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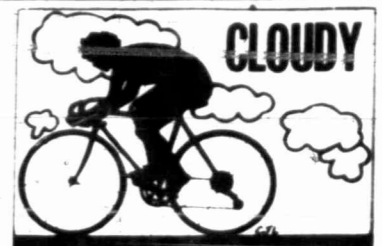
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Crossroads weather

Forecast for the Big Spring area: Partly cloudy through Thursday. Highs Thursday from near 90 to the mid 90s; lows tonight mostly mid 60s to lower 70s. Tuesday's high was 91 and the low was 72.



Texas GOP: Meese move best

By The Associated Press
Texas Sen. Phil Gramm said Tuesday that Attorney General Edwin Meese's resignation should clear the attorney general's office from controversy and create a more effective Justice Department.

"I think Attorney General Meese made a wise decision in using the vindication of the independent counsel's investigation to put this controversy behind him and, more importantly, behind the important office of the attorney general of the United States," Gramm said.

"My concern has been the impact this could have on the effec-

tiveness of the attorney general's office in such important national efforts as our war on drugs," the Republican said.

"I think Attorney General Meese's action now clears the way for the appointment of a new attorney general who can carry out his important functions without the burden of this controversy upon his shoulders."

Meese submitted his resignation to President Reagan by telephone from Sacramento, Calif. Meese, who said he will leave office at the end of July or in early August, said the decision was not influenced by a 14-month investigation into his personal ethics.

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Meese said no successor had been designated. One of Reagan's closest confidantes — an aide who served Reagan in California and then as a key member of his White House staff — Meese has had a stormy tenure at the Justice Department since arriving in March 1985.

Meese took the step after independent counsel James McKay filed his report on the investigation into Meese's conduct in office. The 830-page report, filed with a federal court, was not made public. The report concluded there

was no basis for filing a criminal indictment.

In Dallas, Texas Republican Party Chairman Fred Meyer also said Meese's decision was correct.

"I think it is the right move for him to make at this time. Unfortunately, when you have these kinds of problems, even though the report vindicates him... nevertheless one's effectiveness is impaired," Meyer said.

"I think he clearly made the right decision, under the circumstances. When you're in the public eye, you have to be extraordinarily careful and fortunate. When there is some controversy, it really impairs your effec-

tiveness," the GOP leader said.

U.S. Rep. Beau Boulter welcomed word of Meese's resignation. "It's good for George Bush, the Republican Party and Beau Boulter."

Boulter, who is trying to unseat Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, said of Meese, "The fact is that he is not a shining example of high standards."

Boulter said the resignation will improve Bush's chances in the presidential election. "George Bush, more than almost anybody, personally insists upon being surrounded by people whose standards of conduct are the highest. Ed Meese did not fit that."



EDWIN MEESE

Hance espouses 'common sense' for government

By SARAH LUMAN
Staff Writer

Maintaining that his attendance at a meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' June meeting was the best thing he could do for Texas, Republican Kent Hance drew a round of applause during a breakfast at Howard College by emphasizing the need for common sense in government.

Hance is running for election to the Commission and appeared as a guest of the college's summer leadership course.

For more than 40 years, he said, the Texas Railroad Commission had indirectly, but effectively, mandated world oil prices through its production allowable system.

"The Railroad Commission maintained allowables based on conservation and prevention of waste of our natural resource," Hance said. He pointed out to an appreciative audience that during the period of 1943 through 1973, when OPEC wrested control

of world oil production and prices from the United States, oil prices had remained relatively stable.

"That was good for consumers and for producers," Hance said. But following the 1973 OPEC boycott, he said, an oil price shock had occurred every six years.

Based on studies made by the Railroad Commission and by the University of Texas geology department, Hance said, another oil shock is probable in 1991 or 1992 — and this time the prices won't be falling, he said.

"We're projecting that gasoline could cost \$2 per gallon or more at the pump," he said.

With that in mind, he said, he chose to take part in the OPEC meetings to give Texas — the seventh largest producer in the world, providing more oil than nine of the 13 OPEC members — "some way to anticipate what would happen, some input, some impact," on oil prices in the future.

"We have come to a time when sitting on the sidelines and sitting in our offices hoping for the best is not good for the state of Texas," he said.

He said he intends to return to the November OPEC meeting to represent Texas and to try to stabilize world oil prices at a level of between \$17.50 and \$19 per barrel, a move he said 10 of the OPEC nations favor.

The motives of the "two or three" OPEC countries determined to keep prices low and unstable are simple, he said: They plan to buy up refineries and other "downstream operations" in hopes of gaining "full control from the wellhead to the gas pump."

Railroad Commission projections indicate that the United States will be dependent on foreign oil for between 60 and 75 percent of total consumption by 1992, he said. That would allow foreign producers "to charge whatever they want," which he said threatens U.S. national security.



KENT HANCE

Abilene police studying former resident's death

HERALD STAFF REPORT

ABILENE — Burglary or robbery is considered the motive behind the July 4 slaying here of a former Big Spring resident.

The body of Maureen Louise Maulden, 76, was found Monday evening in her home by her sister, Mildred Adams, according to a report in today's *Abilene Reporter-News*.

Her death is being treated as a homicide, the report stated.

Abilene police consider burglary or robbery as a motive, since Maulden's purse appears to be missing. Some of her jewelry may be missing, also, the report stated.

Police are awaiting results of an autopsy before making any further determinations in the case.

Maulden is an Abilene native, but lived in Big Spring for several years before returning to Abilene

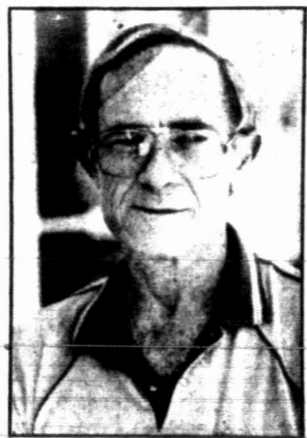
in the early 1970s, Edna Smith, 206 Washington Blvd., said today.

While living here, Maulden and her husband, Lester, resided at 1741 Purdue Ave. He was an engineer for the Texas & Pacific railroad.

She served as president of the Women's Forum from 1966-68, and was active in the First United Methodist Church and garden clubs during her stay here, Mrs. Smith said.

"She was a lovely person," Mrs. Smith said. "It's just sickening. You never expect something like this to happen to someone you know."

Funeral services for Maulden will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Abilene, with burial at Elmwood Memorial Park.



BILL SNEED



RONDA HOUSEHOLDER



CLEO CARLILE



M.J. PARTLOW

Big Spring: Supportive of shooting of aircraft

By MICHAEL DUFFY
Staff Writer

A majority of Big Spring residents were not hesitant about making their feelings known on the U.S. Navy's downing of an Iranian jetliner in the Persian Gulf July 4, an informal survey revealed.

Most of those interviewed said they believed the incident was an accident, but understandable. Only two women refused to respond to questions — one who said she was in a hurry and didn't have time to talk.

All 290 passengers aboard the jetliner died when the USS Vincennes fired two missiles at the target Capt. Will C. Rogers MI believed to be a U.S.-made F-14 attack fighter.

Bill Sneed, 3914 Parkway Road, said he believed the sailors aboard the USS Vincennes "felt they were being attacked. I don't blame the captain."

He said he supports the continued presence of the Navy in the Persian Gulf.

Asked if she felt U.S. Naval action was justifiable, Ronda Householder, Sterling City Rt., said "they (Iran) deserve what they get."

Householder said she favors American policy in the Gulf.

President Reagan has said he has no plans to change his Per-

sian Gulf policy of offering U.S. protection to neutral shipping.

Although he said he wasn't familiar with the specifics of the incident, Cleo Carlile, 608 W. 15th St., said he felt the action taken by the Navy was an accident, but his faith remains strong in the president.

"I believe in Ronald Reagan and his policy. I believe in our leader," he said.

M.J. Partlow, 2403 S. Main St., said he believes the attack on the airliner was an accident and that "you're talking about two different things" comparing it with the Soviet destruction of a Korean Air Lines jetliner on Sept. 1 1983, an attack that killed 269 people.

Partlow responded, "yeah — we can't get out of there now," when asked if the United States should remain in the Persian Gulf.

"It was a terrible accident. Especially when you see relatives (of victims) crying on TV," Lisa Emerson, 400 Hillside Drive, said about the loss of life.

She believes the U.S. government owes the Iranians an apology "and explain how they made a mistake."

R.C. Utley, 1205 E. 16th St., said the Iranian jetliner was contacted by the naval ship numerous times, but refused to

answer.

"They (Iranians) are a vulgar people — that's all I have to say," Utley commented.

Wallace Gill, 3706 Parkway Road, gave the most detailed answers of all the people questioned.

"It was a tragic accident, but they didn't have any choice. I don't see how you can look at a blip on the radar screen and tell the size of a plane," he said of what is supposed to be the Navy's most sophisticated radar system.

Gill said American policy in the Persian Gulf "probably needs to be reviewed," but added it was incomprehensible that Iran would allow a commercial jetliner to take off and fly over an area where combat was in progress.

Reagan has called for a complete investigation by the Defense Department.

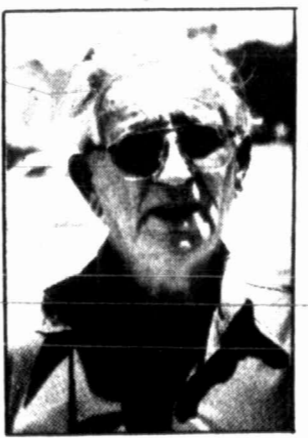
The downing of the jetliner came shortly after the Vincennes had fired at Iranian patrol boats that U.S. officers believed had attacked the ship's helicopter — which was flying patrols in the Strait of Hormuz.

Gill said there was no way the incident could be compared to the Soviet downing of a Korean jetliner.

"The United States doesn't owe an apology to the Iranian



LISA EMERSON



R.C. UTLEY



WALLACE GILL



REGINALD HARRIS

Wife's shooting leads to charges

By SUSAN FAHLGREN-TORRES
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — Police say an 89-year-old invalid begged her husband to "end her pain" before she was shot to death in her bed at a nursing home.

Police said they arrested Walter Joseph Cottrell, 87, minutes after the 8:20 a.m. Tuesday shooting at the Labour Care Center on the St. Paul Medical Center campus.

Cora Lee Cottrell had been a patient at the home since March, after she was treated at the St. Paul hospital for a stroke, said

David Marchetto, spokesman for St. Paul Medical Center.

"She couldn't eat, couldn't swallow and she was in a great deal of pain in her legs," Detective Cathy Harding told the Dallas Morning News. "She just asked her husband to end her pain."

Mrs. Cottrell reportedly had been in poor health for 15 years and had undergone surgery on both legs and her gallbladder. The recent stroke had left her right side paralyzed.

"She had had a serious stroke and she was considered quite ill,"

Marchetto said. "She was terminally ill, actually."

Friends of the couple said Cottrell was devoted to his wife of 65 years, visiting her daily from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Police said he usually brought her fresh clothes and makeup in a traveling case.

"There's nothing to indicate that he called any attention to himself," said Detective Rick Silva. "He apparently went in and shot her one time in the head."

Marchetto said after the shooting, Cottrell "just put the gun down and waited. He didn't

threaten our staff at all."

According to care center administrator Dawn Price, a staff member heard the gunshot and ran to Mrs. Cottrell's room. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation failed.

"We were all very surprised and saddened by the tragic event," Marchetto said. "We had no reason to suspect that there was a problem or that any shooting would occur."

"They were a very close couple," Marchetto said. "They had been married a very long time and do

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Nation

Anti-abortion protestors arrested

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Hundreds of anti-abortion protestors gathered outside an abortion clinic this morning, the day after a previous "Mission Rescue" resulted in 591 arrests.

About 200 people arrived at the Northeast Women's Center shortly after 7 a.m. and started blocking doors in violation of a federal court order.

"We're going to prevent them from doing any abortions," said Juli Loesch, a spokeswoman for

Operation Rescue, a coalition based in Binghamton, N.Y., that organized the protest. "We think that saving one life makes thousands and thousands of sacrifices worthwhile."

The demonstrators, gathering here for three days, blockaded the Women's Suburban Clinic in Paoli on Tuesday in violation of two court orders. Demonstrators who refused to leave surrendered quietly to deputies who carried them away on stretchers.

Police say 'pig discipline' is abuse

HAYWARD, Calif. (AP) — A woman who dressed her 7-year-old son as a pig and tied him to a bench in the front yard where neighbors could view the crying child said she was practicing the kind of discipline her mother used.

According to police, Mary Francis Bergamasco said she wanted her son to understand "for if only 30 minutes that lying and stealing make you ugly like Pinocchio."

It may have been wrong, she said, but "Mom said it worked on us kids."

However, police said her actions constituted child abuse.

"This is a first for me," said Sgt. Craig Hoyer, a child abuse investigator for the Hayward Police Department. "This was public humiliation. I mean, when your peers see you like that, in my mind, it could almost destroy a kid's psyche."

Thirteen bombs fail to explode

SALEM, Ind. (AP) — A bomber's incompetence probably saved Salem from explosions that could have damaged six bridges serving this southern Indiana city as well as offices and businesses, authorities said.

At least 13 improperly wired bombs were discovered Tuesday, but only three of them had ignited, producing only smoke and

small fires. Army bomb disposal units defused the others. There were no injuries and no suspects.

"They used black powder as the cap, and it didn't detonate," said Paul Lyles, emergency management director for the Washington County Department of Civil Defense. "Luckily, the guy who put it there didn't know much about explosives."

AIDS hot line lights up with calls

ATLANTA (AP) — A hot line offering information on AIDS lit up with more than 240,000 calls in the three weeks since the federal government began mailing out brochures on the deadly disease to 107 million American homes.

Since the brochures were mailed out May 26, figures through June 19 indicated that 241,735 calls were placed to the line, said

Fred Kroger, acting director of the National AIDS Information Program at the Centers for Disease Control.

The number of calls "is unprecedented. No other health line has ever received that call volume," he said Tuesday. "It is a pace larger than anything anybody anticipated. It confirms the fact that many people have many questions about AIDS."

No poison found in orange juice

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A carton of orange juice with a note and syringe attached to it was found Tuesday at a supermarket for the second day in a row, police said.

The syringe was sticking into the cardboard of the 64-ounce car-

ton of Minute Maid orange juice when it was found by employees at an Alpha Beta supermarket in suburban Woodland Hills, said police Sgt. Fred Tuggey.

A note attached to the carton said "unsafe packaging," said Bill Wade, spokesman.



The missile cruiser USS Vincennes is reflected in the goggles of helicopter crewman Jim Hadley of Bloomington, Minn. last May 28 as he patrols the Persian Gulf. Hadley was stationed aboard the Vincennes, which shot down an Iranian airliner Sunday, killing 290 people aboard.

Superpowers still maintain relations

WASHINGTON (AP) — The downing of an Iranian plane by a U.S. Navy warship might in an earlier time have put great pressure on U.S.-Soviet relations, but the reaction of both superpowers has been unusually restrained, reflecting continued post-summit good feelings.

Moscow's criticism of the U.S. action has been circumspect while the Reagan administration is downplaying previously stated fears of Soviet expansionism as a rationale for the U.S. military presence in the gulf.

The toning down of rhetoric has been evident on the U.S. side as well.

The Soviets have used the incident to renew their call for the withdrawal of the U.S. naval fleet from the gulf but have stopped short of the type of inflammatory rhetoric that the Reagan administration used to denounce the Soviet attack on a Korean passenger plane five years ago.

Just a year ago, former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger had said that the United States must not retreat from the gulf because "we simply cannot allow the Kremlin to have its will over the region."

But now, perhaps with the afterglow of President Reagan's visit to Moscow still visible, the administration has been citing other factors to defend its gulf policy.

The State Department now says the U.S. goal in the region is to bring the Iran-Iraq war to an end and to protect the security of U.S. friends in the area. References to the Soviet Union have been nonexistent.

