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TOSSING a salad in preparation for the West Side Lions Club Salad Special Saturday in Dellwood Plaza is Joe Fussell. Fussell is finance chairman for the group. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Hill's primary defeat of Briscoe assured

By The Associated Press

John Hill — Texas attorney general who took his campaign for vigorous government straight to the people — was assured today of victory in the Democratic primary over two-term incumbent Gov. Dolph Briscoe.

"I've been trying this case for 10 years," Hill said, smiling during late vote counting early Sunday.

Votes continued to trickle in today at the Texas Election Bureau but officials said there was no question that Hill had grabbed the Democratic nomination without a runoff.

Voters in the Republican primary nominated Bill Clements over Ray Hutchison and both parties defeated the non-binding pari-mutuel referendum.

The Democratic race for the right to meet U.S. Sen. John Tower in November was won by U.S. Rep. Bob Krueger, who led former Texas insurance commissioner Joe Christie all night. Tower was unopposed in the Republican primary.

Incomplete race tallies Sunday included reports from 246 of 254 counties with 198 complete.

Krueger received 55.01 percent with 44.99 percent going to Christie. Hill, 54, narrowly escaped a runoff, gathering 51.26 percent of the vote in the five-man race, according to returns Sunday. Briscoe was at 41.66 percent. Texas Election Bureau officials said the few remaining votes still uncounted would have no effect on the race other than to simply increase Hill's margin of victory. Latest figures showed Hill with 824,845 votes; Briscoe, 670,424; and Smith 83,895.

Clements, a wealthy Dallas businessman and former deputy defense secretary under Presidents Nixon and Ford, had no trouble defeating Dallas lawyer, Ray Hutchison, a former state GOP chairman. The oilman garnered an even 73 percent of the ballots to Hutchison's 24.28 percent. A third candidate, Clarence Thompson of Fort Worth, took the remaining 2.71 percent without campaigning.

Former Texas Gov. Preston Smith, who had been considered by many the man to force Hill and Briscoe into a runoff, finished a poor third with 5.22 percent. Smith was beaten by Briscoe six years ago.

Donald Beagle, a Nederland welding shop owner, and Ray Mayo, an author-publisher from San Juan in the Rio Grande Valley, received mostly local votes and were not factors in the statewide race. Beagle received 81 percent and Mayo, 1.05.

One surprise result of the balloting was Mark White's victory over Price Daniel Jr. as the Democrat's choice for Texas Attorney General. White collected 52.36 percent of the vote. Daniel claimed 47.64 percent. Houston attorney Jim Baker was the unopposed Republican winner.

White, appointed secretary of state by Briscoe, dashed Daniel's come-

back hopes, defeating the former Texas House speaker by about five percentage points.

The pari-mutuel referendum failed for the 10th time in three decades. The Democrats knocked it down hard, but the Republicans appeared more lenient.

The Democrats voted against the referendum by a 52-48 percent margin. The Republicans, however,

turned the proposal down by a difference of less than one percentage point.

Allen Maley, director of the Anti-Crime Council of Texas, said he hoped "the gambling promoters get the message." Maley said Saturday's defeat, which would not have been binding on the 199 Legislature, meant "that the voters of Texas are getting sick and tired of being forced to vote on this issue every four to six years."

Midland has strong Republican turnout

By LANA CUNNINGHAM

Conservatives in Midland County have "seen the light, and on Saturday they voted that way," according to Republican County Chairman William Shaner.

Midland Republicans turned out 6,292 strong to vote in the primary election, giving Midland the largest showing of Republicans in the 19th Congressional District. Lubbock had the next highest showing with 3,412 Republicans recording their votes.

Midland also was the only county in the district where voting Republicans outnumbered voting Democrats. The county clerk's figures show 5,484 Democrats cast a vote in the county.

While both figures were high considering it is not a presidential election year, they did not surpass the numbers cast in the 1976 primary. Republicans had 7,884 votes that year while Democrats recorded 7,944 votes. Republicans, claimed Shaner, have come a long way since 1972 when they had 2,000 people voting, and since 1974 with only 1,600 making it to the polls.

"Maybe our conservatives are finally beginning to get the habit — the Republican habit," Shaner said. "We're making inroads."

Darrell Smith, Democratic county chairman, said he believes the local interest in the 19th Congressional District race between Midlander George Bush and Odessa Jim Reese may have added to the Republican figures. On the other hand, the governor's race on the Democratic side between Gov. Dolph Briscoe and Attorney General John Hill, and the Senate race between Congressman Bob Krueger and Joe Christie of El Paso may have sparked more Midland Democrats to vote Saturday, Smith said.

Absentee voting also was heavier than usual with 905 cast in the GOP primary and slightly more than 500 in the Democratic races.

Ector County, with its favorite son Reese facing Bush in the 19th race, reported only 1,264 Republicans and 2,742 Democrats voting.

Bush captured 4,129 votes in Midland to give him enough of a lead over Reese, who took the remaining 16

counties in the district, to push the two into a runoff, slated for June 3. Persons who did not vote in the Democratic primary may vote in the GOP runoff, according to Smith.

But, the general election will show "what type of people live in Midland," the Democratic chairman said. "Midland has very independent-minded people," he said. "These people are not going to vote straight ticket."

Mrs. Carter heads U.S. delegation

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — Rodrigo Carazo, who has promised to kick fugitive American financier Robert Vesco out of Costa Rica, becomes this Central American nation's 36th president today with Rosalynn Carter heading the U.S. delegation at the inauguration.

Outgoing President Daniel Oduber surrenders the red, white and blue silk presidential sash at noon in the national soccer stadium, officially signaling the transfer of power.

Fireworks lit up the skies over San Jose Sunday night, and the city was decorated with Costa Rican flags and portraits of the president-elect. A whirl of inaugural parties got under way, to continue into Tuesday and horn-bonking caravans of cars toured the city.

Mrs. Carter, who arrived Sunday afternoon, attended a reception at the residence of U.S. Ambassador Marvin Weissman, where she is staying, and another at the Foreign Ministry.

The U.S. first lady greeted the guests at the ambassador's home in Spanish and in a brief impromptu speech told them, "I like the way you respect human rights here, and I like your democracy. I feel very happy to be here."

Moro's kidnappers still silent

By VICTOR L. SIMPSON

ROME (AP) — Terrorists shot and wounded a doctor in the legs in Milan today as Aldo Moro's kidnappers were silent on the fate of the Christian Democratic Party's president.

The Red Brigades did not immediately claim responsibility for the attack on Dr. Diego Fava, 52. But it was the fourth kidnapping in five days, and the terrorist organization that kidnapped Moro March 16 claimed it was responsible for the other three.

Fava was employed by a government agency to check on workers' absenteeism for medical reasons. Police reported three men fired several pistol shots at him as he arrived at his office by car. His assailants escaped by car, and attending physicians said his condition was not serious.

Meanwhile, the hunt for Moro continued with the arrest of 26 persons police said were suspected supporters of the Red Brigades and a sweep by more than 300 police of farmhouses and isolated villas between Rome and Viterbo, 48 miles to the north. But the police failed to turn up any clues to the missing political leader or the terrorists who have been holding him for seven weeks.

The last word from the Red Brigades came Friday in a message

saying because the government refused to negotiate on their demand for the release of 13 imprisoned terrorists, they were "carrying out" the death sentence they imposed weeks ago on Moro. But the kidnappers' "Communique No. 9" did not say specifically that he had been killed.

Officials said a two-page handwritten message signed Red Brigades

that said Moro had been executed was a hoax. It was found in Mestre, on the mainland across from Venice.

Informed sources confirmed a newspaper report that the former premier had written his family a farewell letter and that his wife, Eleonora, appealed Sunday to President Giovanni Leone and Premier Giulio Andreotti.

New 'pecking order' of birds questioned

If word were to get around that birds, such as the free-spirited sparrows, were attacking a car, you'd probably figure that either the birds or the teller of the tale was psycho.

Rather than attacking a pair of English sparrows has been pecking on a black-over-maroon sedan as if the car were a huge hunk of grain. Obviously, it's not.

From reliable accounts, the Midland birds peck on the '67 luxury sedan, chip paint and work at it as if they were a cross between a hummingbird and a woodpecker.

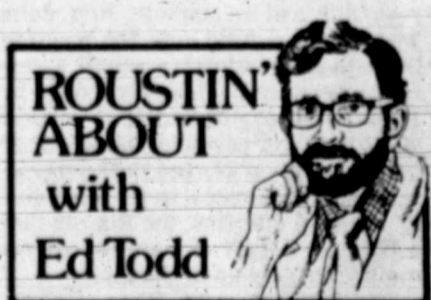
But that's so improbable. Or do birds, like people and the more predictable creatures of earth, have fixations, play games and just do wild things out of compulsion?

