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## Carter says tax cut still not certainty

By LAWRENCE L. KUTSON

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) — President-elect Jimmy Carter, disagreeing with his newly-appointed budget director, said today a tax cut is not a virtual certainty next year. Carter said it is too early to tell what steps might be needed to stimulate the economy.

Carter said he is not convinced yet that cutting taxes is the thing to do. "I'm deliberately keeping my mind open," he declared. "I have advisers who are leaning all different directions, but I'll wait and see."

The president-elect said he will consult closely with Congress before deciding what to do about the economy.

Thomas "Bert" Lance, Carter's choice to be director of the Office of Management and Budget, said Sunday that a tax cut early in the new administration is "virtually certain."

But at an informal news conference today, Carter declared: "It's too early to decide. I wouldn't say it was virtually certain, although it is one of the possibilities." Carter did say that a permanent or temporary tax reduction is possible "if the economy needs stimulation, and I think at this point it appears that way."

Another option, Carter said, are programs to put people to work. He said it will be difficult to meet his goal of reducing unemployment by 1.5 per cent during his first year in office, but he promised to make effort to do so.

The nation's unemployment rate now stands at 8.1 per cent, or about 7.8 million persons.

Meanwhile, in Washington, the Commerce Department said increased business spending is at least another six months away.

The department said a survey of business plans taken in October and November showed the volume of new equipment and facilities purchased by business in the first six months of next year will be virtually flat.

Economists have been anticipating a sharp increase in business spending since early this year. In previous economic recoveries, such spending had materialized by now.

Lance told the Los Angeles Times that a tax cut of up to \$15 billion — possibly in the form of a rebate on 1976 income taxes — probably will be proposed by Carter. He suggested that a tax cut will be part of a package to stimulate the economy that will include a jobs program and tax in-

vestment credits to spur industrial expansion.

Asked earlier on CBS-TV's "Face the Nation" about the possibility of a tax cut, Lance said that other possible economic stimulants "are so limited that I think you have to consider that almost a certainty."

Carter has said he would consider a tax cut if the economic signs indicated a need for one after he takes office on Jan. 20. The Ford administration has proposed a \$10-billion cut in income taxes next year, built around a proposed \$250 increase in the present \$750 personal exemption.

Also urging a tax cut Sunday were two economists being considered for jobs in the new administration, Alice M. Rivlin, director of the Congressional Budget Office, and former Federal Reserve Board member Andrew F. Brimmer. They appeared on ABC-TV's "Issues and Answers."

Lance told the Times that, while a tax rebate would be the quickest way to stimulate the economy, a tax-investment credit gain is also necessary as an incentive to industry in general, and the automobile industry in particular, to invest in machinery and equipment.

Turning to the problem of unemployment on the CBS interview, Lance, an Atlanta banker who has called himself a fiscal conservative, said "the problem of unemployment is going to be solved...through the private sector and not the public sector."

He said this has to be accomplished by encouraging businessmen "to feel good about the long-range return on capital" so that they will invest in plant and equipment.



PRESIDENT-ELECT Jimmy Carter gets a big kiss from his mother, "Miss Lillian," after he voted at Plains, Ga., this morning in the city election in which his brother, Billy, is a candidate for mayor.

## Court will hear vote rights case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to hear Texas officials' arguments that the state should be excused from requirements of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The justices said they will review a decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington that Texas is subject to the act because of amendments adopted in 1975.

Texas argued that the Justice Department and Census Bureau incorrectly interpreted the act and incorrectly calculated the percentage of voting-age Texans who were registered.

They also argued that the act, as interpreted by the federal officials, is not "appropriate legislation" which Congress has the constitutional power to enact to protect citizens from abridgement of their rights by the states.

In other actions today, the court: —Vacated a sweeping school desegregation order for Austin, Tex., and suggested that the lower courts should adopt a more limited integration plan.

—Declared, in a Georgia case, that the exclusion of even one prospective juror for scruples against capital punishment automatically voids any death penalty imposed in a trial.

The original Voting Rights Act, passed in 1965, applied to states with certain discriminatory "tests or devices" for voting and in which fewer than 50 per cent of voting-age persons were registered or fewer than 50 per cent of "such persons" voted. It did not apply to Texas because Texas did not employ any "tests or devices" of the type forbidden.

In 1975, the act was extended to

cover states which conducted elections only in English although more than 5 per cent of their voting age citizens belonged to a particular language minority.

Texas argued that more than 50 per cent of its citizens of voting age were registered. It said Census Bureau figures on the number of voting age citizens in the state were inflated because the bureau subtracted only 140,000 aliens. Texas said the figure should have been closer to a million, counting undetected aliens illegally in the country.

Texas also maintained that the requirement that 50 per cent of "such persons" voted did not mean 50 per cent of the voting-age population, as the Justice Department argued. The state said it meant 50 per cent of the registered voters.

## High court postpones White execution date

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today postponed the execution of Texas murderer Robert Excell White who did not want his scheduled Friday death in the electric chair delayed.

The high court delayed indefinitely the execution of White, a 30-year-old drifter from Waco, Tex., who says he deserves to die.

It was the second time in four days that the Supreme Court had delayed the execution of a prisoner who wanted to die. On Friday, the justices postponed the firing squad execution of Utah murderer Gary Mark Gilmore, who had convinced state officials to let him die.

The court voted 8 to 1 to tell Texas officials to postpone White's execution pending an appeal by his attorney, Justice William H. Rehnquist voted to deny the execution postponement.

White's attorney, J.E. Abernathy, had asked the court for time to



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challenge the state's death penalty, the indictment that charged White with murder and the method of jury selection used at White's trial.

White does not want to appeal, however. In Nov. 23 letter to the Supreme Court, White said, "Mr. Abernathy is acting against my express instructions and desires. I explicitly told him that I did not wish any federal appeal of any sort whatsoever."

"I am mentally prepared to accept the judgment of sentence imposed upon me," said White, a death row prisoner at Huntsville, Tex., for the past two years. "Any delay now will only inflict needless mental hardship on me."

Gilmore was to have died at sunrise Friday, and would have become the first criminal executed in the United States since 1967. His death was stayed at the request of his mother, Bessie Gilmore of Milwaukee, Ore.

## House Democrats naming speaker, majority leader

By EDMOND Le BRETON

WASHINGTON (AL) — House Democrats picking new leaders today were certain to elect Rep. Thomas P. O'Neill as House speaker, but they had to settle a tight race for House majority leader among four candidates battling to succeed O'Neill.

The legislative leaders being chosen today will be working with a president of their own party for the first time in eight years.

O'Neill, of Massachusetts, had no opposition to succeed retiring Speaker Carl Albert of Oklahoma, who has held the post since 1971.

The apparent front-runner for majority leader, the No. 2 spot, was Rep. Phillip Burton of California, the hard-driving, ambitious chairman of the Democratic Caucus.

But Burton was pressed hard by Reps. Richard Bolling of Missouri, a parliamentary expert who has written extensively on the problems of the House, and Jim Wright of Texas, who has long worked on the fringes of the leadership and who appeals to the party center.

The fourth candidate, Rep. John J. McFall of California, now holds the third-ranking position of whip. But he was expected to be the first eliminated. His campaign, slow to get off the ground, was dealt a blow by the recent disclosure that he received \$4,000 from South Korean businessman Tongsun Park.

McFall said Park asked for no favors and that the money was put in his office account and used for official purposes only.

The decision was not likely until late today, after a series of votes

eliminated the contenders one by one. Voting was by secret ballot.

At a Sunday session with newly elected Democrats, O'Neill sought to quash reports that he would be unhappy with Burton as a team-mate — as well as to settle any doubts as to who would be in charge.

"I can work with any member you elect," O'Neill told the freshmen. "No member is going to push Tip O'Neill

around if he's in the second spot. Once you give me the leadership role, I'll be the leader — and make no mistake about it."

The give-and-take with the new members disclosed concern with two issues. One is Congress' poor public image, further dimmed by sex and payroll scandals earlier this year and the disclosures of gifts and favors to several members by Korean inter-

## Japan's conservative regime draws rebuke

TOKYO (AP) — Roused from their usual complacency by Lockheed and other money scandals, Japanese voters gave the ruling conservatives of the Liberal-Democratic party a stinging rebuke.

In elections Sunday to fill the 511 seats in the lower house of the Diet, the Japanese parliament, the Liberal Democrats won only 249 seats, seven short of a majority. It was the first time since the party made its debut 21 years ago that it failed to win a majority.

The party's headquarters announced today that eight independents elected Sunday joined the party, a customary happening after Japanese elections. This gave the Liberal Democrats 257 seats, or a majority of three. But it was in sharp contrast to the 51-seat majority the party won in the 1972 election.

It was also far short of the 271 seats

needed to assure the Liberal Democrats of the chairmanship of all parliamentary committees.

"I feel the Liberal-Democratic party gave the impression to the people we lacked self-reflection over the Lockheed incident," Prime Minister Takeo Miki told a news conference.

Asahi, Japan's biggest newspaper, called it a "landslide defeat" and predicted "major post-election turmoil."

Miki was re-elected to the lower house, but the setback to his party will probably result in his replacement as prime minister by his former deputy and longtime rival, Takeo Fukuda.

The opposition seats were widely divided. The Socialists had won 123, Komeito (Clean Government) 55, the Democratic Socialists 29, the new Liberal Club 17, independents 21 and the Communists 17.

## Locksmith Simmons plays role of Houdini in reverse

L. G. Simmons isn't one to get all keyed up over and "impossible" or jammed up situation.

But some folks, common and uppity alike, may be all out of sorts when they come calling on him.

Simmons, you see, is a master locksmith.

He's a proud and skilled craftsman who figures that his line of work "is the (world's) second oldest profession, next to..."

Never mind that, Simmons seemed to say.

"The guy that rolled the rock up to the front of his cave was a locksmith," Simmons explained.

As a rule, locksmiths today don't push around or juggle rocks and stones.

What they do juggle, of course, are tumblers and pins. And what they do push are drill bits precisely gnawing into safes and vaults at banks, offices, homes, and in the great out-of-doors.

A locksmith is a Houdini in reverse: He's trying to get in, not out.

Like getting into a locked bathroom, Simmons has been that route, just like in movies and light comedy routines.

"The mothers are frantic, and the kids... are having a ball in there splashing water."

For Simmons, who has been breaking into locks and safes for right onto 25 years, opening such ordinary locks to plain doors is quite ordinary and simple.

But, to someone, it's as necessary

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and urgent as opening a jammed safe or vault or making a key to the ignition of an antique car.

Simmons did exactly that on a 1913 Model T Ford. With a probing tool, he "read" the tumblers by feel and made the key.

"Of course, I wasn't that experienced on a 1913 Model T," he said. Quickly, he has picked a padlock or so for narcotics officers on a "drug bust" run.

Picking padlocks, too, is fairly simple for Simmons.

What takes more time, skill and concentration is breaking into the more complex and sophisticated key- and combination-operated locks and safes.

Some have a million or more possible combinations. It's Simmons' task to come up with the right combination or cut of key.

And that's not always so easy. Simmons said that his "biggest gripe" is the ease of lock-picking and of safe-cracking that is depicted on

television. TV safe-cracking is "no problem at all," he said. Then again, it's not for real.

What's for real are those wheel-like tumblers that, contrary to fiction, do not make any clicking sounds when caused to spin by a turning dial. It takes an expert with a drill bit to get inside and then to figure out the combination.

But those rascals on TV do the possible in an all-but-impossible way.

"Of course, I've got more time than they've got," Simmons said. "It takes me longer; I don't have to keep the show on the road."

In his day, Simmons has known or known of some professional but

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### LATE NEWS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today refused to hear arguments that federal labor policies are costing American jobs in Florida's sugar cane fields, where mostly aliens are employed.

### WEATHER

Clearing and cold tonight. Fair and slightly warmer Tuesday. Low tonight mid-20s. High Tuesday low 50s.

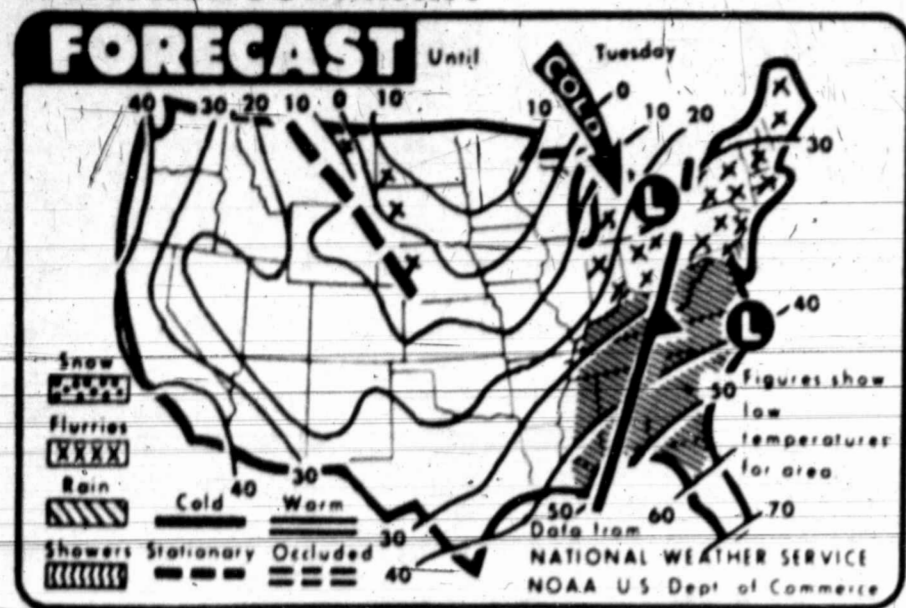
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WEATHER SUMMARY



RAIN IS FORECAST for the Southeast, and snow flurries are expected in the Northeast.

Midland statistics

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Weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities like Albany, Albuquerque, Amarillo, etc.

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES

Table listing temperatures for cities like Abilene, Denver, Amarillo, El Paso, etc.

Extended Texas forecast

North Texas: Fair and cold Wednesday becoming mostly cloudy and much warmer by Friday.

New Mexico, Oklahoma

New Mexico: Clearing and colder statewide tonight. Tuesday, mostly clear skies with warming in the north.

Cool air paves way for West Texas fog

Cold air from Canada and warm moist air off the Gulf of Mexico collided over the Permian Basin Sunday night.

The National Weather Service at the Midland Regional Air Terminal reported a trace of rain over the area early this morning.

The clouds should clear tonight and temperatures are expected to dip in the low 20s.

Today's high is expected to reach the mid-40s and Tuesday is expected to be warmer with temperatures reaching the 50s.

Sunday night's fog was so extensive it was reported by drivers from Van Horn to Lubbock.

Rankin reported light showers at 5:30 a.m. today, with cloudy, windy and cool weather.

By 8 a.m. the rain had the fog lifted, and it was 39 degrees.

Customs agent, 22, dies during flurry of gunfire

BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK, Tex. (AP) — A student serving as a noncommissioned U.S. Customs agent was killed in a flurry of gunfire here early Sunday as agents broke up what officials said was an apparent smuggling attempt.

Killed was Charles Plenger, 22, of Chicago, Ill., a senior at Sul Ross State University, agents said. It was not disclosed whether Plenger was armed.

Agents said they seized about 2,000 pounds of what was believed to be marijuana and arrested a Mexican national from bordering Boquillas after the exchange of shots near the Rio Grande in this rugged, remote national park.

Gerardo Rico Luna was arraigned Sunday before U.S. Magistrate Charley E. Shannon of Big Bend on charges of possession and intention to distribute marijuana.

Shannon said he set bond at \$200,000. Luna remained jailed in Pecos late Sunday.

Agent William F. Hughes said Plenger, who was majoring in political science and police administration, was shot about 1,000 yards upstream from where the drugs were being exchanged.

Hughes said the drugs were brought across the border in two pickups and guarded by a circle of armed horsemen.

Agents said they believed some of the alleged smugglers, who are thought to be back in Mexico, had been wounded.

Hughes said early today that authorities plan to restage the entire incident and search for physical evidence Monday.

Texas area forecasts

South Texas: Much colder tonight and Tuesday with freezing or near freezing temperatures extreme north through Tuesday.

West Texas: Clearing and colder tonight. Fair Tuesday and not as cold north and central portions. Low tonight trends north and mountains to middle 30s southeast.

Locksmith: Houdini in reverse

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crooked safe-crackers trying to strike (or drill) it rich in Midland.

He said he has encountered or otherwise run across in Midland since 1957 only three "safe-crackers that were experts in the field." They were "real professionals."

Outside of the pros, most of the safe botchers "are would-be amateurs. They're not even amateurs."

Simmons himself escaped from the amateur league in Brownwood back in 1947 when he "apprenticed out out as a gunsmith."

Later, he drifted over into locks and shied away from firearms. Now, he prefers making and opening locks

over tooling and working on firearms.

For years, he worked with the late Midland locksmith, Don Gwyn.

Simmons has a couple of understudies working for him in his business here: apprentices Betty Fitzgerald and John Proctor. His wife Pauline keeps the books and generally runs the near-downtown shop. Patty Heibsen Hines specializes in making keys.

The apprenticeship lasts two or three years, he said.

"It takes at least three years to become a journeyman locksmith and 10 years to become a master locksmith."

However, time spent on the job is not all that crucial to learning and

mastering the trade.

Most important, he said, is "keeping an open mind and applying yourself."

To enjoy the work that you do, I believe, is the most important thing in any occupation," Simmons said.

