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Eddy County Tests Gauge Morrow Gas

An Eddy County, N.M., Morrow prospect continued to test, and calculation of potential was scheduled at a field extension.

Mark Production Co., Midland, No. 1 Foster, wildcat 13 miles southwest of Lake Wood and six miles west of the Cemetery (Morrow) field, flowed gas at the rate of 1.6 million cubic feet per day, plus an undetermined amount of load water in an unreported time.

Flow was through perforations at 8,259-9,040 feet.

Location is 2,310 feet from south and 1,960 feet from east lines of section 21-20s-24e.

Four-Point Tests
Cities Service Oil Co. was preparing to calculate absolute open flow potential at No. 1-B Tracy Communitized, one-mile northeast extension to Morrow production in the Carlsbad, South field.

Operator took one-hour four-point tests through perforations at 11,597-11,744 feet, and it flowed dry gas at the following rates: on a 9-64-inch choke, 1.4 million; on a 12-64-inch choke, 2.140 million; on a 14-64-inch choke, 2.750 million and on an 18-64-inch choke, 3.740 million cubic feet per day.

Wellbore is 2,945 feet from south and 479 feet from east lines of section 18-22s-27e, one mile southeast of Carlsbad.

Zone Reopened In Midland Sector

Atlantic Richfield Co. No. 38-1 June Tippett, former Devonian gas well, 3/4-mile west stepout to the depleted Devonian oil strike in Midland County, has been reclassified as a Devonian oil reopener in the Pegasus field.

It pumped 16 barrels of 50.1-gravity oil and 43 barrels of water on 24-hour potential test, with gas-oil ratio measuring 9,375-1. Production was through perforations at 12,202-12,332 feet.

Total depth is 12,500 feet, and it is plugged back to 12,444 feet, in 7-inch casing set on bottom.

Location is 660 feet from south and 1,320 feet from west lines of section 8, block 4, T-4-S, T&P survey, 37 miles south of Midland.

Cherry Canyon Opener Completes

Cherry Canyon oil production has been reopened in the Worsham field of Reeves County with completion of Gulf Oil Corp. No. 5 L. Horry, et al, 14 miles east of Pecos and one location northwest of the depleted original opener.

It flowed nine barrels of 45.2-gravity oil and 37 barrels of water on the 24-hour potential test, through perforations at 6,210-2,279 feet. Gas-oil ratio measured 36,667-1. The section had been acidized with 2,800 gallons and fractured with 29,500 gallons and 40,000 pounds.

It was slated as an offset to recently opened Cherry Canyon gas production in the field, drilled to 6,300 feet, and plugged back to 6,290 feet, in 5 1/2-inch casing set on bottom.

Location is 660 feet from south
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Weather

FORECAST: Fair this afternoon through Thursday. Cooler this afternoon, colder tonight and mild Thursday. High tomorrow 65. Low 35. High Thursday 75 to 80. Winds northwesterly at 10-25 m.p.h. this afternoon becoming light and variable tonight.

National Weather Service Readings:
Tuesday's high 65 degrees
Overnight low 35 degrees
Now today 54 degrees
Forecast today 68 degrees
Saturday Thursday 75 to 80
Sunday 75 to 80

Precipitation:
This month to date .00 inch
1975 to date 1.67 inches

The record high temperature recorded for an April 29 was 76 degrees in 1917. The record low for an April 29 was 41 and 40.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:	
Now 54	Midnight 40
1 p.m. 55	1 a.m. 38
2 p.m. 56	2 a.m. 37
3 p.m. 57	3 a.m. 36
4 p.m. 58	4 a.m. 35
5 p.m. 59	5 a.m. 34
6 p.m. 60	6 a.m. 33
7 p.m. 61	7 a.m. 32
8 p.m. 62	8 a.m. 31
9 p.m. 63	9 a.m. 30
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11 p.m. 65	11 a.m. 28
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Bob Boydston kills rats.
(Adv.)

Saigon Surrenders, War Over

SOLDIERS DRIVE TO PALACE— North Vietnamese Troops Applauded Upon Entering City

SAIGON (AP) — Scores of North Vietnamese tanks, armored vehicles and camouflaged Chinese trucks drove down Unity Boulevard to the South Vietnamese presidential palace shortly after noon today.

Several hundred South Vietnamese troops waved their blue and red flags with a yellow star in the center and stepped down into the broad boulevard.

Meanwhile, in front of the National Assembly building, a police colonel walked up to an army memorial statue, saluted and shot himself in the head. He died a short while later in a hospital.

Shots rang out around the City Hall. A North Vietnamese

infantry platoon, dressed in olive drab uniforms and black rubber sandals, took up defensive positions in the square in front of the building.

They exchanged shots with a few holdouts somewhere in the vicinity. A few people on motorcycles rode by and looked apprehensively to see where the firing was coming from. In a short while it subsided.

Between President Duong Van Minh's surrender broadcast and the entry of the Communist forces into the city, South Vietnamese soldiers and civilians jammed aboard several coastal freighters tied up along the Saigon River, hoping they could escape.

They dejectedly left the ships as the Viet Cong drove along the waterfront in jeeps and trucks, waving Viet Cong flags and cheering.

Knots of civilians stood in doorways and watched the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese drive past. At first they showed no emotion.

Later the people began cheering as more North Vietnamese troops poured into the city.

Ky Nhan, a Vietnamese who had been submitting photographs to The Associated Press for three years, came to the AP office with a Viet Cong friend and two North Vietnamese soldiers and said, "I guarantee the safety of everybody here."

"I have been a revolutionary for 10 years," said Nhan. "My job in the Viet Cong was liaison with the international press."

George Esper, the AP bureau chief, served them Coca-Cola and some leftover cakes.

Many of the city's residents were walking or riding about the streets. The North Vietnamese were as curious about the Saigonese as the local people were about the men from the North.

But many stayed at home. "They are nice now, but we must wait," said one 26-year-old woman in a telephone conversation.

"We want peace," said Nhan. "No more killing."

Comment Varied From Americans

By The Associated Press
William Kunstler, 55, New York, lawyer and war critic: "If the United States had not interfered with the elections in 1956, none of this, including the death, misery and destruction, would have been visited on the people of Vietnam and the United States. The relentless efforts to keep the elections from taking place are the direct

cause of this disaster. Americans never had the option of fighting the war the way it should have been fought. Nothing can justify the loss, the way the war was fought. . . . I'm sad to see the true people of South Vietnam being taken over by this regime. You're going to see atrocities, just like Hue. . . . Communism is like a cancer spreading all over the world. Laos, Cambodia, Thailand — this creeping tide is what makes me sad."

Jerald Gershowitz, Brownsville, Tex., draft resister in Toronto: "It was inevitable that the corrupt Thieu dictatorship should fail. The United States had no business there. Fighting communism was a lie. . . . The Vietnamese people never wanted the government that was put in with American money. . . . The people of Vietnam have finally gotten what they wanted; it may not be what the U.S. people wanted. I'd like to return home someday."

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New Claims For Jobless Aid Decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — Initial claims for regular state unemployment benefits declined by 39,700 to 456,600 during the week ending April 19, the Labor Department reported today.

This was the lowest number of first-time claims since mid-November when 450,600 such claims were filed as unemployment spread rapidly across the country.

Forty-two states reported lower initial claims filings, including North Carolina, California, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Washington.

Over-all, 6,368,600 Americans received unemployment insurance benefits in the week ending April 12, a drop of 183,200 from the previous week.

In a separate report, the department said factory layoffs declined sharply in March and total accessions arose while quits and new hires were unchanged from February.

Layoffs declined to 28 per 1,000 workers from 34 per 1,000 in February. However, the March rate was still more than double the rate of a year ago.



LAST TWO WAR CASUALTIES — Cpl. Darwin L. Judge, right, of Marshalltown, Iowa, and Cpl. Charles McMahon of Woburn, Mass., were the last two Americans killed in the Vietnam war. (AP Wirephoto.)

EMBASSY RANSACKED— Saigoneses Get Last American Handout

By PETER ARNETT
SAIGON (AP) — The six-story U.S. Embassy in Saigon withstood a determined Viet Cong commando attack in 1968, and five Americans died in its defense.

Today, without its armed guards, the embassy was no match for thousands of Saigonese getting their last American handout.

They took everything, including the kitchen sinks and a machine to shred secret documents.

The bronze plaque with names of the five American servicemen who died in the embassy in 1968 was torn from the lobby wall. It lay amid piles of documents and furniture on the back lawn. We carried it back

to the Associated Press office. "It is our embassy now," said a laughing young Vietnamese soldier as he pranced gleefully along the littered hallway of the administrative building.

The handsome embassy building on Thong Nhat Boulevard was abandoned by a detachment of U.S. Marines at 7:30 this morning. They remained behind after Ambassador Graham Martin left to prevent waiting Vietnamese from rushing the last helicopters.

As the Marines left, they threw tear gas grenades into the elevator shaft. But after their helicopter lifted off, ignoring the tear gas as they

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Life Returns To Semblance Of Normalcy

SAIGON (AP) — The Saigon government surrendered unconditionally today, and Viet Cong and North Vietnamese troops occupied the South Vietnamese capital.

Many of the South Vietnamese troops in the city turned in their arms and tried to lose themselves amid the civilian population. But there were periodic outbursts of gunfire — some from pockets of resistance and others from celebrating Viet Cong and North Vietnamese firing into the air.

Loud explosions were heard in the late afternoon. They were reported aboard an ammunition barge burning in the Saigon river, but they were causing no damage to the city.

Otherwise life returned to a semblance of normalcy in the city. People strolled the streets, greeting the arriving Viet Cong and North Vietnamese troops with smiles and handshakes. Motorbike traffic picked up. Viet Cong flags appeared on many buildings.

Radio Hanoi said in a broadcast later in the day that the name of Saigon had been changed to Ho Chi Minh.

After 112 years of French colonialism, Japanese occupation during World War II and American military intervention, the Indochina peninsula was free of foreign domination.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — With the evacuation of U.S. citizens from South Vietnam complete and Vietnam surrendered, Congress may scrap a \$327 million aid bill and start over on an Indochinese refugee aid measure that could cost even more.

The new bill funding the evacuation and care of Cambodians and other non-Americans as well as some 65,000 South Vietnamese was proposed Tuesday by House International Relations Chairman Thomas E. Morgan, D-Pa., and backed by House Speaker Carl Albert.

"I think it will be a lot more than \$327 million," Morgan said.

He said he had no estimates but believed the cost might be high to reimburse the military's evacuation costs over the past month as well as the new costs of bringing refugees to the United States.

Albert said he believed controversial congressional authority for Ford's use of military forces for the evacuation should be knocked out of the new bill as moot.

"I think we should start from (See REFUGEE Page 2A)

THE WAY IT BEGAN — A column of U.S. Marines begins a march inland from Da Nang in September 1965, and American involvement in strength began in Vietnam. (AP Wirephoto.)

Twisters Kill 3 In State

By The Associated Press
Booming thunderstorms pounded the Texas Hill Country today after a night of wild weather across the state's eastern and southern areas that left three persons dead in the wake of nine tornadoes.

Severe thunderstorm warnings were posted through the area north and west of Austin where hailstones battered rocky plateaus and thunderstorms loosed sheets of driving rain. Weathermen warned of flash floods near Hill Country draws and arroyos. The lightning-charged storms ranged from near Del Rio to Bandera to north of Johnson City, Kerrville and in the area of Llano, Burnet and Lampasas.

Heavy rain drenched San Antonio this morning. The violent weather today was a continuation of vicious

turbulence which developed Tuesday night during passage of a cool front across Texas. Tornadoes, hail and strong winds splintered tree limbs and branches throughout East Texas.

Tornado winds at Calvert hurled a piece of sheet metal at James Rigby, 23, and cut off his hand. He was hospitalized at Hearne.

A twister that battered the South Texas community of Yancey killed a man, his wife and a 2-year-old girl. Five other persons suffered injuries.

Tornadoes in the Beaumont and Vidor areas injured eight persons and damaged several buildings.

One twister spun down in west Beaumont, hopped over the downtown area and struck again on the city's northeast side. Another tornado lashed

at Vidor and skipped into Louisiana. Electrical power failures in the Beaumont-Vidor vicinity kept at least two television stations and several radio stations off the air for a time. Four persons were injured in the Calvert area in Central Texas when a tornado hit there, causing considerable property damage.

Other twisters were sighted in Deweyville and near Mineola, DeKalb and Carthage. Six East Texas counties — Sabine, Shelby, San Augustine, Newton, Panola and Nacogdoches — received wind and hail damage. Trees were toppled and utility lines downed. Power was reported out in rural areas of those counties. The towns of Hemphill, Shelbyville and Martinsville

Late Bulletins

AUSTIN (AP) — Once-controversial legislation authorizing health maintenance organizations (HMOs) to operate in Texas easily won tentative House approval today.

EAGLE PASS (AP) — The death toll in a butane truck explosion rose to six today as three persons who had been seriously injured died.

TEL AVIV (AP) — Israeli and Lebanese gunners exchanged artillery fire today for the first time in almost a month.

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Saigon Surrenders, Bringing End To Long War

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 of troops drove into the grounds of the palace from which President Nguyen Van Thieu and the late President Ngo Dinh Diem had directed the war against the Communists for nearly two decades.

(Communications from Saigon to foreign countries were interrupted about 1:30 a.m. EDT but resumed about four hours later. There was no explanation of the break.)

Eight cheering men in a jeep flying the Viet Cong flag led the march into the city at noon, along a street a block from the abandoned U.S. Embassy. None of them was wearing uniforms but the group carried an assortment of weapons including Communist AK47 rifles. One of the men sitting on the fender told an American newsmen in English: "Go home, go home."

They were followed half an hour later by the first truckload of about 45 North Vietnamese soldiers dressed in their green uniforms and helmets down the Rue Catinat, the city's main downtown street. The truck flew the red, yellow-starred flag of North Vietnam.

A jeepload of Viet Cong drove up and down the street, waving as they sat with their rifles pointed in the air. Other Viet Cong soldiers walked along the streets, shaking hands with the people. Minh, in his radio address, said the government's policy was a "policy of peace and reconciliation, aimed at saving the blood of our people. I ask all servicemen to stop firing and stay where you are. I also demand that soldiers of the Provisional Revolutionary Government (Viet Cong) stop firing and stay in place.

"We are here waiting for the Provisional Revolutionary Government to hand over authority in order to stop useless bloodshed."

The deputy chief of staff, Gen. Nguyen Huu Hanh, came to the microphone and ordered the armed forces to follow Minh's orders. As they spoke, fighting along the northern rim of the city, where the Viet Cong had been shelling the airport, fell silent.

Minh made his surrender broadcast about two and a half hours after completion of the U.S. helicopter evacuation of some 900 South Vietnamese and about 5,600 South Vietnamese from the city. The airlift lasted about 21 hours and ended when a final helicopter swooped down on the roof of the U.S. Embassy and plucked out a Marine rear guard.