"Well," said Mae Murdock, a regular witness to the pecking, "I'll tell you, everytime I mention it (the pecking) to somebody, at first there's a dead silence and then a giggle."

After a round or so of hammering away, the birds generally wing their way back to their perch in an elm tree at Arthur and Mae Murdock's place on the city's westside. Or they land in a neighbor's mulberry tree.

About three weeks ago, the Murdocks first noticed the pecking. He was putting a water pump on the '67 Lincoln Continental when there came a rapping from the other side of the car.

Murdock took a peek, sized up the situation and did what most any other mortal might do.



"I shooed 'em away," he said, "and they came back."

More than a nuisance, the pecking is becoming a topic of conversation on the block.

"I never saw or heard of it before," Ms. Murdock said. "They're just having a ball. They might have flown off for a few minutes," she said in peckless moment, "but they'll be back."

She reasoned that the problem is the birds' more than hers.

"I don't think I've lost my mind, but they have," she said.

"I don't want to hurt the birds, but enough is enough."

Being a reasonably reasonable person, Ms. Murdock sought advice, called upon Roustin About, who, in turned, called up birdwoman Midge Erskine, who understands the nature of many wild things, including her cherished birds.

Ms. Erskine, at site of the rapping, listened to a recounting of the incident. And with bird book and binocu-

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THE PARKING PROBLEM downtown may be getting even worse than Midland's office-workers think. Or rather the city may be doing more about that problem than residents have been led to believe. Construction workers at Big Spring Street

and Wall Avenue also are admonished not to commit any illegal "parking." In fact, a few may interpret this sign, given its location, as reading like a back-to-work order. (Staff Photo by Mikes Kardos)

WEATHER

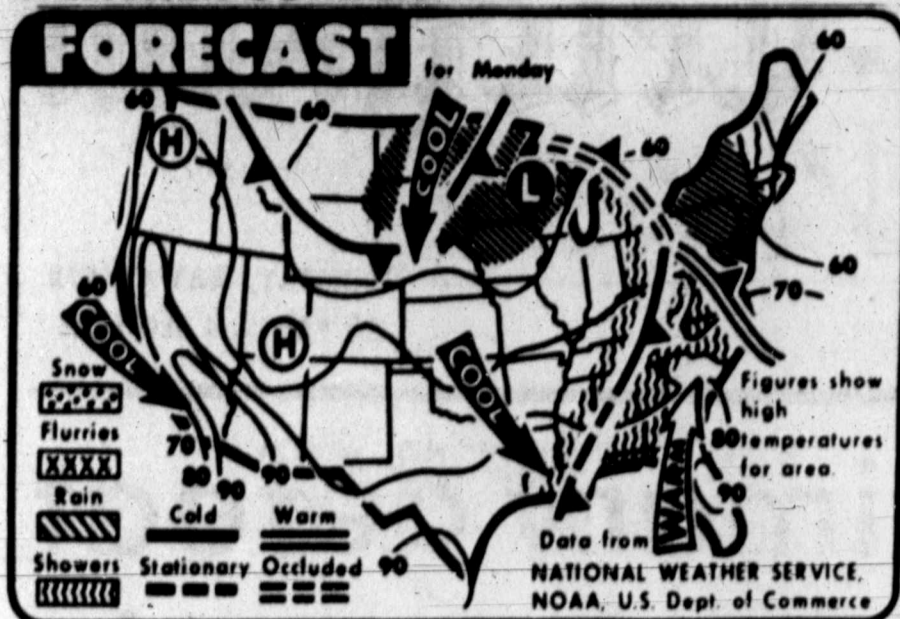
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WEATHER SUMMARY



RAIN is predicted today for the northern Great Plains states and north Mid-Atlantic states. Showers are forecast from the Gulf states up the Eastern Seaboard and inland to Michigan with clear skies expected in the rest of the nation. (AP Laserphoto Map)

Midland statistics

MIDLAND, ODESSA, RANKIN, BIG LAKE, GAR DEN CITY FORECAST: Fair through Tuesday. Low tonight near 56. High Tuesday in the middle 80s. Winds becoming westerly at 3 to 10 mph tonight.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS: Yesterday's High 78 degrees, Overnight Low 59 degrees, Noon today 77 degrees, 4:34 p.m. 77 degrees, Sunrise tomorrow 6:58 a.m., Precipitation: Last 24 hours trace inches, This month to date 8.71 inches, 1978 to date 1.34 inches

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Texas Thermometer

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Weather elsewhere

Table with 2 columns: City (Albuquerque, Albuquerque, Anchorage, Asheville, Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Bismarck, Boise, Boston, Brownsville, Buffalo, Charlotte, Charleston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dallas, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, Duluth, Fairbanks, Hartford, Helena, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Omaha, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Portland, Reno, Sacramento, St. Louis, St. Paul, Tampa, Tallahassee, Tulsa, Washington, Wichita, Winnipeg) and Temperature (42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100)

Senate race now tops

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The U.S. Senate race which was overshadowed in the Democratic primary by the governor's race will be the most important campaign in November, Rep. Bob Krueger, D-Texas, predicted Sunday. "We now have a race against an incumbent and it will be one of the most important in the union," Krueger said.

Krueger and Joe Christie, loser in the hot primary race for the Democratic nomination, held an unusual meeting Sunday morning in Democratic nomination, held an unusual meeting Sunday morning in Christie's Austin apartment where the loser congratulated the winner, and vice versa.

Krueger now meets Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, who had no Republican opponent. Krueger and Christie sat side-by-side on a sofa, exchanging friendly remarks, as reporters and cameramen crowded around them. "First, I want to congratulate Bob on a tremendous win and well-deserved victory," Christie said. "Second, I want to call on my supporters to unite behind the Democratic nominee and retire a man (Tower) who has needed retiring for 17 years."

Christie said one of his first jobs would be to convince Texas AFL-CIO leaders, who had endorsed Christie, to support Krueger, "and I don't think I will have any problem there." Krueger called Christie "a courageous and generous man ... a solid Democrat, and I will be calling on him."

Krueger said he hoped his campaign people would learn to spend money in the November campaign the way Christie's organization did. Christie's finances were considerably behind Krueger throughout the campaign. Christie was asked about the repeated charges he made against Krueger, including claims that federal money was used to campaign workers.

"I think that was fully explored in the campaign and the voters have given their decision," Christie said. "That's all behind us now." Christie also said "my political itch has been cured." He said he has no future plans for political campaigns and will move a branch of his El Paso law office to Austin to handle oil and gas business.