World

Reports soldiers fire on protestors

MOSCOW (AP) — Activists said today that soldiers opened fire on protestors who shut down the airport in the Armenian capital of Yerevan and that at least one protester was killed. A Foreign Ministry spokesman denied the report.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman, Vadim Perilyev, told reporters that soldiers routed

400 protestors from inside the terminal at Zvartnots airport Tuesday. He said 36 people were hurt in the confrontation and that one man was killed in another town as a result of "hooliganism" not related to the incident.

Perilyev said the protestors threw rocks and bottles at police and soldiers, according to the news agency Tass.

Mexicans choose president today

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexicans choose a new president and legislature today in balloting expected to leave the governing party in power but also illustrate its eroding influence over the electorate.

The Institutional Revolutionary Party has won every presidential election since it was founded in 1929. But its current candidate, Carlos Salinas de Gortari, 40, has faced the party's stiffest competi-

tion in years.

His victory is expected, but the party is likely to face a tougher challenge of convincing Mexicans and international observers that the election day result is credible.

Cuahtemoc Cardenas on the left and Manuel J. Clouthier of the conservative National Action Party, the strongest contenders, both have made alleged governing party vote fraud a principal campaign issue.

Five hijackers sentenced to hang

ADIYALA, Pakistan (AP) — Five Palestinians were convicted today and sentenced to hang for the bloody 1986 hijacking of a New York-bound Pan Am jumbo jet in which 21 people were killed.

The trial before a special one-judge tribunal was held in a makeshift courtroom in a prison in this town 30 miles west of Islamabad. It began in

September.

The plane, which originated in Bombay, India, was seized on the ground on Sept. 5, 1986 in Pakistan's southern port of Karachi and sat on the tarmac for 17 hours before the ordeal ended in a fusillade.

In addition to those killed, nearly 200 of the 400 passengers were wounded.

Thousands leave for United States

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — More than 11,000 Amerasians and their relatives have left Vietnam for the United States under a special program, the U.S. Embassy said today.

The most recent group consisted of 78 people who arrived in Bangkok from Ho Chi Minh City on Monday, the embassy said.

Since the U.N.-sponsored Orderly Departure Program

began in September 1982, a total of 11,058 Vietnamese-American children and their relatives have left Vietnam, the embassy said.

An unknown number of others have fled the country as refugees.

An estimated 8,000 to 12,000 other Amerasians still are living in Vietnam and the program to relocate those who want to live in the United States continues.

Court to question acquaintances

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — A court will question acquaintances of Mohammed Hamadi, on trial for murder and air piracy in a 1985 TWA hijacking, as it focuses on the key question of his age at the time of the crime.

During the hijacking of the jetliner, 39 Americans were held hostage 17 days and U.S. Navy diver Robert Stethem of Waldorf,

Md., was murdered.

Hamadi's trial began on Tuesday under tight security but was recessed until Thursday after the Lebanese Shiite Moslem refused to take part.

When it reconvenes, the court is expected to question witnesses who knew Hamadi when he lived in Saarland state for a time beginning in 1982.

Traveling circus plans drought benefit

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A circus hit by the drought in its hay bills is planning a special performance to benefit Midwest farmers hurt by stunted crops.

Circus Flora, a St. Louis-based troupe patterned after traveling circuses of the 19th century, hopes to raise \$20,000 to \$30,000 for needy farmers tonight, spokesman

Joshua Leeds said Tuesday. The circus features high-wire and trapeze acts, stunt riders on horseback, clowns and trained animals.

The drought hit home recently when the circus was unable to buy enough hay locally to feed Flora, a 7-year-old baby elephant for which the circus is named, Leeds said.

The cost of a bale of hay has risen from \$1 to \$5 in the past month, members said.

"Our baby elephant, horses and buffalo are eating expensive, out-of-region hay, with imminent shortages anticipated," Leeds said.

"The cost of our groceries will soon reflect the domino effect of this farming crisis."

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Fish lovers

Easy-to-prepare savory seafood recipes

The following seafood recipes were prepared by Annette Reddell Hegen, Marine Advisory Service, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Sea Grant College Program, Texas A&M University System and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

FILLETS IN NUT CRUST

2 pounds skinless fish fillets, snapper pompano, drum or other firm, lean fish
 1/2 cup flour
 1 cup fresh whole wheat bread crumbs
 1 cup finely chopped pecans
 1 egg yolk and 2 egg whites
 2 tbs. olive oil
 Cut fish into serving size portions. Lightly dust with flour. Combine crumbs and nuts in a flat pan. Beat egg yolk and whites with 2 tbs. water in another pan. Heat oil in skillet. Dredge each fish portion in egg wash, then in crumb-nut mixture. Sauté fish on each side for 2 minutes or until golden brown. Carefully place fish on bake-and-serve platter and bake for 5 minutes at 350 degrees to finish. Makes 5 to 6 servings.

CRAB AVOCADO CAKES

1 pound flaked blue crab meat
 1 peeled and chopped avocado
 1/4 cup finely chopped onions
 1 beaten egg

2 tbs. margarine
 2 tbs. fresh lemon juice
 1 tbs. spicy mustard
 1/2 tsp. dried dill weed
 1/4 cup olive oil
 3/4 cup dry bread crumbs
 Place crabmeat in a large mixing bowl. Remove any remaining shell and cartilage. Add remaining ingredients except bread crumbs and stir until blended.



Add 1/4 cup of bread crumbs, reserving remaining 1/2 cup. Form the crab mixture into 6 cakes. Place remaining 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs into flat pan. Dredge crab cakes in crumbs. Heat half the oil and cook 3 crab cakes until golden brown, turning once. Drain and keep warm. Cook remaining crab cakes in oil and serve with avocado slices and lemon wedges if desired. Makes 3 servings of 2 crab cakes each.

SHRIMP SAUCE AND SPAGHETTI SQUASH

1 1/2 pounds raw, peeled and deveined shrimp
 1 medium spaghetti squash, 3 to 3 1/2 pounds
 1 tbs. olive oil
 1 cup minced onions
 2 cloves minced garlic
 1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
 1/2 cup dry white wine
 1/2 tsp. red hot pepper flakes
 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
 1 tbs. fresh lemon juice
 1 tbs. margarine (optional)
 Cut squash in half lengthwise and discard seeds. Steam or bake both halves, cut side down, for 35 to 40 minutes. Or, place whole squash in a steamer and steam for 35 to 40 minutes. Squash should be tender when pressed or pierced with a fork. Set aside. In a skillet, add olive oil and shrimp and sauté for 1 minute. Add onions and garlic and cook until they are soft, about 1 minute more. Add remaining ingredients except margarine and simmer for 2 minutes. Remove from heat. With a fork, "comb" out the pale yellow flesh of the squash, working from the cut edges toward the center to produce long spaghetti-like strands. Reheat squash in saucepan, stirring in margarine if desired. At the same time, reheat shrimp sauce, but do not boil. To serve, spoon sauce over spaghetti squash. Makes 4 servings.

CREOLE BOUILLABAISSE

1 pound fresh fish fillets, cut into 1 1/2-inch chunks
 1 pint fresh oysters
 1 pound fresh shrimp, peeled and deveined
 1/4 cup margarine or vegetable oil
 1/4 cup flour
 1 cup chopped onions
 1/2 cup chopped celery
 2 cloves minced garlic
 2 pounds skinless fish fillets
 1/2 tsp. salt
 1 cup plain yogurt
 1 cup "lite" mayonnaise
 1 pkg. (1.6 ounces) original ranch salad dressing mix
 1 can (2.8 ounces) French fried onions, crushed
 Cut fillets into serving-size portions. Sprinkle with salt. Combine yogurt, mayonnaise and salad dressing mix. Dip fish into 1 cup of the mixture, then roll in crushed onions. Place fish on a well-greased baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 10 minutes per inch of fish thickness or until fish is opaque. Serve with remaining dressing if desired. Makes 6 servings.



light brown. Add onions, celery, garlic and parsley and continue stirring until vegetables are tender. Gradually stir in chicken broth. Add remaining ingredients except seafood. Bring to a boil, then simmer for 10 minutes. Add fish and oysters and simmer for 5 minutes. Add shrimp and cook for 5 minutes more or until all seafood is done. Makes 2 servings.

SEAFOOD SALAD SANDWICH
 1 1/2 pounds cooked and flaked fish
 1/2 cup each chopped stuffed green olives, celery and onions
 1/4 cup chopped dill pickle
 3/8 cup "lite" mayonnaise
 1 1/2 tbs. horseradish

1 tsp. pepper
 1/4 tsp. salt
 In a large mixing bowl, combine all ingredients well and chill. Serve as a sandwich, salad or chunky dip. Make 4 to 6 servings.

SAVORY GRILLED SHRIMP



2 cloves minced garlic
 Juice of 1 lemon
 1 tbs. cracked black pepper
 2 tbs. chopped fresh parsley
 15 slices lean bacon
 Mix oil, lemon juice, pepper and parsley together in flat pan. Marinate shrimp in oil mixture. Prepare grill. Cut excess fat off end of bacon slices. Wrap a slice of bacon around each shrimp and fasten with a wooden pick. Grill shrimp on medium heat for 5 minutes, turning and basting once.

Family cookbooks fruit of summer reunions

DALLAS (AP) — Every other summer, Coyal Maxey Gorman's family holds a giant three-day reunion in Central Texas near the tiny farming community of Chilton where the family settled in the 1800s.

Nearly 80 people, ranging in age from newborn grandchildren to an 86-year-old aunt, stream in from Dallas, Irving, Grand Prairie, Colorado, Georgia and Louisiana, says Mrs. Gorman, who lives in Minden, La. Needless to say, she adds, there's always plenty of food. Everyone brings along their specialties for the salad supper the first night and the fried chicken and barbecued brisket meal the second night. ("You can imagine what it's like frying chicken for 80 people!" she says, laughing).

Six years ago, Mrs. Gorman and her sister, Frances Garrett, decided to collect the family's recipes into a cookbook in time for the next reunion, scheduled for summer 1983.

Letters were sent at Thanksgiving to all the relatives, asking for recipes by Dec. 31.

The response was swift and enthusiastic. "We had 200 recipes by Christmas," Mrs. Gorman recalls.

She and her sister then organized, typed and proofread all of the recipes and sent them off to a publisher in Oklahoma. Six weeks later they had 200 copies of their "Family Secrets" cookbook.

"It cost us \$600 and we sold them to our relatives at the reunion for \$3 a book," Mrs. Gorman says. The books went so fast that Mrs. Gorman barely managed to keep a couple of copies for herself.

"It was so much fun and everyone loved the book so much, we're thinking of doing one every 10 years," she says.

Mrs. Gorman, who has collected nearly 500 cookbooks, admits that "Family Secrets" is "one I use a lot. You can usually find it open on the counter when I'm cooking."

For those who have never thought about a family cookbook, it can be a highly enjoyable project that not only brings a family closer together, but also leaves something for future generations to use and enjoy.

Because summertime is a popular time for family gatherings, consider having relatives bring along their favorite recipes to the next get-together. That's what Madelyn Miller of Dallas did when her mother decided to hold one last family reunion at her lake home.

"My mother decided to organize a family reunion before selling her large lake house in Grand Rapids, Mich.," Mrs. Miller explains. "Ten families from Texas, Michigan and Minnesota were going to come, so I wrote each of them and asked them to bring 20 family favorite recipes."

Mrs. Miller, who has a local public relations firm, says that

reunion was a good way to collect all the recipes she needed for the book.

"I really got the idea to do the book, though, at another family gathering where a 12-year-old cousin's cookies were a huge hit and everyone wanted the recipe," she says.

The idea of the book inspired several family members to get recipes from some of the older relatives who had never bothered to write down the specifics of favorite family dishes.

"One woman sat by her grandmother's side as she cooked, stopping her to measure the amounts she used in her recipe," Mrs. Miller recalls.

Like Mrs. Gorman, it didn't take Mrs. Miller long to organize the recipes for the publishing company.

"The company I used made it easy. They sent me envelopes for each recipe category. Once I got all the recipes, it only took me six hours to distribute them among the envelopes."

In order to avoid hurting anyone's feelings, Mrs. Miller says she used every recipe that was sent to her and made no changes in the way they were written.

"One recipe made no sense at all. I called the woman and asked her if those really were the directions. She told me that was the way she made it, so I put it in as written." Mrs. Miller then chose a cover and dividers from among the choices the company sent her. To pay for the printing costs, she asked each family to contribute \$50.

"Everyone was thrilled with the book. People gave them as Christmas gifts and I've given them to clients and to my kids' teachers," Mrs. Miller says.

"I feel like I've done something to unify the family and leave something for future generations."

Two of the recipes from Mrs. Miller's book, "Sharing Recipes," are on the cover.

The following are some simple recipes that are perfect for serving at a gathering of a large, hungry family.

GRILLED OR ROASTED SPICED HENS

5 Cornish game hens (1 to 1 1/2 pounds each), thawed
 2 tablespoons paprika
 2 tablespoons chili powder
 4 teaspoons garlic powder
 2 teaspoons onion powder
 1 teaspoon celery salt
 Teaspoon salt
 Teaspoon dry mustard
 Teaspoon ground red pepper
 Cup cooking oil

Using a long, heavy knife or kitchen shears, halve hens lengthwise by cutting through the breastbone, just off-center. Then, cut through the center of the backbone. (Or, have your butcher halve the hens for you.) Rinse hen halves; pat dry with paper towels.

In a small mixing bowl, combine all of the seasonings. Add oil; mix well. Brush mixture onto hen halves. Then, grill or roast per directions below:

Grilling: Grill hen halves, bone side up, on an uncovered grill, directly over medium coals for 20 minutes. Turn and grill 10 to 20 minutes more or until birds are tender enough to be easily pierced with a fork.

Roasting: Place the hen halves, cut side down, on racks in two shallow roasting pans. Cover loosely with foil. Roast in a 375-degree oven for 30 minutes. Uncover hens. Roast 45 to 55 minutes more or until tender. Makes 10 servings.

DILLED CORN AND PEA PODS

3 cups fresh pea pods (12 ounces) or two 6-ounce packages Frozen pea pods
 1 package (16 ounces) whole kernel corn
 1 cup water
 1 medium sweet red pepper, cut into bite-size pieces
 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
 1 teaspoon snipped fresh dill or teaspoon dried
 Teaspoon salt
 Teaspoon pepper

If using fresh pea pods, remove tips and strings. If you like, cut fresh or frozen pea pods crosswise into thirds. Set aside.

In a large saucepan, combine corn and water. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, for 4 minutes. Add pea pods and red pepper strips. Return to boiling. Simmer, covered, 2 minutes or more or until vegetables are crisp-tender. Drain well. Stir in butter or margarine, dill, salt and pepper until butter or margarine is melted. Makes 10 servings.

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Rub-a-dub-dub
SILVER LAKE, Wash. — Bruce Carlson isn't playing "this little piggy" with the neon bather on top of the Bunkhouse Tavern in Silver Lake, he's trying to repair the lighting in the foot and toes. "If it's not one thing, it's another," said Carlson, co-owner of the tavern and chief repairman of the electric bather.

Military

Antonio Luna Sanchez, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Sanchez, Garden City, recently enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP). Ahman Sanchez will enter active duty April 25, 1989 and has selected the mechanical career area for training after completing the Air Force's six-week basic training course.

According to Sgt. West, the delayed program is for qualified applicants who have reserved an Air Force job or received an Air Force assignment. The time spent in the DEP will increase a member's seniority for pay purposes once on active duty.

Sanchez is a 1988 graduate of Garden City High School.

Theodora Morales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eusebio Morales, Big Spring, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force.

Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six weeks basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, Airman Morales will receive technical training in the general career area.

Airman Morales is a 1988 graduate of Forsan High School. Airman Morales will be earning credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and other Air Force technical training schools.

Airman Cheri L. Rumpff, daughter of Robert C. and Diane Rumpff, Snyder, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force food service course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.

