got along with less and learned to do without things."

"They had companionship," Jim says. "Toys will not replace companionship."

Mary agrees, and looks forward to several more years of enjoying her children and 20 grandchildren. "There will always be a lot of people around to keep you company."

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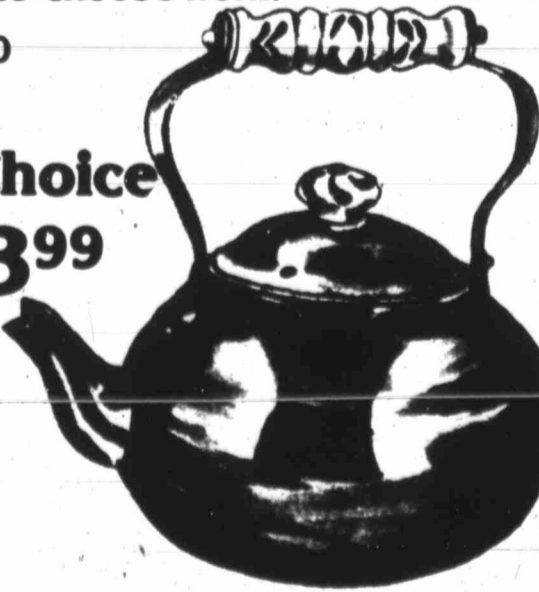


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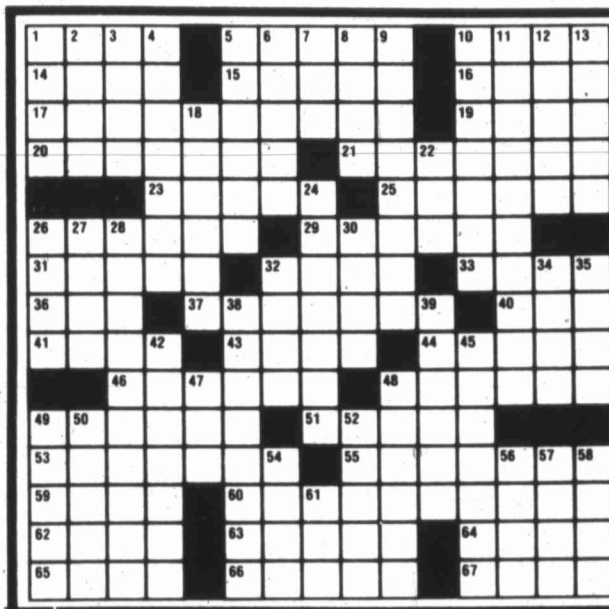
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TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Showing more devotion to family members can bring more harmony in the home. Consult an expert for advice you need.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be sure to handle any communications in a most intelligent way and be alert to any dangers. Make sure your doors are locked.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Keep on the safe side of life by obeying rules that apply to you. Make the evening a happy one.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Make long-range plans for the future. Don't let a slip of the tongue upset you at this time. Take a little time for fun in the evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make the plans that will help you become more successful in the future. Take no chances with your reputation.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact business expert for advice you need. You can be happy from a romantic standpoint later in the day.