Weekend storms cause flooding

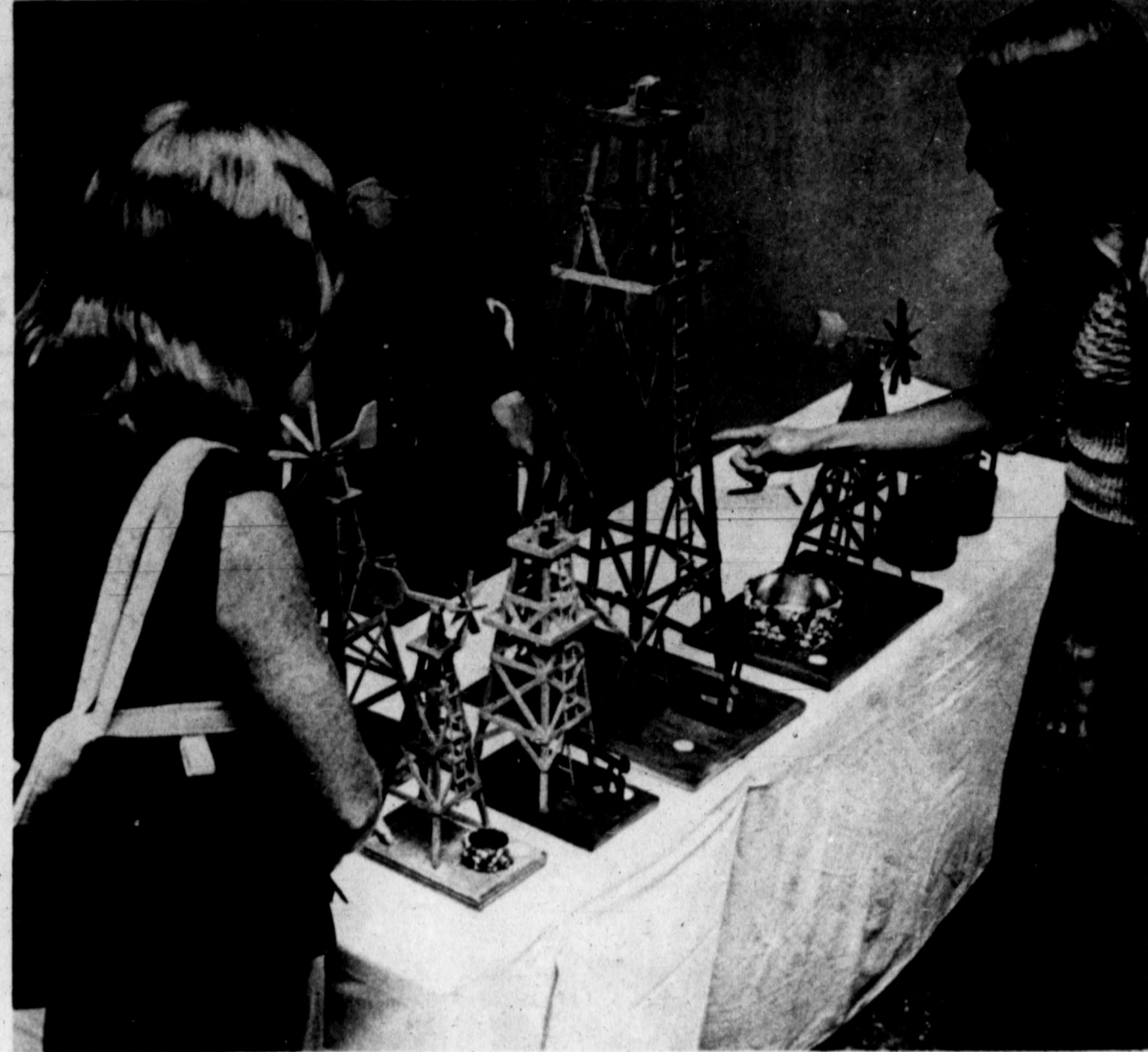
Thunderstorms that caused weekend flooding in parts of the central Gulf Coast states continued over sections of the Mississippi Valley and moved eastward today. Heavy rain fell from Missouri through Arkansas. Flash flood watches were issued for southern Illinois, southeastern Missouri, Tennessee, northern Alabama and Mississippi. A tornado watch was issued for eastern Arkansas, extreme southeastern Missouri, northeastern Louisiana, western Tennessee and northwestern Mississippi.

Heavy weekend rains caused flooding in parts of Mississippi and Louisiana. Hardest hit was Shreveport, La., where police used boats to evacuate several hundred people from their homes after 5.27 inches of rain fell Saturday and Sunday. A temporary shelter was set up but most of the people had returned to their homes or those of friends and relatives by early today, authorities said.

Baton Rouge and New Orleans also had some flooding, but officials said it was mostly confined to low-lying areas and subsided quickly. Storms also caused lowland flooding Sunday in southeastern Nebraska and eastern Kansas. A tornado tore a mile-long path through a rural area south of Parsons, in southeastern Kansas, uprooting trees, snapping power line poles and toppling fuel tanks at a mineral plant. No one was injured.

Although a storm that dumped three feet of snow over the weekend on the Rockies and northern Plains lost much of its punch, rain and snow continued to fall on parts of the area today. A travel advisory was out for southwestern South Dakota, while stockmen and travel advisories were issued for northeastern Wyoming.

The weekend storm closed roads temporarily, cut power lines, toppled trees and caused extensive lamb and sheep losses. At least two buildings collapsed in Colorado from the weight of the snow Saturday — the 106-year-old Arnett Hotel and the Colorado Division of Employment Training building, both in Boulder. Rain or showers also covered a large part of the east-central United States from the Virginias through the Carolinas and scattered portions of Kentucky and Tennessee today. Widely scattered showers also dotted centrally Florida and isolated thunderstorms roamed through east Texas.



HAND-CRAFTED WOOD ITEMS capture the attention of Cindy Isbell, left, and Donna Harper, right, at Saturday's Senior Showcase at Dellwood Plaza. The display, tended by L. M. O'Neal, was part of the annual event, sponsored by Senior Services of Midland. Also featured at the Showcase were services provided by agencies to senior citizens. (Staff Photo)

Ethiopian air power crushing Eritrea rebels

EDITOR'S NOTE — The writer of this dispatch and AP photographer Claudio Luffoli returned recently to rebel-held parts of Ethiopia's Eritrea province which they visited a year ago. Here is a report on what they saw on a two-week tour with the secessionist guerrillas.

MANDEFERA, Eritrea (AP) — The Ethiopian government is carrying out a relentless daytime air war against secessionist guerrillas in Eritrea, forcing many civilians to go about their tasks during the night. Classes for schoolchildren begin at dusk.

Leaders of the Eritrean Liberation Front claim the aircraft — U.S.-made F-5 Freedom Fighters and Soviet-supplied MIG-21s — are flown by pilots from Cuba and the leftist Arab nation of Yemen. During the two weeks this reporter and AP photographer Claudio Luffoli

toured areas controlled by the Liberation Front, known as the ELF, we saw the effects of Ethiopian air power on life inside Eritrea.

Militarily, the planes allow the Ethiopians to soften guerrilla positions in hot fighting areas, to maintain some military presence in distant areas controlled by the rebels and to prevent movement of troops and materiel during the day when every truck on the road is a target.

For civilians, the planes are a source of death and terror that keep life in the cities and villages from returning to normal. Eritrean rebels have been fighting for independence since Ethiopia annexed their homeland in 1962. Victories in the last two years have brought the ELF and the Eritrean Peoples Liberation Front control of the entire countryside and all but a few of the major cities.

Eritrea, a 45,000-square-mile area, about the size of Pennsylvania, with a population of three million, provides

Mostly new faces make congress race interesting

DALLAS (AP) — Incumbent Dale Milford found himself on the losing end of vote Saturday in one of the congressional races that attracted an unprecedented number of candidates. Milford, the three-term favorite, was beaten by Dallas attorney Martin Frost for the 24th District seat. With two counties reportin and one complete late Sunday night, Frost had 55.63 percent of the vote. Milford managed 44.37 percent.

Milford's defeat marked the first for an incumbent congressman since 1954 when U.S. House majority leader Jim Wright won his first race. Most of the congressional races featured an abundance of new faces. The primaries proved to be a culling process in six districts that took the spotlight because they affect the loss of Texas power and prestige next January due to retirements.

In South Texas with 10 of 11 counties reporting and 9 complete, Rep. John Young trailed state Rep. Joe Wyatt in the 14th District with a runoff a certainty because of votes picked up by Jason Luby. Wyatt had 41.49 percent of the vote compared to Young's 38.22 percent. Luby managed 20.29 percent. While some races were concluded by decisive margins, the Big Six that attracted a raft of candidates remained largely up in the air.

The retirees were Reps. George Mahon, dean of the delegation; W. R. "Bob" Poage; Omar Burleson and Olin "Tiger" Teague, a war hero whose health prompted him to withdraw from his safe and secure 6th District. All but Mahon's 19th District were seen to be Democratic tussles. In the 19th with 17 of 17 counties reporting and 13 complete, Kent Hance was an easy Democratic winner over evangelist Morris Sheats, who said God wanted him in Congress. Hance received a whopping 84.16 percent. Sheats got 35.84 percent. On the GOP side, a runoff appeared likely between George W. Bush and Jim Reese. Bush had received 48.70 percent to Reese's 41.09.

Burleson's 17th District found Charles Stenholm and A.L. Rhodes in a tight race that promised a runoff for the Democratic nomination. With 33 of 33 counties reportin, 30 complete, Stenholm received 55.81 percent of the vote. Rhodes garnered 33.85 percent in the seven-person field. The duel for Teague's domain bordered on being a classic, with Teague backing Chet Edwards. With all 11 counties reportin, 8 complete, Edwards and Phil Gramm, co-favorites in the race, appeared destined for a runoff. Edwards had 28.27 percent of the ballots and Edwards, 28.56 percent.

TWA wants big air fare drop

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trans International Airlines, the world's largest charter carrier, asked the Civil Aeronautics Board today for approval to offer a \$79 scheduled air fare on 10 flights this summer between New York and Los Angeles. The one-way low fare would include all taxes and would be approximately one-third the standard economy fare of \$220. Hot meals and beverages would be provided at no extra cost. "The flights would be made on wide-bodied DC-10 jets that would otherwise have to be flown empty across the country for use in charters departing from the East and West Coasts," said Henry P. Huff, Trans International president. Five flights would be flown in each direction between June 26 and Aug. 24. Huff said about 3,750 seats would be available on the flights.