Ambassador Graham Martin left shortly before.

Embassy—

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 tore into filing cabinets and cupboards. The Vietnamese had started on the embassy annex to the rear of the main building at dawn. Eleven young people, some of the soldiers in uniform, tried to smash open a heavy safe they had turned on its face. Rolls and rolls of Bank of America embassy payroll checks were strewn across a concrete parking lot. Smashed typewriters and overturned filing cabinets marked with red "secret" and "classified" stickers were in many rooms.



Cosmetology students named winners in state competition are, from left, Carlotta Fuentes, Ami Thomas, Debi Payne and Yolanda Lara.

A group of Vietnamese were dragging a large "shredmaster" for destroying documents from a basement room. Five large drums marked "One each, Document Destroyer, drum type without igniter" were in a corner of the room. Piles of dust that probably had been secret papers the night before were on the floor. In the back of the main building, automobiles had been smashed. Amid broken tables and broken pictures, what seemed like tons of documents floated about in the breeze.

1.9 MILLION PHONES IN SOUTH AFRICA

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — South Africa, a nation of almost 25 million people, had 1.9 million telephones installed throughout the country by the end of March. Post Office officials have told Parliament. Most of the existing phones have been installed in the offices and homes of the nation's white minority of four million.

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Lee Cosmetology Students Win At State Contest

Four Lee High School cosmetology students took honors in the 27th annual Skill Olympics held over the weekend in Houston and sponsored by the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America. The winners are Ami Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Thomas, first place in mannequin roll-up division; Carlotta Fuentes, daughter of Mrs. Bernice Fuentes, first in cold wave and second in comb-out; Debi Payne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Payne, first in student-selected roll-up, and Yolanda Lara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Lara, second in wiggyery and mannequin comb-out.

Fall Of Saigon Brings Praise From Some Free World Voices

By The Associated Press
 The fall of Saigon brought a chorus of praise from Communist countries matched by several enthusiastic voices in the free world. India announced it had recognized the new government of South Vietnam and several other nations said they were seeking to do so. An Indian Foreign Ministry spokesman told a cheering Parliament in New Delhi that India "rejoiced" at the "successful conclusion of the heroic struggle by the people of Vietnam for independence." India had resisted Communist demands to break relations with the government of former President Nguyen Van Thieu and maintained consular relations with the regime to the very end.

In Asia, many of Vietnam's non-Communist neighbors took the development in stride and looked ahead to harmonious relationships with all countries of Southeast Asia, whatever their ideological bent. A Soviet commentator said "a most dangerous seat of international tensions and military conflicts has been liquidated" but avoided sharp polemics against the United States. Pope Paul VI voiced disappointment that the end had

been reached through war rather than peaceful settlement but he avoided putting the blame specifically on any party to the conflict. Sweden announced it had established diplomatic relations with the new South Vietnamese government. Last January Sweden broke relations with the Thieu regime. On European money markets the dollar, always watched closely as a sign of European reaction to major world events, sagged somewhat but dealers reported no sign that final American evacuation of Indochina had affected foreign exchanges. Gold was virtually unchanged in both London and Zurich at around \$167.50 an ounce.

Comments On War Are Varied

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 cause of everything that has happened in Vietnam since 1956. Mrs. Abram Welker, Philadelphia, whose only son was killed in Vietnam at 23: "Although it killed my only son, I'm still patriotic. I still love America. I think war is very, very cruel. To stay on would have been a matter of killing more of our precious boys. My son was ready to go, but I miss him so very much. I just wish America would come back to God the way we started." Harry Frey, 56, Orlando, Fla., with U.S. government in Saigon 1967-72, now working to get Vietnamese to this country: "I don't believe American involvement was a waste. I believe if we hadn't helped, we would have let the South Vietnamese down. I helped evacuate people from China in 1949, and I know what happens when the Communists take over. No country should be handed over to communism without a fight." Sen. George McGovern, 52, 1972 Democratic presidential candidate: "I think our involvement in Indochina has been a terrible drag on American policy for many years. I think our involvement there has been regarded by the rest of the world as a mistake and they are going to see our departure not as the end of credibility but the beginning of more common sense in American policy." Navy Cmdr. Michael Christian, Virginia Beach, Va., a POW for six years: "It's madness. By what insane logic can anyone accept the sacrifice of South Vietnam and the total collapse of America's world power and honor to buy off the Communists?" Mrs. Howard Donald, Tamaqua, Pa., whose son was killed in Vietnam at 19: "My son thought he was doing the right thing and he was there for the right purpose. Now it's all going down the drain and it kind of hurts. What did he die for?"

RIDE WASN'T FREE

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Off-duty bus driver Gert Venter came across a stalled double-decker city bus and got it going. He and some friends enjoyed what they thought was a free ride through the streets until the vehicle hit a tree. It cost Venter \$298 a Johannesburg court ordered him to pay the amount off in monthly installments to the Johannesburg City Council for damage to the bus.

Lamesa To Start Bicentennial Observance Friday

LAMESA — Bicentennial observances here will begin at 10 a.m. Friday with a flag presentation ceremony on the Dawson County Courthouse lawn. Patriotic music will be provided by Lamesa High School and Middle School bands to be followed by the national anthem sung by Lamesa High School Choir. Presentation of colors will be made by the Webb Air Force Base Color Guard. State Sen. Kent Hance will deliver the keynote address for the event.

Extortionist Uses Unusual Method

DALLAS (AP) — A former official of Republic National Bank in Dallas reported to police Tuesday that he was given what he described as a slow-acting poison by an extortionist demanding \$40,000 in a trade for an antidote to save his life. Police said the ex-banker, Jerry Lee Holmes, 42, was directed by the extortionist to deliver the money to a pre-arranged site and await further instructions over a citizen's band radio. The plot ended when the world-be extortionist failed to respond to Holmes' code signal.

Refugee Aid Bill Could Be Costly

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The members of Post No. 4149 and Post No. 7208 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and of American Legion Post No. 19 wish to call attention of all citizens of Midland and of West Texas, to the following Proclamation issued by the President of the United States concerning "Loyalty Day" May 1, 1975.

A PROCLAMATION
 BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

It is now nearly two hundred years since America's Independence was sought and won. Then, as today, the achievement of our Nation's goals was met through the devoted efforts of Americans who gave loyal service.

The United States has become the greatest Nation in history because of the loyalty of our people to our Constitution, to our laws, and to those ideals which they represent.

The thousands who become citizens each year through naturalization take an oath to support the United States. One can sense the meaning and the spirit of loyalty in those proceedings. For most of us who were born to the freedoms we enjoy, a declaration of loyalty has not been such a conspicuous event in our lives. It is, nonetheless, reflected in our patriotic effort.

In recognition of the need for "a special day for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States of America and for the recognition of the heritage of American freedom," the Congress, by a joint resolution of July 18, 1958 (72 Stat. 369, 36 U.S.C. 162), designated May 1 of each year as Loyalty Day, inviting the people of the United States to observe Thursday, May 1, 1975, as Loyalty Day, with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, do call upon the people of the United States and upon patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe Thursday, May 1, 1975, as Loyalty Day, with appropriate ceremonies.

I call upon appropriate officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day in testimony of our loyalty to this Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

Gerald R. Ford

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Butane Truck Explosion Leaves Two Dead, 42 Injured

EAGLE PASS (AP) — I saw the fireball, it came through the air like a rock... Gosh, if there was anybody in that truck... That is how Tom Braun of Eagle Pass described the explosion of a butane gas trailer truck that exploded, turned into a ball of fire, then split in two and dealt death and destruction in a car lot and mobile home park Tuesday afternoon.

The body of the truck driver, identified as Jesus Verdugo, was still missing early today. Hospital officials confirmed two persons were dead at the hospital. Forty-two other persons were hospitalized. Twenty-one

of them, all in critical condition, were being taken aboard military helicopters to the Burn Center at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio.

"We have two dead," hospital administrator Ruben Fernandez said. "One was dead on arrival." One of the victims was identified as Mrs. Linda Hen-

and then our trailer shook tremendously. It shook things off the wall."

At the car lot confusion and terror reigned as cars burned and fire roared.

Andrew McBeath, an Eagle Pass newsman, said the lot "looked like it was bombed."

He quoted eyewitnesses as saying the fire spread to both sides of the highway and drivers caught on the road made desperate attempts to jump out of running cars as they suddenly found themselves speeding towards the flames.

Ambulances from Eagle Pass and Piedras Negras rushed to the scene.

The county hospital, which has an 80-bed capacity, was unable to handle the injured and a team of experts from the Burn Center was sent to the area to prepare the evacuation of the most seriously injured to San Antonio.

An eyewitness said the in-

jured were placed on stretchers in the hallways or on chairs.

Fernandez said many of the injured had second and third degree burns over 80 per cent of their bodies.

The seriously injured that could be moved were taken to the San Antonio facility aboard helicopters of the Military Assistance to Safety and Traffic (MAST), a program pioneered at San Antonio to assist rural communities in times of disaster.

Each of the helicopters brought in three injured at a time to land at a pad just next to the San Antonio medical facility.

The first six brought in, all in critical condition were identified as Juan Ontiveros, 18, Jesus Ontiveros, 52, Victor Perez, 29, Gerardo Carrillo, 26, Leopoldo Carrillo, 36, and Arturo Vargas, 24.

Leukemia Strikes Twice In Family

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Nine months after 4-year-old Rusty Byrd developed leukemia, doctors discovered his twin brother, Jamie, was also suffering from the often-fatal disease.

Byrd added. Byrd said he and his wife, Patty, 28, had a heartbreaking journey to Gainesville with Jamie, who chatted all the time about how he was going to be like his twin brother.

Byrd said Jamie's disease is now in remission and doctors will only say that if the boys go five years without lapses they may be cured.

"I don't ask the purpose of these things," their father, Jerry Byrd, 29, said Tuesday. "I think there is a purpose behind all suffering and difficulty. I believe this will give us an opportunity to come out better people than we went in."

"He said, 'Gee, Daddy, I'll get to eat all my meals in bed like Rusty and I'll lose all my hair and all the girls will laugh at me in church and I'll get to ride around in a wagon with a tube in my arm,'" Byrd said.

The other half, lifted into the air about 200 feet and sailed nearly 400 yards into the Highway 57 Mobile Home Park destroying three homes.

The Byrds have been struggling to pay \$20,000 in medical bills and now are threatened with foreclosure on their Orlando home. Byrd said he will plead with an Orange County Circuit judge today to give them time to sell the house.

"You earn too much money to get help but not enough to pay the bills. The bills pile up, your effectiveness to do a job goes down. It is a vicious triangle."

Mrs. E. Luse, who said she was sitting about 60 feet from the place the burning half of the truck landed, said it felt "like a terrible, funny boom explosion."

"It just seems never ending," said Byrd, an insurance agent who also has two daughters ages 10 and 7. "We borrowed nearly \$10,000 from a woman at our church to help pay Rusty's medical bills."

"The thing that makes you angry is the helplessness of the middle income people in a situation like this," Byrd said. "You earn too much money to get help but not enough to pay the bills. The bills pile up, your effectiveness to do a job goes down. It is a vicious triangle."

The mother of the cubs has been a Cole Park Zoo resident for many years and the father came from Crandon Park Zoo in Miami on a permanent breeding loan.

Byrd said tragedy first hit the family last May. "We love to go to the ocean and we were at the beach when I noticed Rusty wasn't as active as Jamie and his lips were pale," Byrd said.

Doctors at Shand Teaching Hospital in Gainesville diagnosed the problem as leukemia, a form of cancer which attacks the blood cells.

According to Bob Cooper, zoo director, it will be several weeks before the kittens will be exhibited. He said cats make very nervous mothers and do best when left completely alone.

"He has been in and out of hospital ever since but now is in remission," Byrd said.

Speaking at a nationally broadcast news conference Tuesday, Kissinger was asked if the American withdrawal and Communist triumph in Saigon had damaged his personal ability to carry out international negotiations.

Michelle McFarland would invite President Gerald Ford to Artesia "so he could meet the people and make friends."

He said "everything was starting to level out and we felt confident about the future" when last month he noticed an unusual bruise on Jamie's cheek.

"I got suspicious and we took him to an Orlando doctor who told us the dreadful news,"

Other suggestions came from Bobby Trujillo, 10, who would get rid of machines so people could go back to work. "I'd have a store to keep all the guns," said Robert Guinan.

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U.S. Agrees To Cut Back Its Military Presence In Greece

ATHEENS, Greece (AP) — The United States has agreed to cut back its military presence in Greece, but the Greek government is allowing some American bases to remain.

Skyscraper Cake Birthday Idea

ARTESIA, N.M. (AP) — A male Statue of Liberty for the West Coast, a Liberty Bell for Oregon and a cake as big as the Empire State Building are some of the birthday gifts that Artesia children, ages 8 to 11, think would make America's 200th birthday happy.

Ocelot Kittens Born At Zoo

Two ocelot kittens were born at Cole Park Zoo last Sunday, a first for the mother and a first for the zoo.

Kissinger Says Dismal End Of Vietnam War 'Painful Experience'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, who shared the 1973 Nobel Prize for Vietnam peace negotiations, says the dismal end of American involvement in Indochina is "a very painful experience" personally.

Charles Ending Visit To Canada

WINNEPEG, Man. (AP) — Prince Charles has arrived here for the last stop in his current visit to Canada.

Hussein To Receive Honorary Doctorate

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — King Hussein of Jordan will receive an honorary doctorate of humane letters in ceremonies Monday at Florida State University.



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Conservation Program Subject

A program on conservation concerning a "Key to Survival" was presented at the Twentieth Century Study Club recently by Sarah Williamson, home

economist for Texas Electric Service Co., during a meeting held at Midland Woman's Club. Miss Williamson presented on screen many ways to save energy in prospects of real shortages. A question and answer session by members followed the program.

During a short business session, Mrs. Carroll Grafa was elected into membership. Mrs. Clark Estes won the special prize.

Hostess to the hospitality hour was Mrs. Robert Rick. Decorations featured a butterfly theme.

Members were reminded of a husbands' party to be held May 13 in the home of Mrs. J. Woodford Sale, 1705 Maberry St.

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Shower Honors Miss Emerick

Deborah Ann Emerick, bride-elect of James Russell Fox, was entertained with a bed and bath shower recently in the home of Mrs. Gilbert Naert and her daughter, Jan, 2904 Durant St.

Miss Emerick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn M. Emerick, 2511 Cuthbert St., and Fox, son of Mrs. Margie Fox of 3807 Suncrest St., will be married May 31 in St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Yellow spring flowers and candles were used in the serving table decorations. Yellow and white corsages were presented to the honoree and her mother.