During the course, students were taught to plan, prepare and serve food while maintaining kitchen and dining hall equipment.

Area brief

Lions Club installs new officers

The Coahoma Lions Club conducted its annual Ladies Night and Officers Installation affair June 27 at Golden Corral.

Deputy District Governor Lelan Canada, Stanton, installed the officers, they are:

Ken Johnson, president; Dennis Smith, first vice president; Charles Parrish, second vice president; Eddie Engel, treasurer; Stan Griffin, secretary; Stanley Blackwell, tail twister; Robert Helm, lion tamer; Phil Wynn and Pete Banks, one-year directors; and Horace Wallin and Sobas Torres, two-year directors.

President Bill Read received the President's Plaque and the Lion of the Year award.

A plaque was awarded to Mary Haddock for his long tenure as secretary of the club.

Horace Wallin received a plaque for his service as treasurer since the club's beginning in 1955.

The Citizen of the Year award was shared by Quail Dobbs and his wife, for their involvement in community affairs.

Guests included Mrs. Selan Canada; and Russell and Clinton Best, Phil Wynn's grandchildren.

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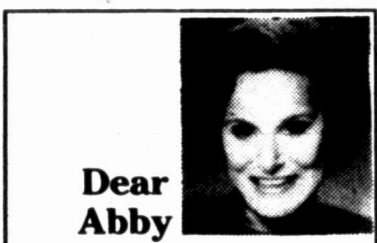
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Avoid using phone when lightning

JOAN M. FOWLER, BALTIMORE



Dear Abby

stantly. In your column you said, "Don't use the telephone unless it's absolutely necessary. Electricity can travel through the telephone wires."

All I could think of was that if she had read Dear Abby in the Syracuse Post-Standard that day, this tragedy could have been avoided.

Abby, we'll never know how many lives you saved that day. Moral: Read Dear Abby every day.

SADDENED IN SYRACUSE
DEAR SADDENED: I checked with the Syracuse Post-Standard and discovered that the cause of death is still in dispute, with some investigators pointing the finger at a microwave oven the woman was standing next to, and others blaming the phone wires. Stay tuned.

DEAR ABBY: Although I have an extraordinary relationship with my mother, my father has never been able to accept affection, or give it. When my older brother, "Buddy," died unexpectedly a couple of years ago, Dad brooded silently over his death. He had never really verbalized his love for Buddy.

Last year, on Father's Day, I took your advice and wrote Dad a letter, telling him how much he meant to me. I recalled some memories — some happy, some sad. When he called to thank me for my "wonderful letter," I was thrilled. Then he told me that he had received a similar letter from Buddy shortly before his untimely death.

Six months ago, Dad suffered a cerebral hemorrhage, causing him to lose most of his long-term memory. Had I put off writing that letter, I would have lost the opportunity to share some of my most cherished memories and tell him how much he meant to me.

I can't tell you how glad I am that I wrote that letter while Dad was still able to enjoy it. Thank you, Abby, for motivating me.

DEAR ABBY: Having just read your article on lightning, I commend you for your efforts, but I must correct one of your "facts."

You said, "Do not use the phone during lightning storms." Abby, there is no possibility of being killed by telephone-line electrical surges caused by nearby lightning strikes, because the size of the wires in the telephone prohibits transmission of high voltage. The wires would "blow," much like a light bulb filament when a light bulb burns out.

However, the rest of your information is very good. You are right: Lightning can strike twice in the same place. In fact, lightning must strike the same place at least eight times before it can be seen by the human eye. Electricity is that fast!

WASHINGTON READER
DEAR READER: Read on, please.

DEAR ABBY: Your column on how to avoid the dangers of lightning ran in the Syracuse (N.Y.) Post-Standard on Saturday, May 21. Thank God, I read it carefully that morning, because Saturday afternoon the storm clouds gathered and I quickly called my three children indoors. We shut all the windows and doors — and stayed away from the windows as you advised. Then the storm broke loose, and it was terrible!

Later we read in the paper that a 22-year-old woman, eight months pregnant, was killed during that storm while talking on the telephone! Lightning had struck the telephone wires and traveled into the receiver, killing her in-

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Meese leaves both questions, depleted department

By PETE YOST
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Resigning Attorney General Edwin Meese III will leave the Justice Department with inexperienced people in key posts and with numerous questions unanswered about his own conduct.

Meese's announcement Tuesday that he will quit this summer short-circuited a planned ethical review of his activities in his own department, where the Office of Professional Responsibility was preparing to examine possible improper conduct by the attorney general. The review could have resulted in a recommendation to President Reagan that Meese be fired.



EDWIN MEESE III

JAMES MCKAY

Reagan, who has stood by Meese during a 14-month criminal investigation that is just now ending, issued a statement saying "Ed Meese has served the American people loyally and well."

The basis for a Justice Department ethics review would have been an 830-page report filed with a federal court Tuesday by independent counsel James McKay.

While the filing signified that McKay was unable to compile enough evidence to seek an indictment of Meese, sources have said the report would be highly critical of Meese's ethical conduct.

The independent counsel looked into Meese's ties to scandal-plagued Wedtech Corp., a \$1 billion Iraqi oil pipeline and his meetings

with regional Bell telephone executives when he held \$14,000 in phone company stock.

McKay also investigated an arrangement in which members of a Washington real estate family arranged to pay a \$40,000-a-year salary for Meese's wife and then won an office lease renewal with the Justice Department.

Meese decided to resign in part out of the realization that he faces a new and intense round of public criticism when the report by McKay is publicly issued in a few weeks, said Justice Department sources, speaking on condition of

anonymity.

By resigning after it has become clear that he will escape indictment, but before the massive report details his activities, Meese is able to declare that he has been vindicated, said the sources.

Meese attempted to play down the importance of the massive document by McKay, saying that "anything that may be in the report is mere commentary and opinion."

Meese declared he had been vindicated at the news conference in California where he made his surprise announcement.

"The false allegations have been put to rest," he said. "I have stated that I would not resign under a cloud, or until I was completely vindicated."

Department spokesman Patrick Korten said the prospect of an ethical review, which could have dragged on for months, was not "a major factor" in Meese's decision to leave. He said Meese decided to quit "within the last week or so," after consulting with his wife and top aides, including counselor William Bradford Reynolds.

Each aspect of McKay's investigation involved Meese's relationship with longtime friend E. Robert Wallach, who is under indictment for alleged racketeering in the Wedtech scandal.

Wallach, interviewed Tuesday evening on CNN's "Larry King Live" program, said McKay "spoke to over 100 witnesses, reviewed thousands and thousands of documents and came up without a single scintilla of evidence of wrongdoing on Ed's part and, I submit, therefore, on my part."

The Justice Department personnel roster has been in a state of flux since the March 29 protest resignations of Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns and criminal division head William Weld. They quit out of concern that Meese's continued tenure was hurting the department's operations and public image.

The new deputy attorney general, Harold Christensen, and criminal division chief, Edward Dennis, have been on the job for little more than a month, while the department's No. 3 official, Associate Attorney General Francis Keating, has been on the job just two months.

Dennis and Christensen have yet to be confirmed by the Senate. Hearings are scheduled before the Senate Judiciary Committee late

this month, around the time Meese has said he will leave.

Meese, 56, said he will return to private life and that "I have had several opportunities presented to me over the past few months." He did not elaborate.

Meese has been attorney general since Feb. 25, 1985, before that he was White House counselor. His friendship with Reagan dates back to their days together in California, where Reagan was governor.

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Persons who have questions regarding this tariff filing may also contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas in writing, at 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or by calling the Public Information Office at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 for teletypewriter for the deaf.



Friends, foes welcome Meese move

WASHINGTON (AP) — Friends and foes of Edwin Meese III agree with the attorney general's decision to quit, but differ over whether he served President Reagan with distinction or dishonor.

The administration's most controversial active Cabinet member announced Tuesday he will leave in late July or early August, and proclaimed that an 830-page independent counsel's report on his conduct "completely vindicates me."

Sources said Independent Counsel James McKay decided not to seek criminal charges against Meese for his ties with the scandal-plagued Wedtech Corp. or any other activity.

But critics warned the attorney general's backers not to be too exuberant, because the report's con-

clusions about his ethical conduct could still be "devastating."

Sen. Patrick J. Leahy, D-Vt., one of Meese's critics on the Judiciary Committee, said "the damage has already been done" to the Justice Department by Meese's conduct.

"I didn't think anything could get him to leave. Certainly everybody's been telling him he's doing enormous damage to the department," he said.

But Sen. Orrin G. Hatch of Utah, a Republican supporter of Meese on the Judiciary panel, indicated Meese decided to quit after learning the report would recommend against filing criminal charges.

"All he wanted to do was hang in there just to vindicate himself and then resign," Hatch said.

"I don't know of anybody else

who's been kicked around as much as Ed Meese and his family have been in this town. He's gone through unholy hell for the last number of years," said Hatch.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., whose Governmental Affairs subcommittee issued a critical report on Meese's ethics, was one of those urging the attorney general to be cautious until a federal court releases the still-secret report.

He said an "ethical cloud" will hang over Meese until the report is made public.

Generally, the resignation announcement gave longtime Meese critics a new excuse to attack him, and his backers another chance to defend the nation's chief law enforcement officer.

"Any student in an introductory

course in American politics knows that simply staying out of prison cannot be the standard for remaining as the attorney general," said Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich.

Sen. Howard M. Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, a Judiciary Committee member, called Meese "an embarrassment to the United States. His resignation is long overdue and should have come months ago."

The ranking Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee, Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, commended Meese for serving the country "in a highly capable manner."

Hatch predicted Meese's critics will try to keep Meese "in front of the public eye... and blow this thing out of proportion even with the vindication."

Report: Bentsen, Glenn top Demo VP list

HOUSTON (AP) — Michael Dukakis is leaning toward the selection of Texas Sen. Lloyd Bentsen or Ohio Sen. John Glenn as his Democratic running mate, the *Houston Chronicle* reported today.

The newspaper quoted two sources close to the Dukakis campaign, who spoke on the condition of anonymity. The sources cautioned that the decision has not been made, but said that Dukakis indicates he will choose one of the two senators, both from critical states.

The *Chronicle* reported one source said an Independence Day dinner hosted in Brookline, Mass., by Dukakis and his wife, Kitty, for Jesse Jackson and his wife, Jackie, was arranged to give Dukakis an opportunity to tell Jackson he won't be selected for the No. 2 spot.

The Massachusetts governor, the certain Democratic presidential nominee, Jackson, and their wives attended the annual Boston Pops concert and fireworks display after the dinner but refused to say what was discussed at the private meeting.

Meanwhile, Dukakis and Bentsen have scheduled a Friday campaign appearance in Texarkana.

Bentsen has said he is not interested in the vice presidency and doesn't want to be offered the position, but his name has consistently been mentioned among those getting serious consideration.

One source said Dukakis is considering that the Democrats have never won the White House without carrying Texas, but also that Bentsen might not clinch the state which

George Bush, the certain Republican nominee, calls home.

Polls indicate Bush is leading in Texas, but that putting Bentsen on the ticket would boost Dukakis' chances.

Dukakis also is reportedly considering that the Republicans have never won the White House without carrying Ohio, and that Glenn like-

ly could clinch that state.

Speculation about Dukakis' chances in Texas was high, as a planeload of Texas natural gas producers arrived in Boston for a meeting today with New England utility companies and other natural gas consumers.

Though organizers insist the meeting was not designed to pro-

mote Dukakis, it highlighted his energy policy for Texas — to open New England markets for Texas natural gas.

Texas Railroad Commissioner John Sharp, Dukakis' Texas campaign chairman, and a conference organizer, said all Texas statewide elected officials were invited, but only Democrats went.

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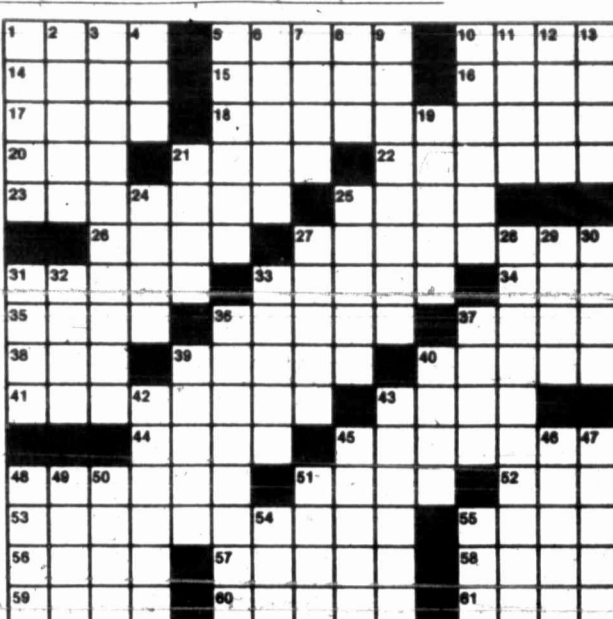
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JEANE DIXON'S Your Horoscope

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 1988

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Your willingness to make and keep commitments is the key to progress. Success comes slowly, but will be long-lasting. You work at keeping your health and diet resolutions. Your dependability and insights make you valuable to those in charge. Be sure to get paid what you are worth. Let go of a fading friendship. Your shyness is part of your charm and one reason so many people love you.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: trumpeter Doc Severinsen, attorney William

of you closer to your career goals. Follow up on a promise to mate. Do not shirk your responsibilities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Promises are only as good as the individual who makes them. Your sacrifice now rather than later. Enjoy sports activities — good health!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Rush and you will end up working twice as long. An impractical plan will backfire. Teamwork and planning are the real answer to your problem. Enjoy a play or movie with friends.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You have the ability to persuade a stubborn foe to jump on your bandwagon. Be open in personal matters. Popularity is less important than getting results. Show what you are really made of.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Live life to the hilt. Financial problems will soon be a thing of the past. Do not underestimate the importance of little things in building a lasting relationship. Be loyal. Resist temptation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Casual remarks could be misunderstood, hurting someone special. Apologize. Teamwork will bring all

special talent could mean greater prestige or pay. A younger person singles you out. Offer help in an emergency.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A stranger's cooperation helps you achieve a career goal. Be on the lookout for interesting new opportunities. Romance may be hazardous to your pocketbook. Slow down. Suggest inexpensive entertainment for a change.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Promises made by an influential person may not be fulfilled. Play hard to get in business. Make the best possible use of any important contacts. A last-minute social invitation is appealing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your workload may increase, but so will your paycheck. Work in solitude if dealing with financial figures. An expert's advice is worth the price. Romance cheers you. Speak from the heart.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Know your priorities and act accordingly. A change in a professional or personal relationship is probably for the best. A friend or relative holds the answer to a perplexing puzzle. Ask direct questions.

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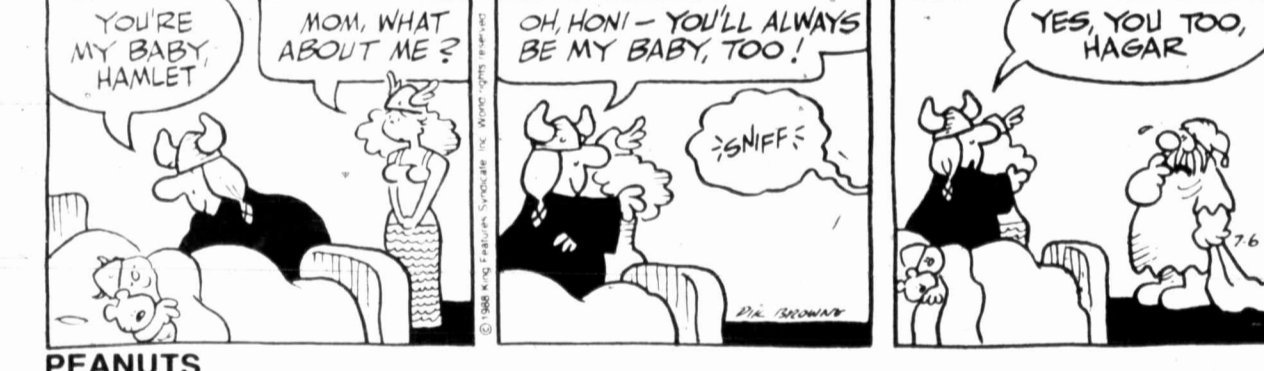


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Old Settlers' Reunion Saturday



ONLY ONE — Rufus Tom and his wife, the former Edwenna Shane. Rufus is the son of Edmund Tom, who was the son of Charley and Zora Paschal Tom. He is the only surviving Martin County male with the surname of tom.