Those who don't "enjoy their work will never be tops in their trade."

Too, he said, the tradesman must "stay abreast and have a curious mind... a child-like curiosity."

"It (work) should never be dull. I enjoy helping people," he said. And he offered some interpretation on that count.

A locksmith, he said, can be a hero one hour and a forgotten man the next. It just depends on the urgency of the need.

"You're the greatest thing on earth, you're a hero," when you — the locksmith — get somebody out of a distressful situation, Simmons said.

"Maybe they have never thought of a locksmith until they get locked out, and then you become a hero for a short period of time, until you're needed again. Makes you feel needed and beneficial."

So, you just might remember Simmons and his kind and lot should you ever get locked into some dire straits.

DEATHS

C. I. Hill, 70, dies in Dallas

WINNSBORO — Charles Ivan "Bunker" Hill, 70, of Winnsboro, died at 11:20 a.m. Saturday in a Dallas hospital. He was the brother of Mrs. Kerry Daniels of Midland.

Services will be 2 p.m. today at Colonial Hill Baptist Church, with burial in Snyder Cemetery, directed by Bell-Seale Funeral Home.

Hill was born June 9, 1906, in New Boston and was married to Hazel Taylor May 8, 1962, in Snyder.

Survivors include his widow, a daughter, two sisters, a brother, four stepdaughters, one stepson, one grandson, 12 stepgrandsons and three great-stepgrandsons.

Steve Ellison service today

Services for Steven Paul Ellison, 20, of Midland, who died of injuries sustained in a rig accident east of Andrews on Thanksgiving Day, will be at 2 p.m. today in Bethel Baptist Church with burial in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Ellis Funeral Home.

Palbearers will be Wendell Ellison, Ralph John, James Hamilton, Charles Copeland, Richard Smallwood and Roger Smith.

Honorary palbearers will be Johnny Branson, L. G. Hugh, A. G. Cowby Fuhrman, Robert Ellison, Bill Haywood and Billy Choats.

Taylor service planned today

BROWNWOOD — Mrs. Jessie Lee Taylor, 90, of Brownwood died Friday in Brownwood. She was the mother of Mrs. Louise Sowers of Midland.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today in Howell-Doran Funeral Home, with burial in San Saba City Cemetery.

Born Feb. 20, 1886, in San Saba, she was married to Thomas Eugene Taylor Jan. 26, 1908, in San Saba.

Survivors include a son, three daughters, a brother, two sisters, seven grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Hugh G. White rites pending

Hugh G. White, 77, of 505 S. K St. died this morning in a Midland hospital.

Services are pending with the Ellis Funeral Home.

Ex-Coahoman dies in Houston

BIG SPRING — Mrs. Jessie Knous, 72, of Houston and formerly of Coahoma, died late Friday in a Houston hospital.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Knous was born July 17, 1904, in Grand Prairie. She married James D. Knous in 1941 and they lived in Coahoma 27 years. They moved to Houston in 1968.

Survivors include her husband; five daughters, Mrs. Juanita Flowers, Mrs. Yvonne Thompson and Mrs. Betty Hamilton, all of Houston, Mrs. Mary Pybus and Mrs. Imogene Neill, both of Big Spring; two sons, Glenn Jones and James Knous Jr., both of Houston; four sisters, Mrs. Velma Barnes, Mrs. Ellen Eudy and Mrs. Winnie Smith, all of Big Spring, and Mrs. Helen Crowley of Sulphur, Okla.; a brother, Earl Frazier of Big Spring; 16 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Service today for Guy Rhoads

Guy Rhoads, 68, of 506 W. Nobles Ave. died Saturday afternoon at his residence after a long illness.

Services will be at 4 p.m. today in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. J. W. Farmer, pastor of First Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Rhoads was born July 10, 1908, in Choctaw, Okla., and reared in Missouri. He moved to Midland in 1937 and was employed by several construction firms. He retired four years ago and was a member of the carpenters local union.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Guy Rhoads of Midland; two daughters, Mary Evelyn Sain of Amarillo and Mrs. Dorothy Jean Sain of Midland; three brothers, Jim Rhoads of Jefferson City, Mo., Carl Rhoads of Goodhope, Ohio, and Ed Rhoads of West Virginia; four sisters, Mrs. Mayme Blew of Chillicothe, Mo., Mrs. Dora Bishop of Boise, Idaho, Mrs. Onea Farris of Grants Pass, Ore., and Mrs. Nadine Schlosiere of Salisbury, Mo.; six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Palbearers will be Roy Rotan, Foy Rotan, Bobby Rotan, Charles Hall, Carl Pirtle and John Kramer.

Arthur Mullen service today

CRANE — Arthur Truman Mullen of Crane died at 10:45 a.m. Saturday of an apparent heart attack. He was 70.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today in First Christian Church with burial in Crane Garden of Memories, directed by Sheppard Funeral Home.

He was born May 19, 1906, in Comanche, and was married to Mildred Katherine Birdsong Jan. 14, 1961, in Crane.

Survivors include his widow; one daughter, Mrs. Charles Donner of Odessa, two sons, Jack Mullen of Providence, R.I., and Bill Mullen of Crane; one brother, Alton Mullen of Florence; seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Harper rites conducted today

Mrs. Louise Fleming Harper, 77, of 1901 Brunson Ave. died early Sunday morning in a Midland hospital after a long illness.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. today in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Ellis Funeral Home. Dr. Charles Luttrick of the First United Methodist Church officiated.

Mrs. Harper was born June 1, 1899, in Chicago, Ill. She married the late O. C. Harper, a pioneer West Texas geologist, in 1919 in Wichita, Kan., and they moved to Midland in 1921. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Frank Essex of Midland, and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Garland dies in Crane

CRANE — Mrs. Henrietta Rogers Garland, 91, died early Saturday morning in a Crane convalescent home.

Services were at 10 a.m. today in Sheppard Chapel of Memories with burial in Crane Garden of Memories.

Mrs. Garland was born May 17, 1895, in Bell County and had lived 17 years in Crane. She married Marion James Garland May 7, 1935, in Waco, and was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband, a granddaughter, Mrs. Etta Jo Kornek of Waco, and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Joe W. Edwards of Borger.

Marion Powell service today

LAMESA — Services for Marion E. Powell, 48, of Lamesa, will be at 4 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church of Lamesa.

The Rev. Alvis Cooley pastor, will be assisted by the Rev. W. L. Armstrong, associate pastor, in officiating.

Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park, directed by Branon Funeral Home.

A Lamesa resident 28 years, Powell was a Yorktown native. He was married to the former Ruby Morton Jan. 8, 1855, in Lamesa.

Survivors include his widow, and a sister, Mrs. Nancy Bonvehio of Columbus, Ohio.

Basin oilman dies at age 78

SAN ANGELO — Thomas Walter Murray of San Angelo a prominent West Texas oilman, died Sunday morning in a San Angelo hospital at the age of 78.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today in Robert Massie Riverside Chapel, with the Rev. J. Earl Dunn, pastor of Harris Avenue Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairmont Cemetery.

He bought a Lucy draw works and an old wooden oil derrick for about \$3,500 and began wildcatting in Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

By 1932, he had drilled or had an interest in 16 producing oil wells. After selling his East Texas holdings he moved to Texarkana and went into semiretirement.

He became active again in oil production when he moved to San Angelo in 1949. He took his first lease in Tom Green County from M. Wiley Green in the Susan Peak field.

Later he operated wells in Coke, Runnels, Scheicher, Irion, Concho, Coleman, Comanche, Stephens, Tom Green, Hood and Bosque counties. He sold all his oil properties in 1961.

Murray was instrumental in renovating the old Central Hotel in San Angelo, which is now the Petroleum Building.

Survivors include a daughter, two brothers, a sister and two grandsons.

Askings rites slated today

SNYDER — Mrs. Alice Askings of Snyder died Saturday morning in a Snyder hospital at the age of 87. She was the mother of Elmer Askings of Big Spring.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today at the Bell-Seale Funeral Home, with Elder Carl Watson officiating. Burial will be in Gail Cemetery.

The Coryell County native moved to Borden County in 1905 and spent most of her life in Borden and Scurry Counties. On Sept. 25, 1907, in Borden County, she was married to William H. Askings, who died on Sept. 14, 1968.

Survivors include two daughters, two sons, two sisters, a brother, 13 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Frausto rites Tuesday

Mrs. Dominga Carnero Frausto, 68, of the 1800 block of South Fort Worth Street died Sunday morning in a Midland hospital after a lengthy illness.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Fairview Cemetery directed by Thomas Funeral Home.

Mrs. Frausto was born Aug. 4, 1908, in Terlingua. She had lived in Midland the past 67 years.

Survivors include two daughters, Francis Frausto and Mrs. Matilda Valdez, both of Midland; a sister, Marcella Hinijos of Midland, and 10 grandchildren.

Edna Wilkinson dies in home

BIG SPRING — Mrs. Edna Wilkinson, 84, died Saturday in a Tyler nursing home.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. today in Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring with burial in Trinity Memorial Park directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wilkinson was born April 26, 1892, in Granbury. She married the late Steven Wilkinson Nov. 15, 1908, in Weatherford, and they moved to Howard County in 1921, living in the R-Bar community.

Survivors include four sons, Roy Wilkinson of Carrollton, Everett Wilkinson of Ingleside, S. R. Wilkinson of Colorado City and James Wilkinson of Brady; three daughters, Mrs. Lola Brown of Murchison, Mrs. Almarena Jones of Tyler and Mrs. Leo Deel of Big Spring; a brother, E. T. Stalcup of Sand Spring; a half brother, Herman Petty of California; a stepbrother, Oley Petty of Sand Spring; a stepsister, Mrs. Cordie Mason of Big Spring; 20 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild.

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SALT LAKE (AP) — Convict Gary Gilmore to die at dawn by his mother was moved prison inmate him from- do-in," the head prison system Ernest De- Division of director, said that Warden Smith was on Gilmore "in something pl- today, when have faced a for murderin clerk. Gilmore's Ronald Stang- client was "st- at the court invalid moth- on Thursday Gilmore had- a letter, who would be m- today. The executi- Gilmore has

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# Gilmore moved back to prison infirmary

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Convicted killer Gary Gilmore, his desire to die at dawn thwarted by his mother's appeal, was moved back to a prison infirmary "to keep him from doing himself in," the head of Utah's prison system says.

Ernest Dean Wright, Division of Corrections director, said Sunday that Warden Samuel W. Smith was concerned that Gilmore "may have something planned" for today when he was to have faced a firing squad for murdering a motel clerk.

Gilmore's attorney, Ronald Stanger, said his client was "still angered" at the court action his invalid mother initiated on Thursday. He said Gilmore had written her a letter, whose contents would be made public today.

The execution — which Gilmore has sought as

quickly as possible — was stayed for a third time Friday by the U.S. Supreme Court at the request of Bessie Gilmore of Milwaukie, Ore.

Gilmore, who turned 36 on Saturday, has been unable to talk to her about the appeal because her phone has been disconnected.

Wright said officials also feared that if Gilmore remained in his maximum security cell, other inmates might attempt to slip him drugs. He was hospitalized last month after he and his girl friend, Nicole Barrett, took overdoses of sleeping pills in an apparent suicide pact.

Wright said Gilmore would be more isolated in the infirmary, where he had been kept under round-the-clock supervision until three days ago.

Attorney General-elect Robert B. Hansen said



Dr. William Riley

## Rheumatologist to speak here

Dr. William Riley, rheumatologist, will be the guest speaker of a free arthritis forum held Thursday in the Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring St., at 10 a.m.

The speech will cover new arthritis treatment methods and is sponsored by the arthritis foundation's West Texas Chapter and the Midland YMCA Women's Health Club.

## Georgian, 73, shares hobby

MACON, Ga. (AP) — William Fickling Sr., 73, says he's glad to have a hobby that a lot of people can share with him. Fickling raises Yoshino cherry trees, and he gives them away to anyone who asks for one.

Twenty-five years ago, someone gave Fickling a tree which he planted in his front yard. He tried to cultivate new trees from seeds, but he had little success. He imported more trees from Japan and learned to grow them from cuttings.

"It's tricky," said Mrs. Arthur Childree, whose husband manages Fickling's farm. "You have to have exactly the right soil mixture."

Last week, more than 1,000 persons showed up at the 170-acre farm to pick up free trees. The Ficklings are taking names now for next year's annual cherry tree dig.

Fickling says he'll continue giving away the trees "as long as I'm able to fool with them and as long as people want them."

Gilmore is also charged with shooting Max Jensen, 24, a gas station attendant in Orem, Utah, who died one night before Bushnell died.

The state was preparing a brief challenging Mrs. Gilmore's legal status in the case. Hansen has argued that appeals without Gilmore's consent are without legal standing and cannot be honored by courts.

Gilmore and his attorneys were expected to file briefs with similar arguments.

Gilmore continues the hunger strike he began Nov. 19 after he was refused a telephone call to Mrs. Barrett.

## Fir wins tree race

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Midsize Maxi, a six-year-old Douglas fir, grew 70% inches over the past year to win the Great Tree Race of 1976.

Maxi's owners, Michael and Jane Newton, Philomath, Ore., were given 2,000 Douglas fir seedlings as a prize by the Industrial Forestry Association and the American Forest Institute.

Maxi is now 18 feet tall, having added 11 feet during the past two growing seasons.

# Consumer product unit launches annual campaign for toy safety

By LOUISE COOK  
Associated Press Writer

Warning: that cuddly looking teddy bear may be hazardous to your health.

That's the message from the Consumer Product Safety Commission, which has started another holiday campaign on toy safety.

Americans are expected to spend an estimated \$5 billion on toys and games in the coming Christmas season alone. They also will spend about \$20 million on Christmas tree lights — 35 million sets of them, according to the commission.

Toy manufacturers started gearing up for the holiday early this year. Some 5,000 new items — many of them linked to popular television shows — were on display last February at the American Toy Fair in New York and the products are now on store shelves across the country.

Sales of toys, games and Christmas ornaments are expected to set a record this year, according to David A. Miller, president of the Toy Manufacturers of America. Miller has estimated that this year's sales will be 6 to 8 per cent higher than last year's.

While the manufacturers and retailers worry about profits, the safety commission worries about possible hazards. The federal agency estimates that 150,000 children will be seriously injured as a result of accidents with toys this year.

The commission has the authority to ban dangerous toys such as those containing rigid wires and sharp points. That includes stuffed animals and dolls that might appear harmless, but contain hidden dangers.

Until two years ago, the commission issued a list of banned toys and volunteers patrolled stores looking for hazardous products. The list was dropped, however, and the commission says it has no plans to reinstate it, despite the protests of some consumer groups.

A commission spokesman said the banned toy list had several drawbacks. First, it was difficult to keep the list up to date. By the time the list was printed and distributed, some of the items already had been withdrawn from the market or changed in design to eliminate the hazard. This led to potential legal problems.

In addition, the spokesman said, the list was actually misleading to some

people who assumed that any toy not on the list was automatically classified as safe. Not so. Many toys simply were not tested at all because

of lack of money and staff. The commission is now concentrating on educating the public with a variety of promotional efforts.