MEXICAN FOOD BOOTH — Troop 259 served Mexican food at the recent annual Midland Girl Scout Fair held at the Midland County Exhibit Building. Members shown serving are, from left, Vickie Mims, Mary Ann Ochoa and Mrs. Vince Ochoa, leader. Senior Scout Sarah Matchus, right, Troop 144, works with Troop 259 and helps the members do many things during the year such as learning songs, dances and crafts.

HINTS FROM Heloise

Dear Heloise: Energy saving is not a fad, it is our future.

Recently completed independent studies made at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago show that window shades can cut down the use of energy to an extraordinary degree.

Reduction in heat loss in winter can amount to 25 per cent and reduction of heat gain in summer can amount to 50 per cent, for each sunlit window.

Coming Events

- Thursday**
- Texas Chapter No. 122, T.O.P.S., 7 p.m., Covenant Presbyterian Church.
 - Recovery, Inc., 7:30 p.m., Midland Community Center for Mental Health and Mental Retardation, 2101 W. Wall St.
 - Children's Story Hour, 10 a.m., Midland County Public Library.
 - Texas Garden Club, 11 a.m., MCC.
 - Yucca Garden Club, 12 noon luncheon, Midland Woman's Club.
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 - Women of the Moose, 8 p.m., Moose Lodge, 2423 W. Indiana St.
 - Social Order of Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.
 - Midland Council, Camp Fire Girls Leaders Association, 9:30 a.m., St. Paul United Methodist Church.
 - Golden Agers Work and Play Day, 9:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall, First United Methodist Church, Transportation, 683-2288.
 - Committee for Meals on Wheels, 9 a.m. Senior Services Center, First Christian Church.
 - Midland Chapter No. 32, Parents Without Partners, 7:30 p.m., program planning, 112 W. Denmark St.
 - Children's Service League, 9:15 a.m., Central Family Center, Mrs. John Grimland and Mrs. David Greenlee, hostesses.

Bless Those Window Shades— Winter And Summer

Consider that in relation to all the windows in the house — or better yet, an office building or school — and the net saving is most impressive!

This is very true. I tried it and was amazed at the difference window shades made.

LETTER OF WARNING

Dear Heloise: From someone who learned from a very scary experience, mothers please take this hint.

Whenever you go visiting, always look around for anything harmful to your baby or child before you put them down to play and you start talking.

Grandmothers and aunts too — before expecting a young child make sure all cleaning supplies and medicines are out of reach.

I was lucky, my daughter came out fine. Make sure the child you love is safe.

Lucky Mother This is a wise safety hint. Many people, not having small children at home, never think of the possibilities of a visiting child getting in the cleaning supplies or the medicine cabinets.

Let's follow this "Lucky Mother's" advice as some other mother may not be so lucky.

Dear Heloise:

I always use dental floss to sew or lace up a chicken or turkey.

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Mrs. R. Hormung

Dear Heloise:

I live on a farm and in the fall I save vegetable and flower seeds.

After they dry, I put them

in plastic pill bottles I get from the doctor or drug store.

I label which seeds are in the bottles and keep them together in a small box so when planting time comes I know just where the seeds are.

Betty Grimes

Dear Heloise:

Cup up carrots and celery sticks, place them in a jar filled with water, screw the lid on tight, and leave over night in the refrigerator.

Next morning, drain all the water off, replace the lid and leave in the refrigerator for youngsters to munch on instead of sweets.

The carrot and celery sticks will stay crispy.

Mrs. Daniel Kelly

Hogan Golfers List Pairings

The Hogan Park Women's Golf Association announces members will play for a Traveling Trophy at Play Day games Thursday. Players are requested to register for the handicap tournament to be held May 6-8.

Pairings for the 18-hole flight are:
Mrs. J. B. Johnston, Mrs. W. C. Kimball and Mrs. O. A. Bim; Mrs. David Lage, Mrs. Tommie Bales and Mrs. Allen Shover; Mrs. Charles Dellenback, Mrs. Ardee Morgan and Mrs. Woodson Allen; Mrs. E. Clay Warren, Mrs. Richard Zimmerman and Mrs. Ralph Kari; Mrs. Cullen Heath, Mrs. Larry Smith and Mrs. James Malley; Mrs. Jack Vetter, Mrs. Cleo Harnett and Mrs. L. S. Melzer; Mrs. Frank Dunsap, Mrs. Ervin Philip and Mrs. Jack Hollis; Mrs. Wallace Glenn, Mrs. Zachary Hill and Mrs. E. A. Wagner; Mrs. Milton Calhoun, Mrs. Richard Frazer and Mrs. J. M. Cox; Mrs. Robert Jackson, Mrs. Robert Edwards and Mrs. Coughran Ketter; Mrs. John Richards and Mrs. Elmer Brimber.

Nine-hole flight pairings are:
Mrs. W. Warren Scott, Mrs. O. E. Phelps and Mrs. Melvin Matting; Mrs. Ken Stahl, Mrs. George Berry and Mrs. A. A. Harshorn; Mrs. Tom Cooke Jr., Mrs. Bill Williams and Mrs. Bernice Webb; Mrs. Margaret Moore, Mrs. George A. Ashland and Mrs. Billie Burkhardt; Mrs. Ralph McCleskey, Mrs. Evelyn Bullard and Mrs. John Robb; Mrs. E. K. Browning and Mrs. Joe McGuire.

HOROSCOPE

by Carol Righter.

(May 11)

GENERAL TENDENCIES: The daytime gives you a good chance to get your practical affairs in better order. Tack and pause on your part are required to avoid an unpleasant situation from arising. Make plans for the future.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): Moving in line for clearing up any monetary problems. Make sure in follow advice you get from a business expert.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20): Taking the treatment that will improve your appearance. Be wise. Make new friends that are worthwhile. Think constructively.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Show just where you are headed and find more workable methods of operating. Come to a better understanding with your male.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 22): Making necessary changes where association matters are concerned is wise. Take time for civic work in the afternoon members and come in a far better mood.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 23): Be sure understanding a little for more happiness. Handle an important duty well since you are now being observed by higher business experts who can give the advice you need at this time. Steer clear of one who has an eye on your assets.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 to Sept. 23): Put these creative ideas in operation during the daytime. A plan made now for future advancement will bring fine results.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 to Oct. 23): You have to use diplomacy if you wish to be talked over with experts today. Show more devotion to mate the logical.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 to Nov. 23): Contact those persons who can assist you with daily routine and you get better results in the future. Sidelining a troublemaker.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24 to Dec. 23): Anything of a monetary nature should be talked over with experts today. Show more devotion to mate the logical.

Capricorn (Dec. 24 to Jan. 20): If properly timed astrologically, this should be a fine day for socialability.

Take steps to improve your appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): A association matters are concerned is wise. Take time for civic work in the afternoon members and come in a far better mood.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Consult you are now being observed by higher business experts who can give the advice you need at this time. Steer clear of one who has an eye on your assets.

Auxiliary Meets For Cards, Lunch

The Permian Basin Landmen's Auxiliary met recently at Ranchland Hill Country Club for card games and luncheon.

Mrs. R. C. Bennett won high in bridge and Mrs. Donald G. Roberts won second. Special prize winners were Mrs. R. C. Roberts and Mrs. Robert Ross.

Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Robert Bales, Mrs. Jack Naumann, Mrs. Glenn D. Aron and Mrs. Donald G. Roberts. Mrs. Ed Taylor was introduced as a new member and Mrs. Betty Hallman was a guest.

Navajo Indian Supplies Among supplies sent by the U.S. government to Navajo Indians in the 19th Century were kegs of lead furniture casters and crates of high-buttoned shoes.

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Fate Of \$80 Million In South Vietnamese Gold Still Uncertain

By ROBERT RENO
Newsday

NEW YORK — The fate of an estimated \$80 million in South Vietnamese gold reserves remained uncertain Tuesday. The State Department said that a plan to fly the gold to the United States for deposit in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York had not been carried out. "As of noon yesterday Monday, it had not left South Vietnam," a department spokesman said.

"We don't know if it left since then, but if it did, it has not come to the United States."

The spokesman confirmed that the State Department was

aware of the plan to move the gold out of Saigon but insisted that the United States had no official interest in it or its disposition.

If it had been deposited in the Federal Reserve Bank it would have the status of any other foreign deposit, he said. About \$17 billion in gold is deposited in the bank's vault deep below Nassau Street in lower Manhattan. The bulk of it belongs to foreign nations that feel New York is the safest place to keep their gold. Approximately one fourth of the non-Communist world's official monetary gold reserves are on deposit at the bank, although

the bank refuses to discuss any government's account and will not say whether it expects a deposit from the Republic of Vietnam.

Were the South Vietnamese gold to reach Manhattan, it would undoubtedly become a blocked asset since Saigon has fallen. Cambodian assets in the United States, including gold, were blocked on April 17. This does not mean that the United States takes possession of these assets, but that any future government that wishes to claim them must bargain with the State Department for their release.

Besides Cambodia, the assets

of North Korea, North Vietnam, Cuba and the People's Republic of China are currently blocked in the United States. The unblocking of these assets presumably would be part of negotiations for any future normalization of relations with these nations, a State Department spokesman said.

Of the Vietnamese gold, the spokesman said: "I don't know why, but the stuff hasn't come out. The last word we had, it is still sitting there. Our position is that it belongs to them."

The gold first became a subject of speculation when it was reported that a Swiss airline had been approached in March

about flying \$73 million in gold purportedly belonging to former President Nguyen Van Thieu and former Cambodian President Lon Nol to Switzerland. On Saturday, insurance underwriters in The New York area said they had been approached by the firm of John L. Swan Co. of New York to participate in the insuring of a shipment of \$70 to \$80 million in gold aboard U.S. Air Force planes from Vietnam to the United States.

Robert Reddington, an official of Swan, Tuesday refused to confirm or deny that the firm had arranged the underwriting of the shipment.



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Texas House Panel Okays Half-A-Loaf School Finance Bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Hindered by Gov. Dolph Briscoe's no new taxes policy, a House subcommittee has approved a half-a-loaf school finance bill that—in its sponsor's words—is not a major overhaul.

Rep. Tom Massey, D-San Angelo, said he hoped the measure would come to a vote before the full House Public Education Committee today.

The bill would cost about \$600 million over the next two years, including \$100 million in "state equalization aid" to enable poor districts to enrich their programs through a modest increase in local taxes.

"It's not a major overhaul,"

said Massey, the committee chairman and sponsor of the bill.

"To do equality for the school districts of the state, we need twice as much money as is in this bill."

Briscoe gave in at several points, particularly a two-year delay in implementation of his "weighted pupil" approach to allocating both state and local money.

The bill would put the weighted pupil concept into effect Sept. 1, 1977—leaving it to the next legislature to find the necessary money and even to change the school finance system again. Meanwhile, the con-

cept would be tested in 12 pilot districts.

Weighted pupil means each district's basic educational costs would be determined through a formula based on how many pupils are in the various kinds of programs.

Also delayed two years is the switchover to the use of taxable property values as the sole measurement of how much state aid a district should receive. Until 1977, the yardstick will be a combination of market value of property and "value added"—a rough measurement of income. Each would be used equally in determining state aid.

The bill that came out of negotiations between Briscoe's staff and House leaders provided teachers an across-the-board pay raise of \$1,000, lifting the minimum for starting teachers from \$6,600 to \$7,600 a year.

Subcommittee members quickly voted 4-1 to provide a \$1,400 raise, with a minimum of \$8,000—well below the \$10,000 sought by organized teachers.

The increases will total \$334.7 million over 1975-77.

They wanted it "for the school children."

Atkinson, a former teacher, said, "I used to come down here, and it wasn't for the children of Texas. It was because ol' Hamp needed the money."

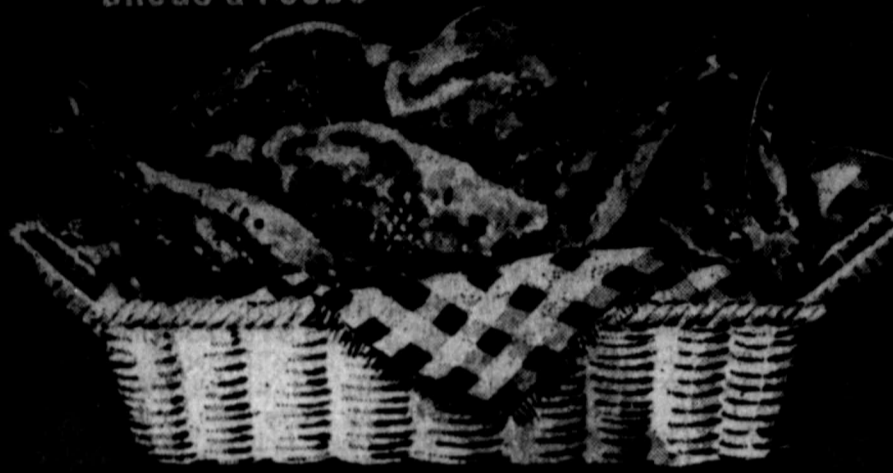
"I'm not saying more money made a better teacher, but my attitude was better," Atkinson said.

The committee added another \$8 million to \$10 million by voting to require a one-to-20 teacher-pupil ratio in kindergarten instead of the present one-to-25.

It tabled, however, 3-2, a motion by Rep. Wilhelmina Delco, D-Austin.

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Speeding Citations

A Texas A&M University researcher has come up with some interesting figures concerning the 55-mile per hour speed limit and related matters.

He is Dennis L. Christiansen, who also is a member of the Texas Transportation Institute.

He estimates that the Texas Department of Public Safety issued 360,000 more speeding citations in 1974 than in 1973. This would indicate that more persons than ever are speeding.

The researcher said that by July 1974 more than 60 per cent of the vehicles on Texas highways were traveling faster than the legal speed limit.

"Although the new speed limit has significantly reduced highway speeds, it has also resulted in a greater percentage of vehicles operating above the legal speed limit," he said.

Despite the number of speeding citations issued in 1974, Christiansen continued, comparisons of the number of speeders forces the conclusion that enforcement alone cannot bring about compliance with an unpopular law.

But as long as the state is counting on federal highway funds and as long as Washington says that states will comply with the 55-mile per hour speed limit — or else, well the states quite naturally will comply, regardless of the popularity of the measure.

Christiansen said that one positive note is that assuming \$20

per ticket, in excess of \$7 million will be realized in new revenue.

A substantial decrease in traffic accidents and fatalities occurred after the reduced speed limit was initiated.

The A&M researcher says that although many transportation researchers have attributed this entire decrease to the lowered speed limits, a more detailed analysis suggests that not all of this decrease is due to reduced speeds.

"The 55-mph had little influence on urban travel," Christiansen said. "Nevertheless, in comparing the first months of 1974 with 1973, the 23 per cent reduction in urban traffic fatalities has been almost equal to the reduction in rural fatalities of 25 per cent.

"The reduced speed limit certainly contributed; it probably accounts for the difference in total accident reduction between rural and urban areas. But a great contributor was the reduction in vehicle miles of travel. For the first six months of 1974, travel in Texas was 4.7 per cent below the 1973 level."