THREE — Villa Tom Wilkinson, center, is flanked, right, by her daughter, Bobby Yater, and her granddaughter, Michela Hull. Mrs. Wilkinson is the daughter of George and Irene Tom.

The theme for Martin County Old Settlers' 55th Reunion parade this Saturday is "Our Military Heritage."

A special feature this year will be the Buffalo Soldiers from Old Fort Concho. Frances Biggs, publicity chairman, said today.

The event will include foot soldiers and army wagon and mules in the parade. "The unit will set up a living history exhibit on the courthouse lawn," Mrs. Biggs said.

Old Settlers will honor Edgar Standifer, Stanton's only living World War I veteran.

Also honored in the parade and at the Martin County Historical Museum during the day will be the descendants of Charley Tom, George Tom and Peter Tom who came to our county in 1894.

Cash prizes will be given for the best old-fashioned dressed man, woman, boy and girl. Also there will be \$50, \$35 and \$25 prizes awarded for the three best floats.

Many Stanton High School classes will be having reunions including the classes of 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968 and 1978.

Schedule of events

Beginning at 9:00 a.m. registration and visiting at the Community Center. Entertainment in the afternoon.

10 a.m. — Parade
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. — Old Jail Museum and Martin County Museum open.

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. — Courtney Community Reunion at the Cap Rock Electric building.

11:30 a.m. — Downtown street games for everyone, including the following:
Cow Chip Throwing

Tortilla Toss (for kids)
Tobacco Spitting
Bubble Gum Blowing
Egg Toss
Jello Eating.

Noon - 5 p.m. — Guided tours through the old convent.
2 p.m. — Roping at the Martin County Arena.

6 p.m. — Children's games at the City Park.
7 p.m. — Barbecue at the City Park (\$4.50)

8 p.m. — Program and election of officers in the park.



TWO POES — Eleanor Houston Poe, right, and her daughter, Suzanna Poe. Mrs. Poe is the daughter of Alonzo (Toad) Houston and Anna Mae Tom Houston. Anna Mae was the daughter of Charley and Zora Paschal Tom.



WIDOW — Lora Bell Tom is the widow of Glen (Hoot) Tom, who was the son of George and Irene Tom. Lora Bell Tom was also the mother of George Tom, who was killed on duty in Vietnam.

Tom Family honored at 1988 Old Settlers' Reunion

By PEGGY LUXTON

Cap Rock Electric Cooperative, Inc.
For most of the last century, the surname of Tom has been interspersed with the history of Martin County. There have been Toms along the streets of Stanton, along the county roads and in the church pews for almost as long anyone can remember. They are, indeed, a pioneering family. They are the pioneers of Stanton that will be honored at this year's Old Settlers' Reunion.

The first of the Tom clan to reach Martin County were Charley and Zora Paschal Tom, who came in 1894 from Brady, Texas. Charley and Zora brought with them their children Ada, Alfred, Jim and Lelia. Edmund, Anna Mae and

Herbert were Stanton-born. Two other children, Lilli and Willie, died at birth.

In the late 1800s, there was nothing where the present community of Lenorah is located. The area around what is now Lenorah was referred to as Plainview. It was all but a part of the vast area of land north of the town of Stanton. That is where Charley Tom filed on land. Four sections of that land became Tom land.

The Tom children attended school in the convent. The girls later went to school in Dallas and San Antonio. The boys could only attend the convent school until the age of 10, at which time they were enrolled in public school. Some of the children attended school in

Plainview (Lenorah) and also the Brownlee School.

The Tom family began their contributions to their newly-adopted home of Martin County early. Charley was sheriff of Martin County for several years, until 1908. In 1895, Charley was joined in Martin County by his brothers, Peter and George, and their sister, Mary. George held office as Martin County Treasurer while his brother, Charley served as sheriff. Soon after, their parents, Alfred and Mary Campbell Tom, joined their children in Martin County.

The Toms quickly adapted to life on their ranch on land near the old Plainview community. They built a big white house, with two gables and an upstairs porch. The house

was a landmark which could easily be seen from the road leading to Plainview.

One of the Charley Tom daughters, Ada, never married. She died in 1930. Jim became a bank cashier at the age of 22 and worked at the bank until his retirement in 1966. He died just three years after his retirement.

Alfred married Rosalie Orson and their children were Charles Alfred and Joan Frances. Jim married Erlene Sadler and the couple had no children. Lelia married Joe Ellis and their four children were Dorothy, Stanley, Peggy and Patty.

Edmund married Louise Deavenport. Their children were a son, Rufus, and a daughter, Leslie Jean. Herbert married Mamie Connell and they had no children. Anna Mae married Alonzo (Toad) Houston. They were the parents of four daughters and two sons: Eleanor, Bernard, Zora Lou, Sue, Janice and Fred.

When the others in the Tom family joined Charley in Martin County, they also filed on county land. Peter's land was located west of Charley's land. George's land was south of Peter's land and their sister, Mary's, land was east of George's land.

Peter was single when he came to Martin County. He married Una Taylor. They had homes both on the ranch and in Stanton. They had one son, Ronald. Ronald graduated from the convent and settled in Chicago. He and his wife had two daughters.

Peter and Una Tom left Stanton at one time, but returned after Peter's retirement. When his health began to fail, they went to live with Ronald and his family. Shortly after this move, both Peter and Una died. Ronald followed his parents in death very shortly. All three were returned to Stanton and buried in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

George Tom arrived in Martin County in a wagon, driving horses and leading a pack horse. George, Peter and Mary each filed on a section of land. Mary later sold her land to Cal Houston and the brothers bought more land.

Two years after reaching Martin County, George Tom took a wife. He married Irene Flanagan. Their children were Angela, Villa, Ellison, Ilamae, Glen (Hoot), and Maxine. The first house they raised on their section of land was a four-room, unpainted board and slat house.

Life in the tiny ranch house was anything but dull. They did not

have screen doors. On Hoot's fourth birthday, a hawk chased a prairie chicken in through the door. Irene Tom shut the door, caught the prairie chicken, and served it up for her son's birthday dinner.

The George Tom ranch house was about nine miles northeast of Charley's ranch. The families spent a great deal of time visiting back and forth.

History is not made and counties are not settled without hardships. The Toms used lye soap they made from old lard and chittlings. The Tom women dissolved the lye in a brown crock pitcher. It was cooked for hours in a washpot until it was as smooth as pie filling, then left to cool overnight. The next day, the soap was cut into blocks with a butcher knife or a saw.

On washday, the soap was chipped into a pan and put on to boil. When it was thoroughly melted, it was rubbed on dirty clothes on a rub-board. Then the clothes were left to boil in the washpot. They were rubbed again on the rub-board and rinsed in three tubs of water. All this water was carried from the windmill.

It was a great boon to the Tom women, and, indeed, to all pioneer women, when their husbands built a wash house. No more carrying water on washday — the water was piped right up into the wash house.

The George Toms also built a house in Stanton. The family moved to town after the patriarch, Mary Campbell Tom, died. Mary had been born in County Donegal, Ireland. After her mother died, she brought four younger brothers and sisters with her to Texas.

In the early days, it was hard to avoid sickness and disease. One year when the scarlet fever was bad in town, the family went to live at the ranch, hoping to escape the disease. When they thought it was safe, they came back to town. Every member of the family came down with the fever.

The Tom family survived the flu epidemic, though almost the whole family had the disease. Sometimes several members of one family were killed by the disease. There were hardly enough healthy people to bury the dead.

George sold his ranch to his brother, Peter, in 1910 and the family moved to what is now known as the old Earl Powell ranch. George entered into a partnership with a Mr. Bryant and a Mr. Elkin. They owned and leased about 200 sections of land. The George Tom family moved from there to the old Mulky place and in 1917, George bought land in what is

now the Merrick Community. He also established a ranch in Andrews County.

When George Tom decided to become a West Texas rancher, he also left himself open for the good and bad times that have visited ranchers for generations. He had to cope with drought so bad that bear grass had to be cut and fed to the cattle. The drought forced him to drive his cattle to Bovina, Texas, where there was grass. The 40 head of Tom cattle were driven right through Lubbock, which was not a very big town then.

If ranchers survived the drought, as soon as seasons changed, they had blizzards with which to contend.

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Early Stanton's Saturday lunch perks memories

By PEGGY LUXTON

Cap Rock Electric Cooperative
A lot of reminiscing goes on about this time every year. Many people remember the "good old days" and the way Stanton used to be.

On Saturdays, back in those early days, everybody came to town. The whole town was alive with visiting back and forth. It was a time to show off new babies and new clothes. It was a time to visit the businesses of Stanton and stock up on what might not be readily available on outlying farms and ranches. It was a day when country-folk shed a whole week's worth of isolation and loneliness.

Part of the excitement of Saturday's trip to town was furnished by Tommy Lee's Hamburger Stand. It was on Main Street, at one time in the building where the boot shop used to be and another time in the block where First National

Bank is now located. Price of Tommy Lee's hamburgers were a dollar a dozen. They could be washed down with a nickel Coke.

Villa Wilkinson remembers that on Saturdays, her cousin, Anna Mae Houston, would buy the first dozen hamburgers. Villa would visit the stand for the second dozen. They managed to feed themselves, their husbands and all the hungry kids on that \$2 worth of hamburgers.

Though the people and the visitors in Martin County won't find any dollar-a-dozen hamburgers on Main Street this weekend, they will find the same old fun and excitement of meeting with old friends and visiting with neighbors that was enjoyed on Stanton's Main Street all those many Saturdays ago.

This weekend will mark the 1988 Old Settlers' Reunion in Stanton. The Martin County Historical Museum

will honor the Tom family as early settlers. The museum will be open from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. and will feature Tom family memorabilia as well as members of that family.

A parade is featured at 10 a.m. There will be floats, horsemen and the Shriners motor patrol is expected. New cars and antique cars will be in the parade, and you might even catch a glimpse of a surrey with the fringe on top.

A barbecue, catered by Johnny's Barbecue of Midland, will take place at 6 p.m. at the City Park and Michael Payne's band will play for a street dance following the barbecue.

The Old Settlers' Reunion is the one time every year when citizens of Martin County and those who have moved away gather to pay honor to their forbears, who settled not only the town of Stanton, but the surrounding countryside as well.



(Photo by Roy Lee Barnhill)
FLAGPOLE PAINTER — Sam Gillette, 57, calls Shawnee, Okla., home. However, he goes from town to town painting flagpoles. He is shown above painting one of four flagpoles owned by Martin County. Sam also painted a flagpole owned by First National Bank.

Peacekeeper MX: Should it ride the rails? Yes, says Stenholm

By CHARLES W. STENHOLM
U.S. Representative (D-Stamford)

The Peacekeeper MX is the foremost ICBM now in existence. During 17 test flights, the MX has met or exceeded every performance or design requirement.

The program is on schedule and below predicted costs.

The missile is so accurate that it can achieve direct hits on the strongest Soviet targets.

Simply put, the MX is the finest ballistic missile in the world today.

The superior quality of the missile has made it difficult for critics to credibly attack the missile itself.

Instead they have concentrated their attacks on the rail garrison mode of deploying the missile.

Critics acknowledge the fact that

it would be very difficult to target missiles dispersed along the nation's 180,000 miles of railroad track during a period of crisis. Instead the critics have asserted that rail garrison could not effectively disperse the missiles in the face of a surprise attack.

In fact, trains would be on alert, just as bombers are on alert today at Dyess, to guard against any surprise. In addition, the other forces in the strategic triad, the submarine-launched missiles and the bombers, would remain and serve to deter any surprise attack.

The complementary nature of our various strategic forces points to the wisdom of maintaining the nuclear triad.

We are presently modernizing our strategic forces: replacing the B-52 with the B-1, developing the Stealth bomber, introducing the more ac-

curate D-5 missiles on our submarines and replacing the nearly 30-year-old Minuteman missiles with the MX.

Most opponents of the MX recognize the need for maintaining the triad and replacing the Minuteman and hence have advocated the development to the Midgetman, as an alternative system.

These critics charge that once placed the rail garrison would be potentially vulnerable to sabotage or could get in an accident endangering civilians.

They assert the truck-mounted Midgetman would be less vulnerable to these threats. I am confident that our military is capable of thwarting the threat of sabotage within our own borders, and I am puzzled by unfounded assertions that a truck-mounted

missile is less vulnerable to sabotage than one on a train. Statistically, there is definitely less risk of an accident involving missile mounted on a train than on truck.

There is a final very good argument for the MX, which the critics choose to ignore, and that is the question of cost.

The MX Rail Garrison would cost \$20 billion less than the Midgetman.

Proceeding with Midgetman, instead of the MX, would result in cuts in other vital defense programs and a reduction in our overall security without obtaining a missile in any way superior to the MX.

One almost has to wonder if any of those MX opponents advocating

the Midgetman are in fact supportive of the modernization of our strategic forces.

Those opposed to the MX have taken stands against the Trident D-5 and the Stealth Bomber as well. In other words, they are opposed to every effort to modernize our strategic forces.

I support modernization and believe that we can only achieve real peace through strength. Negotiations from weakness can only produce the peace of surrender and we enjoy too many freedoms and rights to willingly give them up.

I believe the MX rail garrison has a major role to play in securing the peace, and I am working to see that Abilene is its future home.

4-H girls tour firms

By SHAUNA LEE BUTLER

A group of 4-H girls met at the home of Rebeca Riley. Rebeca told us different things about 4-H and what we do. She also told us that we were also going to tour some places.

First we went to Haislips. Mrs. Bob Wilson shared how to mix and match outfits. Rebeca also took us to the court house for a stain removal program. We learned how to take out stains.

If you have any questions please call Kathren Burch at 756-3316. Ask for the stain removal program. We also went to Perry's. We learned about fabric and patterns. She taught us how to read a guide sheet to a pattern.

Rebeca also showed us different kinds of sewing. We had a fun day touring the place.

City sales tax rebate up 137 percent from last year!

Stanton's sales tax rebate for June is a whopping 137 percent higher than last year's June payment.

The city of Stanton collected a June sales tax rebate payment of \$6,010 from the state, compared to \$2,527 during June of last year.

Stanton has collected a total of \$31,112 in sales tax so far this year, compared to \$23,652 last year at this time — an increase of 31 percent.

Tax rebate for Coahoma sagged 2.20 percent during June of this year, compared to June of 1987. Payment dropped from \$1,500 to \$1,467. Coahoma collected a total of \$12,387 in sales tax so far in 1988, compared to \$11,333 for the same period in 1987 — up 9.30 percent.

Big Spring recorded a surprising increase in payment in June of this year of \$93,643, compared to \$71,959 during June of last year, an increase of 30.13 percent.

Big Spring received payment of \$717,313 so far this year, compared to \$690,118 this time last year — an increase of 2.275 percent.

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said today that Texas cities can expect handsome revenue increases from their local sales taxes as the Texas economic recovery continues to pick up steam.

This month's city allocation

checks showed a 23.5 percent increase over June 1987, a growth rate too high to attribute to the broadened sales tax base.

"Local governments will continue to see a healthy increase in revenues from their sales taxes as the state's economy mends and consumer confidence grows," Bullock said.

Texas' economic outlook will continue to improve, barring a national recession or a collapse in oil prices, according to Bullock.