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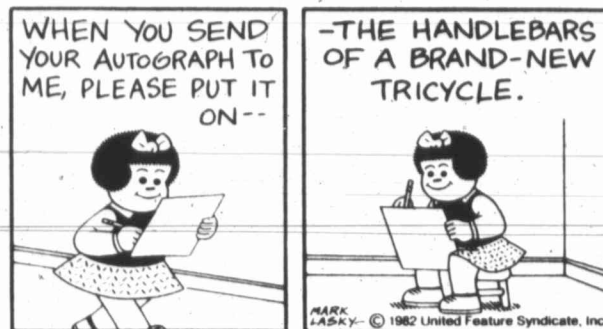
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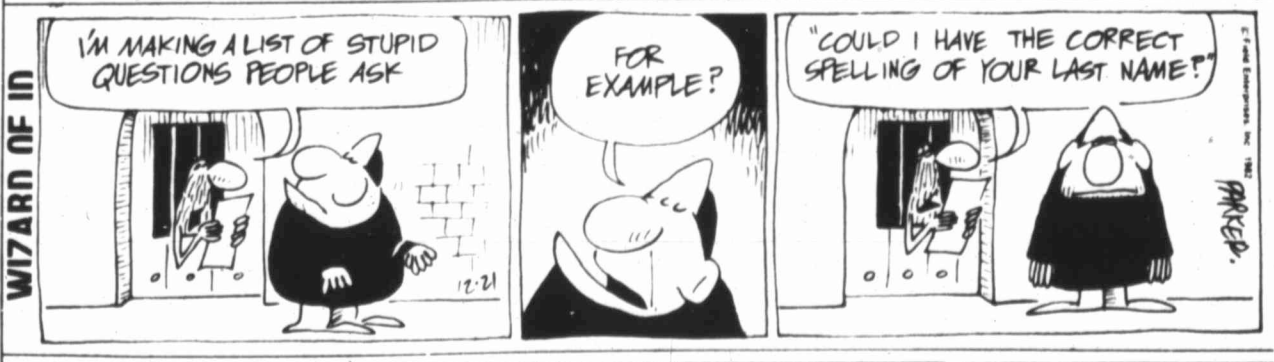
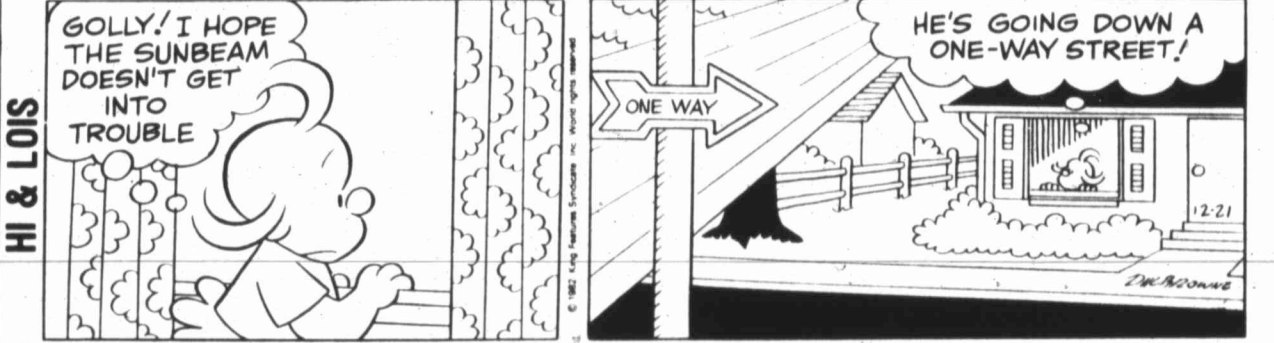
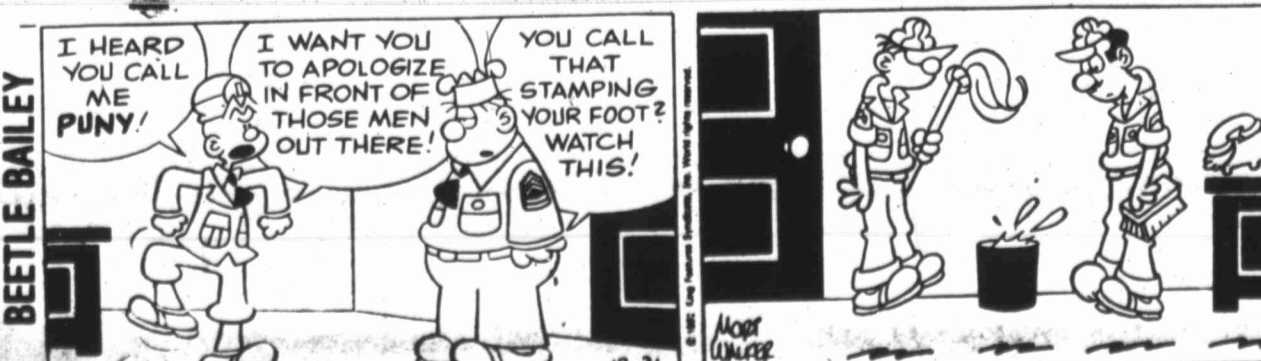
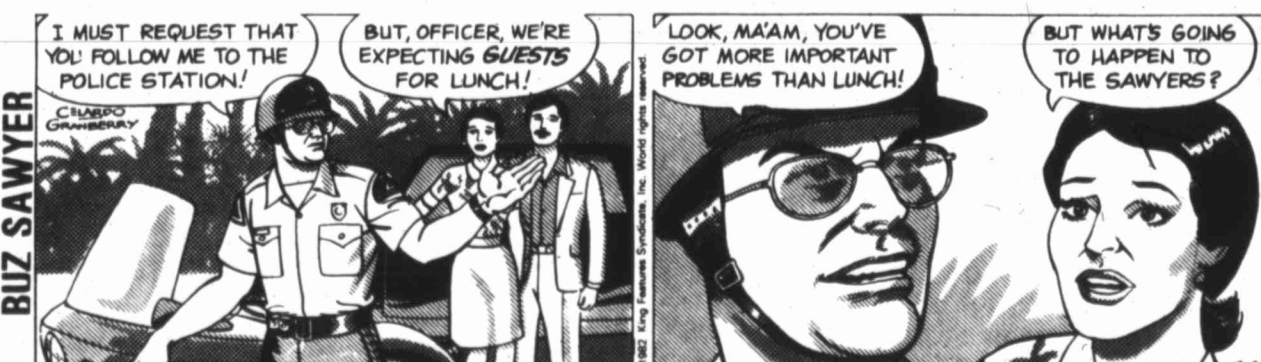
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# CBS does television movies better than other sources