Christiansen also calculated that because of speed reductions the average travel time on Texas' highways increased about 20 per cent.

Motorists well might ponder these things as they take to the highways, now that vacation season is upon us. It is best, safest and less expensive to stay within the legal speed limit.

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INSIDE REPORT

Sen. Henry Jackson's Unsolved Dilemma

By ROLAND EVANS and ROBERT NOVAK

MILWAUKEE — Minutes after Sen. Henry M. Jackson left a breakfast with top labor brass here recently, the president of the Milwaukee County Labor Council cornered Jackson's national campaign manager Robert J. Keefe with a fundamental question.

"How does Scoop stand with George Meany these days?" asked Werner Schaefer.

Keefe, the smooth-as-silk pro who runs Jackson's campaign, gave a sugar-coated answer. There's not all that much difference between Meany and Jackson, he said, but they're both strong-willed men and disagreements are bound to crop up.

In fact, relations between the formerly hawkish advocate of a hardline role for America in the world, including Southeast Asia, and the dove, tough anti-Communist president of the AFL-CIO could hardly be worse. The break between them, begun by Jackson's support of the trade bill last winter, points to the Senator's unresolved dilemma in his drive for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Jackson's campaign is ahead of schedule in financing, organization and gently rising poll ratings. But he has not pulled off the trick which is the essence of national politics: to extend his base without losing old support. Rather, he has clearly antagonized much of his labor constituency in wooing aggressive enemies on the party's left.

Moreover, he recently compounded the problem by refusing to endorse new emergency funds for Saigon to help

Philippines," Costa told us. "that's the next place to go."

Nor were hard-line Wisconsin labor leaders entirely happy with Jackson the night before. His biggest hand as star attraction at the Milwaukee County Democratic committee fund-raising dinner came when he lambasted the Ford administration for not evacuating Americans fast enough from Saigon. "All of our dependents should have been out of there yesterday," he said, bringing cheers from the 700 Democrats who paid \$25 each.

One of labor's high command, listening to the applause, was not impressed. He told us: "See, he's switching from hawk to dove. It may be helping him at this dinner but it's hurting him with us."

Otherwise, the fund-raiser was a conspicuous success for Jackson. A record crowd was turned out by Democratic county chairman Daryl Hansen, a dedicated Jackson backer. Jackson was impressive in experimenting with a unique format. Instead of making a speech, he sat in an elevated swivel chair on a raised dais in the center of the ballroom, fielding questions with considerable skill for 75 minutes under the hot glare of klieg lights.

But Hansen's problem recruiting ticket-buyers on a Friday night revealed another aspect of the Senator's campaign: his reliance on the Senate's pro-Israel leader on Jewish contributors. Hansen's hope to sell tables to business leaders was blocked at the last moment by the new campaign-contributions law. To make up the loss, he appealed to the Jewish community.



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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By JACK ANDERSON with Les Whitten

WASHINGTON — The former Greek military dictatorship plotted to kidnap a prominent Greek exile from the streets of Washington and to smuggle him by plane or submarine to Athens.

The plotters were confident, according to secret, coded cables, that they could "rely on the cooperation of the various agencies of the U.S. Government."

The victim, Elias Demetrapoulos, was supposed to be taken to Athens and delivered to the KYP, the Greek equivalent of the CIA. According to the secret records of the Greek junta, the KYP planned to put him through one of its dreaded interrogations, which usually ended in torture.

The junta wanted not only to learn the identity of his contacts but to remove him from the Washington scene, where he had worked effectively against the Greek dictatorship. Almost alone, he had countered the pro-junta influence of then-Vice President Spiro Agnew.

This infuriated then-Atty. Gen. John Mitchell who blew up at a party, according to witnesses, and threatened to have Demetrapoulos deported. But when Mitchell failed to follow through and permitted the exile to remain in Washington, the Greek government in Athens hatched the kidnap plot.

The story is told in cables, stamped "COSMIC Eyes Only." Greece's top security classification. According to the cables, former Greek strongman George Papadopoulos and deputy KYP chief Michael Roufoglalis planned the kidnaping.

There was an exchange of hush-hush cables with the Greek military mission in Washington. As laid out in the coded

Jack Anderson



cables, Athens was prepared to dispatch a special team to the United States to carry out the actual kidnaping. The military mission helped plan the next moves.

One scheme called for Demetrapoulos to be driven by car to New York City and to be whisked to Athens aboard an Olympic Airways jetliner. There is no evidence that the airline, which was owned by the late Aristotle Onassis, had any knowledge of the plot.

Under a second proposal, a special Greek military plane was supposed to fly to the United States to pick up the kidnap victim. But no Greek plane can fly that far without refueling and the junta feared the mysterious flight might stir suspicions at fueling stops on the way back.

A third alternative, proposed by the Greek military mission in Washington, would have had the subdued Demetrapoulos hustled to a harbor on the U.S. East Coast and smuggled aboard a waiting Greek submarine. But this plan, too, was deemed too risky.

The most startling revelation is contained in one "COSMIC" cable, which confides: "We can rely on the cooperation of the various agencies of the U.S. Government, but estimate the congressional reaction to be fierce."

KEVIN P. PHILLIPS

The Facts Of Global Retreat Presented

WASHINGTON (KFS) — Now that Vietnam finally is falling to the Communists, it is useful to review analyses put forward in earlier weeks that the collapse of Indochina is in some ways beneficial because it frees us to maximize our strength elsewhere in the world.

This particular April Fool's thesis has not even outlived the rains, tulips and forsythia, and one can only imagine the further ghastly worldwide American retreat that will be apparent by May. The sad truth is that the collapse of U.S. strength and credibility in Indochina is occurring hand-in-hand with a similar if less total erosion from Pacific Asia to Atlantic Europe. The whole horrible shrinkage is a seamless web, spun by the pettiness of Congress, the defeatism of major media opinion molders, and the failure of nerve by the U.S. foreign policy establishment.

Even so, the purpose of this column is neither philosophic nor psychological, but merely to catalogue events and situations. Here, with minimal gloss or literary embellishment, is a geographic and budgetary profile of the mushrooming U.S. world pullback and simultaneous Russian advance.

—East Asia: Let us presume that Cambodia and Vietnam are gone. Rumors predict Russia getting naval facilities at Cam Ranh Bay. The Philippines, once U.S. governed, are contemplating cancelling their mutual defense treaty and ejecting American forces from Clark Field (headquarters of the 18th Air Force) and Subic Bay Naval Base. In Thailand, the government

now appears to want all 25,000 U.S. military personnel, mostly airmen, withdrawn inside a year. Meanwhile, Taiwan and South Korea want U.S. forces to stay, and worry that they may not.

—The Indian Ocean (including the adjacent Red Sea and Persian Gulf): Russian vessels now greatly overbalance the U.S. naval presence. America's Persian Gulf naval lease at Bahrain probably will be renewed, but is in doubt. Congress is interfering with Defense Department plans for a mid-ocean facility at Diego Garcia. Meanwhile, in the last five years, the Soviets have secured one new base after another in South Arabia, Somaliland and islands off the Horn of Africa. Defense Secretary Schlesinger announced in early April that Russia was building a missile support base — its first outside the Soviet bloc — in Berbera, Somaliland. Each month, the balance against the United States tilts to more disadvantage.

—The Mediterranean: Six years ago, the U.S. was thrown out of Wheelus Air Force Base in Libya, as well as other facilities along North Africa's Mediterranean Coast. Now the Turkish government (in response to Congress' spiteful February arms embargo) has withdrawn from NATO naval maneuvers, and is reviewing the status of U.S. bases. In early April, Greece and the United States resumed talks on the future of American military bases in Greece following that country's withdrawal from the military wing of NATO. In March, the U.S. began renegotiating base arrangements with Spain. The Pentagon expects to give up Torrejon Air Force Base outside Madrid, leaving only the second-echelon facilities at Zaragoza, and substantially lowering the U.S. military profile.

—The Atlantic: Portugal's new regime has just told the U.S. that Air Force facilities at Lages in the Azores Islands cannot be used in the event of a Middle East War. Besides which, there is the possibility that Portugal may grant Soviet trawler fleets facilities on the lush Atlantic tourist island of Madeira. For the moment, the U.S. Air Force base at Keflavik, Iceland, appears safe, but there are Communists in Iceland's governing political coalition, and the crisis of several years ago could recur.

The truth is that U.S. influence is fading everywhere in the Eastern Hemisphere. But this debacle has been taking shape for years. In current dollars (allowing for inflation), U.S. military spending has dipped from \$95.7 billion in 1964 to \$86.2 billion in 1975. Ten years ago, 48 per cent of federal spending went to the military; now it is just 27 per cent. Meanwhile, Russian defense expenditure has increased by almost 40 per cent.

I have tried to confine the bulk of this column to a recitation of readily available geopolitical information. Unfortunately, the situation in Indochina is clearly part of a much larger problem.

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THE BIBLE

Can you quote it?

By LAVINA ROSS FOWLER

1. Finish the following verse of Psalm 103:14, which should be a cure for anyone laboring under the curse of snobbishness, "For He knoweth our frame; and He remembereth that we are..."
 2. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is..." Romans 6:23
 3. Paul was always for good speech. How did he express this? Colossians 4:6
 4. Someone has said, "If you keep your freedom for your own self, it will rot in your hands." Slaves of selfishness suffer more than anyone else. Jesus said, "For whosoever will save his life shall..." Matthew 16:25
 5. Why did Jesus say, "Ephphatha" (EF-uh-tha) when he cured the mute? Mark 7:34
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Some Observers Fear 'Who Lost South Vietnam' Debate

By CARL P. LEUBSDORF
An AP News Analysis

WASHINGTON (AP) — The apparent success of the logistically tricky U.S. evacuation from South Vietnam seems likely to submerge any short-range political controversy but the prospects for a long-term debate over blame for the Indochina losses are uncertain.

Over the longer run, the extent to which Vietnam survives as a political issue may depend on whether President Ford and his critics heed Ford's own advice "to avoid recrimination about the past."

There have been hints in some recent public statements of Ford, Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger that there might be a political issue in the refusal by the Democrat-controlled Congress to approve Ford's request for arms aid.

Some observers have feared a new version of the "who lost China" debate of a quarter century ago when conservatives bitterly blamed the Truman administration for the Communist take-over of mainland China and helped set the stage for the McCarthy era of political witchhunts.

But while dropping those hints, Ford and others have insisted they have no intention of making an issue of who lost Vietnam.

The short-term debate over the pace of withdrawal has simmered ever since Ford asked Congress on April 10 for nearly \$1 billion in additional Vietnam aid and authority to use troops to evacuate Americans and endangered Vietnamese.

Just two days after Ford's speech, as the last Americans were evacuating the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield charged that U.S. officials were "dragging their feet" in Saigon and urged a speedup of American withdrawals.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee made that same point to Ford at an unusual White House meeting on April 14. An order promptly went out to Ambassador Graham Martin to reduce the number of Americans in Vietnam to those needed for essential, official duties.

At each step along the way, however, there was criticism in both House and Senate over what the lawmakers claimed was the lagging pace of withdrawal. At each point, they delayed action on the legislation, seeking to pressure the administration to speed the withdrawal.

By Tuesday, the final

legislation had cleared the Senate and was awaiting consideration in the House. As the evacuation proceeded, the bill was pulled off the calendar.

Most key members of the House and Senate felt President Ford already had authority to use troops to protect American lives. Congressional leaders were notified Monday night of the decision to do so.

Vietnam will in the future inevitably produce new

political controversies over the handling of the thousands of Vietnamese refugees, over future U.S. dealings with the new Vietnamese government and over possible U.S. help to reconstruct that war-torn land.

But the likelihood of debate over blame for the fall of Vietnam and Cambodia appears lessened by the evidence in recent polls that most Americans are satisfied that their country's involvement in Southeast Asia has ended.

Ford Experiences Some Anxious Hours

WASHINGTON (AP) —

President Ford spent an anxious 24 hours as he made the decision for all-out evacuation of Americans from Saigon and waited for the last helicopter to leave safely.

When it was all over late Tuesday afternoon and he closed "a chapter in the American experience," Ford asked the nation "to close ranks... avoid recriminations... to work together on the great tasks that remain to be accomplished."

Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, who shared the decision-making hours with the President, described Ford as "somber and determined" as they went through those "somewhat anxious 24 hours."

Kissinger said that until the last helicopter left, "We couldn't really know if any of those compounds would be attacked or whether missiles would be used against our evacuation."

Ford's ordeal as commander-in-chief began shortly after 6 p.m. Monday when an aide slipped quietly into the Cabinet room of the White House and passed a note to the President as he presided over a routine meeting of energy advisers. The note said the situa-

tion in Saigon was deteriorating and two U.S. Marines had been killed.

It was Tuesday morning in Vietnam and the Tan Son Nhut airport near Saigon was under rocket and artillery fire.

After whispered consultations with the aide, Lt. Gen. Brent A. Scowcroft, Ford ordered top officials summoned for a National Security Council meeting.

At 7:23 p.m. the National Security Council meeting began with only one topic for discussion: whether now was the time for the final evacuation. Ford decided that if the shelling in Saigon stopped by dawn, an attempt would be made for one more day to use regular planes in the airlift.

Ford went to the White House residence, greeted his wife and drank a martini. Within minutes he was joined by Scowcroft and Kissinger who told him the situation at Tan Son Nhut was becoming more desperate.

At 10:51 p.m. EDT, Ford decided to put "option four" into effect — an all-out helicopter evacuation, making use of armed Marines and heavy CH-53 helicopters from the U.S. carrier task force in the South China Sea.



MOMENT OF EXECUTION — A Viet Cong officer grimaces at the impact of a fatal bullet from the gun shot by South Vietnamese National Police Chief Brig. Gen. Nguyen Ngoc Loan in Saigon on Feb. 1, 1968. Carrying a pistol and wearing civilian clothes, the Viet Cong guerrilla was captured near An Quang pagoda, identified as an officer, and taken to the police chief. (AP Wirephoto.)

In Just Eight Weeks, A Complete Victory

The Manchester Guardian SAIGON — In just eight weeks, from their first major attack in the Central Highlands, the North Vietnamese have a complete victory in the long war.

The steady but largely unnoticed deterioration of the South Vietnamese Army's position in the north and the Central Highlands over the last four years was an essential factor in its defeat. But that alone is not sufficient explanation, for nobody thought the rot had gone quite that far. At every stage of the campaign the North Vietnamese have shown better generalship, better judgment, more flexibility, and more resolve, while the South Vietnamese simply piled mistake on mistake.

The North Vietnamese began to prepare the campaign in the Central Highlands in early March when they cut every strategic road and positioned their five divisions to take advantage of the South Vietnamese army's predictable reaction.