Checks totaling \$65.1 million were sent to 878 cities that collect local option sales taxes at either one or one and one-half percent.

Since January, the state has sent \$465.9 million in local taxes to cities across the state, an increase of 10.3 percent over last year's allocations during the same period.

"This increase is too great to be attributed to the Legislature's broadening of the sales tax base, which was estimated to bring in an extra 3.5 percent in local revenues," Bullock said.

Bullock projected that local sales tax revenues statewide will continue to increase at an average rate of more than eight percent a year through 1991.

Bullock said counties that began collecting a half-percent county sales tax in January can also ex-

pect to see increasing revenues throughout 1988. Checks totaling \$6 million were sent to 80 counties on Friday, Bullock said.

Houston saw the greatest increase in revenue this month — their check of \$11.2 million was a giant 35.6 percent increase over last year's June payment. Dallas' payment of \$7.4 million reflected a healthy increase of 18.1 percent, while San Antonio's \$3.9 million check grew by 17.7 percent over June 1987.

El Paso County received the largest payment totaling \$870,828. Jefferson County's check of \$556,464 was the second largest, and the third largest payment, \$459,637, went to Lubbock County.

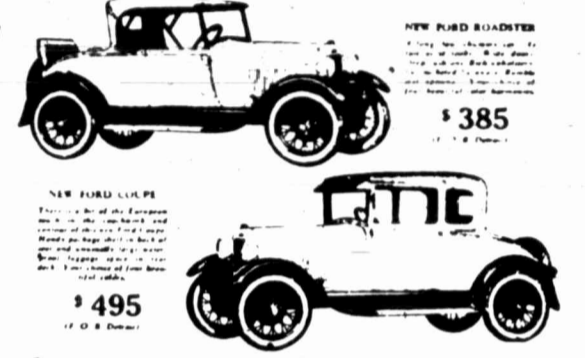
Bullock said the state's six metropolitan transit authorities received \$28.8 million in June allocations, an increase of 18.4 percent over last year's payments.

El Paso received the first allocation check this month for the city transit department tax, which went into effect on April 1 this year. June's allocation payment was \$684,508.

The MTA's and the CTD should continue to see an increase in revenues along with the cities and counties, Bullock said.

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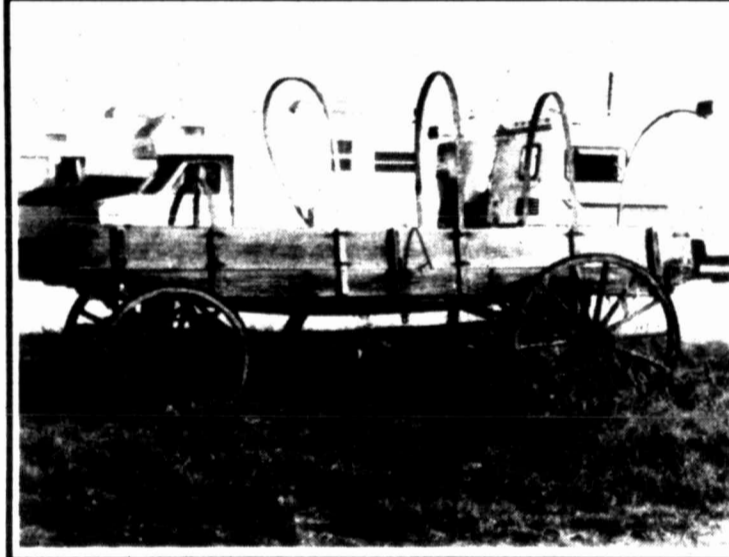
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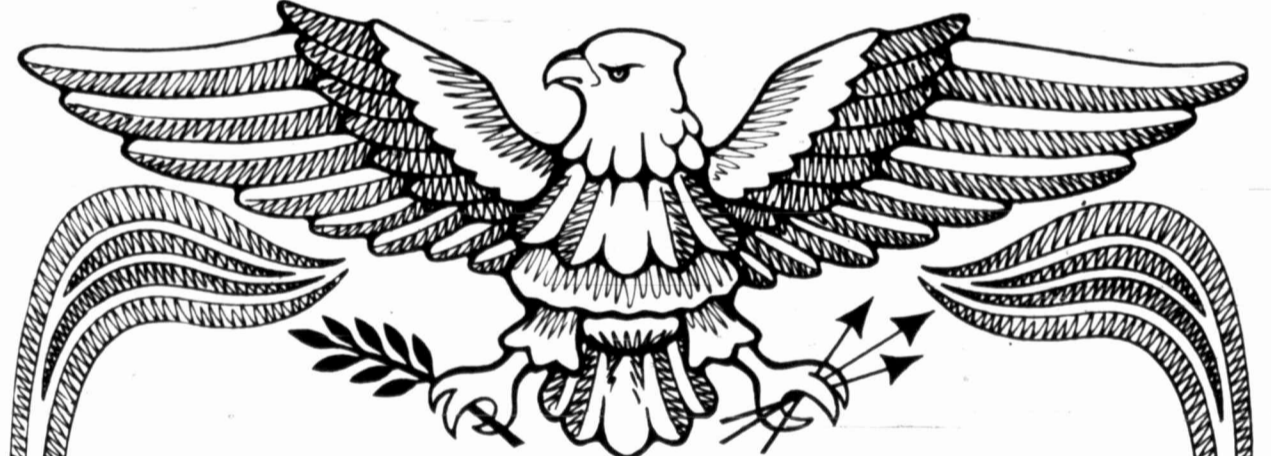
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Tom

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 tend. In one killer blizzard, George lost 160 head of cattle when they drifted to a fence on a hill, piled up and froze.

Of Charley Tom's progeny, only a grandson and a granddaughter still live in Stanton. The grandson is Rufus Tom. He is the only Stanton male to carry the name of Tom. He and his wife, the former Edwena Shane, live on a farm about two and a half miles southeast of Stanton. They have five daughters, Raegan, Charlsa, Leann, Pamala and Stacie.

Rufus Tom is the son of Edmund, who was the son of Charley and Zora Paschal Tom. Edmund was the first of the Charley Tom sons to be born in Stanton.

The other Charley Tom grandchild in Stanton is Eleanor Poe, daughter of Anna Mae Tom Houston and Alonzo (Toad) Houston. She lives on North St. Mary Street in Stanton. She and her late husband, J. D. Poe, had two children, David and Suzanna. Eleanor has been the oldest living member of the Charley Tom family for the last 20 years.

Other living grandchildren of Charley and Zora Paschal Tom are Zora Lee Winslow, who lives in Midland; Sue Corson, who lives in Big Spring; Janice Lloyd, who lives in Idaho; and Fred Houston, who lives in Vernon.

Other descendants of Charley and Zora Tom were Ada, who never married and had no children; Alfred, who had two children; Jim, who had no children; Lelia, who had four children; and Herbert, who died five months after his marriage and had no children.

Of the Peter Tom family, there remains only Ronald's widow and her two daughters. They moved years ago out-of-state and the rest of the family lost touch with them. Mary Tom never married. She died of consumption in 1907.

Of the George Tom family, three of the daughters are still living. Villa Tom Wilkenson lives on the Lamesa Highway just north of Stanton. Villa and her late husband, S. M. Wilkenson, had three

children. Their son, George William (Wamp), lives in Big Spring. Bobby Yater lives with her family in Stanton. Pat Hull lives in Midland.

Ilamae married Ernest Epley and they had four children. The children are Sheila Martin, Ernest M., Jr., Angela Cain and Diane Epley. The family lives in California.

Maxine Tom married W. T. Bridges. Their children are D'Aun Cunningham and Gene. Maxine lives in Fort Worth.

Deceased children of George and Irene Tom are Ellison Tom, Angela Tom and Glen (Hoot) Tom. Ellison's son, Ellison, Jr., lives in Andrews. His daughter, Rose Nell Cherry, has been Midland County Clerk for over thirty years. Another son, James Robert, lives in Midland, as does another daughter, Barbara Jowell.

Angela Tom became Sister M. Dolorene when she joined the Maryknoll Order in New York State. She traveled extensively in Korea on missionary work. She died in a convent.

Glen (Hoot) Tom's widow, Lora Bell Tom, lives on West Third Street in Stanton. Hoot's son, Bobby Glen, died in 1974. Glen and Lora Mae's son, George, was killed in the Vietnam war.

Alfred, the family patriarch, did not live too long after following his family to Martin County. His widow, Mary Campbell Tom, lived with relatives after her husband's death. She helped raise many of the Tom grandchildren. Villa Tom Wilkenson, her granddaughter, remembers her grandmother best at her prayers. She says her grandmother would go into her bedroom and sit in her wicker rocking chair and pray aloud. In her later years, Mary Campbell Tom told her family she wanted to go live in the convent, where she could have some privacy and some time to pray. She was living in the convent when she died in 1925.

Mary's husband, Alfred, was a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He was also a Texas Ranger. His great-granddaughter, Eleanor Poe, said her mother used to tell

her stories of her grandfather's exploits and she once owned a copy of her grandfather's Texas Ranger group picture. Alfred died with part of an Indian arrow in his leg. Though no one living knows the story of how the arrow got into Alfred's leg, Mrs. Poe's mother used to tell her it was there.

Mary Campbell Tom settled with her family just north of Corpus Christi. The town of Campbellton, Texas, is named after her family. The Tom family lived around Brady and San Saba and Eleanor Poe says that the marriage of Alfred Tom and Mary Campbell was not the only Tom-Campbell alliance that came out of that area.

Ada, Charley Tom's oldest daughter, went to work in the Martin County Courthouse in the early 1900s. Her hand-written records are still there. Villa Tom Wilkenson's daughter, Bobby Yater, works in that same office today. The two were second cousins and their tenures in the Martin County Courthouse were separated by at least a 50-year span.

The survivors of the Tom family state that 30 years ago in Martin County, there were two groups of families. The first group was made up of members of the Atchinson-Kelly-Henson families. The second group was made up of the Tom-Houston-Flanagan families. Almost every soul living in Martin County at that time was related in some way to one of these family groups. The Tom family members living in this area now estimate there was approximately 100 members of the family still living, though most have moved from this area.

Eleanor Poe says she remembers Saturdays in Martin County as the days that offered the most fun. Everyone rushed through the noon meal, so as to get to Stanton as soon as possible after noon. Reason for the rush was to find a good parking space on Main Street. If you could not find a Main Street parking place, you might as well go back home. Once the parking place was procured, whole families left their cars to walk up and down the street, visiting with

friends and relatives.

Eleanor also remembers the excitement of election day in early Martin County. Everyone came to town, as there were very few radios and even fewer broadcasting stations. When they came to town, they came prepared to spend the whole day. A big blackboard was mounted above the awning of Joe Hall's drugstore, wherever his drugstore was located at the time. (She said Joe Hall had a drugstore for years, but it used to change location from time to time.) The blackboard held a running tally of how the elections were going, not only local elections, but national elections as well. Nobody went home until the elections were decided.

Stanton's St. Joseph Catholic Church was the church home for the large Tom family. It is still the church home for many of the surviving family members. Eight-month-old Jamie Crawford is representative of the sixth generation of Toms to worship in the church. Those generations are represented by:

1st generation: Mary Campbell Tom, wife of Alfred and mother of Charley, George, Peter and Mary Tom.

2nd generation: Charley Tom, who was the first Tom to move to Martin County.

3rd generation: Anna Mae Tom Houston, daughter of Charley and Zora Paschal Tom.

4th generation: Janice Houston Lloyd, daughter of Alonzo (Toad) Houston and Anna Mae Tom Houston.

5th generation: Angie Lloyd Crawford, daughter of Janice Houston Lloyd and Carl Lloyd.

6th generation: Jamie Crawford, son of Angie Lloyd Crawford and Paul Crawford.

Jamie Crawford is the great-great-grandson of Alfred and Mary Campbell Tom.

As the Tom family made its presence known in Martin County, so are several burial plots marked Tom at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. There, the Tom family plots mark the graves of many generations of Toms. Among those

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buried there are Alfred and Mary Campbell Tom, Charley and Zora Tom, Ada Tom, Mary Tom, George and Irene Tom, Peter and Una Tom, Glen (Hoot) Tom, George Tom and many others.

But the markers of the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery are not the only reminders of one of the families that molded and built Martin County in the early days. Hardly anything was not founded, built or touched by Tom hands. Their influence is felt in many and varied

ways and it is fitting that the 1988 Martin County Old Settlers Reunion should recognize and honor Alfred and Mary Campbell Tom, their children, Charley, George, Peter and Mary Tom, their children, and their children's children.

The Martin County Historical Museum will have on display a large number of photographs and other mementos of the Tom family during the reunion. Surviving members of the family will be on hand at the museum as well.

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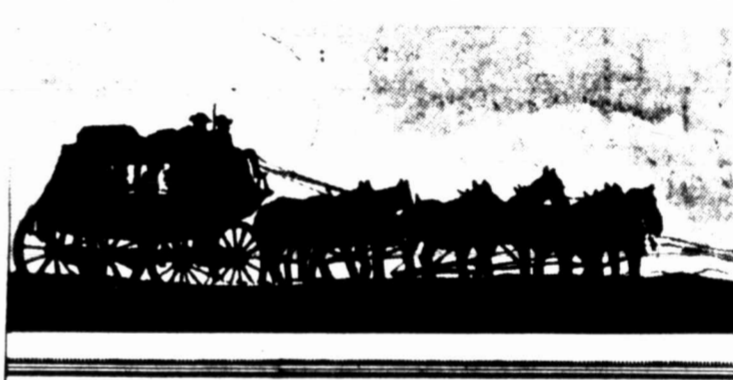
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Editorial/opinion

Views of papers across the U.S.

Here is a sampling of editorial opinion from across the nation:

Increase anti-pollution efforts

Look closely at the news photos from drought-stricken farm regions, at images of sun-baked land and withered crops. If a group of scientists who testified before a congressional hearing last week are right, pictures like that could be common in years to come — and we have only ourselves to blame.

The cars that clog our freeways, the factories and power plants that spew pollutants into the air, the massive deforestation taking place in poor countries — they all contribute to the "greenhouse effect," a warming trend expected to profoundly impact our planet.

The four warmest years of the last 100 have been in the 1980s, and 1988 is shaping up to be the hottest on record.

What could be the long-range consequences? As with just about

anything, there will be winners and losers. America's rich Farm Belt could dry up, but Canadian and Soviet agriculture would benefit.

Because some countries stand to benefit from a global warming trend, it could be difficult to enlist their support for measures to fight it.

So what can be done? A start would be to clean house in our country by phasing out polluting plants, improving mass-transportation systems and developing pollution-free alternative energy sources.

America, after all, is one of the major contributors to the problem. If this country doesn't show leadership, who will?

The Tacoma (Wash.) News Tribune.

Put drugs in proper perspective

Worried Americans tell pollsters that drugs are the nation's No. 1 problem. Congress is about to boost spending in the "war on drugs" to \$9.1 billion a year. George Bush, Michael Dukakis and Jesse Jackson battle over drug issues. Politicians point fingers at each other for not voting to impose the death penalty on drug dealers who commit murder.

At the risk of being branded soft on drugs and ridden out of town on a rail, may we suggest that the "drug crisis" is being blown out of proportion and that while it is serious, the country has more important concerns?

Rep. Fortney Stark, D-Calif.,

deserves credit for trying to put the drug threat in perspective by circulating three revealing numbers among his colleagues: Last year illegal narcotics use killed fewer than 6,000 Americans, while cigarettes caused more than 300,000 deaths and alcohol 60,000.

Of course, the damage done by drugs greatly exceeds 6,000 deaths. Illicit narcotics are a cause of crime, grief, wasted lives and AIDS transmission. The problem is grave, but not overwhelming. Drugs should be addressed with more balance, less political posturing and no hysteria.

The Albuquerque (N.M.) Tribune.

Space station funding appropriate

Politicians seldom take steps that lack immediate results — and subsequent benefit — at the ballot box.