Portugal reveals widening deficit

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Portugal announced today a significant widening of its trade deficit in the first three months of 1978 despite import quotas and other austerity measures.

Prime Minister Mario Soares said he remained confident the country can pay its bills with the help of \$800 million in emergency loans. The National Statistics Institute said imports for January-March were valued at \$540 million and exports at \$1.25 billion for a deficit of \$710 million, compared with \$547.5 million in the same period of 1977.

Last year's total trade deficit was \$2.7 billion. The government Planning Ministry declined to explain why the trade deficit widened during a period of controls, but a ministry official said it was thought importers increased purchases in 1978's first quarter because they expected another devaluation of the escudo.

The Portuguese currency was devalued an average 6.5 percent Friday against the dollar and major European currencies. Independent economists said they believed bureaucratic delays prevented new import quotas from taking hold immediately after they were introduced Jan. 1. The quotas were intended to reduce most import categories by 10 percent from 1977 levels.

One of Soares's major problems since he took office in August 1976 has been the government's inability, despite economic curbs, to check speculative outflows of currency and to balance exports and imports. Economists blame world inflation, high consumer spending and industrial disruption that followed Portugal's 1974 democratic revolution. The Portuguese inflation rate was about 30 percent last year.

The cabinet last week approved new austerity measures under an agreement with the International Monetary Fund that will unlock \$800 million from Western lenders including the United States and the IMF. Soares told a workers' meeting Sunday that the IMF agreement ends 20 months of doubt whether Portugal could pay its international bills, and allows Portugal "to subsist without compromising the gold reserves that are still the main guarantee of our national independence."

Portugal had \$4 billion in gold reserves in 1974, but an estimated \$2 billion worth later was committed as security for loans.

Poll says Carter lax on inflation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most Americans feel President Carter is not doing enough to fight inflation, an Associated Press-NBC News poll indicates. Sixty-eight percent of those questioned said Carter's anti-inflation program is inadequate, while 24 percent feel he is doing enough. Eight percent are not sure.

The latest AP-NBC poll, released last weekend, found inflation to be the most important issue facing the country. Forty-two percent named the cost of living as the top problem, while 13 percent listed "the way the government does things." The remaining responses: unemployment, 11 percent; crime 10 percent; taxes, 7 percent; morality, 7 percent and foreign affairs, 3 percent. The rest were undecided or didn't say.

Forty-three percent of those interviewed said they expect the economy to get worse in the next year, while 19 percent look for improvement. Thirty-five percent expect it to stay about the same. The rest didn't say or had no opinion.

The telephone poll contacted 1,000 people Monday and Tuesday, May 1 and 2. In a poll this size, results should vary no more than three percentage points either way because of errors.

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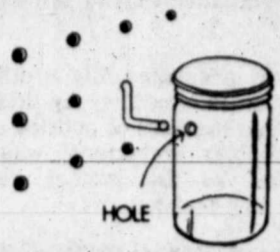
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SUPER HANDYMAN

Make winning combo of common shop times

By AL CARRELL

Pegboard walls in workshops are about as common as dirt. And using those little plastic pill bottles to hold small workshop items is also standard practice. Now if you could get pegboards and pill bottles together,



you'd have a winning combo. G.R.G. did just that. When he gets a pill bottle to use in his shop, he drills a small hole in the side just under the cap. He cautions to use a slow drill speed. The bit matches the diameter of pegboard hooks. Now his pill bottle full of small screws or brads can hang in line with the others on the pegboard wall. I have tried inserting cup hooks into the plastic lid, but after a short stint of hanging from a hook, the cup hook comes out. This idea of G.R.G.'s is a good one.

DEAR AL:

I liked all the ways to stop floor squeaks you included in your free floor sheet. Maybe you'll like mine. I thinned out some of the varnish I had used when finishing the hardwood floors. This is then brushed into the cracks where I have spotted movement in the floor boards. I use a tiny artist's brush for this. Naturally, some of the varnish remains on the surface, but this can be brushed out smooth and doesn't even show. The rest goes down between the cracks, and when it dries, it stops the movement.—C.C.

This might work on some slight movements, but where there is much, you might want to try other ways. If you'd like to know the other ways to silence floor squeaks, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request to Super Handyman here at the paper.

DEAR AL:

Here's a far-out idea. I was install-

ing some molding around the ceiling. To keep from having to use a ladder which would have to be moved very often, I used a pair of my son's stilts. They gave me the right height. Even though I'm not very stable on the stilts, I had the wall to lean into, so I never fell. It really made the job easier and was actually fun. I've shad almost as much fun telling about it.—A.J.

Jean liked the idea and thought about using it for painting some molding in the living room. However, she also thought about trying to balance a bucket of paint, so she decided to stick with the ladder.

A SUPER HINT — Along with recording birthdays, appointments and other reminders on our calendar, we also make a note of when warranties are going to expire. We mark the date about a month before the expiration date. Then if the appliance or gadget has developed a problem, we can get it taken care of by the manufacturer instead of tearing into it with a hatchet.

DEAR AL:

Here's a handy reminder. If you have a fireplace, be sure to remember to close the damper if you have air conditioning in your house. Otherwise, an updraft can suck all of your very expensive cold air out to cool the birds. I forgot and discovered a nice blast of cool air when I was checking on a loose brick on the chimney.—R.F.

However, if you don't have air conditioning, an open damper can help with ventilation during the summer.

QUICK ANSWERS FOR HARRIED HANDYPERSONS:

Q: What would cause a toilet tank to crack? Ours just suddenly cracked and flooded the bathroom.

A: It was either damaged by someone who maybe put the seat up too hard, or it received stress from uneven shifting and settling of the house. Usually when a tank cracks because of stress like this, there was a flaw in the tank that could have been just a slight crack from a hit or from bolts that are too tight. Be careful around these fixtures.

New CIA allegations aired

WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA recruited mercenaries to fight in Angola but didn't get much for its money, a former CIA official says. John Stockwell, who said he commanded the CIA's Angola task force in the agency's headquarters, estimated about \$500,000 was spent to send 20 Frenchmen to Angola.

"Their contracts were for five months," Stockwell said in a television interview Sunday. "They fought for one month, and then fled and we never got our

money back." Appearing on the CBS show "60 minutes," Stockwell said a second program involving Portuguese mercenaries also was a failure.

"The third bunch, the British-Americans, included psychotic killers, maniacs, people who were literally deranged, as well as people who were highly incompetent," Stockwell said.

The 12-year Central Intelligence Agency veteran said the CIA embarked on what amounted to a "secret war" in Angola, but withheld information about its activities from the congressional committees set up to oversee covert CIA operations.

A CIA spokesman, Lavon Strong, said the agency had no immediate comment on Stockwell's allegations.

Stockwell's book on the operation, called "In Search of Enemies," was published today.

Prince Charles says he likes ceremony

NEW YORK (AP) — Prince Charles, in an interview in Time magazine, says he would change nothing in the pomp and ceremony of the monarchy and that he hopes he won't leave "a messy mark" on history.

The current issue of Time, which features the 29-year-old prince on its cover with the heading, "The Man Who Will Be King," said it was the first interview Charles has given to a non-British publication.

On pomp and ceremony, Charles said, "I would change nothing. Besides ceremony being a major and important aspect of monarchy, something that has grown and developed over a thousand years in Britain, I happen to enjoy it enormously."

Andrews school trustees plan executive session

ANDREWS — The Andrews Independent School District Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet in executive session to consider personnel matters at its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school administration building.

In addition, the board is expected to consider participation in the U.S. Department of Agriculture Commodities Program and approve proposed bus routes for the 1978-79 school year. It plans to discuss proposed maintenance projects and authorize the school administration to purchase supplies and equipment for the upcoming school year.

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Freedom of speech

A new set of federal and state laws attempting to curb the flow of money into political campaigns and lobbying activities is one legacy of Watergate.

The U.S. Supreme Court, it turns out, is less enthusiastic toward the kind of political reform than those who drafted much of the new legislation.

Earlier in 1976, the high court struck down the spending limits on presidential and congressional campaigns which Congress had imposed in 1974. This effectively did away with campaign spending limits which were being enacted in a number of states, including those in California's 1974 political reform initiative, Proposition 9.

A year ago the court went along with a decision of the California Supreme Court throwing out Proposition 9's limitations on the amount of money which could be spent gathering signatures on political decisions.

Recently, the court went a step further, overturning a Massachusetts law which forbids corporations from spending money on campaigns for or against ballot measures. This may jeopardize laws in other states that restrict corporate political activity and, according to some interpretations, may even raise a question about the federal Corrupt Practices Act dating from the turn of the century, which forbids direct corporate contributions to candidates in federal elections.