Gen. Pham Van Phu, the Central Highlands commander, moved some troops to reopen the cuts and moved others into Pleiku to defend that city against an anticipated attack. Instead the North Vietnamese struck at Ban Me Thuot to the south, taking it in three days. Reluctantly Phu put his 23rd division on the road down to Ban Me Thuot.

But it never got there, and the town had fallen before the 23rd was even close. That was the first and fundamental mistake of the campaign.

Then when President Nguyen Van Thieu ordered the abandonment of the Central Highlands — the means of mobility which the South Vietnamese once possessed hardly existed any longer. Of the large transport wing which the Americans gave the Vietnamese air force only five C-130's were still operational. So the troops, together with the scores of thousands of civilians, had to try to get to the coast along roads which had been cut for years.

No real effort had been made to secure the roads in advance of the columns, and the North Vietnamese moved their units into blocking positions, and blew them apart. And as the two columns blundered toward the coast, the rest of the Central Highlands provinces collapsed, many abandoned with hardly a shot fired.

The last and most stupid mistake in the Central Highlands was to attempt to hold Qui Nhon, where the South Vietnamese 22nd division was fighting well against the North Vietnamese third Yellow Star division. The cornered and defensive mentality of the South Vietnamese general staff at that stage was such that they took comfort from this irrelevant battle instead of evacuating the

division for the defense of Saigon.

At the same time the North Vietnamese had also been developing an attack on Northern military regions. They moved in an additional division from the north, just as Thieu, wavering between the idea of defending the north and of abandoning it like the Central Highlands, withdrew the airborne division to Saigon. That left Gen. Ngo Quang Truong, the northern region commander, with four divisions. The North Vietnamese had five, but they deployed them in such a way as to put enormous pressure first on Hue, and then on Da Nang — although in the event the latter city fell without that pressure being actually applied. The Communists hit the thinly manned defense on the My Chanh River, north of Hue, and moved up a division to follow it through. Meanwhile two other divisions were taking it in turn to bait a regiment of the South Vietnamese first division to pieces in the key hills west of Hue.

Both Thieu and Truong wavered, proclaiming one day that Hue would be defended, the next that it should be abandoned. It was the enemy who made up their minds for them, but cutting the road from Hue to Da Nang — and

by then it was too late. The troops were ordered to get out of Hue by landing craft on March 26. Many reached Da Nang, although in disarray and without their officers, who had left by helicopter.

By that time, however, Da Nang itself was threatened. While Truong's attention had been fixed on the threat to Hue, two more North Vietnamese divisions had rolled up the second division to the south. In Da Nang, crammed with disorderly troops and full of officers whose preoccupation was to get their families out, all semblance of command collapsed.

And Da Nang fell without a real fight. The North Vietnamese had set off a chain of withdrawal, panic, and command paralysis that gave them the rest of the region on a plate while the South Vietnamese had committed military suicide.

After a brief pause Gen. Giap and Gen. Hoang Van Thai, the Communist overall commanders, decided to go for Saigon and they issued orders to that effect in early April. As the North Vietnamese divisions, moving from west to east, finished their assigned tasks, they were told to turn and head south to join the battle for the capital when it began.

The South Vietnamese high

command, sticking to intelligence appreciations formed before Northern disasters, expected the first North Vietnamese attack north west of Saigon, in Tay Ninh. (Woolacott, Guardian)

Instead it came in the northwest, at Xuan Loc, which was attacked on April 9. Xuan Loc lasted from then until April 21. It has a claim to be the decisive battle of this final stage of the war. It was certainly the only battle of this entire campaign in which there was heavy and sustained fighting. Thieu, encouraged by Gen. Frederick C. Weyand, the U.S. Army chief of staff who was in Saigon to assess the situation, decided it was his last chance for a major defensive victory that might just stop the momentum of the North Vietnamese.

The South Vietnamese 18th division had one regiment north of Xuan Loc, one to the east, and one in the town itself, and they were reinforced by a brigade of paratroopers from the reserve. First the North Vietnamese attacked Xuan Loc, but did not take it — and that very probably was deliberate, for it tempted Saigon to try to fight there. Then they cut the road from Xuan Loc to Bien Hoa. Then, after adding new units to their attacking force, they wiped

out the most northerly regiment, thus outflanking Xuan Loc and opening up the road to Bien Hoa. By April 18, this decisive battle was over and Thieu knew it and the generals knew it, and the Americans knew it. The war was finished with Xuan Loc.

There was one last chance for Saigon. The swift formation of a new government and the swift re-drawing of the defense lines around Saigon. While neither could save South Vietnam, they might have

given sufficient leverage for negotiations that would not have been merely talks with a view to surrendering. But neither Saigon's politicians nor Saigon's staggering army were capable of seizing that opportunity. After a few days the North Vietnamese moved to deliver the coup de grace. They simultaneously moved on Bien Hoa, on Long Thanh, on the Vung Tau road, on the capital of Phuoc Tuy, and on Route 4 to the Mekong Delta.

Sam Adams: a radical for today

On the night of December 16, 1773, 342 chests of the East India Company's tea were dumped into Boston Harbor by angry colonists disguised as Mohawk Indians and Negroes. It was Sam Adams' way of letting King George and Lord North know that the colonists preferred a free market for all goods. Something they weren't getting because of a whole string of regulations passed by Britain's Parliament.

The Townsend Acts of 1767 had been bad enough, levying duties on tea, paper, glass, cloth and other goods exported from England to the colonies. But when those duties were repealed in 1773 except for tea, Adams and other colonial tea-drinkers felt discriminated against. Outraged. Especially when the government-subsidized East India Company was in essence given a monopoly, squeezing out the cheaper tea that had been brought in from Holland.

The tea-dunking served its purpose. It signified that the colonists were fed up with regulations. But King George didn't get the message. Instead he added still other regulations, which were soon labeled the Coercive, or Intolerable, Acts by the infuriated colonists. Designed to force compliance with the hated duties, they helped force instead the American Revolution.

The more things change, the more they remain the same.

We're not trying to suggest that Sam Adams would dump tea in Boston harbor if he were around today. He probably couldn't get past the first stage—

the Environmental Impact Statement. But if he were a part of the U.S. petroleum industry, he'd still be a radical looking for that free market. And there would still be a reactionary government fighting him every step of the way.

Farfetched? The repeal of the Townsend Acts removed duties from a variety of goods, save one—tea. In 1971, our President imposed price controls on a variety of goods. These controls have since been removed for every industry, save one—petroleum. And doesn't the recent call in our own Congress for a taxpayer-subsidized federal oil and gas company parallel Parliament's effort to subsidize the inefficient East India Company?

Also, there's a direct comparison to those Coercive Acts of 1774. There are many bills in Congress today specifically designed to restrict the petroleum industry's ability to do its job. Bills that would, in effect, deny the industry the right to operate in a free market. Which, if not coercive, is at least intolerable.

We've said it before: There is no effective substitute for incentives at the right level; and nothing fine-tunes incentives better than the marketplace. A free market, if we may be rebels enough to say so, is still the best device for bringing about greater energy self-sufficiency. If that sounds a little radical to some people, we can only add:

If this be treason, make the most of it! Sam Adams didn't say that. Patrick Henry did.

But Sam liked it.

U.S. May Go On Paying For War Economically For Another Decade

NEW YORK — In economic terms, the United States may go on paying for the Vietnam War for another decade.

It was the first war the nation ever has fought without putting the economy on a wartime footing. For this, many economists believe, we have paid with inflation and unemployment rates unheard of in a generation.

"I believe that we can continue the Great Society while we fight in Vietnam," President Lyndon Johnson said in 1966. "But if there are some who do not believe this, then, in the name of justice, let them call for the contribution of those who live in the fullness of our blessing rather than try to strip it from the hands of those that are most in need."

In both World War II and the Korean War, the nation's economy had been subjugated to the war effort. Both Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman were given broad powers to assign production priorities, ration scarce goods, control wages and prices, and regulate consumer credit. Taxes were raised. But as American in-

volvement in Vietnam began to deepen, the nation's economy was in extraordinary good health, healthier probably than it ever had been. The \$11 billion tax cut of 1963 had produced the kind of boom which economists dream of. Unemployment was less than 4 per cent and the inflation rate was still less than 2 per cent.

It was in this state of economic euphoria that Johnson won the excise tax cut of 1965. This applied even more stimulus to the economy at the very time when the war was beginning to place excessive strains on the United States' productive capacity.

There was increasing demand for tax increases both to finance the war and to dampen private spending as a means of heading off inflation. Consumer prices rose by 2.7 per cent in 1966 compared with a 1.7 per cent rise in 1965. Johnson finally proposed an income tax surcharge in August 1966 as an anti-inflationary measure, but Congress did not act on it until June 1968. By then, prices were going up at an annual rate of 4.2 per cent.

It can be argued that the nation lost its last chance to control inflation in 1966, that by 1968 it was too late, and that from then on the economy was never again healthy enough to sustain another tax increase. By 1969 a recession had begun, making a tax increase highly risky if not unthinkable. Consumer prices rose 5.4 per cent that year and 5.9 per cent the next.

The legacy since then has been one of steadily rising prices which abated only briefly under wage-price controls. In the end, the only thing which really brought the inflation rate down was the recession in which the nation now finds itself.

Nor will the cost of the war end, even if the recession comes to a halt some time around June. The conservative economists who surround President Ford as well as a few other liberal economists, were so badly stung by their experience with inflation and their inability to do anything about it that many of them are willing to accept a prolonged period of high unemployment and slow recovery rather than risk repeating the experience.

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House GOP Conference To Open Meetings To Public

By RICHARD L. LYONS
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The conference of all House Republicans voted 50 to 17 Tuesday to open their meetings to the public and challenged the more potent democratic caucus to follow suit.

Republicans have been griping all year about secret power plays because the Democrats with their 2 to 1 majority have occasionally voted to set party legislative policy at closed caucus meetings of all House Democrats.

The Republican conference meets only to discuss legislation, the committee system for the never tries to bind members and as a one-third minority would have little impact if it tried to make things happen. It acted Tuesday to open its meetings for

the rest of this year, unless a majority votes to close them, so it could with clean hands chide Democrats on the issue.

Earlier this year the Democratic caucus successfully directed its members of the Rules Committee to adopt a resolution permitting an amendment to the tax-cut bill repealing the oil depletion allowance. It also adopted a sense of the caucus resolution that no more military aid should be given to Cambodia or South Vietnam. None has been.

Some members of both parties have complained that it subverts the committee system for the majority party caucus to legislate in effect while an issue is pending before a legislative committee.

Rep. John B. Anderson, R-Ill.,

follow its position for fear of reprisals... the American people are entitled to know what transpires in these important policy-dictating sessions."

Rep. Bill Chappell, D-La., a conservative, has prepared a resolution with about 100 Democratic cosponsors which he hopes to put before next month's caucus meeting requiring that caucuses be open unless a majority votes in open session to close them. This is the same rule that

has opened up most House Committee meetings, Chappell said. He thought the caucus could meet in closed session on party housekeeping matters but that any time the caucus tries to do direct legislation it should be open.

Liberal Democratic leaders at least once a month and on special occasions at the request of 50 members. By two-thirds party caucus and break the iron grip of the seniority rule for committee chairmanships have legislation on the House floor.

Retired Air Force Colonel Says CIA Flew Two Men Into Cuba To Kill Castro

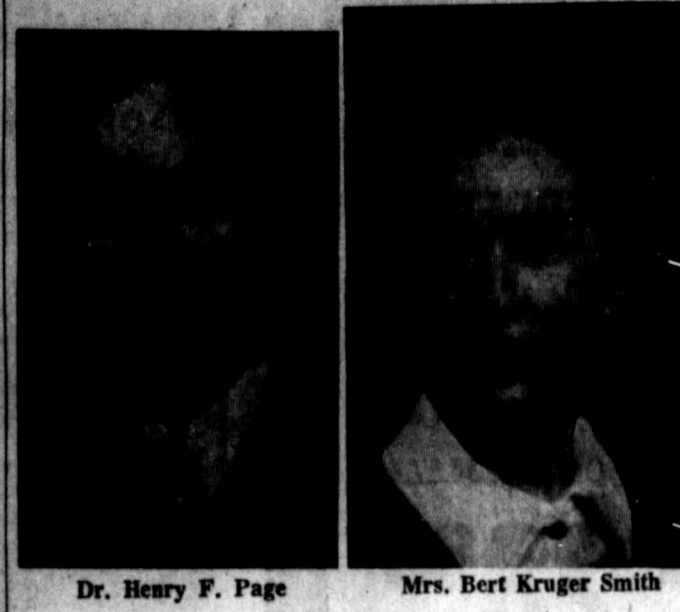
WASHINGTON (AP) — A retired Air Force colonel says the CIA once requested a plane under his command and flew two men into Cuba to kill Fidel Castro.

L. Fletcher Prouty said he came forward now with an account of his involvement in the abortive plot in "late 1959 or early 1960" because of a verbal attack by former CIA Director Richard Helms against CBS newsman Daniel Schorr for reporting possible CIA involvement in assassination schemes.

He said the five-seat, single-engine plane landed and returned safely to Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, but the two exiles "as far as I know were picked up between where they were left off and town."

Prouty said one of the exiles was named Oscar Spjoo and that the plane had been flown by "mercenaries" on the CIA payroll.

Now an Amtrak official, Prouty was with the Defense Department's Office of Special Operations at the time of the plot. He retired from the Air Force in 1963 and wrote a book called "The Secret Team," detailing his experiences as Air Force liaison with the CIA.



Dr. Henry F. Page Mrs. Bert Kruger Smith

Senior Seminar Scheduled Here

A participant in the White House Conferences on Aging and Nutrition and a member of the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health will be guest speakers Thursday at the Permian Basin Senior Seminar to be held at First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Bert Kruger Smith, a member of the Hogg Foundation and author of "Aging in America," will be the dinner speaker at 6 p.m. for the seminar, which is co-sponsored by Midland Senior Services, Midland College and the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission.

Dr. Henry F. Page, a participant in the White House Conferences on Aging and Nutrition in 1969 and 1971 and currently a staff doctor of Midland Memorial Hospital, will be the luncheon speaker.

The seminar, which begins at 9 a.m., will include two sessions—a panel discussion entitled "Volunteers and Senior Citizens" and a staff workshop called "Nuts and Bolts."

Members of the panel will include Marilyn Van Patten of United Way, Colleen Scurry of Action Line Fish, Wilma Maley of Trinity Towers and Theo Ferguson of Big Spring Hospital Auxiliary.

The workshop will be led by Carol Burns, executive director of the Midland Community Action Agency.

Afternoon activities will include a slide and tape presentation of Midland senior citizens activities, a tour of Midland and discussions of Bicentennial planning and banking services.

Charges Dropped On Snake Hobbyist

FORT WORTH (AP) — Police released without charges a 23-year-old rattlesnake hobbyist arrested Monday night for investigation of alleged reckless conduct with a 4½-foot rattlesnake in the parking lot of a restaurant here.