Thus it was cheering to see the Senate appropriations defense subcommittee vote \$800 million last week toward the planned U.S. space station, even if NASA says that is \$100 million less than necessary to make it operational by a 1996 target. The figure is far better than the \$200 million approv-

ed by another subcommittee last week, an amount space officials said was so insufficient it would derail the project.

"A space station manned by scientists is the key to solving universal questions — and ones of survival on Earth. It is not a frill or a luxury.

Even those in Congress with focus no further than the next election apparently realize that.

The Tulsa (Okla.) Tribune.

Unethical conduct caused scandal

Who was minding the store? The widening investigation of fraud and bribery in the nation's weapons procurement system is sickening, but it is not surprising. That's what happens when a climate of permissiveness, starting at the very top, pervades a bureaucratic system.

The lackadaisical disregard for the ethical conduct displayed by scores of important appointees in the Reagan administration has set the tone for those in lesser positions. It's no wonder that the procurement system became riddled with bribery and fraud.

Salem (Ore.) Statesman-Journal.

Say no to a Marcos homecoming

Philippine President Aquino would be risking a lot by letting Ferdinand Marcos return home, even to stand trial as a defendant in the theft of national wealth.

Marcos, who has been living in Honolulu since February 1986, has previously asked for permission to go home. He wanted to be with his dying mother and also to attend her funeral. These requests were wisely rejected by the Aquino government, which has enough troubles without letting the deposed presi-

dent back into the country.

Aquino's fragile government is asking for trouble by letting the mischievous Marcos back in the country, even if he is under lock and key. Opportunities are still ripe for Marcos and his old backers to exploit his presence in Manila to stir up insurrection.

As badly as the Philippines wants Marcos' millions, the price of having Marcos back home again may be too costly a trade-off.

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Line-item veto can be beneficial

If the president had a line-item veto, would it be easier for him to fight spending excesses on Capitol Hill? Though common sense says yes, opponents of the idea cite discouraging evidence from states that already have this budget device. They say that on the average these states have no more success in restraining outlays than other states.

But George Mason University economist Mark Crain, currently on leave to the White House budget office, has conducted a more detailed analysis. He reports that not all line-item vetoes are created equal: The most effective type seems to be the "item-reduction

veto," which allows a governor to substitute a lower dollar figure than the one sought by the legislature for a particular item. Only 10 states have this budget device.

Crain finds that when all other variables are held constant, the item-reduction veto slashes average annual spending increases by more than half — from 4 percent to 1.3 percent.

Over the years that adds up to enormous savings. Crain's findings make the case for a strong line-item veto more convincing than ever.

The Knoxville (Tenn.) News-Sentinel.

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BUT NOW — alas — it's the cloud of smog.

As a matter of fact, most of that gob of smog that hovered over Stanton recently came to us from New England, due to an inverted something or other, the Weather Bureau said.

What makes those Yankees think we need any help fouling up our atmosphere?

It would serve them right if we sent them one of our dust storms.

Overhead at Stanton Drug. "I WISH I were young, carefree and empty-headed." "Two out of three isn't bad."

Six months till Christmas. It's about time I sent out last year's Christmas cards. It's not too bad an idea. Maybe my friends would think they were for next Christmas.

Both of them. Let sleeping politicians lie.

Jim Beal, New York bound says: "If the road to hell were marked like U.S. highways, nobody could get there."

My mother, Eva Erwin, furnishes the question and answer of the day: "Where does our President stand on integration?" "Oh, first on one foot and then the other."

New bumper sticker in town: America Accept It or Change It

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who gains weight on the road turn in an expanse account?

Guess who coined following phrases? "The troubadors of trouble..." "The covey of confused congressmen..." "The vicars of vacillation..." "Professional pessimists..." "Nattering nabobs of negativism..." "Pusillanimous pussyfooting..." Alliterating agitator, Spiro Agnew, that's who!

ONE OF THE Dallas airline ticket offices has a sign in its window saying:

Choice of Two Movies Unfortunately, some flights have a choice of two destinations.

Is it true that two of the most popular courses on college campuses are Frisbee I and II?

THERE'S A Midland building with a sign on its door reading:

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Front page expert Delano Shaw says:

"The Egyptian army is a

papyrus tiger."

ENERGETIC LEE EVANS, Okie leader, says: "Happiness is having your knee socks stay up all day long."

My banking aunt, Leona Daniels, writes: "Women's lib movement — galrilla warfare."

It's always dear season for the office wolf.

COME TO THINK of it, it's the no-alarm fire that makes everyone really jump.

The difference between men and apes is that apes are not civilized enough to start wars.

Pencil sharpener ordered by an Ohio official took 13 years coming. There's one conveyor that had lead in its pants.

CHILDREN'S toys are becoming so elaborate and expensive one might as well buy them the real

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MAKING PLANS — Old Settlers' Reunion leaders, shown above, are outlining major plans for Saturday's event in Stanton. "Our Military Heritage" is the theme for a parade starting at 9 a.m. (Photo by Roy Lee Barnhill)

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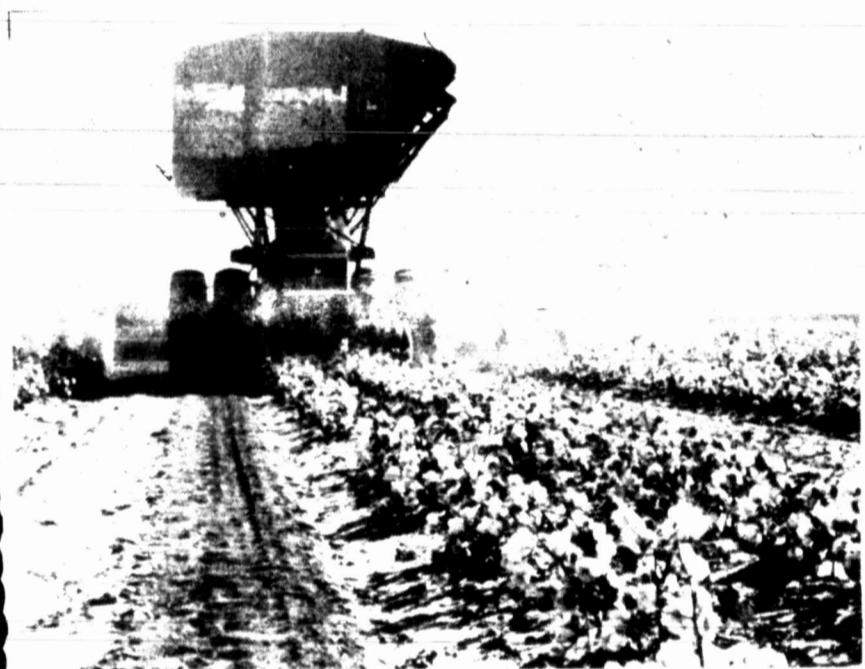
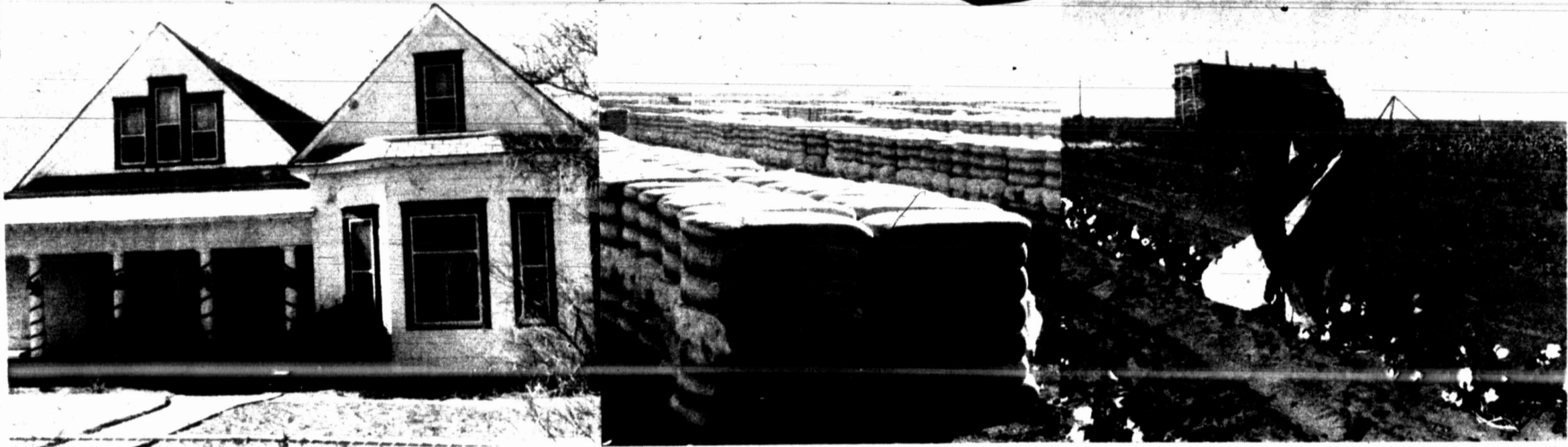


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Good Times

The folks signing this ad are helping make Stanton and Martin County a good place to live. They wish to send a hearty welcome to everyone to watch the parade, take part in the games and enjoy the food and dancing Saturday, July 9 in Stanton during Old Settlers' Reunion.

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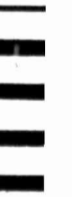
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PRETTY — Another "Yard of the Week" has been selected by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce. Owners of the residence receiving the award are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Riley, 604 Broadway.

SBA honors given during small business week

During National Small Business Week, celebrated in mid-May each year, the Lubbock Regional Small Business Administration recognizes small business people who have made an impact in their communities and chooses a top candidate to sponsor in state competition to compete for national awards.

Bill Beauchamp of the Lubbock Regional SBA office traveled to Big Spring for the Chamber of Commerce Community Luncheon on May 20 to personally award the Regional Minority Advocate Award to Darlene Gifford, public relations director for West Texas area for Southwestern Bell Telephone.

Even though Ms. Gifford's headquarters is located in Midland, she was nominated by the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Business Committee. Thus the award was recently presented to her in Big Spring. She was nominated for her extraordinary efforts on behalf of minority business people and prospective entrepreneurs in Big Spring and the entire Permian Basin. She was cited for contributing efforts that strengthened and enhance minority businesses and their owners.

Ms. Ms. Gifford has been involved in the establishment of the

Odessa Black Chamber of Commerce and the Midland Hispanic Chamber. She has been on several area and state-wide conferences aimed at the minority businessperson.

Ms. Gifford, a long-time employee of Southwestern Bell, is an active supporter and contributor to communities and to economic development of the Permian Basin. Due to her leadership, Southwestern Bell was named Corporation of the Year for 1986 by the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Using materials furnished by her company, Ms. Gifford has worked with the public schools, the media, and the Private Industry Council in efforts to prevent and reduce school drop-outs. These efforts were also extended to Casa De Amigos and the West Texas Children's Home in Pyote.

She has given assistance to League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) and Texas Alliance of Minority Engineers (TAME).

LShe is a member of the Friends of UTPB Energy Research Center, Midland's Executive Women, and Big Spring's Chamber of Commerce Women's Division. She also serves on Junior Achievement, Salvation Army and MidlandOdessa Symphony Boards.

Stenholm office takes academy applications

U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm D-Stamford, is accepting applications from young men and women who are interested in attending one of the United States service academies.

Applicants must be at least 17, but not past their 22nd birthday, and should have graduated from high school by July 1, 1989. They should be in the top 20 per-

cent of their class and have Scholastic aptitude Test scores above 500 verbal and 550 math. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, including school and community organizations and sports, as well as full or part-time employment is also in the applicant's favor.

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Cap Rock Connection

By PEGGY LUXTON
Cap Rock Electric Cooperative

Cotton is the number-one farm crop in our part of the world. Drought, flood, insects and any number of natural disasters can threaten the well-being of the West Texas cotton grower. Add to this long list of disasters one more.

Escalating imports of foreign-made textiles and apparel pose one of the most serious threats in recent years not only to West Texas farmers, ginners and others associated with the cotton industry, but to their counterparts all over the United States.

The National Cotton Council has become alarmed at the fact that cotton textile imports have more than doubled since 1980. Their vigorous support helped in the passage of legislation that requires conspicuous labeling of textiles by country-of-origin. The Council is now working for new trade legislation that would put an overall limit on countries' textile and apparel quotas.

While the National Council labors in Washington on behalf of cotton growers, Sharon King and Diane Eggemeyer of Midkiff have taken up the battle closer to home. They are promoting cotton and American-made textiles anywhere

they can find an audience. They have set up booths in area shopping malls to pass their message to consumers. They have appeared on TV and radio shows on behalf of their cause. They have lobbied apparel buyers in Dallas' Apparel Mart to make sure that products they buy are American-made cotton products.

Mrs. King and Mrs. Eggemeyer are attempting to make people aware that it is important to read labels on textiles. They urge consumers not only to read labels, but if those labels identify a product as foreign-made, they urge them not to buy it. The women are furthering the Council's work on the campaign of "Grown and Made in the USA — It Matters."

"Cotton is our livelihood," says Mrs. King, "and if we don't work to protect it, no one will." They urge others who are vitally interested in the well-being of West Texas and U.S. cotton growers to write manufacturers, urging their use of U.S. cotton, and to further carry the message of the National Cotton Council. "It is crucial," says Mrs. King, "that we learn to fight for our ourselves and not wait for someone else to recognize the threat and take care of it for us."

Local Junior Miss Pageant announced

Martin County Pageant Committee has announced that the Fair Association will sponsor a Junior Miss Pageant in conjunction with the Miss Martin County Pageant.

The contest will be held August 13, 1988 at 7:30 p.m. in the Stanton High School auditorium.

To enter, girls must be residents of Martin County entering her 8th grade Sept. 1, 1988 and not having completed her 10th grade September 1, 1988.

Contestants will be judged on beauty, poise, personality and personal interviews.

Contestants will be presented on stage in Sportswear and Evening gowns.

Junior Miss Contestants will perform with the Miss Martin County contestants in presenting the open-

ing production number.

Rehearsals will start August 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Stanton High School auditorium.

Deadline for girls to enter or sponsor to enter a girl is August 1, 1988.

Entry fee is +\$50.00 to be paid by sponsor. Girls are not responsible for finding a sponsor.

Entry forms can be found in this edition of the paper or Chamber of Commerce office.

For more information contact the Pageant Committee:

Gwen Sawyer, 459-2328; Pam Tollison, 756-3459; Clara Stewart, 458-3427; Paye Nell Wagner, 459-2595.

Mail entry form to: Martin Co. Pageant Committee, HCR 72, Box 19, Lenorah, Texas 79749.

Link Up America will help 'poor'

More than 5,100 new telephone subscribers have been added to the Southwestern Bell Telephone network in Texas through Link Up America, a national assistance program designed to help low-income households with initial telephone installation costs.

Texas was one of four pilot states selected by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to participate in a six-month Link Up America trial conducted between November 1987 and April 1988. Results of the trial were announced June 6.

Other states participating in the nationwide pilot program included Arkansas (also served by Southwestern Bell Telephone), and West Virginia, plus the District of Columbia. The pilot programs tracked statistical data concerning Link Up America efforts.

Link Up America pays up to 50 percent of the connection cost (up to a maximum \$30) to establish telephone service. The outreach program also provides interest-free deferred payment schedules for the remaining half of the connection fee, and reductions and waivers of deposits.

In Texas through April, Southwestern Bell received a total of 13,506 inquiries about Link Up America. Of that number, 5,153 applications were approved; 1,180 applications were pending as of the end of the trial reporting period. About 7,200 applications did not meet the eligibility criteria.

Qualification for Link Up America assistance is based on income level and eligibility for other state and federal social assistance programs. In general, an applicant qualifies if income is below the federal poverty level, there is no current debt for telephone service, with Southwestern Bell Telephone and there has been no telephone service at the applicant's residence within the last three months.