Split decisions have characterized these interventions by the Supreme Court — a 5-4 division for instance, in the recent ruling. The justices are not seeing eye to eye on the First Amendment issue raised by spending limitation laws, and one can appreciate the worry of the dissenters about the impact of excessive spending on the nation's political process.

Yet the court's majority is taking a position which should have been obvious to authors for reform legislation. Money, like it or not, translates directly into "speech" in political campaigns—the pamphlets, posters, air time and advertising of public debate. To restrict freedom of that form of speech is contrary to the First Amendment.

Justice Lewis F. Powell now has taken the next logical step,

writing for the majority. This type of speech is indispensable to decision-making in a democracy, he said, "and this is no less true because the speech comes from a corporation rather than an individual."

Laws still stand — and should — which require disclosure of the source of campaign contributions. They are an effective defense against secret bankrolling of campaign efforts by individuals or corporate "fat cats."

The public is wise enough, when the air is filled with the blare of campaign "speech," to consider the source.

Neither the courts or legislators can deal with the principal problem of political financing — the cost of mounting an effective campaign in this era of mass communications — as candidates for state and district offices in Texas discovered in races concluded with Saturday's primaries. The costly "media blitz" and the repetition of simplistic slogans do little to illuminate the character, qualifications and views of candidates or the often complex pros and cons of ballot issues.

The Constitution protects the rights of candidates and their backers to crank up the volume of their campaigns to the extent that their pooled and still-limited contributions allow.

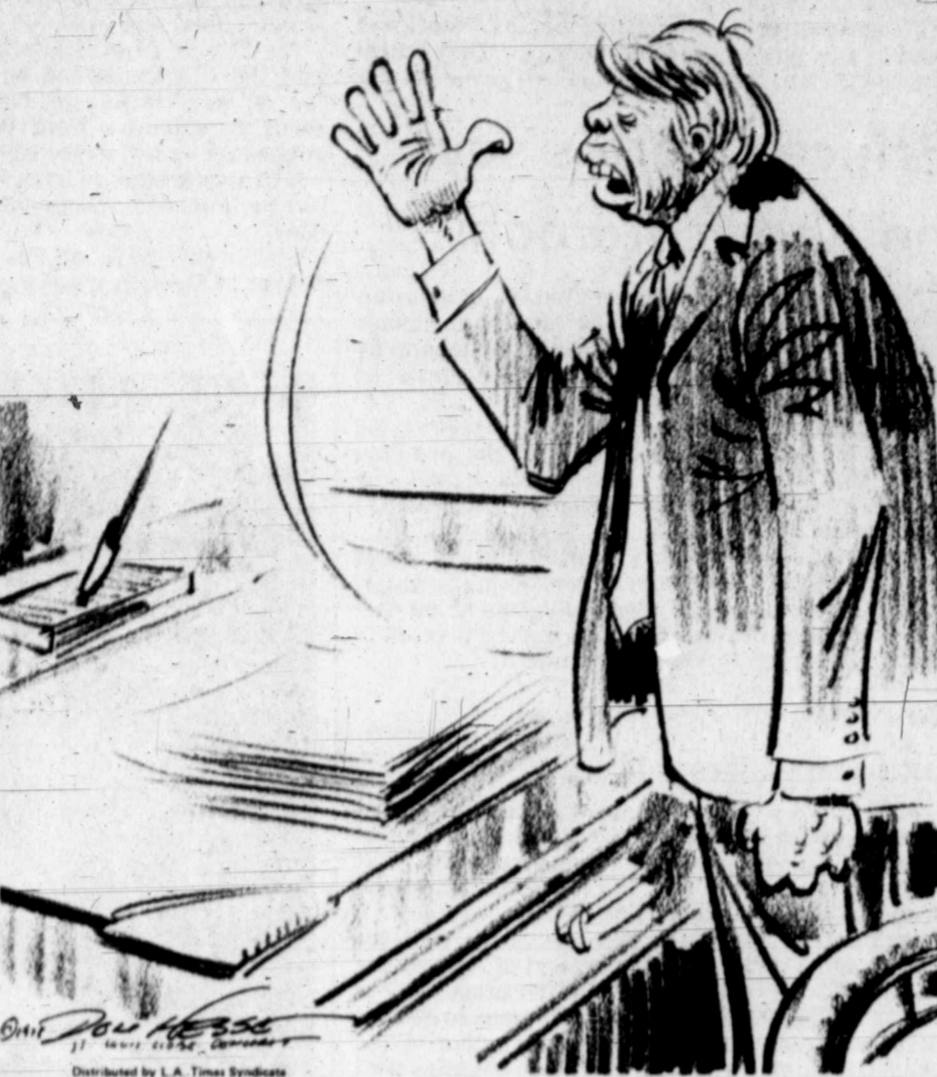
The democratic process demands this freedom of speech. It is the American way.

The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



"Some folk's opinions are just lads — whatever ideas happen to be popular at the moment."



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By CHARLEY REESE
Sun Belt Syndicate

ORLANDO, Fla.—It's no surprise that the voters in St. Paul, Minn., followed the examples of voters in Dade County, Fla., and repealed the so-called homosexual rights ordinance.

This is one of the phoniest issues around and the people see through it, even if most of the national pundits do not.

As minorities go, homosexuals are among the most affluent, most influential, and least discriminated against. After all, who's been blacklisted? Not the homosexuals, Anita Bryant.

Furthermore, homosexuals are a minority by choice and their sexual preference, except when they choose to flaunt it, is invisible to both landlords and employers.

In short, the problem of discrimination did not exist in any substantive way. If that is so, then why did the militant homosexuals press for public laws forbidding discrimination that was largely nonexistent?

The answer is that they are not and never were concerned about discrimination. Their goal is to sell the proposition that homosexuality is normal behavior, a mere alternative lifestyle. They sought the laws in order to use the law as a lever to force their viewpoint of the public.

In Minneapolis, for example, which still has a homosexual rights ordinance, one applied as a volunteer to the Big Brothers organization which arranges for male volunteers to provide companionship to fatherless boys.

Under the ordinance, Big Brothers could not refuse him. They did think it only fair that mothers be notified that this particular volunteer was a homosexual so the mother could make her own decision.

No, the homosexual declared, that would be a violation of his civil rights. The Department of Human Rights in Minneapolis backed him up and then went to the absurd extreme of recommending that Big Brothers advertise in homosexual publications for additional volunteers.

This is why Anita Bryant is winning the votes and will continue to win them everywhere the issue is put before the public.

It is one thing to ask the public to be tolerant of deviant behavior; it is quite another to demand that the public: (1) declare the deviation to be normal; and (2) open the doors of its public organizations so militant homosexuals can attempt to sell this idea.

Anita Bryant has been treated unfairly by some of the media. She has been accused of initiating a drive against homosexuals when in fact she only responded to a drive initiated by the homosexuals.

Secondly, she has been pictured as a wild, intolerant person, when in fact she is one of the most gentle and compassionate individuals you'd ever want to meet. Much was made of a recent statement in which she said she believed those who were not "saved" would go to hell. The implication was made that this position was unique to Anita Bryant.

That is not true. That is the basic doctrine of a number of Christian denominations and it used to be the basic doctrine of practically all of them. It is certainly still the basic doctrine of the Moslem faith. It is a position that has nothing to do with Anita Bryant.

She is trying to prevent militant homosexuals from forcing their lifestyle on others. She certainly has that right. Furthermore, there are plenty of sound, non-religious reasons for not encouraging children to adopt homosexuality.

The militant homosexuals made a tactical error when they chose to move from private persuasion to political action. They have started a war they cannot win and one which, like most political debates, breeds intolerance. They are forcing the public to choose sides and not between tolerance and intolerance but between tolerance and license.

The public, always more sensible than those of us in the media, are siding with Anita Bryant against license and for those old ideals which promote family and lasting relationships.

The queer thing is how few public allies she has — which proves, I suppose, that while homosexuality is a form of deviant behavior, it is at least more readily found than courage.

BIBLE VERSE

Let all things be done decently and in order. — Cor. 14:40.

THE BIBLE CAN YOU QUOTE IT?

By LAVINA ROSS FOWLER

1. Supposedly Sodom and Gomorrah lie beneath the slowly rising waters of the Dead Sea. Some scholars have concluded that their destruction was triggered by a great earthquake, accompanied by explosions. Ten decent people could have saved the place, but Lot and his family were the only survivors. Where did they go? Genesis 19:30

2. Why did young and old homosexuals storm Lot's house? Genesis 19

3. The modern name for Siloam is Silwan (SIL-WAYNE). What tragedy occurred there? Luke 13:4

4. What did God regret about King Saul? 1 Samuel 15:35 (K.J.) 1 K. 15:34 (D.)

5. Name the last king of Israel. 2 Kings 15:30 (K.J.) 4 Kings 15:30 (D.)

Four correct...excellent. Three correct...good.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Study of reactors is scheduled



By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — President Carter has held up production of the controversial neutron bomb, which spares buildings but kills people. It's a nasty weapon that bombards the populace with deadly neutron radiation.