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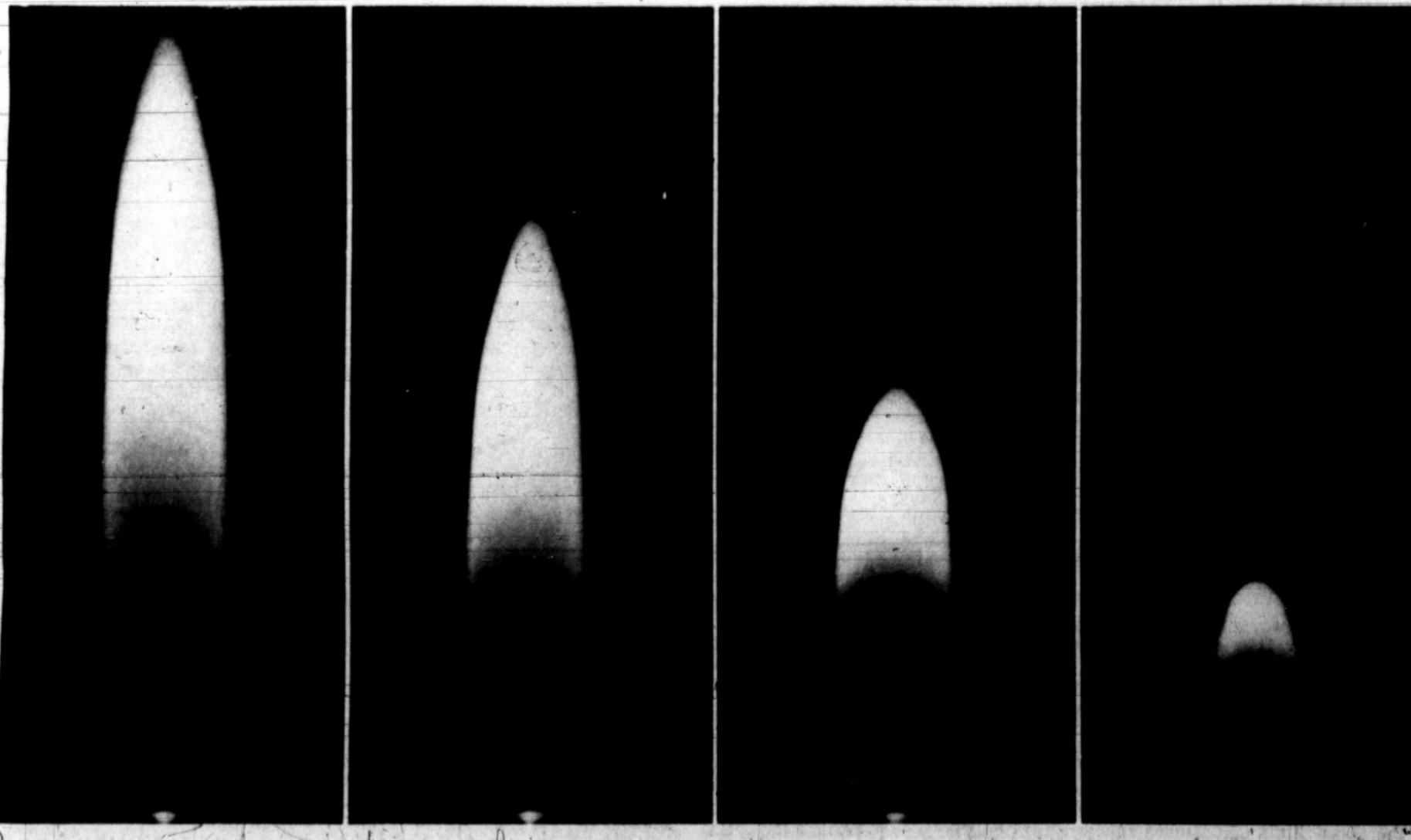
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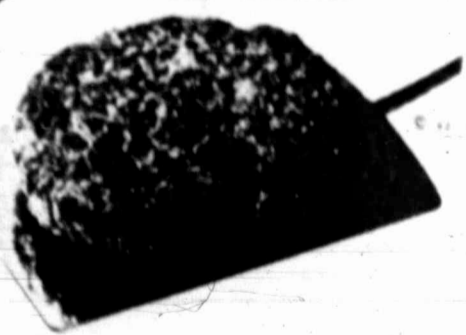
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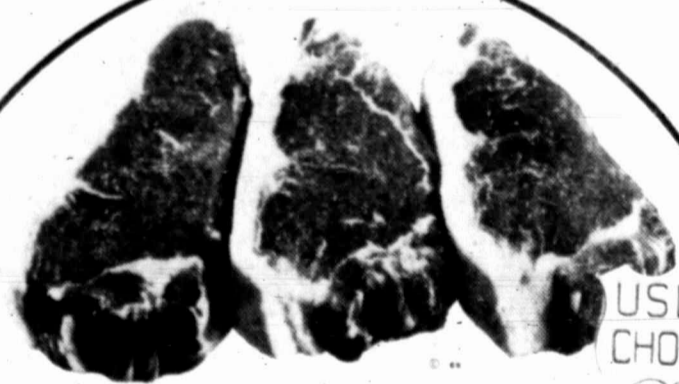
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# Uptight falcons mate as doctor, technician coo

By GEORGE TIBBITTS

GREENACRES, Wash. (AP) — As sex objects, Robert Young and Lester Boyd are for the birds.

They bob, they weave, they coo sensuous mating calls and perform food exchange rituals — all to put uptight falcons in the mood for romance.

When the two men are successful, male falcons deposit semen in a special hat with a rubber ring, and

female falcons submit to artificial insemination.

"The birds can be very finicky when it comes time to mate," said Young, a physician in this Spokane suburb. "There's a number of courtship rituals you go through, such as food-exchange. Eventually, the bird looks upon the human as a sexual object."

Young and Boyd, a Washington State University zoology technician at Pullman, both are experienced

falconers, hunters who use birds of prey in catching animals.

They began using their complex breeding method — called "cooperative artificial insemination" — three years ago as a way to increase their supply of birds.

The technique has produced about 20 falcons and hawks, many of them rare hybrids, the men said. Their favorite variety is the prairie falcon, which has a 2½-foot wingspan and is

protected under federal migratory bird laws.

In Pullman, Boyd begins the process with his stock of mostly male birds. Following the example of wild birds, he offers food to his falcon "mate" while bowing, posturing and warbling seductively. If the courtship ritual succeeds, the male bird hops onto the special hat and deposits semen.

The sperm stays usable for only 12 to 14 hours, so Boyd rushes it to

Greenacres by carrier pigeon. He said he uses pigeons because they are reliable and cheap and spare him the 160-mile roundtrip drive.

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**DEAR ABBY**

**Husband puzzles 'Mrs. Fixit'**

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

**DEAR ABBY:** My father was a "Mr. Fixit." He could repair anything. Being the oldest, I had to hold his lights and hand him his tools, so I learned more than the average girl about many things. Seven years ago I married my high school sweetheart. He's a sweet guy, but he doesn't own a screwdriver and doesn't want one. He would (and has) walked five miles in a blizzard before he'd change a tire. I've done all the painting and repair work—even built shelves and cupboards, and fixed electric appliances around here. My husband can't even hold a rake, much less drive a nail. Last night I went to sleep early. (I'm eight months pregnant.) Somehow he broke the handle off the faucet in our bathroom, so he woke me up. Water was squirting everywhere, and he'd used up all the towels in the cupboard to soak it up. I

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**DEAR HATES:** Apparently your early experiences related to kissing are responsible for your negative feelings. I recommend professional help to overcome your hangup.

**Sunlamp safety rules developing**

BARBARASHEA Newsday

Anyone who has ever fallen asleep on a beach for a few sunny hours probably still winces at the memory of the consequences. The memory would be even more painful if the same thing had happened under a sunlamp, where one minute toward a winter tan can be equal to one hour in the summer sun. The national Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that close to 11,000 injuries from sun and heat lamps will require hospital emergency-room treatment this year. In view of similar statistics from previous years, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is assessing data to be used in developing a sunlamp safety standard that would diminish the chances of overdoing it.

One step was taken in that direction last year. The FDA's bureau of radiological health added sunlamps to the list of electronic products for which manufacturers are required to submit certain safety reports. The reports must contain information on such questions as design specifications, radiation-safety test methods and quality-control checks. The same kind of technical report has been required for some time for microwave ovens, television sets and other products that involve radiation. In the case of sunlamps, the federal agency says that it has found great variation. Sunlamps, like the sun, produce ultraviolet light of varying wavelengths; the shorter the waves, the more penetrating and more potentially harmful they are. Ozone and other components in the atmosphere prevent the shorter waves in the sun's spectrum from reaching the earth. When the rays are produced by an artificial source about two feet away from the user,

the result of exposure is more intense. The agency has found that some bulbs on the market put out a good deal of shorter-wave radiation, according to Michael E. Shaffer, a spokesman for the bureau of radiological health. The construction of a bulb—meaning the type of glass used as well as the nature of the gadget giving off the ultraviolet radiation—begin with— affects the wavelengths emitted. One regulation that could be instituted along those lines, Shaffer said, is to specify amounts of radiation that any bulb will be allowed to give off in various wavelength ranges. While severe skin burns and eye damage can result from overexposure to short or long ultraviolet waves, there is no direct proof that either the sun or sunlamps cause skin cancer, though the disease is known to be related to overexposure to ultraviolet light. The agency says it believes, however, that such facts as are known should be furnished to every sunlamp user.

In light of such dangers as exist, what is the value of using such devices in the first place? There may be psychological benefits to having a year-round tan but there are no therapeutic ones, according to a spokesman for the American Medical Association. A sunlamp, like the sun, produces vitamin D when sterols are activated in the skin. However, neither the sun nor a sunlamp is indispensable for that purpose, according to Frank Chappell, the association's science news editor. Chappell said that there are many better sources of the vitamin in foods. Still, the cult continues.

Agency studies so far have revealed only the following facts about sunlamps involved in injuries: —Most were sold without control devices or timers. —Only 10 per cent came with protective goggles. —Instructions for proper use usually were in the form of printed material that could be lost or mislaid. —Information on exposure time and safe distance from lamp to user was not included in some instructional material.

—In only a few cases was any safety warning affixed permanently to the lamp.

At present, Underwriters Laboratories

requires that sunlamps which bear the seal of that independent testing company must have a timer with a maximum setting of 10 minutes, and a light or other signaling device that notifies the user that the time is about up. The standard also requires sunlamps to have an unconventional-size socket for the bulbs, and the government is exploring the feasibility of requiring the sunlamp bulbs to be made so that they cannot be screwed into an ordinary lamp that is not equipped with a timer.

Some sunlamps have, in addition to the ultraviolet bulb, an infrared heat element, designed to provide temporary relief for minor aches and pains and to help the skin absorb cosmetic creams and lotions for moisturizing benefits. Protective goggles should be worn when using the heat treatment, too, since heat can dry the eyes and cause cataracts.

Heatlamps alone cost about \$12; sunlamps or sun-heat combination lamps range from about \$25 to \$45.

**CLUB NEWS ROUNDUP**

The First Methodist Church Hand Bell Quartet entertained when the Yucca Garden Club met for its annual Christmas tea in the home of Mrs. William B. Johnston on the Lamesa Highway. Each member brought a gift for the Big Spring State Hospital project and a homemade gift for the club Christmas tree. During the business meeting committee reports were given by Mrs. H. K. Thomas, director to Midland Woman's Club, and Mrs. W. D. McAlpine, director of Lancaster Garden Center, Museum of the Southwest. Mrs. Jay H. Hardy was accepted as a new member.

Mrs. Mary Batchlor was high scorer when the Oldtimers Bridge Club met at Ranchland hills for cards and lunch. Second high scorer was Mrs. Inez Jefferies. Mrs. Louise Morris won the special prize. Grand slam winners were Mrs. Vera Sawyer and Mrs. Vancile Lowe.

**HOROSCOPE**

By CARROLL RIGHTER (Tues., Dec. 7)

**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** A day to spend much of your time on the important affairs of every-day living. Also, a good day to obtain valuable information that can bring greater success in the future.  
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**TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20):** Study your financial affairs well and look into new interests that can add to present abundance. Relax at home tonight.  
**GEMINI (May 21 to June 21):** A good day to handle private affairs and end further procrastination. Join with congenials later for the pleasure you desire.  
**MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21):** Ideal day to consult with business advisers for the advice you need. Sidestep one who is a hypocrite.  
**LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21):** Get together with good friends and express your ideas. Take time to engage in favorite hobby later in the day.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22):** Concentrate on solving a business problem early in the day. Bring your talents to the attention of higher-ups and make a fine impression.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22):** Any new ideas require added data if they are to be made to work successfully for you. Show more devotion to loved one.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21):** Strive to improve relations with co-workers and the future will be brighter for you. Take needed health treatments.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21):** Be sure to make long-range plans for future. Be more concerned with the little niceties in connection with your mate.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20):** Improve the structure of a new project you have in mind and make necessary changes. Be careful in motion.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19):** Put your finest talents to work and get ahead faster in your career. Make plans to have greater abundance in the days ahead.  
**PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20):** Study your surroundings and make plans for improvement. Make the evening a charming one from a social standpoint.

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# Southern GOP still optimistic

By WILLIAM E. SCHULZ

ATLANTA (AP) — Republicans in the South did very well in the Nov. 2 election under the circumstances, their representative prepared to tell the GOP National Committee today.

"Jimmy Carter (who swept the southern states) didn't wipe out the other things that were Republican in the South," said Paula Unruh, the National Committee's Southern Regional chairperson.

"We kept our congressional delegation and we kept our legislative races," she said after a meeting of the region's 13 state chairmen Sunday. She was to report to the national committee's executive committee.

The state chairmen presented their reports after another session that included national committee men and women from the 13 southern states, from Oklahoma and Texas to the Atlantic. Both meetings were behind

closed doors.

Delegates to the earlier meeting agreed the next national party chairman must be an articulate spokesman for the party, representatives said. They also agreed the party must work hard and fast to find ways to appeal to the blue collar worker and other mainstream American voters.

The post-election reports "showed two or three states felt they are stronger now than they were before the election," said Mrs. Unruh, Oklahoma state chairwoman. They have more party workers and know more people are showing concern about turning the country over to one party," she said, referring to the Democrats control of the presidency and both houses of Congress.

She identified those stronger states as Arkansas, South Carolina and Texas.

At the larger meeting, the delegates talked in general terms about a future

party chairman.

"Nobody was rejected," said Mississippi Chairman Clarke Reed, who chaired the conference with Paula Hawkins of Florida.

Mrs. Hawkins said she believed former Texas Gov. Connally had the support of the majority of those present. Both emphasized there was no vote on a party chairman and more than a dozen people were discussed.

"When you are not in the White House you need a spokesman, someone with the expertise, experience and knowledge so that what they say will be believed," Mrs. Hawkins said. "Everything everybody talked about was leadership."

"We need a strong person stating what we stand for," Mrs. Unruh said.

She said Connally and former California Gov. Ronald Reagan appeared to be the best qualified under those criteria, but Reagan had turned down the job, and Connally had not shown much interest.

Arthur A. Fletcher, deputy assistant to President Ford for urban affairs, made a personal appeal to the delegates to support him for the GOP chairmanship.

Fletcher, the only person actively seeking the job, said the fact he is black is an asset.

"I think I will get more op-

portunities to speak to more people," he said in an interview. "The young people, students and others will be curious to hear what this qualified black, who happens to be chairman of the GOP, has to say."

Fletcher owned a consulting firm and was an assistant secretary for employment standards in the Department of Labor before taking his White House job in January. He also has been executive director of the United Negro College Fund.

The delegates approved resolution sponsored by Georgia Chairman Mack Mattingly, asking for a national meeting aimed at finding ways of improving the party's image and appeal to a broader segment of voters.

The resolution called for a "brainstorming" session of party members and other persons. "We campaign on fiscal conservatism, free enterprise-ism, anti-governmentism, and sometimes plain anti-ism," the resolution said. "We need new words, new people and programs for all people to understand and support."

The national meeting, should "consider a new approach to blue collar vote appeal, allowing time to consider such areas as mass voter registration and institutional-type advertising," Mattingly said.



Arthur A. Fletcher, right, deputy assistant to President Ford for urban affairs, and Clark Reed, Mississippi Republican chairman, share a lighter moment at the GOP's Southern Regional Conference.

## AMA delegates divided on national health plans

PHILADELPHIA (AP)

The American Medical Board of Trustees has undertaken an extensive

Association's House of Delegates appears divided over what form of national health insurance to support — if any.

"With the approach of a new Congress and a new Administration, the review of national health insurance," said a report to the AMA's 30th clinical convention.

"The reason: It is important that the position of the association be made clear at an early date."

AMA officials fear that if they don't support some form of insurance, Congress will pass one they oppose.

The urgency stems at least in part from concern that President-elect Carter, who has endorsed national health insurance, will move early in his administration toward introducing legislation on the subject.

"Let me say, right off, that the presidential election has made our future a good deal foggy as a profession," said Dr. Richard E. Palmer, president of the AMA, at the opening session on Sunday.

The AMA supports a version of national health insurance that would give workers the option of joining and which would operate through the private insurance industry, with no payroll tax.

The AMA's Board of Trustees, in a special report to the delegates, recommended that this support be continued.

But several delegations have filed resolutions opposing AMA support for any form of national health insurance. These include delegations from Nebraska, Louisiana, Illinois, South Carolina and New Mexico.

On the other side, a joint resolution supporting the official AMA stand was introduced by the Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island delegations.

The AMA is opposed to the insurance proposal backed by organized labor and introduced in the last Congress by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and Rep. James C. Corman, D-Calif. The Kennedy-Corman system would be mandatory and not involve private firms.

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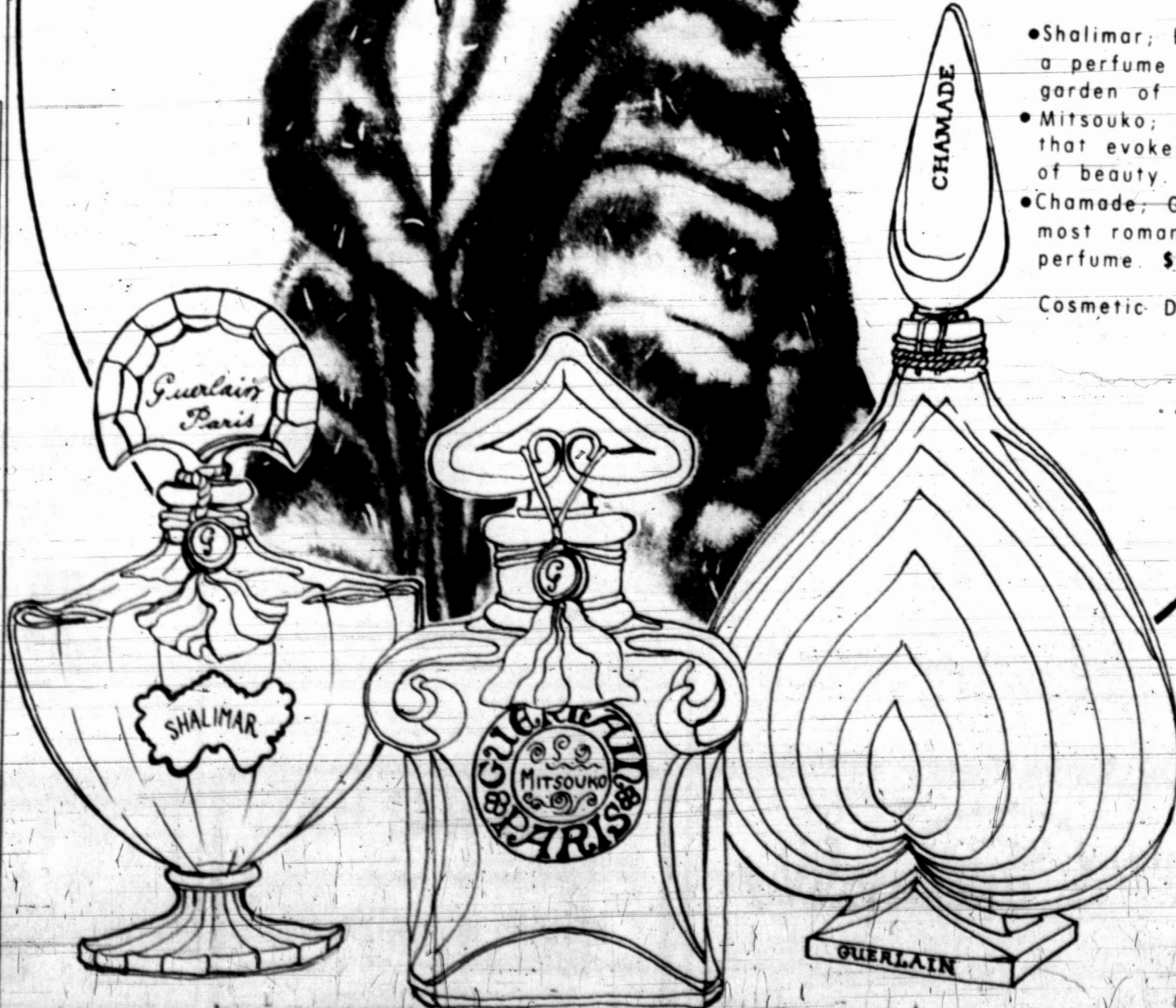
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# Old gunslinger to fight crime

ATHENS, Tex. (AP) — One of the first moves newly-elected Dist. Atty. Bill Green of Henderson County made in his program to crack down on crime was to hire one of his childhood idols.