As estimated 230,000 low-income households in Texas do not have a telephone. Of those households, 77 percent (or approximately 180,000 Texans) are served by Southwestern Bell Telephone.

As the primary provider of local exchange service in Texas, Southwestern Bell Telephone was the first Texas telephone company

to participate in the program, and the only company involved in the statistical reporting. However, General Telephone of the Southwest and United Telephone are also offering Link Up America assistance programs in their Texas service territories.

During the trial, Southwestern Bell Telephone and the Texas Public Utility Commission established statewide coalitions of more than 100 organizations to promote and distribute Link Up America among low-income households.

As part of this effort, the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) included Link Up America information in a mailing to 145,000 Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) recipients. TDHS also plans to send information to the remaining 400,000 AFDC recipients in the state.

TDHS also sent a Link Up America mailing to 35,000 Home Energy Assistance Program recipients in Texas, which resulted in Southwestern Bell Telephone receiving an average of 250 Link Up America inquiries per day — approximately 55 percent of the total inquiries received in Texas during the six-month reporting period.

Southwestern Bell Telephone will continue offering Link Up America assistance in Texas and will continue to track statistical information about the program for the FCC and USTA.

"Anyone wishing to apply for telephone service under the Link Up America criteria may call 1-800-832-5465, toll-free," according to Darlene Gifford, public relations.

The Link Up America discount is made possible by a pool of funds provided by long-distance telephone companies operating in the state.

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The importance of playing it cool on hot days

Play it cool. Help your body's natural "air conditioning" system work at top efficiency on hot days in July and August.

The body's natural cooling system is the bloodstream, which carries the heat that builds up in your body to the skin. Some heat is then released directly into the air, and sweating helps, too. As the sweat evaporates, the cooling effect of evaporation pulls even more heat away.

With this in mind, Dr. Patrick Lilja, chief of emergency medicine at a Minneapolis hospital, offers eight tips to help you beat the heat:

- Drink plenty of liquids so that you will sweat as much as you need to. This also will replace the water that's being lost from your blood, so that you'll continue to have ample blood volume to handle the heat-transfer and other vital jobs that blood does.

What should you drink?
Cold water is excellent, fruit juices are good and soda pops are fine as long as you don't overdo on the sugary ones.

But alcoholic drinks tend to provide relatively little liquid — unless

you drink so much that you may do some silly things that will get you into even more trouble on these hot days.

- Wear light, loose clothing. The looseness allows air to reach more skin area, promoting more evaporation. This also allows currents of air to carry more heat away from the body.

- If you can find time for a couple of cold showers during the day, or a dip in the pool, go for it.

Not only is the water itself cooling, but the evaporating of the water from the skin will help as well.

- Don't overdo eating, but don't skip meals, either. The body needs to keep a balance of sodium and other chemicals in the bloodstream. Salt tablets are no longer recommended, except on advice of a doctor, because they can trigger high blood pressure and other problems.

- Get plenty of rest and sleep. The better you feel in general, the better your body will be able to handle the extra taxing effects of the heat.

Stenholm tackles medical need

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm today called on his colleagues to join him in the effort to better meet the medical needs of rural America.

The 17th District Representative is promoting the Rural Health Care Coalition's Action plan, a series of legislative initiatives addressing rural health care. Congressman Stenholm is a member of the coalition's steering committee.

Last year, Stenholm sponsored a bill that revised the procedures for Peer Review Organizations. His bill was passed and signed as part of the Budget Reconciliation law. But he said much more must be done to insure adequate care for rural citizens.

"The situation is grave in many parts of the country," he said. "The shortage of doctors and nurses, which also plagues urban areas, must be addressed. These shortages are especially severe for small town hospitals, whose existence is threatened by the current reimbursement method." He said the system must be changed to adequately reimburse rural centers for the work they do. "Rural hospitals, which must meet the same regulations applied to urban hospitals, merit comparable reimbursement. The mere fact that

rural hospitals receive 25 to 40 percent less than their urban counterparts for identical treatment reveals a gross insensitivity."

Congressman Stenholm said the recommendations made by the RHCC are the next steps needed to correct the rural situation. The goals of the plan are to lay the groundwork to eliminate the rural and urban differential reflected in hospital and physician reimburse-

ment, implement standard national rates, relieve professional staff shortages in rural areas by amending federal programs and provide greater statutory and regulatory flexibility to rural health clinics in order to expand these units in underserved areas.

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In-home floral consultation is specialty at Country Flowers

Take the guesswork out of choosing floral decorations for your home or office: Put the task in the capable hands of the floral consultants at Country Flowers & Gifts.

"Consulting work is an important part of our business," says Lea Lewis. "A client may want to change floral accents for any number of reasons — for example, purchase of new furniture, draperies or carpet. Sometimes a room has been completely redecorated, and new florals are needed to carry out the new theme."

New custom-designed floral decorations can be used to pull together the home's present look, without the expense of buying new furnishings, Lewis added.

The Country Flowers staff has just completed a challenging job in which they designed new floral pieces for every room in the home. The color theme was taken from peach tones in new furnishings the homeowners had purchased.

A special assignment was the design of a large, dramatic piece to stand on the floor beside the fireplace, says Lewis. The staff used large silk blooms, combined with tall, dried natural grasses.

For the client's unusually large coffee table, Coun-

try Flowers selected a potted begonia, interspersed with silk flowers.

"The homeowner also had a unique jar for which she wanted us to design a floral piece. We especially enjoy creating arrangements for containers that are meaningful to the client."

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New gift shop arrivals include a stock of wood country items made by a local artisan — unusual country blue shelves and cabinets, plus ducks, cats, rabbits and sheep.

Other gift items include handmade animal dolls, also by a local artisan; a new shipment of "All God's Children" figurines; and framed wall hangings of hand-cast paper art.

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Shop manager at Cave-Bowlin retires

Allan T. Hopper of Stanton has retired as service manager for Cave-Bowlin, Inc. after over 20 years service with the company. He began working for the company January 29, 1968 and retired June 30, 1988.



(Photo by Roy Lee Barnhill) Allan T. Hopper, tractor expert

Born in Howard County, Moore Community, he has spent most of his life around Stanton and Martin County.

According to one of his fellow classmates, Martin County Sheriff Dan Saunders, he was known as "Deacon" Hopper to everyone because he was the "STAR" basketball player on the dirt court at Valley View School.

Allan served three years in the Quartermaster Corp. of the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Germany. After his discharge in October,

1945, he went to work for a cattle company in Sterling City, Texas.

From 1946 to 1949, he was a mechanic at Guy Eiland Ford Co., then Ethridge and Rhodes Dodge-Chrysler from 1949 to 1951. He worked for Robnett Impl., Co. until going to work at Stanton Supply.

He worked for Stanton Supply until 1962 when he went to work for John Deere Co. through Walter and Leonard Implement, which was later bought by O.B. Cave. In 1971, O. B. Cave and Fred M. Bowlin formed Cave-Bowlin, Inc.

As a mechanic he has worked on old two cylinder tractors, all kinds of equipment, and came to Deere about the time the 4010 series were released. Since he started work, tractors and equipment have changed to bigger and better.

Allan married Laverne Young

November 16, 1946 in Big Spring, Texas. She worked as a beautician in Big Spring and Stanton until about three years ago.

They have three children: Kenneth of Coppell, Texas, a computer engineer for Southwest Airlines; Johnny of Stanton, present service manager for Cave-Bowlin, Inc.; one daughter, Linda Grissom of Big Spring; and seven grandchildren.

He plans to retire in the near future to a home on Lake Colorado City, and do lots of fishing, and resting.

Fred and Barbara Bowlin honored Allan with an employee barbecue social at their country home Monday night, June 27. A reception was held at Cave-Bowlin, Inc. on Wednesday, June 29 for the public.

Exhibitors for Permian Basin Health Fair sought

Health-related and human services agencies and organizations are invited to take part in this fall's Permian Basin Health Fair.

The fifth annual health fair, which is being conducted in cooperation with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at Exhibit Building G at the Ector County Coliseum, Odessa.

Objectives of the one-day event are to offer education and health screenings to people who otherwise might not avail themselves of routine health care and human services information and to foster better working relationships among area agencies and organizations, thus providing better health and human services to Permian Basin residents.

More than 90 exhibitors par-

ticipated in the 1987 health fair, one of the largest and most diverse gatherings of its type in the state. The Permian Basin Health Fair Committee plans for this year's event to be even bigger and better.

The committee will set up and skirt all display tables. A \$25 registration fee provides the participant with one 8-foot table and two chairs. Cost for an additional table and chairs is \$5.

Non-profit agencies and organizations interested in selling or taking donations for items in their booths should submit a written request with the registration form.

Registration forms or additional information may be obtained by contacting Dee Money, Ector County Home Extension Agent, Home Economics, 335-3071.

IH 20 in Martin County to receive new surface

Interstate 20 in Martin County will receive a new driving surface, according to the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

9.7 miles of IH 20 from the Midland/Martin County Line to the intersection of US 80 East of Stanton will receive a level up and overlay course of hot mix asphaltic concrete. The new surface will seal existing cracks which are the primary cause of pot holes in addition to providing a smooth and safe driving surface.

The bridge railing on the overpass at SH 137 will be removed. Replacement will conform to current safety standards.

Strain Brothers, Inc. of San Angelo expects to start the project during the week following July 4th with removal of the old bridge rail at SH 137.

Traffic on SH 137 will be restricted to only one lane for the short period of time required for the removal process. Work on the new roadway surface should begin by mid July and the contractor ex-

pects completion by the end of September, 1988.

"Traffic will be constricted to one lane and the speed limit reduced to 45 miles per hour during daylight hours only," said Lynn Passmore, resident engineer in charge of the project. "All lanes should be open at normal highway speed during the night."

The bid cost of the project is \$2.45 million. Ninety percent of the project cost will be reimbursed to the State from Federal Highway Funds.

VA to provide valor inscriptions on new grave markers, headstones

Dr. Stephen L. Lemons, Director of the VA Regional Office, WAco, stated "The Veterans Administration will now provide inscriptions for certain military awards on future government-furnished headstones and markers."

The new policy, effective May 1, adds four valor awards and the Purple Heart to inscription information provided at no charge.

These awards are in addition to the words Medal of Honor and a facsimile of the medal which have been inscribed to denote the nation's highest military honor for many years.

"This is a significant change to the headstone inscription policy and is very deserving," said Lemons.

The additional valor awards that will be inscribed at government expense are: Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross and Silver Star. Valor awards, or decorations,

are given for extraordinary heroism or gallantry in combat.

The Purple Heart is awarded for death or wounds suffered as a result of combat.

Space limitations may require the use of abbreviations for the inscriptions.

Headstones or grave markers are provided by the VA without charge for the gravesites of veterans interred in any private, state veterans or national cemetery. In VA-operated national cemeteries and state veterans cemeteries, they also mark the graves of veteran's eligible dependents.

The VA operates 112 national cemeteries in 38 states and Puerto Rico, and last year furnished approximately 254,000 headstones and grave markers. For additional information about headstones and markers, contact a Veterans Benefit Counselor by calling toll-free, 1-800-792-3271.

Stenholm mails voter registration cards

Every household in the 17th Congressional District will receive a voter registration card in the mail from Congressman Charles W. Stenholm, D-Stamford.

The registration forms are mailed regardless of party or locale as a public service, the area representative said. "I feel very strongly about our greatest democratic privilege: the right to vote," Congressman Stenholm said. "I wanted to take this opportunity to remind all citizens about the responsibility we have in taking an active role in our government. I believe many citizens feel about this as I do and are already registered, but I wanted to make sure everyone in my district was

Q — How much will the participant be reimbursed for training by correspondence under the Montgomery GI Bill?

A. — Reimbursement will be for 55 percent of the approved established charges for the course.

Q — My application for a VA pension was turned down several years ago because my income was too high. There have been some changes in my health and income over the last few years. Should I apply again?

A. — Entitlement to pension is based on your countable income

which can be reduced by medical and certain other expenses. Also the income limitation is raised each year and your income may not have increased at the same rate. You should check with your local VA office to determine if you are now eligible to receive a pension.

Q — May a veteran be covered under National Service Life Insurance and Veterans Group Life Insurance at the same time?

A. — Yes. The programs are totally separate.

Q — I am a Vietnam era veteran and used my VA education benefits to attend college. While attending school, I was injured in an automobile accident and under a doctor's care for almost 2 years, unable to continue my education. I am now able and ready to go back to school, but I can't without financial assistance. Am I still eligible for VA education benefits?

A. — Normally a veteran must use education benefits within 10 years from the date of discharge. However, the delimiting date for educational benefits may be extended if it is determined that the veteran was prevented from initiating or completing a chosen program of education because of a physical or mental disability. Physical or mental disabilities which result from the applicant's own misconduct do not qualify the person for an extension of the delimiting date. Any extension

granted will be equal to the length of time that the eligible person was prevented from initiating or completing a program of education within the basic 10-year period of eligibility.

Q — Does the Veterans Administration help veterans find lenders for VA-guaranteed mortgages?

A. — No. Veterans must make their own arrangements for loans through the usual lending channels, such as banks, savings and loan associations and mortgage loan companies. Real estate brokers will ordinarily assist a veteran in finding a lender.

Q — I am a single veteran and receive a pension from the VA. I was recently convicted of a misdemeanor and sent to prison. What effect will this have on my VA pension?

A. — Your VA pension will be discontinued beginning 61 days after imprisonment, but benefits can be reinstated when you are released.

Q — I receive a VA disability compensation at the 100 percent rate. If I obtain employment, will this affect my rate of payment?

A. — If you are rated as 100 percent disabled, gainful employment is not a factor. If you are rated less than 100 percent disabled but are paid at the 100 percent rate based on unemployability, your employment may affect your compensation payment. Changes in your status should be reported immediately.

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Right-of-way rules on the water

Safety is a two-way street, according to the boating experts at Mariner Outboards. Sharing the water with other boaters would be chaotic if it weren't for accepted rules.

There aren't any visible lines dividing the waterways into traffic lanes, but boaters operating in crowded lakes and harbors stay on their side of the road to avoid collisions.

The principle all must follow is: Only one boat has the right-of-way. This boat is termed "privileged," and is expected to proceed without changing course or altering speed. A boat not having the right-of-way must yield to the privileged vessel. This is a simple rule, as these basic situations show.

Crossing: Crossing occurs when two boats approach at an angle. A boat on the right (starboard) side of the other boat is privileged and has the right-of-way. That boat holds its course and speed. The

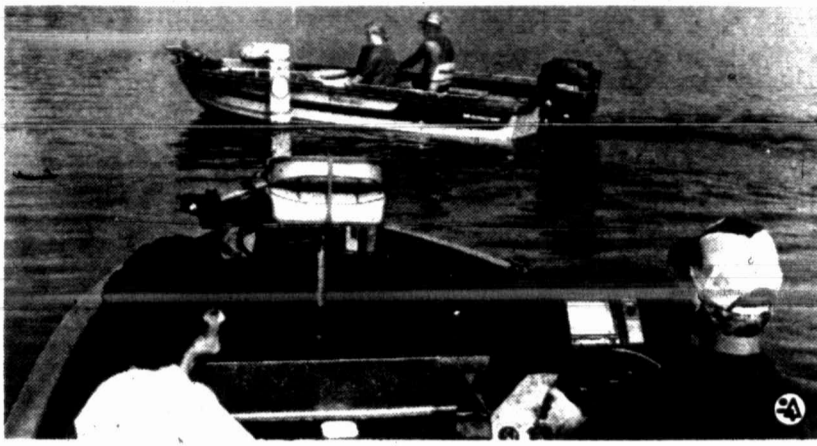
"burdened" vessel yields by slowing down or stopping and passes behind the other boat.

Overtaking: When a boat overtakes another boat from the stern, the overtaking boat is burdened. The privileged vessel holds a steady course and speed.

Meeting: When two boats meet each other, neither has the right-of-way. Both are required to turn to the right (starboard) so they pass port to port.