Yet a low-yield neutron bomb may be ticking away in every nuclear power plant in the country. An internal memo, circulating inside the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, warns that the workers at nuclear plants are being exposed to neutron bombardment.

"These exposures have gone unnoticed," states the memo, "because of the inadequacy of the neutron measurement techniques employed and insufficient knowledge of this field." The memo was written by Glenn Zimmer, a regulatory official who deals with occupational health standards.

Of course, nuclear plants aren't as lethal as neutron bombs. No one has yet computed the neutron radiation inside nuclear plants. The exact exposure, therefore, is uncertain, and the health effects on workers is unknown, except that neutron radiation is thought to be even more deadly than other rays.

Workers cannot be protected from neutron radiation by traditional shieldings such as lead. The neutrons must be stopped by thick layers of water, concrete, berrillium or plastic. Neutrons have a nasty habit of ricocheting off conventional shields

and bouncing around corners undetected. This phenomenon is known as "neutron scattering," and scientists have been unable so far to prevent it.

The neutron radiation was first detected by a health physicist at an unidentified nuclear power plant. He found that heavy neutron exposure was possible within a few days, even hours. He reported his findings to Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratory, which notified the government but did not identify the site of the test. Our own sources have identified the mysterious place as Millstone, Conn., where two power reactors are located.

At first, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission dismissed the danger of neutron radiation. In a memo dated March 6, 1978, officials declared: "We have no reason to believe that a problem exists... as long as radiation protection programs are appropriately implemented..."

But within a month, the commission reversed itself and began preparing for a \$100,000 one-year study at six to 12 reactors. Still, officials don't think atomic workers are in any immediate danger. Independent scientists disagree, charging that the methods for calculating neutron exposure are woefully inadequate.

The proposed study, of course, is tacit admission that the regulatory officials don't really know the extent of the neutron radiation problem at nuclear reactors. Yet they have been

telling the public for 30 years that the reactors are safe.

The officials admit that nuclear reactors will have to be backfitted to prevent neutron leaks and that individual dosimeters still have to be developed to detect the neutron radiation.

Yet our investigation revealed that manufacturers not only are producing dosimeters but are supplying colleges, universities, government labs, state highway departments and government contractors with them. But incredibly, few of the 68 operating nuclear plants are equipped with the dosimeters, and NRC regulations do not require them.

Meanwhile, no one really knows how dangerous this new nuclear menace is.

TORTURE BY MAIL: Soviet commissars are callously using the mails now as a subtle instrument to torment Jewish dissidents who are sent letters of friendship and encouragement from the outside world.

We have obtained evidence from a number of sources that Soviet bureaucrats are trying to destroy the letter link between the dissidents and their relatives or friends.

For example, a New York Jewish congregation recently sent postcards of support to the celebrated dissident Anatoly Shcharansky. They were mailed back, torn into tiny pieces, in envelopes from the Soviet Union.

Another example of mailbox persecution involves a harmless, elderly Jewish couple named Liberman. Their son managed to emigrate to Israel. But for a long time, Soviet authorities refused to accept any letters from him. Then in 1973, the Libermans were falsely informed by Soviet authorities that their son was dead.

Two years later, they received their first letter from him in years. Almost every word was obliterated by malicious communist censors.

Inside Russia, a registered letter may be signed for by anyone. It has also become common practice for a Soviet postal worker to forge the recipient's name and send it back as undeliverable, to save the \$15 registration penalty.

The importance of outside communication to the morale of the dissidents is underscored time and again by Moscow watchers.

Footnote: Recently, Reps. Benjamin Gilman, R-N.Y., and James Scheuer, D-N.Y., met privately in Geneva with Elfin Motin, chief postal authority in the Soviet Union, about the high-handed Russian tactics. Motin blustered that their complaints involved internal Soviet matters and were undiscussable as an international issue. Gilman, however, was unsatisfied with the explanation and will hold House hearings on the Soviet tampering.

INSIDE REPORT:

Carter inclined to 'exaggerate a little' at times

WASHINGTON — The President's own aides were not convinced of Jimmy Carter's springtime regeneration until his answer to the last question at his April 26 press conference when his advocacy of tax reform suddenly echoed the vigor of the 1976 campaign, but also its aberrations.

"I haven't seen this Carter since the campaign," confided one presidential aide, a sentiment widely shared at the White House. But with renewed dynamism came inaccuracy which appears not wholly accidental. What's more, it brought to light elements of his thinking still unknown outside his inner circle.

The reply to the tax reform question was in truth the authentic Carter, warts and all. The frequently dull President reverted to the socially-conscious populist from Plains, Ga., seldom boring but often puzzling.

Mr. Carter returned from the April 16 weekend retreat with his senior staff at Camp David in a feisty mood of self-confidence that infected his aides. "Everybody's been leaning on us, and we're going to start leaning back," said one. The President immediately upbraided Congress for opposing him on tax and energy matters, reflecting what was termed inside the White House "the new spirit of Camp David."

But his first press conference following the Camp David retreat reverted to empty prose and leader arguments — until the last question. When asked, "Why are you so insistent on pushing tax reforms?" Mr. Carter came to life with an attack on "abuses," with this example: "One medical doctor, a surgeon, owns a



Evans



Novak

yacht, and he took a \$14,000 tax credit, tax exemption, for entertaining other doctors on his yacht." This would be forbidden by the Carter tax reform.

In fact, Mr. Carter was referring to neither a "credit" nor an "exemption" but a "deduction," something very different. No President has devoted so much time to educating himself in the intricacies of the Internal Revenue code. He surely knows the difference between a "credit" (a reduction in the actual tax) and a "deduction" (merely a reduction of taxable income).

What's more, Mr. Carter quickly indicated that "credit" was no slip of the tongue. "And when that doctor didn't pay his \$14,000 taxes," the President declared, "other average working American families had to pay his taxes for him." But the doctor would be paying \$14,000 less in taxes only if he took a credit, not a deduction. The fact that Mr. Carter's error was consistent suggests at least the possibility that it was intentional.

This is reminiscent of the 1976 campaign when Mr. Carter

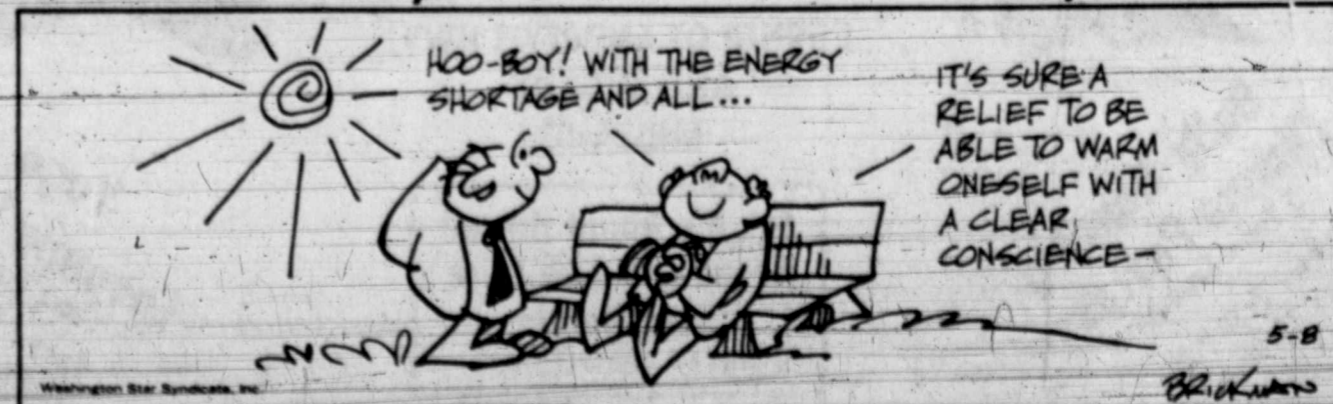
frequently played a bit loose with facts to make a sharper point — a falling some advisers warned him about to no avail. They now admit privately that the President exaggerates a little when really impressed about an issue.

That raises this broader question: when faced with towering problems here and abroad, why is he so passionate over tax reform in general, over entertainment expenses specifically and over deducting a \$14,000 business entertainment item in particular? Additional revenue from denying all deduction for yachts, hunting lodges, country club dues and other business entertainment expenses would total \$420 million this year — chickenfeed by today's budget standards.