NEW YORK (AP) — The "C" in CBS doesn't stand for cinema; it only seems that way. CBS broadcasts so many movies that the network is becoming television's Cecil B. DeMille.

Home Box Office and Showtime run the same recent movies. Ted Turner's WTBS superstation and local independents run the same ancient movies. CBS is the real cinema king, running original movies — more of them, in fact, than NBC and ABC combined.

CBS' films often are worth watching. Many of them are warm, well-done people stories. They're also exclusive, current and free. What's more, they make money for CBS and are instrumental in CBS' recent sweeps victory and its runaway leadership in the network ratings race.

## Television

Among the networks, CBS best gauged the changes in the movie world. Although theatrical movies, used selectively, can still bolster a network's prime-time lineup, they're no longer assured ratings blockbusters.

Rights to theatrical films are expensive. The films themselves are sometimes choppy edited to meet network TV's more conservative standards, and often-times, the growing cable audience has already seen them. All these things diminish their attractiveness to the networks.

Last year, ABC showed "Superman" after it had been exhausted by the pay-TV channels. In Chicago, which is not heavily cabled, the film drew a 45 rating on the local ABC station, meaning 45 percent of Chicago's TV homes were watching. Nationally, only 29 percent of the TV homes tuned in.

"Five years ago, that film would have done a 45 rating nationwide," said David Poltrack, CBS' vice president of research.

Last month, "Kramer vs. Kramer" on ABC had a 20.4 rating in non-cable homes and a 7.5 rating in payable homes.

"TV movies are more cost effective than major theatricals," Poltrack added. "They're a major resource for us, a major alternative to series television." A typical TV movie costs close to \$2 million; the price tag for major theatricals is \$3 million and more.