At 6-4, 225 pounds, Jess Sweeten a 72-year-old ex-sheriff, was apparently what Green had in mind when he promised during his election campaign to get tough on crime in the East Texas county.

The great-grandfather shot nine men and killed three during gun battles in his law enforcement career that stretched from 1932 until 1955.

Next month he'll become a criminal investigator for Green, 28, one of Texas' youngest district attorneys and fully a foot shorter than Sweeten. Green said the former Henderson County sheriff was one of his childhood idols.

Sweeten was 24 when he arrived in Henderson County. His first stop was Trinidad, where construction work at a power plant had attracted numerous rugged characters.

Sweeten's reputation with his fists earned him a constable's badge. He also received \$200 a month, room and board and \$4 per arrest.

The first 90 days as Trinidad's law were rough, he said. "You couldn't hardly arrest those guys," he said. "Some nights I'd fight all night long. When they'd challenge me, I'd just take off my gun and go at it."

After Trinidad calmed down, the sheriff in nearby Athens made Sweeten a deputy. It didn't last long since his salty approach to law enforcement forced his dismissal, he said.

But in 1933 he ran for sheriff and won. He remained sheriff, except for one two-year period when he was voted out, until 1955.

And while his fists got him into office, his guns gained him national ac-

claim as a marksman. Three decades ago, for a traveling carnival, he entered the tent at 9 a. m. and fired 3,700 rounds during the following 17 hours. During that time, he shot up 600 pounds of potatoes held up for him by six assistants.

But Sweeten said in an interview in the Dallas Morning News that law enforcement has changed considerably since his early days.

"I broke 21 murder cases and sent three to the electric chair," he said. "But if I had to work under the conditions I'd have to work under today, I doubt if I could have broken all those cases."

Sweeten said he once interviewed a suspect in a kidnaping case for 16 days and nights without letup.

"If you did that now, the United States Supreme Court would have put the sheriff in jail," he said. "But that's what it took to break the case. There wasn't any other way to break it."

Sweeten said he has seen 14 persons electrocuted at the state prison. The death penalty is needed for protection rather than revenge, he said.

"I'm talking about protection from cold-blooded killers," he said. "There's a certain type of criminal you can't stop. Turn some of them out and give them \$5 million and they'll still go kill somebody."

Sweeten has never been shot. His biggest injuries have been broken hands suffered in fist fights.

Since his retirement in 1955, Sweeten has spent his years in various security and land acquisition posts for oil and pipeline companies.

Historical posts often compare Sweeten to the pistol-packing lawmen of the Old West.

"Billy the Kid, Wild Bill Hickock. Name one," Sweeten said. "A modern marksman could have taken any of them, in a saloon or at a distance."



South Dakota sheepherder Lawrence Brown, seeking to be chosen secretary of agriculture in the Carter administration, works on his weekly newspaper.

# Sheepherder seeks post of agriculture secretary

BUFFALO, S.D. (AP) — His spelling and grammar could stand improvement, but a South Dakota sheepherder figures that shouldn't disqualify him from being U.S. agriculture secretary.

Lawrence Brown, 51, is conducting his campaign as editor of a weekly newspaper, the Nation's Center News.

His qualifications for agriculture secretary? "A lifetime of exposure to the industry and a wife who has cooked thousands of meals for branding, shearing and harvest crews. Also, my family is qualified to handle chores on horseback, with modern machinery or at the industries' conference tables."

"Therefore, I think I am better qualified than some Harvard professor with a bunch of beautiful theories he would like to try out on the nation's farmers."

After the general election, Brown replied on the front page of his newspaper to a group of western South Dakotans urging President-elect Jimmy Carter to name Brown agriculture secretary.

"While you guys obviously are pulling my leg, I am going to take you seriously and would consider you fickle indeed if you don't follow this through to the point of getting a reply from Carter forces."

So far, there's been none.

Brown's sons have run his 1,700-acre ranch in Harding County since he began writing a column called "Sheepherder's Diary" two years ago.

It wasn't long before Brown decided to start his own paper, investing \$35,000 for the plant and equipment. He works with a staff of about 10 and circulation has risen to about 7,600.

He writes all his copy in longhand, paying little mind to spelling and grammar.

"I don't know spelling or grammar," he said. "Pronouns and nouns never interested me. And typing breaks my train of thought."

One reader wrote to criticize his use of the word "drug" instead of "dragged" in a front page letter to Carter.

"If Carter is as close to farmers as he claims, he will understand the term," Brown wrote back. "Many generations of farmers have drug things around and are not apt to change because a grammar critic is shocked at the language."

Although his support for Carter may have cost him some subscriptions in the conservative rangeland, Brown has no regrets.

He figures anything he can do to establish communication with the new administration — "whether it's as secretary of agriculture, editor of Nation's Center News or Harding County sheepherder" — can't hurt.

# Army reservists provide house for destitute Dallas widow, 74

DALLAS (AP) — Hattie Tippet, a 74-year-old Dallas widow, probably felt like the cavalry had just charged out of the hills to rescue her from an unusually bitter Texas winter.

Actually, it was a group of Army reservists, who have provided her with a new four-room house to replace the battered, sieve-like shack she has lived in here for the past 35 years.

When an unseasonal snowstorm hit Dallas in November, Mrs. Tippet caught pneumonia as she vainly tried to keep warm, huddling near a wood heater while chilling winds whipped her shanty and whipped through holes large enough for a child to crawl through.

She was without electricity, water and plumbing. The elderly widow was taken to a South Dallas nursing home and while she was there members of the Army Reserve 519th Maintenance Battalion's 141st Field Service Company arrived to renovate her house as part of a community

action program. They found it completely beyond repair. "The whole place was just obliterated," said Sgt. Don Lewis of Garland. "The house is coming apart at the seams, literally. One corner of it is split. It's completely beyond repair."

Pfc. John Albert Hill Watts of Willis Point then decided to donate a four-room house — if someone would give time and equipment to move it.

"I'm proud of that young man," Sgt. Cecil Monroe said. "Now all we have to do is make sure the title to the land is clear — the welfare department is checking that out — and get someone move the house."

We're not trying to turn the Army Reserve into a welfare organization, but we realize there are certain things we can contribute to make our community a better place to live," Monroe added.

Lewis said Mrs. Tippet was "happy as a lark" that the reservists were helping her. "We put an army field jacket on her to keep her warm," he said. "Somebody stuck a hat on her, and we fed her Army sandwiches. She had a ball."

# Innkeeper concocts new 'Carter' drink

FOND DU LAC, Wis. (AP) — Take one ounce of white crème de cacao, an ounce of liquor, a teaspoonful of creamy peanut butter and a small scoop of crushed ice. Mix well and you have a "Jimmy Carter."

That, at least, is what Fond du Lac restaurateur Vic Cappelle is selling as a \$1 drink called a "Jimmy Carter."

"It's become a pretty popular after-dinner drink," Cappelle said at his Anchor Inn. "Some of the Republicans that come around here don't like the drink very much."

Cappelle's recipe allows for individual tastes to the extent that the ounce of liquor can be brandy, bourbon or scotch. He said the only strict requirement is for "good grade" peanut butter.

# Old police chief may quit at 73

MABSCOTT, W.Va. (AP) — Police Chief Boyd Hutchinson says he's thinking of retiring, but at 73 he isn't sure he's ready for a life of leisure. He already tried retirement once — and just didn't take to it.

"I wouldn't recommend this work for just anybody," Hutchinson said. "But after you get into it, you can't get out."

His first retirement came two years ago and lasted about three months. According to a city councilman, "The people missed him so bad they talked him into coming back. Things just didn't seem the same."

But Hutchinson, a widower who has been a policeman for 24 years and chief for 14, said it was more a case of his missing his job.

It gives me something to do," he said. "I don't hunt or fish or lay around beer joints. I just couldn't stare at the walls, so I came back."

Hutchinson admitted he doesn't encounter many serious problems in Mabscott, a town of 1,500 in the southern West Virginia coalfields. But he works seven hours a day, seven

days a week, and he said there's enough going on to keep him busy.

Mabscott has a drunkard or two, and there are always kids to keep out of trouble. When more serious situations arise, Hutchinson said, "I can handle them."

He is 6-foot-2 and weighs 230 pounds, and when there are villains on the loose, he doesn't shy away from throwing a punch.

"If I have to run them down, I can do that too," he said.

But mostly, Hutchinson said, he enforces the speed limit.

He worked for the state highway department and as a bus driver before going into police work, and he said he just won't tolerate a speeder.

"The town has a 25 mile per hour speed limit," he said. "One mile over that and it's a fine."

But some townspeople said Hutchinson isn't really so coldhearted.

According to one resident, "As you pass through town and you see a husky man smiling and shaking his finger at you, that means to slow down."

# Ex-envoy Texas girl wins Miss Rodeo title

MECHANICSBURG, Ohio (AP) — William B. Saxbe, who resigned as ambassador to India, has returned home amid speculation he will seek the Republican gubernatorial nomination in 1978.

But the 60-year-old former U.S. attorney general and senator from Ohio discouraged such talk as he headed for his cattle farm in Champaign County.

"I'm going to Mechanicsburg, and I'll make myself available to anyone who wants to hunt, play golf or go fishing," he told reporters in Columbus on Saturday. "It's been about eight years since I left, and I don't contemplate leaving again."

"I think I can make a living without being in politics. I've had 30 years of it since I got out of the Army in 1946."

Saxbe's resignation is official Jan. 1. His post in New Delhi will remain vacant until President-elect Carter names a replacement.

OKLAHOMA CITY fourth runnerup — were Debi Gene Powers, Miss Rodeo Iowa, and Tina Gaye Marrs, Miss Rodeo Kansas. Miss Powers also won the personality award.

The 24-year-old brunette also won the horsemanship award. She will succeed Betty Schnell of Rodgerson, Idaho.

First runnerup was Julie Rugg, Miss Rodeo Oregon, who also won the award for appearance, while Dianne Lynn Hubbard, Miss Rodeo Montana, was second runnerup. Third and

# Murder attempt charged Fort Worth ex-policeman

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — A former Fort Worth policeman who was charged with attempted capital murder in Austin over the weekend was to go before a state district court hearing here today, officials said.

Aymon Roy Armstrong, 41, once decorated for bravery by the Fort Worth Police Department, was arrested here Saturday on a Travis County

warrant in connection with a Friday night shootout that left one man dead at an Austin salvage yard.

Charges were filed in Austin before Justice of the Peace Bob Perkins who set bond at \$500,000.

Austin police said three men attempted to rob salvage yard owner Isaac Rabb Friday night. Investigators said Robert Willie McKnight, 38, was killed by a blast from a shot gun.

Two men fled the scene on foot. The three men arrived while Rabb was counting \$15,000 cash that had just been left with him by Frank Smith, a local bail bondsman and wrecking yard operator, police said.

The Austin American-Statesmen said Armstrong resigned from the Fort Worth police force after he and two other members of the Tarrant County Metro squad were accused of planting several pounds of marijuana at the home of a Fort Worth resident.

No indictments were returned in the case.

# Greeks had word for it

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Greeks had a word for it — unguentarii.

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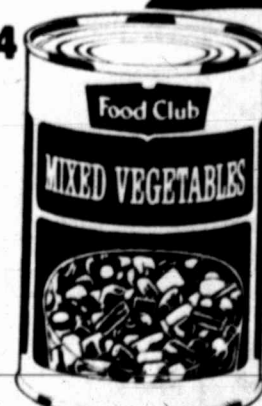
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## Insurance rates may increase

By JOHN PINKERMAN  
Copley News Service

HARTFORD, Conn. — Pacific Insurance Co. recently notified its agents it was suspending acceptance of applications for "personal lines" policies — auto liability and similar lines.

Some other insurance companies, faced with what they claim are prohibitive claims, have taken similar action.

Does this mean the insurance industry, a giant of the financial world with assets in the hundreds of billions, is about to bar the small policyholder from protection in favor of doing business exclusively with the multinational and other gigantic corporations?

Here in the city known as the insurance capital of the world (43 home offices of major companies) the word is a cautious no with a big BUT added on. "No, we're not going out of the personal lines business," said Frank Walton, senior vice president of the giant Travelers Insurance Co. "but medical and auto repair costs have gone out of sight. We have to have surpluses for payment of claims, and I'm not ashamed to make a profit in the insurance business."

This, of course, means higher and higher rates. It also means, Walton said, that greater care is necessary by agents in deciding whether to recommend certain risky potential policyholders — particularly in auto insurance — and greater care by insurance firms in accepting the policies some agents desire to write.

"You must watch carefully," Walton said, "and if you get bad policies you'd best get rid of the bad selector (the agent)."

As an illustration of what Walton is talking about regarding skyrocketing claims, U.S. casualty insurance companies last year paid out in claims \$4.5 billion more than they gathered in premiums. This was the worst record in 225 years. The reason for this: there was a five-year 61.6 per cent increase in auto repair labor costs; a 113 per cent increase in the cost of auto parts; an 84.1 per cent increase in per day hospital costs. All this added up to a 56.4 per cent increase for property damage claims; a 40.7 per cent increase for collision claims and a 50 per cent boost for comprehensive claims.

The dramatic illustration of costs involved in insurance auto repair might be that the total cost of replacement parts for a \$4,438

automobile comes to \$19,979 — PLUS LABOR.

But, don't insurance companies make lots of money on real estate and stock market investment, and shouldn't they dip into that billion-dollar pool rather than soak the policyholder more or duck out of the personal lines business?

"I'm in the insurance business and we must make it on insurance," Walton said. "No company I've ever known has been successful by designing its strategy not to make money. The public just doesn't understand who pays the losses. There is no 'found' money; we've got to make it and have it on hand."

"We (policyholders) pay our neighbors' losses — and that's a reason why we as companies and our agents must be more selective in accepting new risks."

Walton said policy premiums are predicated on loss experience and expenses within insurance operations — not related to other activities. "The policyholder," he said, "does not pay because I made a bad investment in another area (as many firms did in the 1974-75 gyrating stock market)."

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And Liza with a "z" and big black eyes agrees.

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# The Midland Reporter-Telegram

## 'Y'U TRYING TO START A FIRE OR SOMETHIN''

### A CHANGING WORLD:

## Georgians make most of a 'hot property'

By JOHN PINKERMAN  
Copley News Service

ATLANTA — Lots of Georgia Crackers may not be very sophisticated — but they ain't dumb. They know a hot property when they see one.

Jimmy Carter is a hot property and all Georgia is determined to make the best of the situation, though some will confess quietly and cautiously, "I didn't vote for him."

The situation can be oversimplified as in an Atlanta Constitution headline the other day: "Y'all Come." The story below the headline went directly to the commercial aspect of Mr. Carter's election.

The ex-governor and peanut farmer is to be the top attraction around which Georgia is determined to propel itself into the big time tourism business.

There's a new mood in this state, one that has had very few lures for tourists. Officially and unofficially, Georgians are confident they can change the image of the state that up to now has been, in the words of Tourism Director Ed Spivey, "just something you go through to get to Florida."

The man from Plains, soon to be the man of the house at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., is counted on to bring the tourists to all Georgia, and also to give the nation's capital a taste of what southern life is like — grits and all.

Mr. Carter's home town of Plains is quite a problem for the tourism people.

They think they need something more than the next president's peanut warehouse as an attraction in the tiny village of 683 people. First they need some motels; at this point the available motel beds add up to zero. They need something more than the one restaurant the town now has; it didn't have any until Mr. Carter won the Democratic nomination.