Nor do experienced Democratic politicians, including Carter loyalists, consider it good politics. While ordinary taxpayers dislike that yacht-owning doctor, nobody worries much about him either. It is probably too late this year to build popular support for tax reforms, and Mr. Carter's impasse on an inaccurate plea of April 26 fell on deaf ears in Congress. Why, then, did the President do it?

Because one of the very few inflexible opinions held by Mr. Carter is his low esteem for doctors and lawyers. "He can't stand them," reveals one aide. Another senior staffer believes he considers these two professions "too greedy." But others see a more subtle mindset: the President cannot tolerate professional men who do not fulfill their social responsibilities.

the small society



by Brickman

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Salaries for black men, all women still behind

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Despite major strides in earning power by black men since World War II, it may take 30 to 40 years more before they catch up with wages earned by white men, two researchers say.

Nationally, the researchers said, black men now earn three-fourths as much as white men.

But women, both black and white, have even further to go. Although black women have almost pulled even with white women in pay, the average wage of white women is less than 60 percent of that earned by white men.

In two reports released Sunday by Rand Corp., economists James Smith and Finis Welch said education had become a larger factor than northward migration in bigger incomes for blacks in the last decade.

Based in Santa Monica, is a private, non-profit research center that studies domestic and national security issues.

In 1947, wages for black men were half that earned by white men, while those for black women were one-third of their white counterparts' pay, the studies found.

Most of the gains came during the 1960s, according to the studies, which were financed by the National Science Foundation.

The researchers said improved education was

responsible for 47 percent of the income gains by black men and 33 percent of those by black women.

In 1930, they said, the average black entering the labor market had 3.7 fewer years of formal education than whites. They said that 80 percent of blacks entering the job market had a grade school diploma or less and only 3 percent had gone to college.

By 1970, the education difference separating blacks and whites had dropped to 1.2 years, while only 10 percent of the blacks had less than nine years of schooling and 20 percent had gone to college.

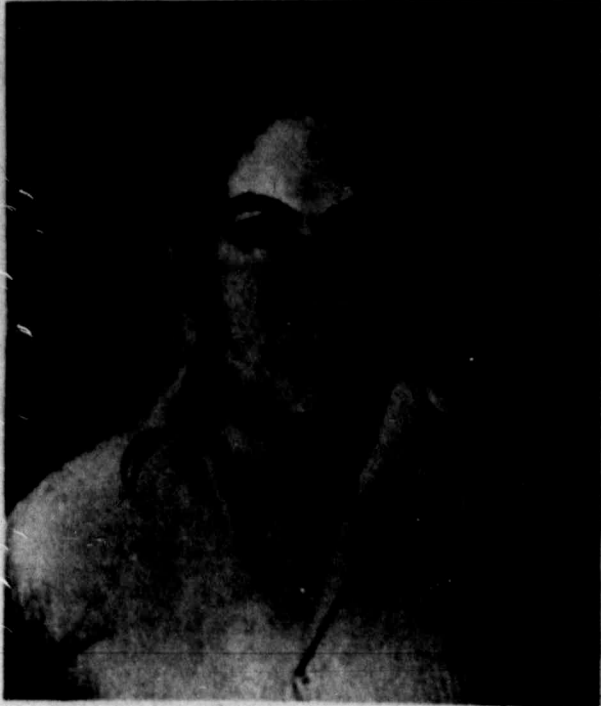
Finis and Welch said black women had made considerable strides because of government mi-

nority hiring programs, but added that they could find little evidence black men had gained much from the programs.

"Because hiring a black woman met both race and sex quotas for employers, the affirmative action thrust may have given black women the advantage in the job market," they said.

In addition, the studies found a dramatic decrease in the percentage of black women doing domestic work in the South.

Half of all employed black women in the South were domestic workers in 1960, but a decade later, only 20 percent were, the economists said. For younger workers, the rate fell from 50 percent to 5 percent.



David Berkowitz

Berkowitz may plead guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Whether David Berkowitz is allowed to plead guilty to all six of the "demon-ordered" Son of Sam killings depends on the whim of the defendant.

Under a plan worked out over several months, Supreme Court justices from Brooklyn, the Bronx and Queens would take the bench one at a time today to accept guilty pleas to the crimes committed in their jurisdictions.

The proposal for the unusual courtroom procedures — secret for three months until details were leaked to the press last week — could only be employed if Berkowitz exercised his oft-stated intention to reject his attorneys' insanity defense and plead guilty.

Berkowitz's attorneys and members of his family have frequently noted his instability, as have some of the psychiatrists who examined him since his arrest last August.

The 24-year-old former postal clerk from Yonkers is accused of killing six people and wounding seven others with a .44-caliber revolver. "Son of Sam" was the name the killer adopted in signed letters to the press and police.

Last year, the defendant demanded a trial so he could warn the world about the demons and promised he would "have a lot to say." Ber-

kowitz also has said he wanted to plead guilty to add credibility to his warnings about the demons.

On tape recordings played at Berkowitz's first competency hearing, the suspect was heard telling a psychiatrist that he committed the killings to satisfy the desires of blood-thirsty demons that continually haunted him.

A packed house was expected in the 260-seat courtroom in Brooklyn's state Supreme Court. Special credentials were issued to 150 reporters, with the rest of the seats available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

Officials said last week that the special arrangements were devised to save the expense of transporting Berkowitz from one courthouse to another.

Among those expected at the hearing were relatives of Stacy Moskowitz, the last of the Son of Sam victims, and Robert Violante, the young man who was partially blinded in the attack, which occurred just days before Berkowitz was arrested last August.

Having been ruled competent to stand trial twice — last October and again in April — Berkowitz had a legal right to overrule his attorneys and change his plea from innocent by reason of insanity to guilty.

Mondale joins naval drills

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Vice President Walter Mondale announced today that the United States would join Australia in naval exercises in the Indian Ocean to underscore America's commitment to the defense of Australia.

Mondale gave no details on the naval exercises. But he said the United States is a Pacific power and the joint war games would be a reaffirmation "of our commitment to the security of the region."

He stopped short of saying the exercises were an answer to Soviet naval activity in the Indian Ocean, which Fraser has criticized several times.

Mondale said the number of Soviet warships in the Indian Ocean "varies from time to time and has now dropped back."

"It sometimes varies from month to month," he said.

Mondale spoke from a prepared text on the steps of U.S. Ambassador's Philip H. Alston's residence with a chorus of white parrots squawking in the trees nearby.

He said the United States and Australia would also work more closely on nuclear safeguards to prevent uranium from being used for weapons.

Australia, which has one third of the world's easily recoverable reserves of uranium ore, has insisted that its customers agree not to reprocess nuclear wastes into plutonium which could be used for weapons.

"We are very supportive of the Australian position," said Mondale, adding that this is the best way to control "the horrors of nuclear proliferation."

The vice president planned further discussion of the continuing flow of Vietnamese refugees to Southeast Asia and Australia at lunch with Fraser and Alston.

"Australia has been quite helpful in this area, and there will be more discussion on many many aspects of this problem," he said.

The vice president's arrival Sunday night coincided with that of two more boats carrying 70 refugees who landed at Darwin, Australia's northern port. More than 1,300 Vietnamese have landed on the north coast since the Communists took over South Vietnam three years ago. The Australians want the United States to take more of them and also to help persuade Southeast Asian governments to stop refugee boats bound for Australia.

Mondale came to Australia after visits to Thailand, the Philippines and Indonesia. He goes Tuesday to New Zealand, the last stop on his tour.

Prospectors still panning for gold

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than a century after the great rush west, the gold bug is still biting.

"A sort of old-fashioned gold fever seems to strike many people in the late spring and summer; requests for maps and reports that describe the known deposits of gold in the country — particularly in the West — mount rapidly," says a government geologist said.

But the experts say today's prospector is more likely hoping to pay for his vacation than to strike it rich. And officials at the U.S. Geological Survey say even paying for a vacation is unlikely for the beginner.

Frank Forrester, a survey spokesman, says a prospecting trip can be profitable in other ways, if not financially. There is, for example, the constant hope that each pan may contain some "pay dirt," he said.

"Few thrills can compare with that experienced when one sees even a few tiny flecks of gold glittering in the sand at the bottom of a pan," Forrester said.

But he noted that fewer than one in each thousand western prospectors has ever made a strike.

The pioneers who found most of the gold-bearing areas in the last century were experienced miners from Alabama and Georgia. At the peak of the rush, some 120,000 miners were crawling over the California foothills.

After the first rush, Chinese workers combed the ground for low-grade remains. During the Depression, itinerant miners worked the area, but only a small percentage could even support themselves.