Asst. Atty. Mike Maloney recommended the release, saying police had no case against the man.

"He did have a clean record. He's been collecting snakes for 10 years. I believe his story," Maloney said.

The man's version of what happened on the restaurant parking lot was different from that given by a man who called

and held up the head about eight feet from the curious man to display the fangs.

There was no more to the incident, claimed the snake owner. He said he was surprised when police arrived a short time later to arrest him.

He said he hunts snakes for a hobby and donates them to rattlesnake clubs who get the venom for medicine.

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Thousands Of Vietnamese Join Widening Stream Of U.S.-Bound Refugees

By TOM JORY
Associated Press Writer

Thousands of South Vietnamese have joined a widening stream of refugees bound for the United States and what could be months of grappling with red tape and uncertainty.

About 1,400 of the refugees, some who saw their homeland torn by war, the government they supported in collapse, arrived at West Coast military bases Tuesday. Many others filled a temporary tent city on Guam.

Military officials on the Pacific island listed the refugee population early today at 28,044. They said it would reach 40,000 as evacuees streamed in from initial processing centers on Wake Island and at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines.

South Vietnamese pilots flew their planes to Utapao in southern Thailand today, bringing other members of the Saigon government's armed forces and their families.

American sources said a total of 118 planes had arrived at Utapao by noon today, bringing an estimated 2,000 South Vietnamese.

The United States began flying the refugees on to Guam as Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj said that it was America's responsibility to remove them.

Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott told reporters that by noon Tuesday, 45,000 refugees had been evacuated from the country. Later in the day,

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Refugees' Arrival In Arkansas Delayed

FT. CHAFFEE, Ark. (AP) — Plans are uncertain, but officials say Indochina refugees won't begin arriving until at least Thursday at Ft. Chaffee, a deactivated Army post in Northwest Arkansas.

The Army, which had announced Tuesday that 500 refugees would be flown into the nearby city of Fort Smith this morning, later retracted the statement.

Col. James Fyock of the post information office said the refugees might begin arriving at Fort Smith by plane Thursday, but he was not sure of that. He could not explain the error in the earlier announcement.

However, Rep. John Paul Hammerschmidt, R-Ark., said Tuesday night that the refugees would begin arriving at Chaffee Friday afternoon. The post is in Hammerschmidt's 3rd Congressional District.

Hammerschmidt said he got his information from Donald McDonald of the Vietnam Refugee Interagency Task Force, who has been designated the senior civilian supervisor at Ft. Chaffee.

The refugee processing operation, termed "Operation Helping Hand," is expected to continue for about 90 days, Hammerschmidt said. Before the process is completed, the evacuees will be joined with their U.S. relatives or sponsors.

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California Remains Highly Vulnerable But Unprepared For Big Quake

By LEROY F. AARONS
The Washington Post
SAN FRANCISCO — "My rule of thumb is we must expect a large earthquake tonight, not at the end of the century," said

Bruce A. Bolt, distinguished professor of geology and director of the U.S. Seismographic Station at the University of California at Berkeley. Bolt lives on a hillside close

to the Hayward Fault, a 100-mile branch of the 650-mile San Andreas Fault.

"Nearly all the professors in this department live very near the fault," Bolt said. "It's very pleasant, with a view of the Bay."

Millions of Californians take the same approach to the earthquake threat. Nearly 70 years after the disastrous 1906 earthquake that destroyed San Francisco, and more than four years after the ominous tremor in San Fernando in Los Angeles County that took 58 lives, California remains highly vulnerable to, and unprepared for, a cataclysmic quake that most scientists agree will come before the end of the century.

Many changes have been made, largely as a result of the scare factor that followed the San Fernando quake. But California has a penchant for choosing pleasant living over preparedness, and for bowing to the economic pressure of the real estate industry.

The state is crisscrossed by thousands of earth faults, some active, some inactive and many undetected.

What is known is that the state is ripe for a major eruption, which seems to occur every hundred years or so. The last big one in Southern California was in 1857 along the famous San Andreas Fault.

The main cause of earthquakes is rocks fracturing from

the gradual accumulation of strain during geological changes. When strain exceeds the strength of the rocks, there is sudden fracture.

Quakes also occur along pre-existing fractures — such as the San Andreas fault or its offshoots — when enough tension builds up to overcome the friction between the rock faces of the fracture. Such tension is often relieved by slow, harmless slippage, but it can also occur suddenly with an explosive release of energy.

In northern California, the largest earthquake of recent history occurred in 1906 in San Francisco. It registered more than 8 on the Richter scale, killed more than 500 people and caused fires that leveled the city.

The Richter scale, devised by Dr. Charles Richter of California Institute of Technology, measures the energy released — and thus the potential for damage — by an earthquake. The scale is open-ended and logarithmic, meaning that each increase of one unit represents a 100-fold increase in the energy released.

A quake that registered 2 on the scale is imperceptible, while 2.5 can be felt near the point of origin and 3 can be felt over a fair-sized local area. Slight damage can be caused at 4.5, a level of 5 is considered damaging, 7 is major, and 8 is a "great earthquake."

The issue, most geologists and seismic experts agree, is not whether another blockbuster quake will occur, but when it could happen any time.

Should that earthquake occur "tomorrow," these experts believe, the following realities await Californians:

— Tens of thousands of buildings built in the first half of the century, clearly hazardous under earthquake conditions, in use in San Francisco and Los Angeles, could topple, endangering thousands of lives, an estimated 200,000 in Los Angeles alone.

— Other thousands of buildings built on or near faults face destruction from ground shaking and land fill.

— High-rise buildings, built to more modern standards, may not topple, but face serious hazards of fire, disable elevators and inadequate stairwell safety.

Earthquake disaster urgency plans are mostly on paper throughout the state, hampered by apathy among public officials, lack of funds and infrequent exercises.

The public is ill-prepared to cope with earthquakes or their aftermaths. There is virtually no publicity about what to do during or after a major quake.

Earthquake drills are rarely, if ever, held in communities or in public buildings.

A recent federally sponsored study gives these estimates of

death and injury should a temblor of more than 7 or 8 points on the Richter scale occur in or near San Francisco or Los Angeles:

San Francisco — as many as 10,000 persons dead and 40,000 injured. Another 56,000 could be left homeless.

Los Angeles — as many as 20,000 deaths and up to 600,000 injured. Additional deaths possible due to major dam failure — up to 14,000. Homeless, not including dam evacuees, up to 180,000.

At the very best, Californians are fatalistic about earthquakes, accepting that they will come and hoping they will be out of the affected area when it happens.

"You don't know when it is going to be or how it's going to be," said one West Los Angeles resident. "I should put money into making my house earthquake-proof when I could be in some skyscraper swaying when it happens? Who cares?"

In San Francisco, a college professor recently asked 125 residents in a random sampling what they would do if an earthquake comes. Six per cent said, in effect, "Start praying. What else is there to do?"

What can be done? In fact, quite a lot — and some of it is being accomplished in the areas of building code upgrading, land-use planning, emergency preparedness, earthquake prediction and public

education. But the effort of a few aggressive legislators, state and local officials, and private citizens is frustrated by the low level of priority generally assigned to earthquake protection.

Geologists and seismic experts admit they know very little about what causes earthquakes or precisely how buildings are affected by local or even distant shocks. Now, for the first time California is placing instruments that measure motion in key buildings around the state. But they must await another earthquake to produce usable data.

Iraan Youth Wins Agriculture Award

Wayne Cummins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cummins of Iraan, was recently named winner of the 1975 DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award.

The award, sponsored by DEKALB Research Inc., is presented to the outstanding senior in vocational agriculture departments around the country. Cummins was chosen for the award on the basis of his scholarship, leadership and supervised farming program.

Cummins attends Iraan High School, where he has been president of the student council and junior class president. He is listed in Who's Who among American High School Students and is a member of the Society of Distinguished American High School Students, National Honor Society and several other scholastic organizations, and has received numerous scholastic awards.

Cummins was also a member of the Braves football team four years, Braves basketball team two years and Braves track team three years.

He was FFA green hand secretary, received the Star Greenhand award, was on dairy cattle, cattle and livestock judging teams for the FFA. His agricultural program consists of market lambs and commercial steers.

Following graduation, Cum-



Wayne Cummins

mins plans to attend Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos and major in law or engineering.

As this year's DEKALB Accomplishment Award winner, Cummins' name will be inscribed along with previous winners on a special honors plaque.

Even Vintage Car Market Feels Pinch

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — Auto makers lamenting sinking sales have one consolation: even the vintage car market isn't what it used to be.

For once, the gas price hike is not to be blamed. It's just that even wealthy collectors are getting stingier these days.

At a Christie's sale of four-wheeled veterans, the top event of the continental market, less than half of the 70 models exhibited could find a buyer. Most of the prices paid were well below the estimate.

Of the 13 cars expected to fetch more than 100,000 francs (\$40,000), only one changed hands, a 1933 Rolls, Phantom II, completely rebuilt last year at a cost discreetly left unmentioned. It went to a private collector for 100,000 francs.

The dozen left unsold included a 1929 six-cylinder Duesenberg which had been expected to fetch more than 250,000 francs (\$100,000).

A public relations agent said the sales had brought a total of 2.8 million francs, more than \$1 million. But to people who watched the sales the figure seemed fictitious.

"We must be honest," Geza von Habsburg, Geneva director of Christie's, told a newsman. "We are disappointed with the outcome. Last year we had fewer good cars but we sold more."

"I presume this shows a change in the financial situation," explained the director, a descendant of Austria's imperial family. "I don't think that the fuel price is of any importance. People who buy vintage cars normally don't worry about fuel consumption."

But perhaps one did. Best bargain at the sale, held in association with Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, was a rare 1933 Czech-built Aero sedan that would still make a good extra in any nostalgia movie.

It was sold for 3,800 francs (\$1,500) roughly half the estimate. A two-cylinder, two-stroke job, it has a subcompact gas mileage.

Chairman Relected

NACOGDOCHES (AP) — Walter C. Todd of Dallas was reelected chairman of the Stephen F. Austin State University board of regents Monday at the board's annual organizational meeting.

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Braves Pull Allen From Waiver List

Baseball

New York's Mark Sackler, 23, started the giant-sized baseball promotion on who would score the major leagues' one millionth run when he got a calculator for his birthday.

Young 21-year-old Larry Christenson is a recovered from an exhibition injury and is ready to join the Philadelphia Phillies.

The Atlanta Braves withdrew waivers on baseball slugger Dick Allen Tuesday and hinted they may resume trade talks with the Philadelphia Phillies.

Texas Rangers' second baseman Dave Nelson underwent surgery to remove a bone spur in his ankle Tuesday at St. Mary's Hospital in Minneapolis.

Football

Willard Harrell, the 5-9 speedster who broke University of Pacific's rushing record with 3,224 yards, was signed Tuesday by the Green Bay Packers of the NFL.

Ed George, the Canadian Football League's offensive lineman of the year in 1974, has been acquired by the Baltimore Colts of the NFL.

Basketball

Lawrence O'Brien, who has no basketball background but carries enormous political clout in Washington, was officially named today as the third commissioner in the 29-year history of the National Basketball Association.

Joseph R. Brennan, 74, and Robert P. Vandivier, 71, were on hand Monday in Springfield, Mass., to be inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Racing

Race-car driver Richard Petty is bearing down on the National Association of Sports Car Auto Racing Grand National title after winning \$10,000 for leading the first leg of the Winston Cup competition.

Boxing

Heavyweight fighter Pedro Lovell says a stomach ulcer is sidelining him indefinitely. The Argentine boxer said he is canceling a scheduled May 14 meeting with Larry Middleton in Anaheim on the advice of his doctor.



NO LET UP — New York Mets pitcher Tom Seaver delivers pitch to Chicago Cubs batter Tuesday at Chicago. Seaver led the Mets to a 9-1 decision over the Cubs, making it the seventh straight victory for the Mets. It was Seaver's third victory in five decisions. (AP Wirephoto.)

SPURNS \$4.5 MILLION OFFER—

Pele Turns Down Huge Cosmos Bid

SANTOS, Brazil (AP) — Citing family and business demands, Pele, considered by many as the world's greatest soccer player, turned down a \$4.5 million offer to join the New York Cosmos of the North American Soccer League.

Pele, 27, is reportedly saying he is stubborn, and rarely reneges on a decision. But he almost changed his mind and came out of retirement because he missed soccer and he would have a chance to help the sport gain a larger audience.

Pele, who has arranged at the Mets' own request to call him Wednesday and as far as I am concerned at this minute, the deal is certainly not dead. There has been speculation that the unnamed "problem" Doye mentioned was the acquisition of tax-free money.

Media Draws Derby Eyes

LOUISVILLE (AP) — Media might be lost in the shuffle of newsmen concentrating on top Kentucky Derby contenders such as Foolish Pleasure, but trainer Johnny Campuzo thinks the lightly raced colt will be right in the thick of things during the running of the classic Saturday.

Everything appeared to be going smoothly in the camp of Foolish Pleasure, who as the Derby favorite draws the biggest crowds of reporters and onlookers.

"With a record like his, people just naturally are going to talk about him," said Leroy Jolley who trains Foolish Pleasure for John L. Greer.

"I would say it (the Wood) was his best race," said Jolley. "Like any good athlete he does what he has to."

"He should have won the Wood and the Gotham," said Campuzo who criticized jockey Jean Cruguet after both of those races. Cruguet also criticized Campuzo's conditioning of the colt following the Wood. But the French rider is scheduled to ride Media in the Derby.

"Pele called me Tuesday night and told me he could not accept the deal we offered him as it presently stands, therefore, he had to say no," Toy said.

"After all, no one throws that much money out the window just like that." Earlier this week, Mozambique-born Eusebio, a star forward with Portugal's Benfica team, signed with an American team.

NATIONAL LEAGUE ROUNDUP—

Lomborg 3-Hits Montreal, 5-0

By The Associated Press — Jim Lomborg has found himself. The Montreal Expos would like to lose him. "I finally know myself and I know what I have to do to be effective," the Philadelphia pitcher said Tuesday night after beating the Expos 5-0 with a three-hitter.

Brett yielded another run in the sixth when Reggie Smith walked, took second on a balk and scored on a single by Ted Simmons. The Cardinals scored their third run on a double by Bake McBride and single by Ted Sizemore in the eighth.

Table with columns for teams (Houston, San Diego, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Montreal, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Los Angeles, Atlanta, New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Texas, Oakland) and statistics for runs, hits, errors, and pitchers.

Now I throw all my pitches for location, not just speed. I'm not a power pitcher. I'm aware of what I can do so I relax and try to do it. I got hurt my first year here in the National League because I tried to blow the ball by the hitters. I'm a pitcher now, not a thrower—and that's the difference.