In November, a sweeps month when ratings establish future advertising rates, CBS averaged an 18.9 rating, beating second-place ABC by a relatively wide 1.5 points. (Last year, they tied.) Over the course of a TV season, 1.5 rating points in prime time would amount to \$75 million.

Among the network, only CBS survived without a ratings drop from November 1981, and some credit belongs to its movies.

Last month, CBS showed 23 hours of TV movies, including the eight-hour "The Blue and the Gray." The movies pulled in a 19.4 rating. CBS did 6½ hours of theatrical films, including "Private Benjamin" and a repeat of Clint Eastwood's "Every Which Way But Loose," drawing a 17.8 rating.

ABC and NBC also did well with their TV movies, but there weren't enough of them. NBC did 5½ hours, four taken up by "The Executioner's Song," and had a 21.2 rating. ABC had four hours of TV films for an 18.2 rating.

Because of the failure of CBS' series "Filthy Rich" and "Tucker's Witch," "The CBS Wednesday Night Movie" last month became the network's third movie night, along with Tuesday and Saturday.

On the past four Wednesdays, CBS had three fine movies: "Memories Don't Die," "Missing Children" and "In Love with an Older Woman," starring John Ritter and Karen Carlson.

"We have a very good inventory of movies," said Poltrack, whose network will broadcast almost 60 TV films in 1982-83.



HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS — Actress Eileen Brennan is joined by her two sons, Pat Lampson, foreground, and Sam Lampson as Daniel Freeman

Marina Hospital in Los Angeles Monday. The actress was released from the hospital after eight weeks. She was injured when struck by a car.

# Ripley's loses to '60 Minutes' on Sunday — believe it or not

By JERRY BUCK  
AP Television Writer  
LOS ANGELES — They journeyed to a church in Czechoslovakia where the interior was all bones. And they traveled through the catacombs of Paris where 5½ million people are buried. But these exploits — and more — have not been enough to keep ABC-

TV's "Ripley's Believe It or Not!" from wallowing in the ratings cellar. "That's what we prided ourselves on as making us different from other shows of this type," says Jack Palance, the show's host. "It's not a studio show. We went to Largo, Scotland, the birthplace of the real-life Robinson

Crusoe, Alexander Selkirk." The traveling showcase of oddities and the obscure, based on the famed newspaper feature, has been pitted against CBS' ratings powerhouse, "60 Minutes," on Sundays. So far "Ripley's," languishing near the bottom of the ratings chart, has fared about as well as

Palance's has-been boxer in "Requiem for a Heavyweight." "I think it's unfortunate," Palance says. "It really does deserve a bigger audience. It's not a cop show and it's not a studio show like 'That's Incredible.'" "I think it's unique, historical and at times hysterical," he said. "Obviously, we were hoping we might

put a dent in that immense rating, but we haven't. People have the '60 Minutes' habit." In his movie and television roles, Palance was usually cast as a menacing miscreant who seemed to enjoy his villainy. But as host of "Ripley's," Palance has little opportunity for evil deeds.

To film an epilogue for "Ripley's," Palance was in a hilltop house overlooking Sunset Boulevard. Clad in a camel-colored cardigan sweater, he sat by a fireplace as crewmen hovered around, adjusting lights and reflectors, setting up the camera and arranging props on the coffee table.

# Britain newest TV channel hits snag

By ANDREW WARSHAW  
Associated Press Writer  
LONDON — Channel 4, Britain's first new TV station in nearly two decades, has broken new ground in minority broadcasting since coming on the air a month ago. But its ratings are dismal, and critics accuse it of dredging up dirt. "This channel is an offense to public taste and decency and should be drummed off the air forthwith," John Carlisle, a Conservative member of Parliament, declared angrily. Carlisle and 19 other Conservative party lawmakers introduced a motion in the House of Commons on Dec. 2 condemning the independent channel for its "constant use of four-letter words and obscenities." Home Secretary William Whitelaw added his support to the protests, urging the Independent Broadcasting Authority which regulates commercial radio and TV to take note of "widespread public concern" about Channel 4's programming. Launched with financing totaling \$177 million put up by 14 independent TV production companies, Parliament decreed that Channel 4 was to provide "a distinctive service." And it has, breaking new ground with programs for women and racial minorities, avant-garde drama and even American football. But critics claim its programs are