But, those interested in making a buck, are trying hard. A tiny cafe on U.S. Highway 19 between Atlanta and Americus advertises, "Jimmy Carter eats here." Another sign has gone up as one near Americus, "next right for the summer White House."

Even Lester Maddox, Mr. Carter's worst home state enemy, has bowed just a bit to reality. A phone call to Maddox's Atlanta restaurant indicated a reluctant respect for the presidency.

"No, we don't have that anymore," an embarrassed female voice responded to the question as to whether Maddox still served his "Carter special" — a peanut butter and baloney sandwich.

Tourism Director Spivey has \$75,000 from a regional (Virginia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia) fund for a study to determine the problems and potential of Plains as a tourism attraction.

"One of our problems," Spivey said, "is that most people take a run at Plains, then get back on the interstate highway and head for Florida. Also, some of the people of Plains don't want us to 'spoil' the town. I hope we can avoid that but still enjoy the economic benefits that can come from the thing (the 'thing' being the Carter presidency)."

While Spivey and sharp Georgia Crackers see big profits for themselves in the Carter presidency, others look to the export of Georgia's "country chic" to Washington.

One ambitious young man who hopes for a place in the D.C. bureaucracy put it in plain Georgia talk: "That there Statler-Hilton hotel in Washington don't have no grits now but it danged well better get some quick, and lima beans, too."

Yes, suh, this is the era of the southern accent. Most Georgians may not know much about the SALT talks, or the Common Market, but they know when they've got a good thing going. Jimmy Carter is the "good thing" and they plan to profit through him both at home and "abroad" in Washington.

### Mark Russell says

We should thank South Korea for making reduced spending possible. If they pay off enough congressmen, we can cut the federal payroll.

With all that Korean action in congress, payday is beginning to look like a scene from "The Mikado."

The House Ethics Committee wants to investigate the scandal. The problem now is finding a rug big enough to sweep the facts under.

I don't know what Korea wants from us, unless it's a cabinet post for the Rev. Sun Moon.

### The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



"Poor reception, isn't it just a pew, too."

TV problem — it happens in the pew, too.

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## Tito's Yugoslavia

President Ford's slip into verbal quicksand when he tried to explain U.S. policy toward Eastern Europe during a campaign debate now is part of this nation's political history. The election is over, but the issue of political autonomy among the Soviet satellites — and in Yugoslavia remains on the foreign policy agenda.

Jimmy Carter also did not find the subject easy to deal with during the campaign. After first declaring that he would not "go to war" if Soviet troops invaded Yugoslavia, he twice made it a point to refine that position. The record now shows that Mr. Carter believes it is "conjectural" whether U.S. forces might get involved in the event of an invasion, although such an event would make the continuation of detente virtually impossible.

The surfacing of this issue in the presidential campaign was certainly on the minds of Chairman Leonid Brezhnev and Marshal Tito during their recent meeting in Belgrade. Brezhnev took the occasion to denounce speculation about a Soviet military takeover as an absurd fairy tale. What else could he say? By the same token, could anyone expect the Brezhnev-Tito meeting to end with anything but a renewed Soviet pledge to respect Yugoslavia's independence?

For Brezhnev to do otherwise would require a backing away from his commitment at East Berlin last July to permit the various Communist parties of Europe to pursue socialism in their individual ways. While that commitment may have been designed to enhance the fortunes of Communist parties in Western Europe, it also requires Moscow to be discreet in its approach to

Yugoslavia at the public level and even in its relations with Eastern Europe's Communist governments.

Mr. Carter and many others believe that an outright attempt by the Russians to take Yugoslavia with force is far-fetched. This does not mean, however, that a Soviet-backed faction could not maneuver for power in Yugoslavia if there is political turmoil after the passing of Mr. Tito. Moscow is adept at sponsoring subversion in countries where direct intervention is impossible.

There is no reason why the West should be any less disturbed by the prospect of Yugoslavia falling into the Soviet orbit under circumstances other than an invasion.

Yugoslavia's status outside the Warsaw Pact has strategic importance for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, but its political autonomy has equal importance. The route followed successfully by Tito remains an example to Communists in Eastern Europe who are trying with varying degrees of success to recapture their national identity in spite of Soviet domination.

That national spirit is typified in Tito's Yugoslavia and is the weak link in the chain binding the satellites to Moscow. There was no real quarrel between Mr. Ford and Mr. Carter over the importance of a U.S. policy which nourishes independence behind the Iron Curtain. It is hoped that Mr. Carter, as he accedes to the presidency, will make it clear to the Soviet Union that any move — military or otherwise — to stifle that independence will be highly dangerous, a betrayal of the Helsinki accords and the spirit of detente.



### WRITE ON

## Admiral Rickover speaks out bluntly

By VIRGIL PINKLEY  
Copley News Service

WASHINGTON — In addition to being the world's leading expert on nuclear naval matters, and especially submarines, Adm. Hyman Rickover is one of the best read and informed men in America.

He has an amazing intellect. When President Eisenhower was in the White House he insisted on keeping Rickover in charge of our nuclear naval matters despite retirement age rules. He said that he and the nation needed the admiral's know-how and that he did not want to be commander in chief without Rickover at his right hand.

In recent months the admiral, who is extremely outspoken and blunt, has spoken and written on a number of non-naval matters, such as education, the purpose of education and our professions.

Frequently in these columns I have stressed the need for the legal profession to police itself and to reestablish its previous moral and spiritual values.

Almost daily there are reports of new land frauds and of security irregularities which have been planned and directed by lawyers. They have less excuse to break the law than most people because they presumably can read and understand the Queen's English and they know what the law provides.

Rickover puts it succinctly and beautifully when he declares, "Today we are a troubled nation; a nation as much in need of patriots as 200 years ago. Our professions, including the legal profession, are being

questioned. It was not always so. When I was a young man, three professional groups were held in high esteem — ministers, doctors and lawyers.

Clergymen represented the Lord to man. Theology was considered the highest of all professions, as it had been since the Middle Ages when it was known as the "queen of the sciences."

In his courageous remarks delivered when the Distinguished American Award was bestowed upon him by the Bar Association of Baltimore City, Md., he said, "Lawyers were seen as learned men, officers of the court, whose function it was to see that justice was done so that society could function smoothly. They provided a civilized way to resolve disputes."

Doctors were considered to be men who cared about their patients as people. For them, the Hippocratic Oath was a guide to live by, not just a plaque on the office wall.

Then he states flatly that today these three professions are not respected as they were in the days of his youth. Continuing his address he said, "And what of lawyers? You must be aware of the public's opinion of your profession."

"The 1973 Harris poll found only 18 per cent to have confidence in law firms."

Speaking of some of the nation's woes, he declared, "Look at some of the revelations since Watergate. Does anyone believe that corporation lawyers know nothing of their companies' wrongful acts? And in government, lawyers have more positions of power than any other

Mine Workers vice president Mike Trbovich, who rebelled against the corrupt Tony Boyle administration but is at odds with his union's present leadership. Trbovich has declared: "All those long strikes that we have, they use a petty grievance as a vehicle to promote their philosophy and implement it in the union... we have people who have moved from our own international union over to the steelworkers... it's been a nightmare with these people."

With such concerns brushed off as "Red-baiting," the message best received by steelworkers might be the constantly delivered theme of Sadlowski — flamboyant and quotable, against the colorless McBride — that union officials "find it easier these days to have a martini with the bosses than a beer with a member." If so, an ideological sea change in the labor movement is at hand.

## Fate of 'Tokyo Rose'

Iva Ikuko Toguri d'Aquino has been called "Tokyo Rose" since 1945 but she never used the name when she was one of seven women who were American citizens making English-language broadcasts for Radio Tokyo during World War II.

None of the others were ever prosecuted. She wouldn't have been if she had renounced her U.

S. citizenship.

She was convicted of treason on one count. She lost her citizenship, served six years in prison, paid a \$10,000 fine and successfully resisted deportation.

Now she wants her U. S. citizenship back. She has applied for a pardon. How about it?

### INSIDE REPORT

## Ed Sadlowski offers a threat from labor's left

By ROWLAND EVANS  
And ROBERT NOVAK



Evans Novak

WASHINGTON — The insurgent campaign by tough-talking young Ed Sadlowski to replace retiring I. W. Abel as president of the United Steelworkers is supported not only by respectable liberals but by the far left trying to regain a foothold in the American labor movement.

Sadlowski's campaign against Abel-backed 60-year-old union bureaucrat Lloyd McBride in the Feb. 8 election is managed by the liberal operatives, including Washington labor lawyer Joseph Rauh, who took over the mine workers. But cheering loudly from the sidelines are the Communist party, the Trotskyist Socialist Workers Party and other leftist elements resurfacing on the labor scene.

There is no evidence that Sadlowski solicited leftist aid or that it is helping his campaign. But he has not repudiated Communist support, has accused foes of "Red-baiting" and advocates repeal of the anti-Communist clause in the union's constitution. Clearly, Ed Sadlowski on the AFL-CIO executive council would contrast sharply with big labor's hard-line anti-Communists.

An upset win by Sadlowski — considered a strong possibility by labor experts — would push today's power balance in internal union politics sharply leftward. The steelworkers would join the growing liberal union bloc, and the far left would claim major progress on its road to toleration inside the labor movement.

Sadlowski himself is indistinct ideologically — vaguely calling himself "a God-fearing capitalist"

and "a socialist, in the sense of Eugene Debs." His strength is not ideology but insurgency in a union that 12 years ago turned out David McDonald as president and elected insurgent I. W. Abel. Sadlowski, 38, who came out of the mills to take control of the union in Chicago-Gary, is aiming against the much-praised steel industry agreement which substitutes arbitration for strikes.

Rauh, who courageously battled Communist infiltration of the civil rights movement a decade ago, told us Sadlowski "has nothing to do with the Communies." When asked about left-wing support, Sadlowski is less explicit and more profane. He told a recent meeting: "I do not carry the card of any organization other than the United Steelworkers of America, but when they ask that question (whether he is a Communist), the answer has to be, 'Go to hell.'"

Actually, nobody calls Sadlowski a Communist. What worries the labor movement are such associations as his appearance with Jane Fonda at a July 4th rally, when he declared American workers are not free because U.S. Steel and other corporations "are still around." He has

joined a campaign to retain as a University of Pittsburgh professor a self-described Marxist proclaimed by hack Soviet academicians as "an active champion of the vital interests of miners."

Sadlowski is backed strongly by the steelworkers union's "rank and file" committee (which this year sponsored a steelworkers tour to Russia as guests of the Soviet metal workers union). The committee's co-chairman is Juan Chacon, a leader of the old Communist-dominated Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union.

Through the 1976 presidential campaign, leaders of the Socialist Workers Party delivered gratuitous endorsements of Sadlowski whenever given free radio or television time. Trotskyists and Moscow-led Communists travel the same track here, with the Communist Daily World regularly publishing detailed, laudatory reports on Sadlowski.

The Daily World has praised the rank and file committee and solicited contributions to it. On Nov. 11, the Communist newspaper denounced "Red-baiting," opposed labor officials issuing anti-Communist and anti-Soviet statements and recommended "a principled position against Red-baiting and anti-Communism altogether." Sadlowski seems to be following that line.

However, labor movement insiders are less worried about Sadlowski's passive failure to disavow Communist support than his active collaboration with new politics liberals. Edgar James and Robert Hauptman, architects of the insurgent takeover of the mine workers, are managing the Sadlowski campaign.

The theory of a coordinated left-of-center drive is advocated by United

### the small society



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# SCRAM-LETS

That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

Edited by CLAY R. POLLAN

1. Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.

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R O Y F A

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

L E R B E

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D Y L F A G

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2. PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES

3. UNSCRAMBLE ABOVE LETTERS TO GET ANSWER



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

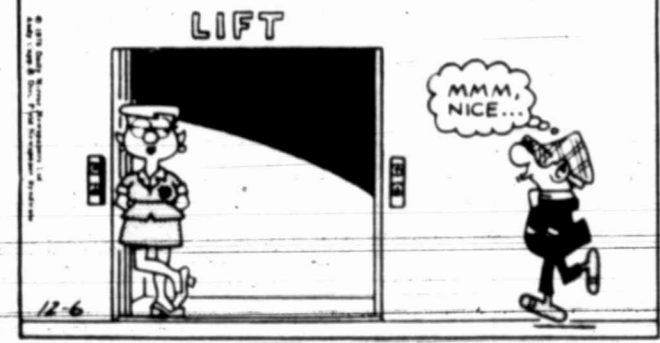
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1. TIGER  
2. FAY  
3. BEER  
4. GARDEN

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"I don't care if postage is 13 cents! We're not dropping my mother from our Christmas card list!"

## ANDY CAPP



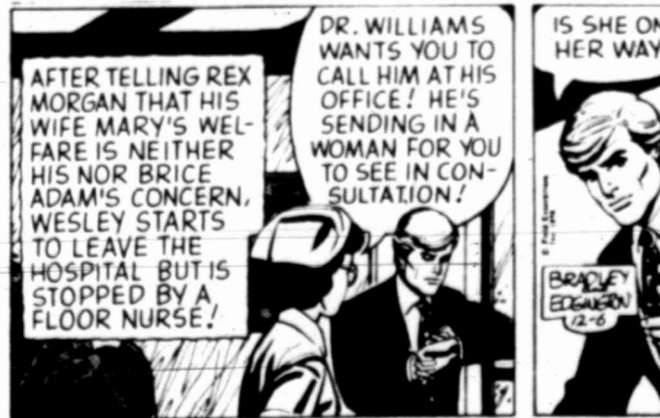
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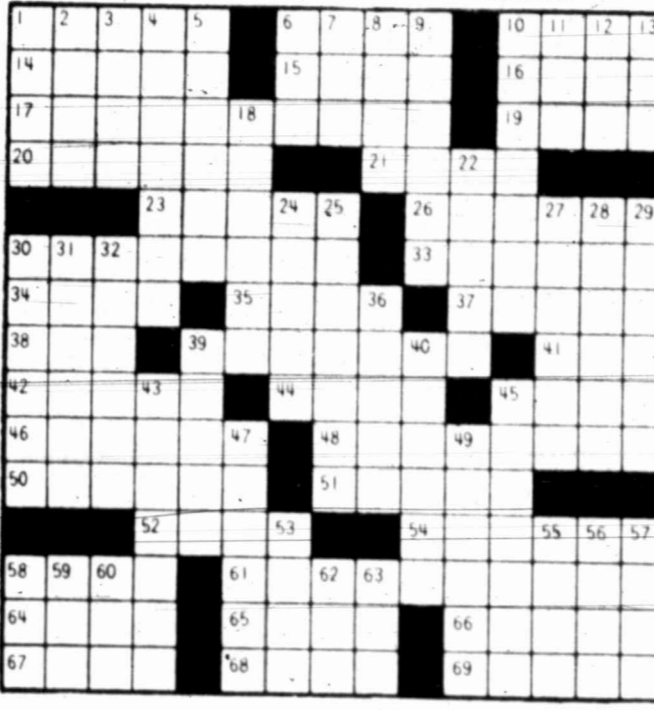


# DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Margaret Farrar

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  - 20 Country place
  - 21 Musical units
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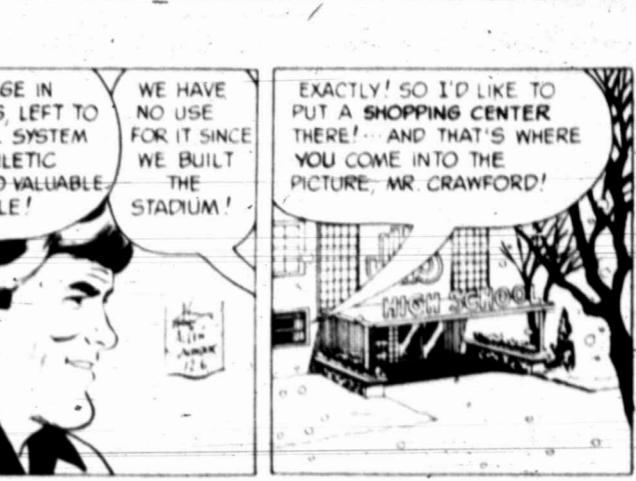
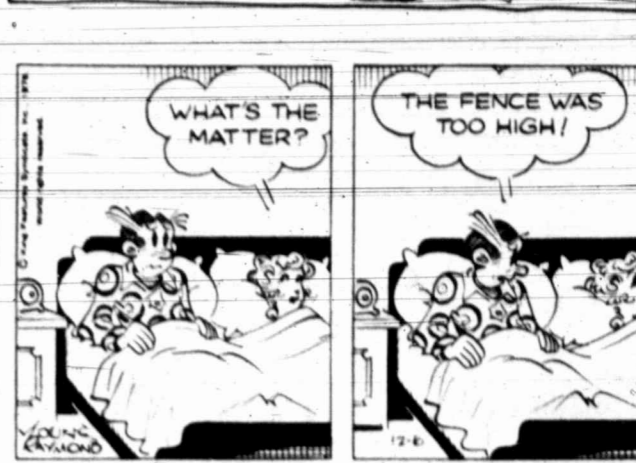
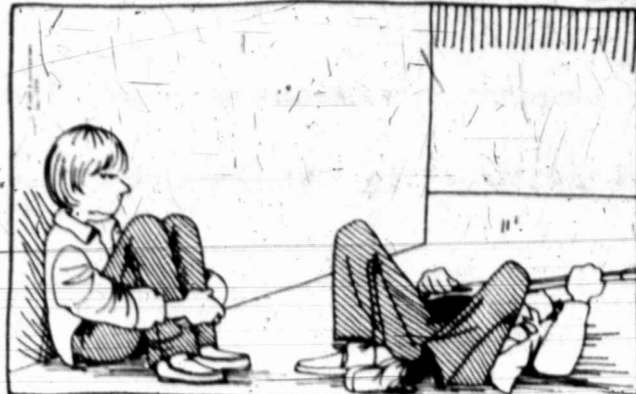
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## DENNIS THE MENACE



"If you was a cat bein' chased by a dog, I bet you wouldn't have time to watch where you was goin', either!"