General prudential rule: When a boater has attempted the steps outlined above and an accident still seems inevitable, then he should do whatever is necessary to avoid collision.

Special circumstances: Boats propelled by oars or paddles have the right-of-way over motor-powered boats. The same applies to sailboats. However, when a sailboat overtakes a powerboat, the powerboat is privileged and has the right-of-way.



KNOWING THE "RULES OF THE ROAD" is vital for safe boating. For example, the boat at the top of the photograph has the right-of-way because it is on the right of the boat in the foreground. The boaters closest to the camera must give way and let the other boat cross their path.

How to handle bad weather

Getting caught "in a blow" might have been an exhilarating experience in the movies of a generation ago, but it's not much fun in real life.

Today's pleasure boats can handle surprisingly heavy weather safely, but it's the discomfort that you don't need. Avoid being out in a boat during a storm, if at all possible.

The best way to do that is to stay tuned to a U.S. Weather Service or commercial radio station for forecasts. In the event that the forecast is "iffy," stay home or boat close to shore so you can get to shelter quickly.

This seems like obvious advice, but every summer the Coast Guard has to rescue boaters during storms that were expected and forecast, according to the Mariner Outboards boating authorities.

In addition to getting forecasts, a prudent boat skipper keeps his "weather eye peeled." The disadvantage a boater has—there's no shelter in open water—is offset by his visibility advantage.

Because there are no visual obstructions when he's in open water, he can see the cloud formations on the horizon

which warn of bad weather.

Watch the western horizon, the direction from which most of our weather comes. When a cloud begins to thicken and grow vertically, there's a chance of a shower.

If it continues to grow darker and spread, you may be watching the development of a thunderstorm. (Sometimes the taller clouds have anvil-shaped tops, that's a sign of dangerous thunderstorms.) Head for shore without delay.

If you boat a lot, you'll probably get caught in rough water at some time or others. When it happens to you, slow down. Accept your fate and resign yourself to getting back, slowly but safely.

Get everyone aboard into a life jacket or vest. Although designed to keep a person afloat in the water, a vest will also protect the wearer from bruises during the bumpy ride.

If the water gets really rough, head into the seas at a slight angle. Throttle back to the point where you are only maintaining steering control. "Quartering" into the waves this way will help you ride out almost any squall.

Demonstrate your love of, respect for America's countryside by taking care to preserve its beauty

From north to south, east to west, America is a continent of spectacular scenery, varied landscapes of profound beauty which range from the drama of craggy sea cliffs, to the grandeur of tow-

ering mountains, to the lulling harmony of rolling wheatfields.

Secret mountain lakes are oases of quiet, rushing rivers, the epitome of beauty in motion.

Travelers make the decision to spend their vacations in the Great Outdoors not only because of the recreational opportunities which abound, but because they are attracted by the beauties of the coun-

tryside.

Carelessness a culprit

Yet, all too often, it is these same travelers who destroy the beauties of the countryside through carelessness.

Littering may seem one of the most trivial of crimes, yet it can have a major impact on the landscape.

Imagine not the one candy wrapper you may drop to the ground because you're too tired or lazy to search out a trash receptacle—instead, picture one candy wrapper dropped by every visitor to our country's Great Outdoors... and add to these, cigarette butts, soda and beer cans and the miscellaneous detritus created by innumerable families of campers in parks from coast to coast. Seen in this light, the potential problem posed by littering is staggering.

Dispose of trash properly

Therefore, train yourself to hold your litter for appropriate receptacles. Bag your garbage at the campsite, and refrain from throwing even a single cigarette butt into the clear water of the lake you're fishing, or along the side of the forest trail you're walking.

Teach children not to litter—if you respect the countryside, they will learn from you and do likewise, in turn passing on their love of and respect for the Great Outdoors to their children.

Less frequent in occurrence than littering, but far more devastating, are forest fires, many of which are caused by careless campers.

Age-old origins of modern boating terms

If you're told there is a painter aboard your boat, don't start looking for someone with a brush and can. In boating parlance, a painter is a rope that is used to secure or tow a boat.

And, if you really want to get technical, there are no ropes aboard boats; they're called lines, halyards and hawsers, depending upon the size and use.

The language of boating is fascinating, especially when you learn the reasons behind the terminology. Many of the origins of words we use in boating today are traceable to ancient cultures.

Consider, for example, the commonly-used terms "port" and "starboard." Mercury Outboards' boating authorities

researched these two important contemporary boating words, and learned that the reasons for them can be traced to the Nile River nearly 5,000 years ago.

The earliest known picture of a sailing craft is on an Egyptian vase dating from 3,200 B.C. It shows a papyrus boat with a steering oar located on the right side at the stern.

Today, we call the right side of a boat the starboard side, a word that comes down to us from Old English, meaning "steering board."

As boating developed and spread throughout the Old World, it became conventional to position the steering board (or oar) on the right side of the

boat. And that led to the creation of a word which designated the other side, which we call the port side.

Again, a word derived from the Old English, "port" simply means the side of the ship which would be brought next to the quay (or dock) when in port.

It was important to put that side next to shore; the steersman would be able to operate his oar without interference, and thus the port side was less fragile than the steering board side.

For modern boaters, of course, port and starboard have different meanings, being associated mostly with navigation, and to distinguishing one side of a boat from the other.

Tips for maintaining your outboard motor

Boaters with little mechanical aptitude are often intimidated by their outboard motor, thinking it so complex that they must keep their hands off it.

Not so, advise the Mercury Outboards service people. You should have problems taken care of by an authorized dealer, of course, and you should follow the owner's guide for scheduled maintenance by a dealer.

But there are some things you can do yourself that are easy, take little time, and will keep your machine in top operating condition.

Use only oil recommended by the outboard's manufacturer. Don't stint. Saving a few pennies by buying cheaper oil is a poor economy if your five or six-thousand dollar outboard is inadequately lubricated.

Periodically you should:

- Check for damaged, loose or missing parts; tighten or replace as required.
- Add lubricant as needed to your gear housing as outlined in your owner's guide. Be careful not to overfill.
- Check spark plug leads and electrical leads for damage. Then remove the plugs themselves for inspection; if they are badly fouled or worn, replace them.

Make sure the gaskets are in place and put the specified new plugs in. Thread the plugs in by hand until they're finger tight, then tighten an additional quarter turn with a wrench.

Service the fuel filters, guided again by your owner's manual. Replace filters that appear to be contaminated. Then prime the fuel system and check for fuel

leaks.

• Once a year in fresh water (every 60 days in salt water areas) pull the prop and lubricate the prop shaft with a product like Quicksilver 2-4-C. Inspect the prop and replace it if you have badly bent blades or pieces broken off. Reinstall the prop and tab washer and tighten the prop nut.

• Inspect your outboard's trim tab if it has one. Replace it if more than half of it has eroded away. Don't paint a sacrificial trim tab, by the way. It's made to corrode; paint simply interferes with its primary function.

• Touch up scratched external surfaces with the primer recommended by your outboard's manufacturer.

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AMONG THE MANY OUTBOARD MAINTENANCE TASKS which boaters can perform for themselves is inspecting and replacing spark plugs.

Tips for taking to the "trailer road"

The popularity of outdoor recreation is on an upswing, and that means more and more outdoor lovers are using their motor vehicles for trailer towing.

"Ford and other vehicle manufacturers are well aware of the tremendous role

the motor vehicle plays in the enjoyment of the Great Outdoors," said Jerome J. Mittman, Ford Division recreational vehicle manager.

"Towing capabilities, therefore, are a major consideration in the design and de-

velopment of cars and trucks for North America.

"Trailer-towing, however, is a unique driving experience and calls for modifications to the usual driving rules in order to move people and cargo safely, comfortably and efficiently."

Mr. Mittman offered these "tips" for the "trailer road":

- When hauling trailers weighing more than 2,000 pounds, a load equalizing hitch—designed to distribute trailer and towing vehicle weights equally between the axles of both the vehicle and the trailer—should be used. A simple bumper hitch is usually sufficient for trailers weighing under 2,000 pounds.
- Always use safety chains between the towing vehicle and trailer. This avoids danger to road users if the hitch fails. Cross the chains under the trailer tongue, and allow enough slack for turning corners.
- Separate trailer brakes are recommended and required on most trailers weighing more than 1,500 pounds. Check state requirements and trailer manufacturers' recommendations for brake system installation and adjustment.

Ford Motor Company does not recommend trailer braking systems using a direct hydraulic brake fluid connection with the towing vehicle's braking system, because this may increase the towing vehicle's stopping distance.



COMPACT VEHICLES like the Ford Ranger are playing major roles in enjoyment of the outdoors. In fact, compact utility vehicles, vans and pickups account for well over half of total light truck sales in the United States, and the great majority of these vehicles are for personal use. The properly equipped Ranger can tow slightly more than 5,000 pounds.



LEARN TO ANTICIPATE foul weather so you're safely ashore and not in your boat when a storm like this develops.

Safe driving tips for the family trip

Vacation time is rolling around again, and people across the continent are making their travel plans.

For many of them, these plans include not only mom, dad, the kids—and maybe even Rover—but "Old Betsy," the tried-and-true family vehicle. And, there's no better time than before setting out to make certain that she's in running order.

Even if you only plan a weekend outing, it's important to give your car a thorough going-over, checking all systems, the tires (if necessary, inflating appropriately—and don't forget the spare!), and all fluids, adding water and windshield washer fluid as required, and changing the oil and oil filter.

After all, as anyone who's had the experience can attest, it's no fun spending precious vacation time sidelined because auto repairs have become necessary miles from the nearest town, possibly, or involving a sizable delay awaiting a part

always an inconvenience, sometimes a hazard!

Before taking to the road, make sure you are familiar with your route. Even if you've traveled it before, conditions may have altered. Construction may have been initiated, involving delays or detours. Or construction may have been completed, offering travelers a newer, faster way of getting from point A to point B.

Estimate how much distance you can cover comfortably (and safely) in one day—it will be greater, if two or more people are sharing the driving, less if infants or very young children, who require frequent stops and tire easily, are among the passengers.

On the road, obey the laws—including speed limits—and follow the rules of common sense. Don't drive either too quickly or too slowly. Pull over for a rest and a cup of coffee if you're feeling drowsy.

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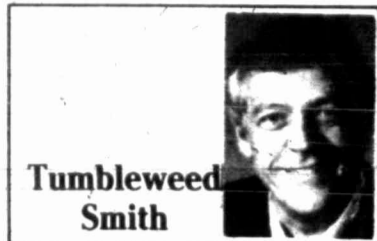
By **TUMBLEWEED SMITH**

I love rodeo. Watching a sunset from the stands of a rodeo arena gives me a special thrill. Seeing the cowboys silhouetted against the sky with bowed heads during the opening prayer makes me feel good.

The grand entry is truly grand, with dozens of riders on horseback, some of them babies, winding their way through the dirt. The breeze kicks up, the stars come out and it's a perfect time to be outdoors, experiencing true western excitement.

Every year the rodeo means reunion for some family members and friends who don't see each other except during the summer when they get together to enjoy the riding and roping performances. It's comforting to look around and see the friendly and familiar faces.

I enjoy watching the slack prior to the official opening of the rodeo. Because of time constraints, not everybody who enters the rodeo can rope or ride during the performances. So the extra ones do their things on "slack" nights just prior to the rodeo.



Tumbleweed Smith

The crowd is small, mostly families of rodeo performers. The announcer is usually a rodeo clown just doing the announcing for kicks. What is most amazing is the sound. Large crowds absorb the subtle little sounds that can be heard clearly bouncing off the concrete bleachers when they're empty.

A lone rider speeding from one end of the arena to the other can sound like a tornado. A spinning rope resembles some of the effects from "Star Wars." The horses and cattle add their own unique sounds.

Growing up in Fort Worth, I can remember when color came to the rodeo. Cowboys started wearing aqua-colored hats, wine-colored suede boots with chartreuse stitching and lavender shirts. In the

winter, colorful mackinaws made from Indian blankets were in high vogue. And the trend continues. At the rodeo the other night I saw cowboys wearing pink chaps.

For us in high school, the ultimate thing was to sit in the arena of the Will Rogers Coliseum during a rodeo. It took some doing. Or we thought it did. We pulled our pickup in behind a cattle truck or stock trailer and acted like we were with the party ahead. Most of the time we were waved on through. We parked, got out and walked toward the arena. Usually we talked while we walked, thinking this would convince the arena gate keeper that we were bona fide cowboys. In our minds, we were.

When we acted the cockiest and walked with all the confidence in the world, nobody stopped us. When our fear showed, we were stopped every time. The times we made it to the arena floor, sitting with real rodeo cowboys, we felt like we had conquered the world.

Today, rodeo still gives me a unique thrill. I enjoy the clowns, which have become the major entertainment in the majority of rodeos. I

like the way they yell their words to the announcer, who repeats them over the speakers.

I have watched Quail Dobbs of Coahoma perform with his exploding car about a hundred times and have never failed to laugh. I can practically recite the lines he uses right along with him. But he says them in a way that makes me feel like I'm hearing them for the first time.

Our rodeo is produced by "Bad Company." Mack Altizer, whose family has produced generations of rodeo champions, heads up the organization. He is not afraid to break new ground. In most rodeos, bull riding is the last thing on the program. In Altizer's rodeos, it's the first and the last. The action is fast paced and professional from the very beginning. He likes for his announcers to be in the arena on horseback, which adds even more excitement.

Cowboys and cowgirls in competition with each other and the animals they ride make for an unusual and colorful spectacle. Rodeo, with its rich heritage and all that goes along with it, is one of the truly great things in Texas.



DATE SET — Mr. and Mrs. Franklin W. Peck, Roswell, Ga., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen Peck, Roswell, Ga., to Matthew Winn, Westlake Village, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis W. Winn, Westlake Village, Calif.; and grandson of Mrs. Vera Winn, 1310 Virginia. The couple will wed Aug. 13 at Roswell First Baptist Church, Roswell, Ga., with Mark Winn, pastor of First Baptist Church, Knott, and bridegroom's brother, officiating.



COUPLE TO WED — Mr. and Mrs. Mack Frazier (Greeley, Colo., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lezlae Frazier, College Station, to Peter Grubb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hays Grubb, Round Rock. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Carr, Scottsdale, Ariz.; and Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce Frazier, Arlington, former Big Spring residents. The couple will wed Dec. 17 in Arlington.

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Tex-Pure Drinking Water Systems, 1719 Gregg, is a full-service water store providing reverse osmosis water and ice to individuals, homes and businesses. They install reverse osmosis systems and provide route delivery. Come in and fill your own bottles, or buy bottled water. Curb service is available for the elderly or handicapped. The staff includes (left to right) Joe Chavez, Ellouise Swinney, Ella Carroll. Keith Tucker is not shown.

In-home floral consultation is specialty at Country Flowers

Take the guesswork out of choosing floral decorations for your home or office: Put the task in the capable hands of the floral consultants at Country Flowers & Gifts.

"Consulting work is an important part of our business," says Lea Lewis. "A client may want to change floral accents for any number of reasons — for example, purchase of new furniture, draperies or carpet. Sometimes a room has been completely redecorated, and new florals are needed to carry out the new theme."

New custom-designed floral decorations can be used to pull together the home's present look, without the expense of buying new furnishings, Lewis added.

The Country Flowers staff has just completed a challenging job in which they designed new floral pieces for every room in the home. The color theme was taken from peach tones in new furnishings the homeowners had purchased.

A special assignment was the design of a large, dramatic piece to stand on the floor beside the fireplace, says Lewis. The staff used large silk blooms, combined with tall, dried natural grasses.

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"The homeowner also had a unique jar for which she wanted us to design a floral piece. We especially enjoy creating arrangements for containers that are meaningful to the client."

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The shop now has an FTD computer that enables the staff to wire flowers out-of-town quickly.

New gift shop arrivals include a stock of wood country items made by a local artisan — unusual country blue shelves and cabinets, plus ducks, cats, rabbits and sheep.

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