too often aimed at small minorities and feature left-wing views and too much filthy language. Carlisle said the "last straw" was the station's announcement that it will broadcast a show about homosexuals entitled "One in Five" on New Year's Day. The hour-long program was billed as an "exciting mix of cabaret and conversation" and "the first nationwide program for gay people." Carlisle said: "This is TV for minorities indeed and I hope the majority will show their contempt for it by switching off in the millions." Channel 4 spokesman Chris Griffin-Beale countered that "One in Five" was not shocking, and furthermore reflected "an issue of importance." However, Carlisle's claim that the British public is "thoroughly disgusted" with the new channel launched Nov. 2 appeared to be supported by the ratings. In the opening week, Channel 4 had a meager 6 percent of the viewing audience. This fell to 5 percent in the second week and 4 percent in the third. Britons own more than 18 million TV sets. Among the most popular Channel 4 programs were American pro football, an hour-long evening newscast compared with the half-hour versions on the rival publicly funded British Broadcasting Corp. and commercial ITV network, and

Australian Paul Hogan's comedy series. Channel 4 chief executive Jeremy Isaacs, a 49-year-old veteran TV producer, is aiming to win a 10 percent share of viewers by the end of his station's second year. Griffin-Beale said he was by no means disheartened with the figures so far. "In fact we are quite happy because they represent base figures on which we can build," he said in an interview. "Ratings were bound to be better in the first week because of curiosity viewing. There is a natural conservatism among the majority of the viewing audience and we have to slowly persuade them to watch," he said. Griffin-Beale was at a loss to explain why only 400,000 people watched the award-winning Royal Shakespeare Company adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic novel "Nicholas Nickleby." But he confidently forecast that "ratings will improve," with such unusual programs as a history of Jamaican reggae and the "Music and Body Show," a seven-part series about physical fitness. Isaacs was quoted by the London

Daily Telegraph as saying: "I think the notion that people are grossly offended by bad language on television applies to some, but by no means to all our fellow citizens. It is not one of the most important issues facing a person running a television channel." But voices of protest included that of Britain's leading anti-pornographer, Mary Whitehouse, president of the National Viewers and Listeners Association. She complained that Channel 4 had recorded a rock concert where 12 to 14-year-olds were treated to a display of simulated sex. The station has dropped the segments from the broadcast version of the show. Mrs. Whitehouse called for Isaacs' resignation, to be replaced by someone "with a greater sense of responsibility." Of more immediate concern to Isaacs was initial advertiser disappointment in the channel. Said Mike Townsend, deputy chairman of the Young and Rubicam advertising agency: "Channel 4 is not succeeding in its objective to bring better programming to a wider number of people."