# Newspaper readers want less government, more personal news

By DAVID SHAW  
The Los Angeles Times

The newspaper, says columnist James Kilpatrick, has "no intrinsic function... You cannot wear it, drive it, eat it, drink it or live in it." Its basic service-product is information — and for newspapers to survive in contemporary society, they must convince their readers that the information they provide is not just enlightening, not just entertaining, but useful.

And yet, to know what is useful to their readers, editors must know precisely who their readers are — and what they consider important. Studies have shown that editors rarely know either.

This is especially worrisome in the midst of what sociologist Tom Wolfe calls "the ME decade" — a time when many people are less concerned with their communities than with themselves, they are absorbed, indeed obsessed with their own problems, interests, desires and frustrations.

The traditional newspaper function of keeping readers well informed about their neighborhood and their nation is of considerably diminished importance to people not only preoccupied with the burdens of inflation but compulsively searching for themselves through ESP, Yoga, Transcendental Meditation, Scientology, Transactional Analysis, Hare Krishna, Primal Therapy.

CITY MAGAZINES have catered to this self-absorption — and flourished. Newspapers have largely ignored it — and suffered.

Most newspapers just pay too little attention to the daily concerns of their readers," says Tom Winship, editor of the Boston Globe. "We're out of touch. We have to show them we're aware of their problems. They're low now; we

have to give them a little sympathy, a little hope, a little excitement."

In an effort to do just that, newspapers have recently instituted a wide range of personal advice col-

## Second in a series

umns and features — not merely the traditional advice to the lovelorn but advice on shopping, health, grooming, fashions, pet care, home repairs, gardening, dining out, cooking, old age, taxes, investments, hobbies.

"Scores" of papers have instituted "Action Line" columns through which they actually serve as social-consumer ombudsmen for their readers, responding to complaints about lost pets, auto repair fraud, tickets to cultural events, poor mail delivery.

Other newspapers provide clip-out coupons for their readers to apply for everything from CB radio licenses to swine flu injections.

NEWSPAPERS also are expanding their letters-to-the-editor columns and keeping readers well informed about their neighborhood and their nation is of considerably diminished importance to people not only preoccupied with the burdens of inflation but compulsively searching for themselves through ESP, Yoga, Transcendental Meditation, Scientology, Transactional Analysis, Hare Krishna, Primal Therapy.

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crossed, a favorite prediction of many newspapermen was that Sunday circulation would decline," says Lee Hills, chairman of the board of Knight-Ridder Newspapers. "The opposite has happened."

In fact, during the 1973-75 circulation slide, Sunday circulation dipped only a fraction of 1 per cent, and now many newspapers are trying to transplant to their weekday editions some of the features that have made their Sunday papers so successful.

THE NEW YORK TIMES is publishing "Weekend," a leisure-entertainment guide, in its Friday editions, the Los Angeles Times is publishing "YOU," a consumer-leisure guide, every Tuesday, the Boston Globe is publishing "Calendar," a cultural guide for families and youth, on Thursday, the Louisville Times is publishing "Scene," a full-color Saturday magazine, complete with dating and astrology advice, tips on how to repair your car, suggestions on how to spend the weekend, youth-oriented stories on how to shop for blue jeans, even a special children's pullout section called "Jelly Bean Journal."

Many other papers have greatly expanded their weekend weather forecasts and the camping-boating-fishing pages of their sports sections to include information of use to families and outdoorsmen alike.

Such innovations have been loudly trumpeted — ads in the newspapers, signs on the newspaper display racks, commercials on radio and television, promotional shorts in the local movie houses.

The New York Times spent an estimated \$150,000 in four weeks to

promote its newest addition — a Wednesday food and life-style supplement ("The Living Section") that debuted Nov. 10.

UNTIL QUITE RECENTLY, all this ballyhoo about why you should read your local newspaper had seemed quite unnecessary.

Every year — almost without exception — newspaper circulation went up, advertising went up, profits went up. Then, in the recession-inflation of the 1970s, newspaper production costs soared, the price of raw newsprint alone jumped 58 per cent in one 37-month period.

Since newsprint accounts for about 30 per cent of most large newspaper's costs, newspapers were forced to pass along this — and other — increased costs to their readers (and advertisers).

In 1964, you could subscribe to The Los Angeles Times for \$2.50 a month — only 25 cents more than in 1951. Now, after four price increases in the last three years, you get a bill every eight weeks for \$11.20. (If you live in New York and subscribe to the New York Times, the bite is even bigger — as much as \$35 for two months' home delivery.)

Today, for the first time, the cost of a newspaper subscription is not just odd change for the delivery boy at month's end. It's a genuine, budgetable expense — at a time when the cost of everything else is going up, too.

In most families, expenses must be cut; something must go. In some of those families, that something is the daily newspaper.

Next: Is television really to blame?



—AP Laserphoto

## LHS squad takes honors

SAN ANGELO — Six area high schools, including Midland Lee and Edison Freshman School, competed this weekend in the eighth annual San Angelo Central High School Cross Examination Debate Tournament.

Midland Lee High School captured the first, second and third place awards in the championship division, while McCamey High School won the two top places in the novice category.

The team of James Snell and Steven Mullins from Midland Lee took first place in the championship division, while the Midland Lee team of Danny Evatt and Laura Snell took second place honors.

Laura Snell and James Snell also were selected first and second outstanding speakers in that division, respectively.

The Midland Lee team of Jill Hawley and Tricia Munson tied for third place in the championship division with a team from Kermit High School.

In the novice division, Jim Peck and Charles Anglin of McCamey took top honors, while John Anglada and Stan Hanks, also of McCamey, took second place.

Tying for third place in the division were the teams of Mike Shaunessa and Jim Reiter from Midland Lee and Russell Wickman and Dana Drury from Midland Edison.

The Midland Lee team of Judy George and Teresa Scardino tied with the Midland Lee team of Pat Harris and Ginger McCarthy for fourth place in the division.

Dana Drury of Midland Edison and Jim Reiter of Midland Lee were named first and second outstanding speakers, respectively, in that division.

Mrs. Maridell Fryar directed the Midland Lee students, while Mrs. Norma Cofton directed Midland Edison students.

Teams from Midland Lee, McCamey, Kermit, Alpine, Midland Edison and Ballinger competed in the tournament.

## Commission sets new time

The Midland Parks and Recreation Commission will reinstitute educational reports when it convenes at a new time, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room at city hall.

Commissioner Fred Faulkner will be the first member to present a report from the magazine regularly received by each commissioner. Educational reports have not been presented for quite some time by commission members.

Parks commissioners also will hear a report on recent action by the Midland City Council regarding a request by the Fraternal Order of Eagles to use Cub Stadium and a request by the City Federation of Black Women's Clubs to lease the old Washington Youth Center building.

Other items slated to come before the group include the November progress report from the parks and recreation staff and a discussion of the present commission committee structure.

## Telephone officials don't expect toll charges soon in Midland

Midland's Southwestern Bell Telephone officials say they do not predict implementation of proposed toll charging for local calls within the immediate future.

Last week it was learned that the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. is formulating plans to eliminate the flat-rate system of charging for local calls.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer in a copyrighted story claimed the company proposed the plan for "Usage Sensitive Pricing" in a "secret" document.

Royce Beokmole, district manager of Southwestern Bell in Midland, said he had not received anything locally but that he knew the plan had been the company's "rate objective" for some time.

Usage sensitive pricing means the phone will cost more the more you use it, he explained, depending on the frequency, the distance and the length of time spent on calls.

The system would be similar to the toll rate for long distance calls, but at a lesser rate, he said.

New York City already uses a message unit system of toll charging for local calls, he added.

"We don't make any secret that we feel this is the best way to go in pricing," Brookmole said. The system is designed to aid people on

fixed income in that if "you only use it a little, it only costs a little," he said.

Nevertheless, Brookmole does not predict the system of pricing will go into effect soon.

"Even our pending rate (now before the Texas Utilities Commission) doesn't include this type pricing," he said.

If Southwestern Bell decides to begin the toll system, it will have to file a request with the Utilities Commission, which would have to make a decision on the matter.

Police are investigating theft of \$140 from a Yellow Cab taxi driver in the city's northeast side early today by two men.

Thomas Jefferson Stanley told police he pulled into the driveway of a home in the 1100 block of Estes Drive at 1:10 a.m. when two men jumped into his cab and threatened him.

Stanley told officers that one man was in the back seat and one was in the front seat. He was told to pull his driver's cap over his eyes.

The men implied they had a knife and took \$140 from him before fleeing on foot officers said.

## VANDALISM

A plate glass window worth \$64 was reported broken in Sam Houston Elementary School, 2000 W. Louisiana

## Auto-hydrant encounter dampens city intersection

There's just no telling right now how much was lost when the fire hydrant at the corner of Ohio Avenue and Main Street was struck by a car Saturday evening.

City Public Works Director Fred Baker said today that most of the water leakage occurred underground, and the public works department has no estimate yet of how much water escaped.

The incident happened about 7 p.m. Saturday, when the fire hydrant was

struck by a car. The hydrant was tipped about half-way to the ground, while the car was stuck more than an hour at the site. Water gushed onto several streets in the area.

Baker said the hydrant is one of the old ones in the city's water system and most of the problem was in getting the old valves to close.

He said the hydrant area will be dug up today in order to find the nature of the problem. He said the hydrant should be repaired within a couple of days.

Ave., sometime Friday or Saturday, police reported today.

## BURGLARY

Freddie Casbeer, of Rt. 1, Box 118A reported the theft of \$400 cash from his residence Sunday, the Midland sheriff's office reported today.

The money was taken from a wallet, deputies said.

## Region 3-A band-named

MONAHANS — Twenty-nine school musicians from the Midland area were named to the Region 3-A All-Region Band Saturday after competition at Monahans High School.

The 3-A high school concert will be held at Andrews Jan. 8, 1977.

Those from the Midland area named to the All-Region band included (A - denotes qualified for further competition):  
Flute — Juan White, Austin Freshman School; Anita Proctor, Austin; Leslie Adams, Andrews; Merri Olson, Austin; George Jackson, Edison.  
Clarinet — Steve Adams, Andrews; Omar Galindo, Ector; John Arhee, Austin; Paige Warrick, Austin (alternate).  
Trumpet — Steve Richardson, Austin; Bass trombone — John Barfield, Andrews; Baritone — Alton Stanton, Andrews; String Bass — Rob Knox, Austin; French Horn — Beth Hutchinson, Andrews; Percussion — Ron Ingram, Andrews.  
Drum — Teresa Steens, Austin; Bassoon — Tara Deaver, Ector; Bass clarinet — Shari Southerland (alternate); Tenor saxophone — Tom McLaughlin, Austin; Lance Smith, Austin (alternate).  
B-flat Clarinet — Doc Ann Wortham, Austin; a Flute — Steve Adams, Andrews; Marjorie Brown, Austin; Janet Hanna, Andrews; David Tobias, Andrews; Sharon Phillips, Andrews (alternate); Baritone saxophone — Byron Jones, Andrews.

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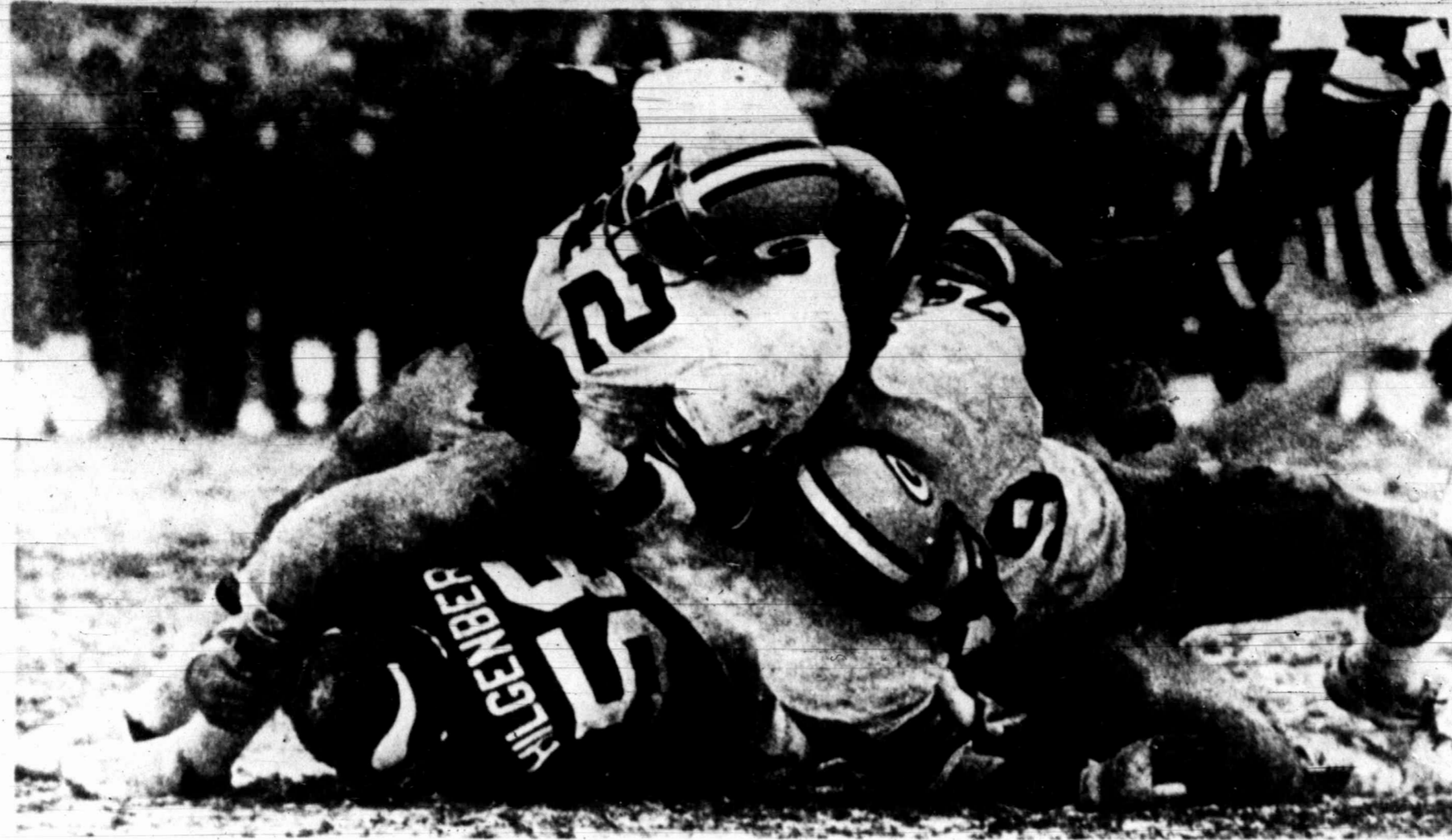








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Green Bay's John Brockington, 42, is brought down by Minnesota's Wally Hilgenberg after short gain in snowstorm at Bloomington, Minn., Sunday in NFL action.

## Cowboys earn home field edge

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Dallas Cowboys' Coach Tom Landry put his team's game plan succinctly: "We take what we can get."

Dallas could get the pass completion Sunday, and that's what they exploited in a 26-7 victory over the Philadelphia Eagles.

The victory gave the Cowboys their eighth divisional championship in the last 11 years and assured a home field advantage in the post-season National Football League playoffs. Dallas has an 11-2 record with one game left against the Washington Redskins next week.

"I'm concerned about our running game for the playoffs," Landry admitted after the Cowboys were held to 117 yards on the ground by the Eagles' defense. "We wanted to run a little bit more, but they shut us off."

HE EXPLAINED the Cowboys simple philosophy:

"If one phase of our game doesn't come through, the other phase seems to pick us up. We just have to accept what we have on offense and take what we can get. I'm delighted we won. This was our goal, to win the Na-

tional Conference East this year. Now I think we have a good chance to get to the Super Bowl."

Landry talked about the Cowboys' problem with the running game, especially with husky Preston Pearson on the injured list.

"We haven't been running well since midseason, but the only thing we can do is keep working. I really don't know if it is good enough to keep us in the playoffs—I just hope our defense and passing game carries us through."

The Dallas defense allowed the Eagles just one touchdown and checked Philadelphia quarterback Roman Gabriel with just 11 completions for 84 yards. It held the Eagles to 134 yards rushing, mostly between the 30-yard lines.

QUARTERBACK Roger Staubach took care of the passing, 23 for 40 for 259 yards and one touchdown. Staubach's passing set up another TD.

Dallas took a 7-0 lead in the first period on a seven-play, 47-yard drive climaxed by Doug Dennison's two-yard TD. Efran Herrera kicked the extra point.

## Bengals play Raiders as Steelers watch and pray

By Associated Press

The Pittsburgh Steelers continue to chew up the opposition and pray for a miracle. Tonight they will pray in front of a television set.

"We're going to try to win the Raiders to victory," said Pittsburgh linebacker Andy Russell. "We'll be the biggest bunch of cheerleaders for the Oakland Raiders ever had."