Andy Messersmith hurried a seven-hitter for his first shutout of the season and also drove in two runs as Los Angeles won its sixth straight game by beating Atlanta. Willie Crawford slugged a two-run homer in the fifth inning and Steve Garvey hit a three-run blow an inning later when the Dodgers scored four unearned runs.

Chris Speier's double drove home Marc Hill with one out in the ninth inning, leading San Francisco past Cincinnati. Chris Arnold led off the Giant rally with a single. After Hill failed to sacrifice him to second base, he came all the way from home on Speier's hit to the left field fence at Candlestick Park.

John Milner drove in four runs, three on his first homer of the season, and Joe Torre singled home two more, powering New York over Chicago. The Mets jumped on starter Burt Hooton for three runs in the first inning, then added five in the second when a two-base error by centerfielder Rick Monday opened the way for the big splurge.

Tom Seaver used the big offense to pick up his third victory in five decisions. He pitched a seven-hitter.

James Rodney Richard pitched a five-hitter and singled home the game's first two runs in an eight-run seventh inning.

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BASEBALL STANDINGS

Table showing baseball standings for Texas League and National League, including teams like Detroit, Milwaukee, Baltimore, Boston, New York, Cleveland, Oakland, California, Texas, Minnesota, and Chicago.

Sports Scoreboard

Table showing sports scoreboards for Pro Basketball (NBA, ABA), Pro Hockey (NHL), and Horse Racing (Louisville, Baltimore, New York, Cherryl Hill, Hallandale, Chicago, Albany, San Diego, WHA).

Little Leaguer

Table listing Little League teams and their coaches across various divisions like Western American, North Central, North Central Texas, Central Texas, Western National, and Central American.

Acree To Lecture At Nebraska School

Jim Acree, head football coach of Midland Lee's District 5-4A champions, has been invited to the University of Nebraska as a guest lecturer at the coaching school held in conjunction with spring practice.

Greenwood Banquet Tickets On Sale

The Greenwood Booster Club will hold the Greenwood High School Boys and Girls Athletic Banquet at 7:30 p.m. May 10 at Greenwood p.m.

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Warden Defends Coed Prison Institution

By MIKE COCHRAN

FORT WORTH (AP) — "I feel that 'if you have to do it, this is the place to do it.' She interviewed nearly 100 residents and said that though reactions were mixed, less than a third felt FCI was 'a bad story all the way.'"

"This is nonsense... We are involved in a highly significant social experiment. We are conducting it in a responsible, cautious manner with promising results thus far."

That's how Warden Charles Campbell defended the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) here against criticism over the housing of men and women inmates under the same roof.

Campbell's comments were made about a year after the U.S. Bureau of Prisons opened the experimental facility and he added that a "drastic departure from the conventional is certain to become controversial."

He was right; there was controversy aplenty after FCI opened in 1971. But a recent study suggests the coed, or co-correctional, concept is sound and workable and could be used elsewhere.

Elizabeth Krippel, an Illinois sociologist who spent 14 months at the prison as part of the study funded by the Bureau of Prisons, calls the mingling of male and female prisoners "healthy and humane, though she says it is not without occasional illicit sex and certain problems."

Miss Krippel said the residents, as they are called here, "But this whole thing about drugs, and the sex that goes on, it's pretty low level, all things considered..."

side," she said. "They're hurt and they're bitter. One of the problems we're struggling with in the whole system is that most of the women tend to identify themselves with the men in their life."

"It is very, very hard to get them to think of themselves as individuals. Here at FCI there is very little in the way of togetherness among the women."

"You do find groups among the men, but for the women their lives are with their walk partners... The men have other things to rely on. Their sense of worth, their status, their image, doesn't depend on having a walk partner."

Such relationships imply emotional involvement and stability, she said, and most sexual activity is confined to this group.

Men outnumber women about 400 to 100, and there is disagreement on the most practical ratio of men to women. Officials intend to narrow it from 4 to 1 to 3 to 2 in the months ahead.

Miss Krippel indicated a decision over a proper ratio is difficult because, while there should be more walk partners for women, an increase in female inmates might cause other problems.

"It would be great to have more women if it is truly a heterogeneous group, particularly in the sense of age, so you

wouldn't have this concentration of young, bitter girls from the street," she said.

"The question of finding the right ratio, at least as a guide for other prisons, may be academic. While the coed concept has been copied at a facility in Lexington, Ky., Miss Krippel sees little likelihood of sweeping, immediate changes in the federal system."

"There simply aren't enough women in the system to go around for everybody to be coed," she said.

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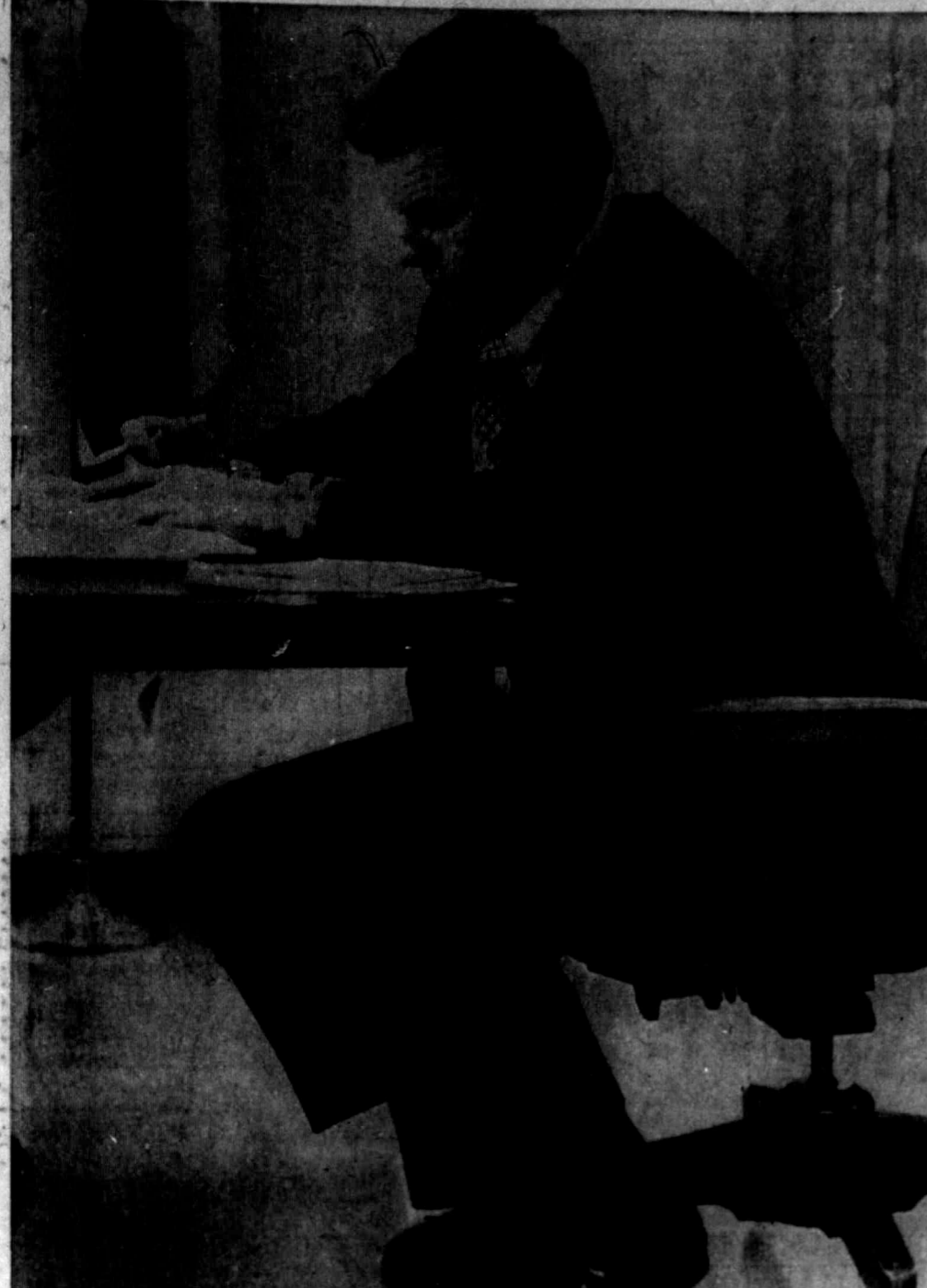
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Johnny R. Warren studies school business on his first day as member of the board of trustees.

Midland School Trustees OK Temporary Salary Increments

Temporary salary increments for Midland public school teachers were approved by the board of trustees Tuesday in Johnny R. Warren's first meeting as a member of that body.

Warren was sworn into office by Judge Perry D. Pickett after the board canvassed election results showing 2,119 votes cast absentee and in Saturday's election for Warren and 1,969 for Gerald S. "Jerry" Pitts.

The pair was vying for the Position 3 trustee post vacated Tuesday by retiring board member Ted M. Kerr.

The temporary salary increments approved unanimously by the new board are a "reaffirmation of the existing salary structure," according to Dr. James H. Mailey, superintendent of schools.

The salary schedule offers a teacher with a bachelor's degree and no experience an annual salary of \$8,050, increasing \$300 for each year's experience. An inexperienced teacher with a master's degree would receive \$8,600.

The increments were passed Tuesday for contract purposes preliminary to final legislative action on state salary schedules. Mailey said of the several financial plans being touted in the state capital, "I hope they're about to culminate, but they're a far cry from reality."

Also in the realm of school finances, trustees heard a report from Virgil Jones, city tax collector-assessor. Jones told trustees the percentage of delinquent collections has decreased from 17.22 per cent in 1971-72 to 9.38 per cent in 1974-75. Tax collection through March 31 this year amounts to \$7,169,609, leaving a balance of \$586,384 for taxes receivable.

Another report was heard by Charles Neuhardt of Neuhardt and Babb, architects for the vocational facilities nearing completion on the campuses of both Lee High School and Austin

Freshman School. The board members authorized building project change orders for those facilities involving an additional expenditure of \$917,000. Administration officials and trustees at the close of the Tuesday session.

In other business, they voted to retain Peat, Marwick,

Midland College Hikes Expenditures

Budget amendments adopted Tuesday night by Midland College's board of trustees dropped the school's estimated fund balance to \$1,855 following a net expenditure increase of \$34,065.

The meeting, which also saw the election of board of trustee officers, focused on budgetary matters including the allocation of \$118,323 in emergency funding from the state.

The newly amended budget raises the college's income from \$531,797 to \$560,487 due largely to enrollment increases and adjusts the expenditures from \$137,623 to \$200,408.

The \$62,785 expenditure hike was attributed to such items as security services, increased telephone services, employment of a horticulturist, an increase in salary and benefits for the college president, rental of facilities, athletics and landscaping supplies.

The previous fund balance was \$35,950. Trustees also approved the administrators' plan for allocating the emergency funding which came as the result of a surprise enrollment increase in the fall.

The funds will purchase equipment for the automotive mechanics program totaling \$15,750; business department, \$30,000; diesel mechanics, \$20,000; drafting, \$12,500; licensed vocational nursing, \$8,000; and nursing books for the Learning Resource Center.

Allocations also include funding for offset printing, \$10,000; petroleum technology, \$10,000; and classroom furniture for the vocational technical building.

Dr. Al G. Langford, Midland College president, said there is "a possibility of a small amount of additional monies" that might be awarded by the state on the basis of the school's spring enrollment.

Briefing the trustees on the current situation in the state capital regarding funding for the 1976-77 biennium, Langford told the board, "The lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house want to pass school finance first then let the rest of us divide up whatever is left."

He said they "may be in for some real floor fights" if that proposal becomes reality. Citing the need for the trustees and other citizens to be aware of

the situation, the school's president said, "We need to be on top of the situation at all times." In estimating the number of students the school will be servicing in the fall, Langford said he expects "a minimum of 1,800. I'm hoping for 1,900, and anything above that's a blessing."

In addition to discussing the college's financial affairs, the board members also elected Reagan Legg to his third one-year term as president. Robert Leibrock was elected to his first term as vice president, replacing the Rev. Horace Doyle, and Hoyle McCright was voted into a third term as secretary.

Legg appointed Leibrock and Fred S. Wright to a committee chaired by Ken Peeler to select an auditor for Midland College.

Trustees approved Patsy Bohannon, Fred Kester and Byrne O'Neill as members of the Board of Equalization, voting also to pursue the possibility of making BOE terms staggered and two years in duration.

Tending to a personnel matter, board members also terminated the contract of Lubbock landscape architect Art Glick who had notified Langford he would be unable to meet his contractual requirements. Trustees now are negotiating with a local landscape architect to complete the Midland College project.

In other business, board members approved the sale of properties acquired by tax suits, released bonds and approved a leave of absence request.

The U.S. Postal Service is seeking bids on a contract to carry mail from Lubbock to Midland on a daily basis, with a stop at Lamesa.

The contractor will be required to provide a fully-enclosed vehicle with a minimum of 1,000 cubic feet, standby equipment and a performance bond.

Bid forms and additional information may be obtained from post offices in Midland, Lamesa and Lubbock. Bids will be opened at 1 p.m. May 20 in the Oklahoma City Main Post Office.

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That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

Edited by CLAY R. POLLAN

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2 PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES

3 UNSCRAMBLE LETTERS TO GET ANSWER

4 Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.



News item: Mrs. Sally Jones, seeking a divorce, complained to the Judge: "He takes me out! Why, he never even took the — out!"

Answer to yesterday's puzzle on second page of Classifieds.

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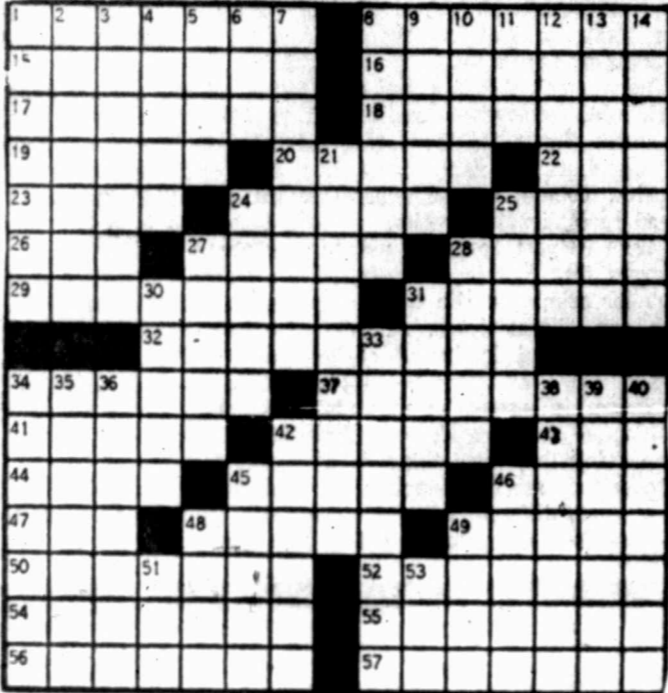
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24 "... who lived in —"

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24 Ledger check
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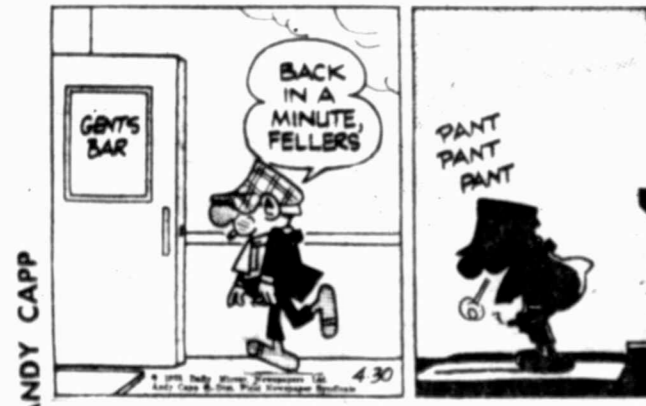
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THE BETTER HALF

By Bob Barnes



"I wish you wouldn't buy aspirin tablets in bottles with child-proof caps!"