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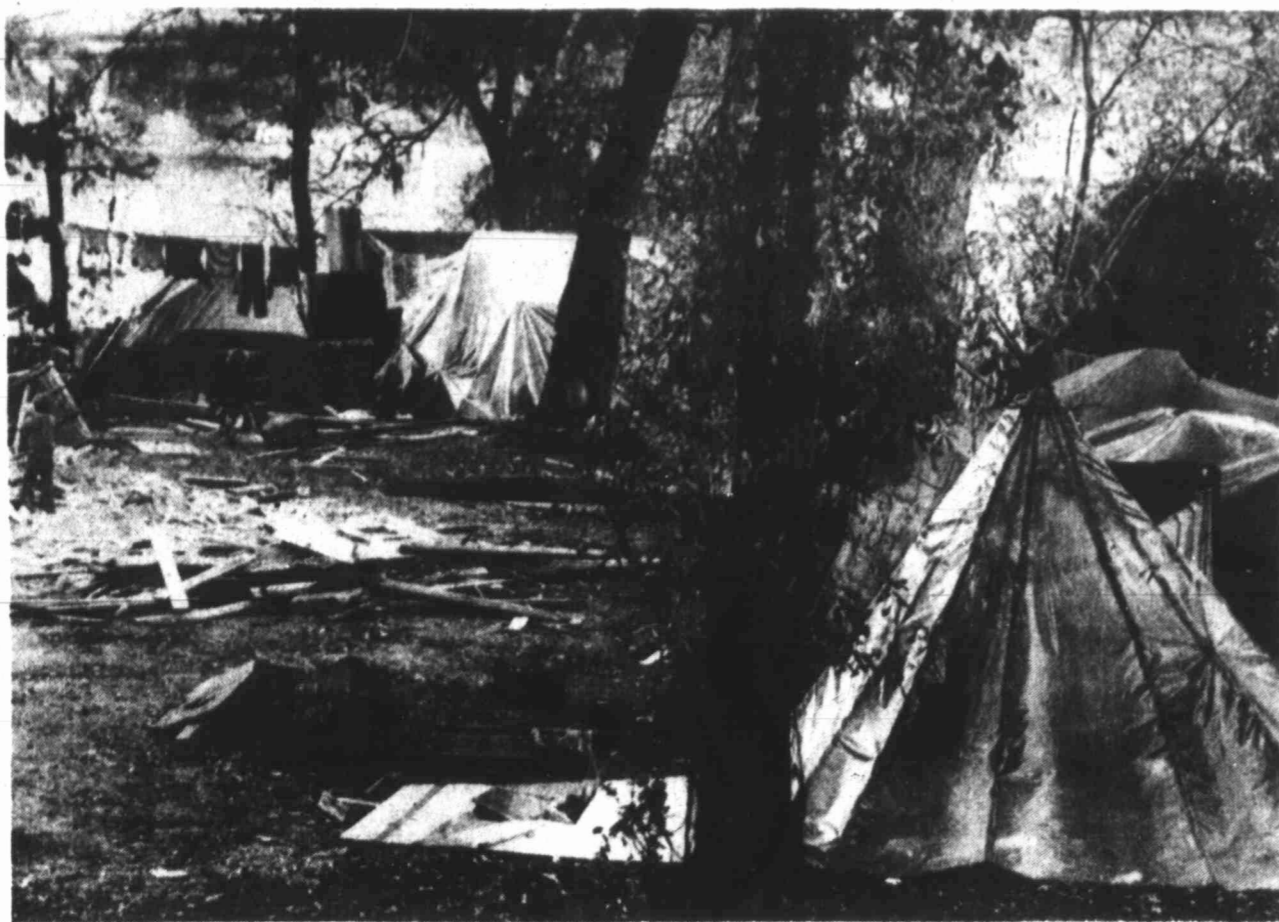
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TENT CITY — Children play in rubble at tent city about 30 miles east of Houston. According to the

residents, some 300, this year's Christmas will be very dim. They are out of work and come from

Houston, East Texas and out of state.

Associated Press photo

## Christmas cheer very scarce in modern-day Hooverville

TENT CITY, Texas (AP) — A blue and gold Christmas card tacked to the community bulletin board reads: "Remember Jesus was born in a place like this."

A plastic-covered sign that says "Thank you" to those who bring food and clothes has been decorated with red and green tinsel.

Otherwise, indications of the holiday season are few in this makeshift city of 300 people living in tents and cars in a roadside park.

"Right now, Christmas for the 75 kids we've got here looks very dim," said J.D. Dunn, an unemployed former construction worker who is among those who have found refuge in the six-month-old settlement.

"People call it a recession," he said, shaking his head. "I call it right down to another depression."