Oakland plays Cincinnati tonight and a Bengals' victory probably would mean no playoffs for the Steelers.

"I'm going to watch the ball game," said tackle Joe Greene, "but I'm ready to go South," referring to his home in Texas. "I think Oakland is going to play to win, but they have nothing to lose or gain and I just can't see them beating Cincinnati under those conditions."

But he will be rooting for the Raiders, anyway. The Steelers, having rebounded from a disastrous 1-4 start with eight straight victories, including Sunday's 42-0 rout of winless Tampa Bay, are the hottest team in the National Football League. They have allowed only 28 points over those eight games. But unless Cincinnati loses one of its last two games, the Steelers, Super Bowl champions for the past two years, will not make the playoffs.

Since Cincinnati plays the lowly New York Jets next week, tonight's game should decide the American Football Conference Central Division crown and the final AFC playoff spot.

Patriots 27, Saints 6  
 Steve Grogan ran for two touchdowns and threw for two for New England. Grogan has run for 11

TDs this season, tying him with Johnny Lujack of Chicago (1956) and Tobin Rote of Green Bay (1956) for the NFL record for quarterbacks.

Redskins 37, Jets 16  
 Billy Kilmer threw for three touchdowns and John Riggins carried 19 times for 104 yards and scored twice against his former teammates. Washington is tied with St. Louis at 9-4 in the NFC East but has beaten the Cardinals twice this season. Thus, the Redskins can wrap up the NFC wild card playoff berth next Sunday by beating Dallas.

Browns 13, Oilers 10  
 Brian Sipe tossed a 37-yard touchdown pass to Paul Warfield and Don Cockroft booted a pair of clutch field goals as surprising Cleveland won its fifth straight game, keeping its playoff hopes mathematically alive. The Browns can get into the playoffs

only if they win their final game and both Pittsburgh and Cincinnati lose theirs. The Cleveland defense held Houston to just 58 yards rushing.

Vikings 20, Packers 9  
 Minnesota rolled up 414 yards in total offense to just 144 for Green Bay but needed a pair of one-yard touchdown plunges by Chuck Foreman in the fourth quarter to ice the game, played during a snowstorm with temperatures in the teens.

"If I had done my job, we would have won the game," said Packers' quarterback Carlos Brown, who was outpassed 195-93 yards by the Vikings' Fran Tarkenton.

Dolphins 45, Bills 27  
 Freddie Solomon returned a punt 79 yards for one touchdown, ran 58 yards from scrimmage for another and scored a third on a 33-yard pass play for Miami. That helped offset another brilliant show by Buffalo's O.J. Simp-

son, who carried 24 times for 203 yards. It was Simpson's sixth 200-yard game, an NFL record. He gained 111 yards in the first quarter alone.

Chargers 13, Oilers 7  
 Mercury Morris capped a nine-play, 93-yard San Diego drive by racing 13 yards around left end for a touchdown five minutes into overtime. Rickey Young picked up 40 yards in the drive in four carries.

"Winning means it is happiness instead of dejection," said Chargers' Coach Tommy Prothro.

Broncos 17, Chiefs 16  
 Rookie Craig Penrose, making his first NFL start, threw a pair of touchdown passes, but it took a 20-yard field goal by Jim Turner midway through the final quarter to give Denver its eighth victory of the season—the most ever for the Broncos. Mike Livingston passed for the first Kansas City touchdown and ran

for the second.

Giants 24, Lions 10  
 Craig Morton hooked up with Ed Marshall on touchdown passes of 35 and 11 yards as New York, 3-10 overall, evened its record at 3-3 under Coach John McVay. Detroit, which lost the ball three times on fumbles and twice on pass interceptions, fell to 6-7.

"I'm upset. We showed a lack of character. We didn't concentrate and that's all I want to say," said Detroit Coach Tommy Hudspeth.

Bears 34, Seahawks 7  
 Walter Payton rambled for 183 yards on 27 carries and Bob Avellini fired three touchdown passes within a three-minute span in the third quarter for Chicago. Payton, who had 114 yards in the first half, has gained 1,341 yards this season, breaking the club record of 1,231 set by Gale Sayers in 1966.

## Chaps to face Howard College

Midland College launches its home Western Junior College Conference basketball season at 7:30 p.m. today against Howard College at the Midland College gym.

Both teams will be bouncing back from opening night defeats last Thursday. The Chaparrals lost to Amarillo College, 81-79, in the Panhandle while the Hawks were losing to New Mexico Military Institute, 85-76, at Roswell.

COACH HAROLD Wilder's club, always a contender in WJCC play, is 7-4 for the season and a couple of former District 5-4A luminaries, Abilene Cooper's Reggie Leffall and Abilene High's Mike Little, lead the Hawks. Leffall had 22 points and Little 14 at Roswell last week.

Coach Chester Story's Chaps won't have to worry much about practice this week. After tonight's game, the Chaps travel to Odessa to play

Grayson College in the first game of a doubleheader at OC while Cooke and OC will play the nightcap.

Then Wednesday, the teams come to the MC gym with the Chaps taking on Cooke while OC plays Grayson in the opener. Thursday, the Chaps journey back into the Panhandle for a WJCC game at Borger against Frank Phillips.

GOING INTO tonight's game, Midland College is 7-3 for the season and needs a victory to level its conference record at 1-1.

It's especially vital to the Chaps since it is a home game and to be a contender in this league, a team must win with consistency at home and pick up the road wins where it can.

Last year the Hawks beat Midland College here, but, strangely, MC beat the Hawks in Big Spring.

### Playoff grid film set at Lee tonight

The film of the Midland Lee-Arlington Sam Houston regional football playoff game will be shown at 7 p.m. today in the Lee Cafeteria.

Lee also has a basketball game at 8 p.m. against Pecos on in the Lee Gymnasium so this is not a regular Lee Booster Club Meeting and the 7 p.m. time has been chosen so Rebel fans can attend the basketball game.

## Retiring DKR leans toward Campbell

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Darrell Royal has fired his last shot for Texas, claiming—in one of his "Royalisms"—that he wanted to resign as football coach before he had used up all his ammunition.

Royal, 52, told the squad he was quitting after Texas had averted Royal's first losing season in 23 years as a college coach by whipping Arkansas, 29-12, Saturday night on national television.

The loss was Frank Broyles' finale, too, after 19 years as coach at Arkansas.

BOTH OF the Southwest Conference teams finished with 5-5 records.

Royal and Broyles, who are old friends, will stay on as athletic directors.

"I know we can get a new man (coach) who can grab this thing and do a heck of a job with it," said Royal. "The University of Texas is that type of school."

He said he would recommend a successor only if a search committee asks him to do so. Royal reportedly already has suggested Mike Campbell, a top assistant since 1956, and he said:

"I love Mike Campbell like a brother. He's been with me for 22 years, and if I were looking for somebody to go into a dark alley with me and stick with me, he would be the first person I think of."

ROYAL TOOK off his glasses and rubbed his eyes—apparently wiping away tears—on the field before the game. But he seemed relaxed in the dressing room and talking to reporters later at a nearby motel.

Asked if the fun had gone out of coaching, Royal said, "It is fun. It would be fun to coach next year. But it would be poor timing to stay until it is no fun at all. I wanted to quit coaching before I really became completely tired of coaching."

Then he added, in another "Royalism"—the folks sayings for which he is known: "It is always good to leave a little ham on the bone."

"I NEVER wanted to over stay my welcome," he said.

Neither health nor age were a factor in his decision, he said.

"I don't think I'm too old to get the job done," he said. "I have a lot of energy, and I am in excellent health. But I've used up a lot of ammunition. I've been a head coach since I was 27 years old. You just get spent. I want to step out before I'm spent."

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# Olympics receive a lift

NEW YORK (AP) — The 1980 United States Olympic teams may be the best prepared in the country's history.

Sweeping changes in the program by the USOC's Executive Committee were approved during a two-day weekend session.

"We can't maintain the status quo," said Philip Krumm, USOC president. "I think we've taken a dynamic approach to improving our program for athletes over the weekend."

Part of that approach was approval for locating an all-year training site at Squaw Valley, Calif.

And Colonel Don Miller, the USOC's executive director, said that he hopes to have three training centers in operation before the 1980 Summer Games in Moscow.

"The specifics of our programs are still in the development stage," said Miller. "But we'd like the governing bodies of each sport in our organization to determine the eventual scheduling and utilization of the facilities."

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## Red Sox want A's Vida Blue

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Boston Red Sox, who were foiled in their attempt to land some of Charlie Finley's top talent last season, now have set their sights on acquiring Oakland pitching ace Vida Blue.

Most baseball officials were on hand Sunday for baseball's annual meetings which officially began today. Finley, whose A's have been depleted through defections, was not due until Tuesday, by which time the trading market should swing into full gear.

The Red Sox, who won the 1975 American League pennant but slipped to third place this year, realize they will have to make some moves to keep close to the 1976 champion New York Yankees. The Yanks grabbed two prize plums among the free agents—slugger Reggie Jackson and pitcher Don Gullett.

Baltimore, which finished second in the AL East, is considerably weaker with the loss of Jackson, second baseman Bobby Grich and 20-game winner Wayne Garland.

Finley dealt Blue to the Yankees last June for \$1.5 million only to have the deal nullified by Commissioner Bowie Kuhn. The commissioner also killed Finley's \$2 million sale of outfielder Joe Rudi and reliever Rollie Fingers to the Red Sox on the same day. Finley is suing Kuhn and the case is scheduled to go to court in Chicago Dec. 13.

## Chaps dominate swimming meet

Coach Steve Montgomery's Midland College Chapparals splashed their way to an easy team victory Sunday in the Midland College Seniors Swim Meet in the Mabee Pool.

The Chaps racked up 640 points to the City of Midland's 360 to win easily. In third place was the Odessa Aquatic Club with 220 points followed by West Texas State University with 89 and the Arlington Swim Club netted 38.

Brad Swendig paced the way with victories in the 200-back and 200 IM races while M.A. Londrigan picked up a pair of wins for MC in the girls 200 IM and 200 breast races.

Other first place finishes were turned in by MC's Dean Price in the 200 free along with COM's Brigitte Coon in the girls 200 free. Jolie Cowan of the Chaps won the girls 200 back title while Jay Quintana of MC splashed his way to a victory in the 200 fly. Scott Fedosy of West Texas State picked up the only first for the Buffs in the 200 breast while Denise Prado of MC won a first in the girls 200 fly.

MC SENIORS MEET RESULTS  
BOYS 200 IM: 1. Brad Swendig, MC, 2:06.55; 2. Chris Lysinger, MC, 2:08.32; 3. Rick Stanford, MC, 2:12.01; 4. Sid Glenn, COM, 2:15.51; 5. Rex Partridge, MC, 2:17.25.

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GARY BLAIR, who set a Baylor single game rushing record with 199 yards Saturday, hurdles Texas Tech line for Bears' first touchdown Saturday at Lubbock. Tech won 24-21 to clinch SWC co-championship with Houston.

## Lee, MHS see action

By BOB DILLON  
Robert E. Lee's Rebels saw a seven-game winning streak snapped over the weekend and the Midland High Bulldogs are currently on a four-game losing binge as the two Tall City basketball teams have games on tap tonight.

Coach Paul Stueckler's Rebs entertain the Pecos Eagles in a doubleheader today with the junior varsity tilt set for 6:15 p.m. and the varsity contest at 8 p.m. while MHS travels to Snyder for a bout with the Class AAA Tigers with three games on tap beginning with the sophomore game at 4:30 p.m. followed by JV and varsity outings.

Pampa broke Lee's seven-game streak, winning 69-63 Saturday night on the Panhandle after the Rebels had beaten the Harvesters, 83-76 on Friday.

Midland has lost to El Paso Austin, Burges of El Paso, Hobbs, N.M. and Lubbock Dunbar since beating El Paso Parkland in the opening round of the Tall City Invitational Tourney.

Midland sports a season record of 2-6 while Lee is 7-1 on the year. The Bulldogs have beaten Pecos, 70-

63 and took a 52-48 victory over El Paso Parkland for its two wins of the year. Losses have been to Pampa twice, Hobbs, N.M., Burges, Austin and Lubbock Dunbar.

Lee has beaten Del Rio, Lubbock Coronado, Burges, Austin, Amarillo-Tascosa, Pecos and Pampa.

Billy Ray Ennis, a 6-2 senior, paces the Lee attack with 166 points in eight games for an average of 20.7 per outing. He flipped in 30 points Saturday night in the 69-63 loss to Pampa.

Craig Dunn, a 6-3 senior, leads the MHS offense with 144 points in eight games for an average of 18.0 points per outing.

Lee then takes on the powerful Hobbs, N.M. Eagles in a triple-header Tuesday night in the Lee-Gymnasium with sophomore, JV and varsity contests and then plays at least three games in the Austin Tourney Friday and Saturday in the state capital.

There will be a 16-team field with teams from the Southern part of the state entered in the meet, according to Stueckler.

Midland plays in Pecos Tuesday in a rematch and js open until Dec. 13

when the Purple Pack makes its second trip to Snyder to take on the Tigers.

There will be a junior varsity tourney in Midland Thursday through Saturday with an eight-team field. The Midland Bullpups won the Snyder Invitational last week and are unbeaten with their biggest win coming against the Hobbs JV last week in Midland.

SWC races to 22-5 cage start

By The Associated Press  
The Southwest Conference is off to one of its finest starts in history against outside basketball competition.

A four-for-six evening Saturday propelled the glittering SWC west-loss record to 22-5.

The biggest victory was Baylor's 90-80 thumping of New Mexico on the road.

## NFL SUMMARIES

Dallas 17-10 San Francisco 0-0  
Philadelphia 7-0-1 San Diego 0-0  
Dallas-Emman 2 run (Herrera kick)  
Dai-Safety Kyle blocked punt out of end zone  
Phi-Smith 20 pass from Gabriel (Walton kick)  
Dai-FG Herrera 21  
Dai-Johnson 7 pass from Staubach (Herrera kick)  
Dai-Newhouse 10 run (Herrera kick)  
A-33-07

Cowboys Eagles  
First downs 11-21  
Rushes-yards 55-117 21-34  
Passing yards 208 42  
Returns yards 132 12  
Punts 23-40 12-30  
Fumbles 4-0 10-21  
Penalties-yards 1-0 7-58

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS  
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Newhouse 12-48; Staubach 3-38  
Philadelph, Hogan 14-44; Rector 11-47  
Ivan 3-11  
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Dai-Tyre 4-46; Philadelphia, Carracha 2-21  
Hogan 3-18; Smith 2-24  
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# Wyoming worrying about coal trains disrupting towns

By BILL RICHARDS  
The Washington Post

WYARNO, Wyo. — The view across the front yard from Lenard Brownell's living room picture window is so spectacular that even Brownell, as he gazes out at the snow-swept Big Horn mountains, admits he sometimes forgets the coal trains growing through his back yard.

Sometimes. But not when a Burlington and Northern engineer gives a playful 4 a.m. blast on his air horn. And definitely not when an immobile 100-car coal train — its crew somewhere inside munching from their lunch pails — blocks the only access road to Brownell's rural ranch-style home.

Since the giant Decker coal mine — the world's largest coal-stripping mine — opened up here in this tiny northern Wyoming whistle stop three years ago, Brownell and his neighbors have had to contend increasingly with the mile-long strings of coal cars that rumble through with ever-increasing frequency.

And they are not the only ones in this coal-rich area who are beginning to have second thoughts about the effects of the coal boom.

Ranchers and small-town officials along rail routes through the eastern Wyoming coal fields now fear that they will eventually face virtual conveyor belts of giant coal cars rumbling through their communities at half-hour intervals day and night at as much as 50 miles an hour.

Projections of some towns being almost sliced in half by the coal traffic, with the separation from emergency fire and ambulance service, and of school buses threading their way between the speeding freight trains across open crossings has brought a barrage of letters and meetings between the people along coal routes and federal, state and rail officials.

Up and down the single lines that thread their way through Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, North Dakota and Nebraska, traffic that once consisted of a handful of wheat and lumber-hauling freight trains has begun to increase as dozens of "unit trains" — the railroad term for the giant 100-ton-per-car, 100-car-per-train, five-locomotive coal haulers — come on line.

According to information filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission by the Burlington Northern — the largest mover of coal in the West — the railroad expects to increase its coal traffic from 12 million tons in 1973 to 130 million tons annually in the early 1980s.

"There is concern and it's growing," said Thomas Nicholas, an assistant Wyoming attorney general assigned to the state's Public Service Commission. "We're hearing more and more from citizens. They're worried about the adequacy of the crossing. They are effectively cut off from civilization when these trains come by."

The small eastern Wyoming cattle community of Lusk, which has 2,000 residents and a single non-coal freight a day, was informed last year by officials of the Chicago and North Western Railroad that by 1980 the railroad plans to run 44 unit trains a day along the tracks that cut across U.S. Route 85 — the town's Main Street.

"We got one freight a day through here now and that ties up traffic coming in or out of town," said Lusk's Mayor William Hammond. "What do we do if there's a fire or if someone has a heart attack on the other side of the tracks once these unit trains start running? We just don't know what's going to happen."

Last year Lusk officials wrote to the House Interior Committee noting that they received no encouragement when they went to the railroad to ask it to construct an underpass or an overpass to avoid the Route 85 crossing.

"Their attitude is," the letter said, "to own the right of way and you must live with it."