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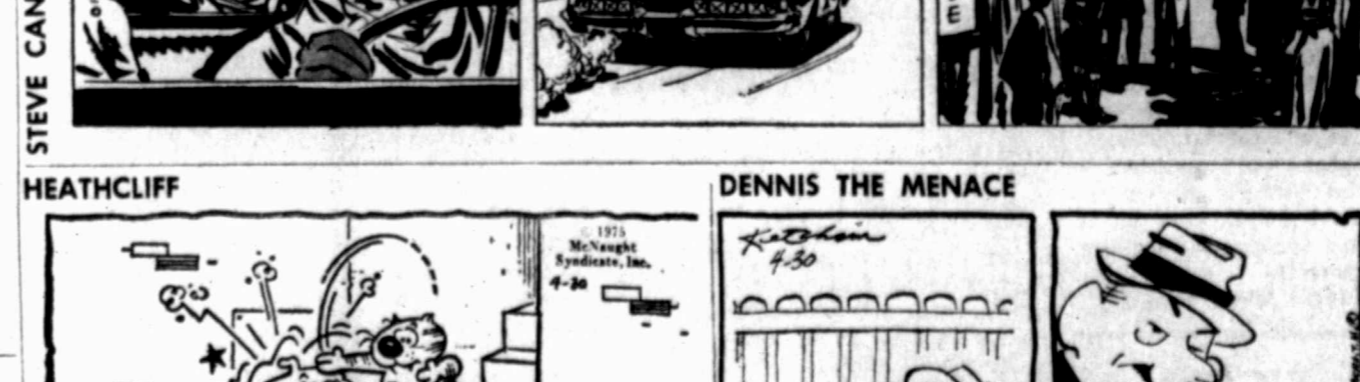
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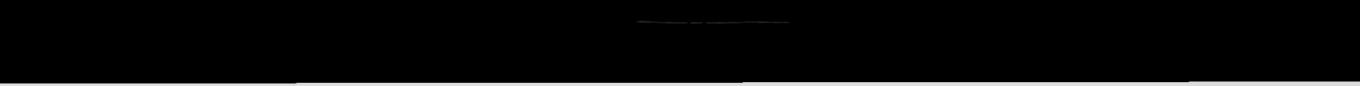
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Falter Blame In U.S.

By SETH A. ... Associated Press
Suicide prevails across the country, apparent increase and suicidal behavior of the faltering. Nationwide statistics have been collected by the spokesman for the Institute of Mental Health in Washington. The suicide rate is 100,000 population with 10 per 100,000 in 1962. In 1962 of the Great Depression were 17.4 suicides.

"We have no increase, a decline in suicidal deaths, depression and pressure and well as in suicidal attempts," said I to, a psychiatrist. Suicide Prevention Information Center hard hit by auto.

Danto's observations echoed at suicide centers in Nashville, Ga.; San Mateo, Calif. York, and other.

"The suicidal thoughts or three Higginbotham of center. And since she said, "The file of the caller is changing some."

The new caller laid out at heart man with two gage, one or two children; a mother been without a.

In the Atlanta Emergency Service of the Health Department.

Today

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, the 120th day of the year. Today's highlight is Washington was as the first President of the United States. He was born in Federal New York.

On this date — In 1798, the Department was an act of Congress. In 1803, the Purchase was made from France, more than 530,000 square miles of land. In 1812, Louisiana was admitted to the 18th state. In 1900, the engineer immoderate American folk Jones, was killed in a wreck at Vaux. In 1915, a communication was established between the Dnieper and the zone.

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Faltering Economy Blamed For Increase In U.S. Suicides

By SETH MYDANS
Associated Press Writer

Suicide prevention centers across the country report an apparent increase in suicide and suicidal behavior as a result of the faltering economy. Nationwide statistics haven't been collected yet, but a spokesman for the National Institute of Mental Health in Washington says a partial survey indicates that the annual suicide rate is above 12 per 100,000 population, compared with 10 per 100,000 annually in the 1960s. In 1932, at the height of the Great Depression, there were 17.4 suicides per 100,000.

"We have noticed an increase, a decided increase in suicidal deaths due to financial pressure and unemployment, as well as in suicidal thoughts and attempts," said Dr. Bruce Danto, a psychiatrist who heads the Suicide Prevention and Drug Information Center in Detroit, hard hit by auto industry layoffs.

Danto's observations were echoed at suicide prevention centers in Nashville, Tenn.; Atlanta, Ga.; Gainesville, Fla.; San Mateo, Calif.; Boston, New York, and other cities.

"The suicidal calls have increased... whether it's thoughts or threats," said Pat Higginbotham of the Nashville center. And since about October, she said, "The type or profile of the caller who is suicidal is changing somewhat."

The new caller, she said, is the blue-collar worker recently laid off at nearly plants — a man with two jars, a mortgage, one or two college-age children; a man who has never been without a job before.

In the Atlanta area, the Emergency Mental Health Service of the Fulton County Health Department experienced

a 46 per cent increase in emergency calls between the last quarter of 1973 and the last quarter of 1974. About one-third of the calls involved suicide or suicide attempts.

Dr. Joseph Thigpen of the Gainesville suicide center said his area experienced its biggest increase ever in suicidal behavior in 1973, which he called "a period of uncertainty, of ambivalence, when people were asking, 'Are things going to get worse? Are things going to fall apart?'"

Since 1973, he said, "We are getting a lot more self-injury and suicide behavior based on economic crises... that is to say, people who are not able to meet their monthly bills, who are losing their jobs for the first time and are panicked because for the first time economic failure is staring them in the face."

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Today In History

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, April 30, the 120th day of 1975. There are 245 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1789, George Washington was inaugurated as the first President of the United States. He was sworn in at Federal Hall in New York.

On this date — In 1798, the U.S. Navy Department was created by an act of Congress.

In 1803, the Louisiana Purchase was made from France, more than doubling the size of the United States.

In 1812, Louisiana was admitted to the Union as the 18th state.

In 1900, the railroad engineer immortalized in an American folk song, Casey Jones, was killed in a train wreck at Vaughan, Miss.

In 1915, wireless communication was established between the District of Columbia and the Panama Canal zone.

In 1945, Moscow announced that the Soviet flag had been raised over the ruins of the Reichstag in Berlin.

Ten years ago: U.S. airborne troops began landing in the Dominican Republic as part of Washington's policy of using American forces to protect American lives and restore order in the revolt-torn country.

Five years ago: President Richard Nixon ordered American combat troops into Cambodia to attack Communist staging zones used in the Vietnam war.

One year ago: William Simon was confirmed by the Senate as Treasury secretary, succeeding George Shultz.

Today's birthdays: Queen Juliana of the Netherlands is 66. Conductor Robert Shaw is 69.

Thought for today: Love is like a mushroom. You never know whether it's the real thing until it's too late — Anonymous.

Sheinwold On Bridge

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

Don't Believe Desperate Play

It is seldom necessary to make a desperate play or a slam at the second trick. Such do-or-die attempts are saved for a later stage. If you are a defender, give declarer credit for the same good sense you would display. Don't assume he is desperate at the very start of the hand.

so dangerous a suit so early in the hand? It's just unthinkable, so West should refuse the club trick without giving the matter the slightest thought. Refusing the trick is only half the battle; the absence of thought is every bit as important.

Choice Of Plays
South now has 11 sure tricks. Should he try the diamond finesse or should he lead another club from the dummy in the hope that East has the ace? South will have no problem if West tips him off. For example, if West takes the first club trick, South is compelled to try the diamond finesse. Likewise, if West goes into a long stew before refusing the club trick, South should know what is going on. And if South tries the diamond finesse it is sure to make the slam for him.

DAILY QUESTION
Partner opens with one heart, and the next player passes. You hold: S 9 8 7 5 H 7 3 D 10 6 2 C A J 10 6. What do you say?

North dealer
North-South vulnerable

NORTH
♠ AK4
♥ AKQ2
♦ A75
♣ 82

WEST **EAST**
♠ 9875 ♠ 1063
♥ 73 ♥ 964
♦ 1062 ♦ Q93
♣ AJ106 ♣ 9543

SOUTH
♠ QJ
♥ J10
♦ KJ4
♣ K7

North East South West
1♥ Pass NT Pass
6 NT All Pass
Opening bid — 4 ♠

Dummy wins the first trick with the king of spades. Declarer next bids a club from dummy and picks up the king from his hand.

If West thinks his partner has the queen of clubs, he should win this trick with the ace. But why would South be leading

ANSWER: Bid 1 NT or pass. This is a borderline decision. Normally, you need points for a response, but the A-J-10 of a suit is worth as much as many a 5-point hand. Bid with a good partner, pass with a partner who is unskillful or easily rattled.



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Elliott Richardson Causing 'Breeze' Around Embassy

By HARRY TRIMBORN
The Los Angeles Times

LONDON — A fresh breeze that has nothing to do with Britain's glorious spring is swirling beneath the big, golden eagle that overlooks London's Grosvenor Square.

It is generated by the presence of the main occupant of the largest U.S. Embassy that rests beneath the eagle's claws — Elliott L. Richardson, the new U.S. ambassador to the Court of St. James's.

Some of it has been subtly fanned by Richardson himself since he arrived March 3. But mostly it flows from the intriguing questions others are asking about the 54-year-old Boston Brahmin: Will he be the next secretary of state? Will he be the next President of the United States?

Speaking Mannerisms
Such questions were never asked of his predecessor, publisher Walter H. Annenberg, whose 5½ year stay was not marked by diplomatic or political issues. Rather, Annenberg is remembered for his speaking mannerisms that the British found amusing, his cultural interests and his generosity in refurbishing Winfield House, the ambassador's official residence.

Richardson, who quit as U.S. attorney general in the 1973 "Saturday night massacre" rather than carry out former President Richard M. Nixon's order to fire special Watergate prosecutor Archibald Cox, answers the first question eagerly and forthrightly.

Richardson Claims
In a talk with newsmen the other day, Richardson said he would gladly take over the secretaryship, but not if it meant pushing Henry A. Kissinger from the job. He complained that his comments had been distorted by the British press, which reported he was actively campaigning for the post when, in fact, he said he was trying to show that he would take the job if it were offered, but though that his chances were remote.

The tiff with the British press hasn't dimmed his standing here. The British were delighted when they learned of his appointment and, as a Foreign Office official said, "We have

seen nothing to make us change our mind."

To Richardson, the desire to become secretary of state is merely the natural ambition of a man who has held more than a dozen important posts in a 22-year career of public service. So, too, is his undisguised desire to be president. He has compared the presidency with Mt. Everest and, in a variation of the classic comment of mountaineers, said he wanted to achieve the nation's top office "because it is there."

Few Believe
Few political observers believe that Richardson will make it, because President Ford, a fellow Republican, has his own ambition to be elected in his own right to the presidency.

And despite a great deal of talk that his selection has designed to strengthen U.S. European ties, Richardson's dispatch to London was widely viewed as killing what little chance he had for the presidency.

That, however, was before the collapse of Southeast Asia with its damaging political fallout for Mr. Ford and Kissinger. Because Richardson is safely

bunkered in London, the collapse in the end may enhance his chances for either job.

There has been a steady stream of important U.S. government officials, members of Congress and business executives meeting with him. In addition, said an embassy official, a "very high level of influential opinion-molders are coming over to talk to him."

Richardson himself complains, but only mildly, about his hectic schedule that doesn't leave him free at lunch until June. Still, he has had time for several meetings with Cox, now lecturing at Cambridge University. He said that with one or two exceptions he has not been able to get out of the capital, and his only time off for entertainment has been "big ceremonial things."

Richardson spends much of his time insisting that London really is an important post, and that Britain is still an important ally, a view not widely shared by Britons themselves whose own retreat into isolationism appears to be far greater than that of Americans.

British officials candidly admitted that they are willing to leave the really tricky international questions such as those of the Far and Near East to the United States. Judging by what the British government has said publicly on the subject, Southeast Asia practically is nonexistent.

Ongoing Dialogue
Still, Richardson insisted in his meeting with newsmen that there is an important ongoing dialogue between London and Washington, but he failed to offer examples of Britain's contribution to it.

And he was clearly angered over Britain's refusal to respond to Kissinger's plea to U.S. allies to publicly condemn North Vietnam's violations of the Paris peace accords through its massive military assault on South Vietnam.

He was also annoyed when one newsmen asked why he continued to place such great emphasis on the importance of a "third-rate power."

"Well," replied Richardson, "if you consider Britain third-rate, I wonder what you would call a second-rate power." "Italy," the newsmen responded, amid laughter.

Auto Tag Fees Have Large Variations

By The Associated Press
What a car owner pays for license plates each year may depend not only on what state he lives in, but in what city or county. It may depend on what his car weighs, what he paid for it, how old it is, how much horsepower it has or on a combination of several of these.

The owner renewing registration on the old family buggy, a 1971 four-door Ford Maverick for example, could pay as little as \$3 in Louisiana or as much as \$60.01 in Montana.

He would pay \$20 in neighboring Maryland and Delaware, but in Delaware the fee would be a flat charge for all cars while in Maryland the charge would be based on the car's weight.

In 22 states there is a base fee for a license plate, though in some of these special taxes are added. Another 22 states base a

charge on weight, three times he bought the car. He would not have to pay a personal property tax unless he lived in Orleans Parish.

Comparisons are difficult, because some states add certain taxes to the fee for the license or registration, while others charge the same taxes but do so separately. These include personal property taxes, excise taxes, and use taxes among others.

What is being paid to the state for car ownership will include sales tax when the car is bought in some states; in others it will not.

The Louisiana man who paid \$3 registration would have paid \$3 registration would have paid

Some states add small charges such as the \$1 junk-car disposal fee in Montana. In Utah it's a \$1.25 driver education fee. In the city and county of Honolulu, but not in the rest of Hawaii, there is a 50-cent fee for beautification of highways and junked car disposal.

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