The residents say they turned to Tent City because they were out of money, out of work and had nowhere to go other than this encampment on the banks of the San Jacinto River, 30 miles east of Houston. Some are from Houston, others from small East Texas towns and a few are from out of state.

When word spread about the rise of Tent City six months ago, dona-

tions began pouring in. They slowed to a trickle after two of the benefactors became disillusioned and labeled many of the residents as lazy drunkards who preferred to live off charity.

Scraps of plastic supported by rough hewn poles form Tent City's skyline.

The avenues in this town are paved courtesy of the state highway department, which intended the area for overnight camping.

The boundaries are a dense pine forest and U.S. Highway 90, on which trucks roar past carrying oilfield pipeline and timber. Those two staples of the East Texas economy scarcely touch Tent City.

The community bulletin board includes a list of want ads and a dictionary page with the definition of "vagrancy" highlighted.

Residents have a variety of hard luck stories. One hitchhiked from Florida when his construction job on a Disneyworld project ended. Another moved from Houston after exhausting his resources trying to help his daughter and son-in-law, who had lost their jobs.

The near-halt in donations made the residents' prospects for Christmas bleak.

"We need the churches back," said Bruce Bowman, a carpenter who threw down his bedroll after hitchhiking from Florida. He admits the problems reported existed. "There was a few bad apples. You've got to clean them out to keep the barrel smelling sweet."

Bowman, who worked five days on construction projects in his first two weeks at the settlement, maintains the "riff-raff" were run out.

Church groups remain uncertain. "This whole thing has frustrated me," said Fred Hannan, director of special projects for the ecumenical Metropolitan Ministries. "There's obviously a need, but I'm not sure how to get a handle on it."

Hannan said he was not encouraging donations because he had heard reports of Tent City residents stealing from people who came to help them.

He said he had told people interested in contributing to the campers, "You take your chances."

"Tent City U.S.A.," a sign at the entrance reads. "If you want to live here welcome. But will not be trouble." The signature at the bottom is painted over: "Mayer J.D. Dunn."

### Corpus Christi Caller-Times editor dies

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — John B. Anderson Jr., administrative managing editor of the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, is dead at the age of 55.

Family members said that Anderson apparently suffered a heart attack. He was found dead in the kitchen of his home about 10 p.m. Monday.

"John Anderson was one of the most dedicated newspapermen with whom I have ever worked. He felt strongly for the Caller-Times and he felt strongly for Corpus Christi. It is too little to say that he will be missed," said Bob Rhodes, Caller-Times executive editor.

Anderson joined the Caller-Times as a reporter in 1948. During his 34-year career with the newspaper, he served as city editor, assistant managing editor, and managing editor.

Most recently, Anderson was editor of the Caller's centennial edition, which commemorated the paper's 100th anniversary. He also was director of editorial training programs for Harte-Hanks newspapers.

In 1977, Anderson was appointed managing editor in charge of administration and training, and a member of the Caller-Times editorial board.

"He broke me in as a reporter," said Caller-Times columnist Bill Walraven. "He was a stern taskmaster and trained a lot of reporters. He was one of the best city editors I've ever known ... and one of my best friends."

"He had been really working long hours on this centennial edition, even though he didn't feel good, trying to get it wrapped up," Walraven said.

Anderson was graduated from Texas Tech University in 1948 with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. He served with the Navy in 1945 and 1946 and later as a reserve officer from 1950-55.

He is survived by his wife, Cecile; two daughters, Karen and Mary; and two sons, Kirk and Drew.

### Pot found in plane wreck

MISSION, Texas (AP) — Narcotics agent have recovered about 150 pounds of marijuana found on a light plane that crashed in a pasture north of this South Texas town. Two people were killed in the crash.

Killed were David Tracy Smith, 25, of McAllen, and Roberto Ramos Jr., 33, of Mission, according to Department of Public Safety spokesman David Wells.

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