The Sierra Club, acting on behalf of several groups here, recently filed suit in U.S. District Court in Washington seeking to force the Interstate Commerce Commission to look more closely at the environmen-

tal impact of a proposed 113-mile coal route the Burlington Northern and the Chicago and North Western plan to build jointly through the Wyoming coal field.

The route could bring between 30 and 48 trains daily through a number of small towns and it crosses 306 county highways, according to a brief in the suit filed by the Sierra Club last month.

The stepped-up rail traffic is also

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being felt in other states nearby. Lincoln, Neb., which in 1973 got less than 10 unit trains a week from the coal fields here, now gets an average of 55 trains weekly. The Sierra Club quoted a Lincoln newspaper article in its brief that said the number of coal trains through the town will rise to 270 a week by 1980.

Colorado's Gov. Richard D. Lamm announced earlier this month that after prolonged negotiation the Burlington Northern agreed to bypass several towns on a route going south out of the Wyoming coal fields.

"The effects of these trains coming through here would have been devastating," said Les Kaplan, the city planner for Fort Collins, Colo. The city, he said, was never directly informed by the railroad of its plan, and trains would have cut across the campus of Colorado State University and virtually destroyed the city's \$4 million downtown redevelopment plan.

Here in Wyarno, which is little more than a general store, a grain elevator and far-flung ranches, citizen action against the increase in coal traffic has been slow to develop. But the fact that it is springing up is indicative of growing concern over the traffic.

Recently Brownell and his neighbor joined forces to request the railroad to put in warning lights at several crossings, and they prepared a politely worded eight-page statement criticizing the U.S. Survey — which handled the environmental impact statement for the Decker line — for neglecting to discuss the impact of increased rail traffic here.

According to a railroad spokesman the line running past Brownell's house will carry at least 13 unit trains a day by 1980, and there are others here who suspect the real figure may be twice that if the planned strip mines in the area begin operating by then.

The prospect has alarmed Wyarno's residents and produced an almost unheard of phenomenon — a petition drive — among the ranchers and residents. Fifty-eight signatures were on a letter to the Geological Survey asking for more scrutiny of the coal traffic build-up, and a group was formed to fight for adequate rail crossings called the Wyarno Community Council.

"You know people are really stirred up when they get involved like this," said Ed Symons, a rancher whose land lies along the railroad. "The railroad automatically calls anyone who disagrees with them environmentalists and around here that's a dirty word."

Actually there is very little agreement among the environmental groups located here over whether transportation of coal or the most-publicized alternative — coal slurry pipelines.

The slurry process requires massive amounts of water, and environmentalists as well as many public officials and ranchers have spoken out against the procedure, fearing it will seriously deplete the region's already marginal water supply.

The railroads have also bitterly opposed slurry projects, claiming they will be bankrupted if the pipelines draw away badly needed coal revenues. Possibly sensing an unusual ally in their battle with the slurry people the Burlington Northern recently began a public relations effort and appointed a "director of public works" whose job it is to meet with nervous residents and public officials living along the company's coal lines.

But when it comes to paying for crossing improvements the railroads have not offered much in the way of compensation. When Brownell's group wrote the Burlington Northern last month asking that it pay for improving its fences and putting in signals and a possible bypass at the Decker line track, a Burlington official wrote back noting "the motorist public is the principal beneficiary of projects which improve crossing safety and financial support of such projects should so reflect."

As a result there has been a new toughness growing among many ranchers and other residents of this predominantly rural region who formerly were willing to go along with whatever the railroad suggested.

"We are finding out we are all citizens and we have the same rights as the railroads and big mining companies," said Ruth Rice, Mrs. Rice, a 75-year-old rancher and member of the Sheridan County board of commissioners lost 14 of her Hereford breeder cattle recently to a coal train when they wandered onto the tracks near her ranch.

"We may have created a monster here in these trains," she said. "And when you have to deal with a monster you'd better make sure you protect yourself."



W. W. Grimes



S. L. Havens



W. E. Hogsett Jr.



A. T. Smith

# Four employees retire from Gulf Refining

Gulf Refining Co. has announced retirements for four longtime employees in its West Texas operations.

W. E. Hogsett Jr. of Midland, field gauger in the McElroy Gathering District, Odessa Area, retires with more than 42 years of service.

S. L. Havens, Midland, clerk "B" in the Midland District office, is retiring with 35 of service with Gulf.

W. W. Grimes, Big Spring,

engineer at Coahoma LPG Station, retires after more than 33 years with the company.

A. T. Smith, Odessa, fieldgauger in the Judkins Gathering system, has retired with 31 years with Gulf.

Smith will make his retirement home in Conroe, while Hogsett and Havens will continue residence in Midland, and Grimes will live in Big Spring in their retirement years.

# Gains sector draws 5,600-foot wildcat

A wildcat site has been staked in Gaines County, attempt will be made to reopen deep pay in a Borden field and a stepout is planned in a North King area.

Cleary Petroleum Corp., Midland, will drill No. 1-74-A Cunningham, Davis, a 5,600-foot wildcat in Gaines, in attempt to open a deeper pay in the Hamann (Yates) gas field.

Location is 853 feet from north and 990 feet from west lines of section 74, block G, WTRR survey, seven miles northeast of Seminole.

**BORDEN SITE**  
James P. Dunigan, Inc., Abilene, plans No. 1 Weldon Reeder, an 8,600-foot try in Borden, in attempt to reopen Ellenburger production in the Myrtle, North field, and ½ mile southwest of the lone Strawn well in the field.

It spots 1,650 feet from north and 330

feet from east lines of section 466, block 97, H&TC survey, four miles west of Fluvanna.

Ellenburger production was opened in the pool in 1961.

**KING PROJECT**  
Nueve Operating Co. of Texas, Abilene, intends to drill No. 2 T. B. Masterson Estate as an Atoka gas project on the east side of the Providence field in King.

It has a projected depth of 6,150 feet, and spots 100 feet from south and 810 feet from west lines of section 43, S. P. Knott survey, 19 miles northeast of Guthrie.

# Tester set in Lea area

Petroleum Exploration & Development Funds, Inc., Midland, has announced intention to drill No. 1 Seay-State as a location southwest offset to the lower Pennsylvanian discovery, and ½ mile northeast of the Wolfcamp opener in the Hightower, East field of Lea County, N.M.

It spots 1,980 feet from north and west lines of section 30-12s-34e, nine miles west and slightly south of Tatum. Planned depth is 10,400 feet.



Delbert L. Windle

# Geologist joins staff

Bass Enterprises Production Co. has announced the association of Delbert L. Windle Jr. with its West Texas Division exploration staff in the position of exploration geologist.

Windle earned B.S. and M.S. degrees in geology from Ohio State University, and a Ph. D. degree in geology from the University of Iowa. Before joining Bass, he was employed by Cities Service Oil Co. in Midland.

# Drinking water act could cost millions state official asserts

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — An Oklahoma City newspaper says state officials fear the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed rules to enforce the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1975 could cost the state \$33 million a year in tax revenues from oil production.

The Daily Oklahoman, in a story today from San Antonio, Tex., quoted Sam Shakey, manager of the pollution abatement division of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, as saying Oklahoma could suffer a production loss of 100,000 barrels of oil per day under the rules.

Shakey is in San Antonio to attend the annual meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission (IOCC).

Shakey pointed to the proposed regulations that would become effective shortly after the first of the year and would not allow underground injection of brine or chemicals unless certain strict requirements are met.

The injection of these liquids are the major of secondary and tertiary oil recovery.

"Many of the older wells—especially the stripper wells—could not meet these requirements," Shakey said.

# WT areas get probes

Exploration has been scheduled in Pecos and Winkler county sectors and an extender finalized in a Sterling field. Coquina Oil Corp., Midland, plans to drill No. 1 JNT, a 9,000-foot venture in Pecos, six miles northwest of Sheffield.

Drill site is 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 6, block C-3, EL&RR survey, ½ mile northwest of the two-well Thigpin (Pennsylvanian) gas field.

**WINKLER REENTRY**  
Exxon Corp. has filed application to reenter and plug back to 17,500 feet at No. 1-17 Haley Unit, former Silurian well, in an attempt to reopen Mississippian gas production in the Evetts field of Winkler County.

Originally drilled by the same firm, the total depth is 18,525 feet. Location, ½ mile east of the depleted Mississippian opener, is 1,867 feet from north and 1,727 feet from west lines of section 17, block 27, PSL survey, 12½ miles west of Kermit.

**STERLING EXTENDER**  
Texaco Inc. has completed its No. 1-1 Sterling Fee as a 1½-mile west extension to Cisco production in the Conger field of Sterling County.

It finished to flow 55 barrels of 42-gravity oil and 11 barrels of water per day, through a 24-64-inch choke and perforations at 7,560-7,696 feet. The pay had been treated with 2,000 gallons of acid and fractured with 24,000 gallons and 30,000 pounds. Gas-oil ratio measured 1,400-1.

Total depth is 8,100 feet, where 5½-inch casing is set, and the hole is plugged back to 8,043 feet.

Location is 1,320 feet from south and east lines of section 21, block 31, T-5-S, T&P survey, 12 miles southwest of Sterling City.

# Outpost to start

Estoril Producing Co., operating from Abilene, filed permit application to drill No. 1 R. E. Cooper as an outpost to Marble Falls production in the Heart of Texas multipay field of McCulloch County.

It has a contract depth of 1,100 feet, and is 330 feet from north and east lines of G. Dreiss survey 832, four miles northwest of Mercury.

Stripper wells are those that produce less than 10 barrels of oil per day.

"Oklahoma produces about 450,000 barrels of oil a day. About 100,000 would be lost because of these regulations," said Shakey.

Shakey did not say specifically that Oklahoma would lose \$33 million in tax revenue, but noted the state receives 7 per cent tax from each barrel of oil produced and a barrel sells for about \$13.

The Oklahoman said other oilmen at the conference confirmed the \$33 million figure.

# Long tour observed

Frank B. Balke, production superintendent for Continental Oil Co. has been recognized by the company for 10 years of service.

J. E. Whitman, Midland Division manager presented his service award, and also, a 10-year safety award.

Balke is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He joined Conoco in 1966 as an associate engineer in Casper, Wyo. After a number of promotions in supervisory engineering positions in the Casper office, he was transferred to the Midland Division as production superintendent in June 1976.

# Alabama well flows

HOUSTON — Getty Oil Co. announced production test results from the Norphlet formation of the Creola Minerals 35-11 No. 2 development well in the Hatter's Pond field 20 miles north of Mobile, Ala.

Located 1.3 miles northeast of No. 1 Peter Klein 3-14, the field discovery, the new test encountered in excess of 175 feet of indicated pay in the combined Smackover and Norphlet section.

On a two-hour production test from perforations at 18,336, 18,365 feet, the well tested 5.4 million cubic feet of gas per day, plus 2,279 barrels of condensate, through a 20/64-inch choke.

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**ANDREWS** — Adobe No. 1-20 University; shut in. It flowed to pits 15 minutes, making five barrels of fluid, and died, then swabbed 90 barrels of fluid, with a slight trace of oil in eight hours, through perforations at 2,872-2,878 feet.

**BORDEN** — Petroleum Exploration & Operating No. 1 Bards; id 8,490 feet, plugged and abandoned.

**CROCKETT** — H. L. Brown No. 2-5 University; drilling 256 feet.

**DURHAM** — No. 1 Allied-Union Carpenter; drilling 6,170 feet in lime, chert.

**DAWSON** — Miller Exploration No. 2 Beam; preparing to take potential test.

**BR** — No. 2 Morgan; drilling 9,000 feet in sand, lime and shale. Gulf No. 1 Speck; drilling 12,235 feet in lime and shale. A 30-minute drillstem test from 12,173-12,185 feet, recovered five feet of gas-cut drilling mud with a trace of oil. The sample Chamber recovery was 1,800 cubic centimeters of very slightly oily and gas-cut mud.

**EDDY** — Gulf No. 1-3 White City; drilling 8,337 feet in lime and shale.

**ANTWELL** — No. 1 Dinkus; id 8,034 feet, preparing to perforate additional section.

**ANTWELL** — No. 1 Valle Fella; drilling below 1,007 feet.

**GAINES** — Texas Crude No. 1-9 Norman; id 9,175 feet, circulating.

**HOWARD** — Great Western No. 1 Myers; drilling 3,572 feet in lime.

**IRION** — Gulf No. 1 Hargrave; id 740 feet in lime, waiting on cement after setting 8½-inch casing at total depth.

**UNION TEXAS** — No. 1-32 Farmer; drilling 155 feet in lime.

**UNION TEXAS** — No. 1-3 Suga; id 8,090 feet; Swabbing, no gauge reported, through perforations at 8,518-8,572 feet, which have been fractured with 300 gallons and 42,000 pounds.

**UNION TEXAS** — No. 1-36 Suga; drilling 6,211 feet in shale.

**LAMB** — Gulf No. 1 Blackwell; drilling 5,530 feet in dolomite.

**LEA** — V.P. No. 1-13 State; id 11,094 feet, taking a drillstem test in an unidentified formation.

**G&W** — No. 1 Horseback; drilling 2,638 feet in sand, and

shale. Mark Production No. 1-E Federal; drilling below 8,447 feet in lime and sand. A 105-minute drillstem test from 8,315-8,373 feet, formation unidentified, recovered 4½-inch casing of salty sulphur water.

**BURNS** — No. 1-13 Federal; drilling 6,968 feet in lime.

**LEODE** — O&G No. 1 State; drilling below 1,515 feet.

**MONCRIEF** — No. 1 State; drilling 3,042 feet in anhydrite. Operator set 13½-inch surface casing at 372 feet. Wharton Drilling Co. is the contractor.

**NOLAN** — Markay No. 1 Wright; drilling below 5,446 feet in shale.

**PECOS** — Gulf No. 1 Emma Lou; drilling 660 feet in shale.

**GULF** — No. 1 Carolyn Harral; drilling 220 feet in lime.

**GULF** — No. 1 Zauk; drilling 12,485 feet in lime.

**TEXACO** — No. 1-E Pecos Fee; drilling 369 feet in shale.

**SKELLY** — No. 1-14 Mendel Estate; drilling 1,828 feet.

**SKELLY** — No. 1-36 Mendel Estate; drilling 11,160 feet.

**PUCKETT** — No. 3-8 Harral; drilling 7,363 feet in lime.

**TEXAS PACIFIC** — No. 9 Montgomery Fulk; drilling 8,993 feet in shale and sand.

**REEVES** — Brown No. 1 Rape; drilling 13,921 feet.

**AMERICAN QUASAR** — No. 1-20 Stanley-State; drilling 1,570 feet in lime and sand.

**SNYDER** — Tucker & Heath No. 1 Meriwether; drilling 13,220 feet in shale, lime and chert.

**TERRELL** — Texas Crude No. 1-9 Allison; drilling 8,480 feet.

**TERRY** — Gulf No. 64 Mallet; id 11,650 feet still preparing to

plug on pump.

Jack L. Hamon No. 1 Cabiness; id 9,917 feet in shale and lime; preparing to log.

**UPTON** — Cox No. 1-20 University; id 7,660 feet, running 4½-inch casing.

**WARD** — Leede & Pine No. 1 Zoller; drilling 16,483 feet in shale and lime.

**LEODE** — O&G No. 1-30 University; drilling 4,258 feet in anhydrite and salt.

**NORTH AMERICAN** — No. 1-12-18 University; drilling 12,790 feet in lime and shale.

**WILLIAMS** — No. 1 Thomson Estate; id 9,600 feet; operator is attempting to kill the well after treating, perforations at 6,033-6,279 feet, with 1,500 gallons of acid and 40,000 gallons and 40,000 pounds of fracture material.

**HNG** — No. 1-128 Lee; drilling 10,352 feet in lime and shale.

**GULF** — No. 1, Pruett; id 16,427 feet, washing.

**GULF** — No. 1-17-21 University; id 4,301 feet; washing and reaming.

**CITIES SERVICE** — No. 1-21-18 University; drilling 12,833 feet in lime, sand and chert.

**AMERICAN QUASAR** — No. 1-27 Dunagan; drilling 14,565 feet in shale and lime.

**WINKLER** — Skelly No. 1-41-21 University; drilling 2,050 feet.

**HNG** — No. 1-1 Lineberry; drilling 21,440 feet.

**YOAKUM** — Gulf No. 63 Mallet; drilling 10,448 feet in lime and shale.

**GULF** — No. 66 Mallet; drilling 10,732 feet in shale.

**PETROLEUM EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT FUNDS** — TEXCO; id 385 feet in redbeds; waiting on cement; set 13½-inch casing at id.

# Cisco strike for Sterling

Dorchester Exploration, Inc., Midland, has completed its No. 1-17 Price, a Cisco gas discovery in Sterling County, eight miles west of Sterling City.

It gauged a calculated, absolute open flow of 1.758 million cubic feet of gas per day, with gas-condensate ratio of 31,654-1. Gravity of the condensate is 69 degrees.

It potentiated through perforations at 7,430-7,610 feet, which had been acidized with 6,000 gallons. The pay had been fractured with 80,000 gallons and 80,000 pounds.

Drilled to 8,110 feet, it has 4½-inch casing set at 7,894 feet, the plugged-back depth. Top of pay was picked at 7,216 feet, under ground elevation of 2,482 feet.

Well site is 1,650 feet from north and east lines of section 17, block 22, H&TC survey, five miles south of upper Cisco gas production in the Crede, East field.



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