While commercial mining has mostly given way to large-scale mechanized operations, Forrester said there is still a chance of success for the small prospector who carefully analyzes what he's up against.

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Typical homebuyer declared a myth

WASHINGTON (AP) — There isn't any "typical" homebuyer and the belief that most houses are bought by wealthy middle-aged people is a myth, the nation's largest group of mortgage lenders said today.

"In spite of more than a decade of excessive inflation, Americans are buying homes in record numbers," said Joseph P. Benedict, vice president of the United States League of Savings Associations.

Benedict's comments came as the league, which represents many of the nation's savings and loan associations, released a study of 8,500 mortgage loans made last year across the

country. Most home buyers, 60 percent, are between the ages of 25 and 39, according to the report, and 12 percent are younger than 25.

The survey termed "somewhat surprising" the disclosure that 17 percent of homebuyers are single, and 4 percent are single couples.

"One reason so many young people are buying homes can be found in the fact that 55 percent of all homebuyers between the ages of 25 and 30 are either single individuals or young marrieds without children. These young homebuyers have relatively few demands on their incomes — and consequently are buying homes," Benedict said.

The absence of children may free both marriage partners to work.

Under a plan worked out over several months, Supreme Court justices from Brooklyn, the Bronx and Queens would take the bench one at a time today to accept guilty pleas to the crimes committed in their jurisdictions.

The proposal for the unusual courtroom procedures — secret for three months until details were leaked to the press last week — could only be employed if Berkowitz exercised his oft-stated intention to reject his attorneys' insanity defense and plead guilty.

Berkowitz's attorneys and members of his family have frequently noted his instability, as have some of the psychiatrists who examined him since his arrest last August.

The 24-year-old former postal clerk from Yonkers is accused of killing six people and wounding seven others with a .44-caliber revolver. "Son of Sam" was the name the killer adopted in signed letters to the press and police.

Last year, the defendant demanded a trial so he could warn the world about the demons and promised he would "have a lot to say." Ber-

kowitz also has said he wanted to plead guilty to add credibility to his warnings about the demons.

On tape recordings played at Berkowitz's first competency hearing, the suspect was heard telling a psychiatrist that he committed the killings to satisfy the desires of blood-thirsty demons that continually haunted him.

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War wreckage prized by island's residents

By Hugh A. Mulligan

GUADALCANAL, Solomon Islands (AP) — Maybe they haven't got the word yet, but Neil Armstrong and Muhammad Ali are invited to attend the Solomon Islands independence celebration on July 7.

The invitations were sent out by Fred and Sam Kona, who collect shot down World War II planes for a hobby. Like most Solomon Islanders, they have a thing about the moon and fighting and Americans in general, and they think Armstrong and Ali are the greatest.

The word apparently hasn't reached here yet that Ali's greatness suffered a temporary setback at the fists of Leon Spinks, but the Islanders are historically hardened to setbacks.

The first major land battle of the Pacific War was fought here 35 years ago, and on Guadalcanal today World War II is the main tourist attraction. In fact, the only tourist attraction.

The island's three hotels advertise "snorkeling over sunken wartime planes" and "glass bottom boat cruises to Iron Bottom Sound and shot down F4P plane."

Professional divers regularly work the more than 270 sunken ships, many of them American, lying in Iron Bottom Sound between Guadalcanal and Savo Island. Here in August 1942, one of the most furious sea battles ever fought inflicted crushing losses on the Allies, who were trapped in the narrow channel by the Japanese fleet.

The war is everywhere on Guadalcanal, as real as the brilliant butterflies flitting over the battlefields and the flame trees blossoming along the gravel roads. The plane lands at Henderson Field, the strip so many U.S. Marines died to defend from Bloody Ridge, now a coconut plantation run by the Lever soap people. You pass the old bamboo control tower on the way into town, crossing over a Bailey bridge thrown up by the Marines and probably the only wartime one still in use.

Just up the beach from the hotel is a rusting Liberty ship, encrusted with coral. The houses across the street have old Japanese anti-aircraft guns and U.S. artillery pieces for lawn decorations, the way other places go in for grottos or iron jockeys holding lamps.

Islanders use old strips of runway mats to enclose their gardens and fence in pastures.

A new Holy Cross cathedral is going up to replace the Quonset hut that has served the island's Catholic population since the Americans left, but the Australian padre has no intention of replacing the polished brass 155mm howitzer shells that serve as flower vases on the main altar.

"Very decorative, very economical — the rain forest is full of them — and very appropriate for our folk Mass," the priest explained.

The forest is also full of shot down planes with palm trees growing up through the wreckage, many of them on inaccessible mountain crags, nesting places for Minah birds.

Fred Kona, the older of the brothers, began collecting shot-down planes in his backyard when Marine veterans organizations started making pilgrimages back to Guadalcanal in the early 1950s.

Now his private museum, admission two Solomon Island dollars (about \$2.30), has a separate Japanese wing to accommodate the numbers of Japanese war widows and orphans coming back to visit the deathplace of their husbands and fathers.

Paul Dunks, manager of the Hibiscus Hotel, who expects 30 U.S. Marine vets for the independence blast, took us to Bloody Ridge, also called Edson's Ridge. Here from August 7,



1942, to Feb. 9, 1943, an outnumbered Marine detachment under Col. Merritt A. Edson, withstood repeated suicidal counterattacks to retake Henderson field by Japanese forces under the command of Maj. Gen. Kiyotake Kawaguchi. A stone column among the soap firm's coconut trees described the bloody battle, but Paul isn't sure it's on the right ridge.

"My uncle fought here and he said it should be the next ridge over," Paul said, looking across the placid green hills that still run red with rust when it rains, as if in reprisal of the blood spilled here.

To meet the growing demand of war tourism, Dunks' hotel group is building a hotel on New Georgia island. He had never heard of Roger Young or the Burl Ives song that made the island more or less famous during World War II. A Boston anthropologist and I sang it for him: "On the island of New Georgia in the Solomons, Stands a simple wooden cross alone to tell That beneath the quiet coral of the Solomons, Sleeps a man, Sleeps a man, Remembered well: Roger Young, Roger Young, Fought and died." For the men he marched among.

He wanted it on tape, because Americans are popular here and have been since the war. The Japanese are tolerated, even forgiven, but not so the Australians, who with great bravery, helped drive the enemy from the Solomons.

A hundred years ago Australian labor recruiters, known as "blackbirders," came to the Solomons and recruited 29,000 islanders to work the sugar plantations of Fiji and Queensland. Less than half of them ever returned.

It's strange and revealing that these good natured islanders can forgive and forget an enemy whose invasion decimated the ir homeland in a great war only a few decades past but the memory of a indignity to the humanity of their forefathers more than a century ago lives on longer than the rusting wrecks.

'Sgt. Preston' now battling paper work

CARLSBAD, Calif.

(AP) — Sgt. Preston of the Yukon is not fighting the bad guys in the deep snows of the Arctic anymore. He is busier with paperwork and planning for a trailer park.

But Dick Simmons still looks like the famous Mountie, even down to the pencil-thin mustache.

The 60-year-old Simmons runs Rancho Carlsbad, a 168-acre mobile home country club near this San Diego beach city, looking after a myriad of recreational facilities and planning activities for the 850 residents, most of whom are retired.

He has not been in front of a camera in years, but says he still gets offers. "I had recent offers that involved several months shooting in Europe, but couldn't get away from the rancho."

From 1955 to 1958, when the television show was canceled, Preston served the Royal Canadian Mounted Police by relentlessly pursuing the

bad guys across the snow-covered reaches of northwest Canada with the help of his dog, Yukon King. Actually, said Simmons, there were several Kings.

"One dog could do only a few things, so we'd use several for any one sequence."

Location shooting was done near Aspen, Colo., in temperatures as low as 40 degrees below zero.

Simmons got into movies by chance. After college, where he took Army officer training, he joined the cavalry, eventually flying transports in the Air Corps.

"I was flying for an airline after the war and was on vacation in Palm Springs where I met Louis B. Mayer," he said. "We went to lunch one afternoon and he offered me a (movie) contract. It paid well, so I took it."

A number of films followed, with people such as Esther Williams and Robert Montgomery. For 14 years, he interviewed stars on TV's "MGM Report," then became Sgt. Preston.

Now, 20 years later, reruns of the show are still being shown and it has been dubbed into a score of languages. Simmons says he once caught the show in a Tokyo Hotel. "I wanted to hear King bark in Japanese," he said.

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Chip, wife in Australia

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — President Carter's son, Chip, is in Australia to represent his father at Australia-America Week celebrations.

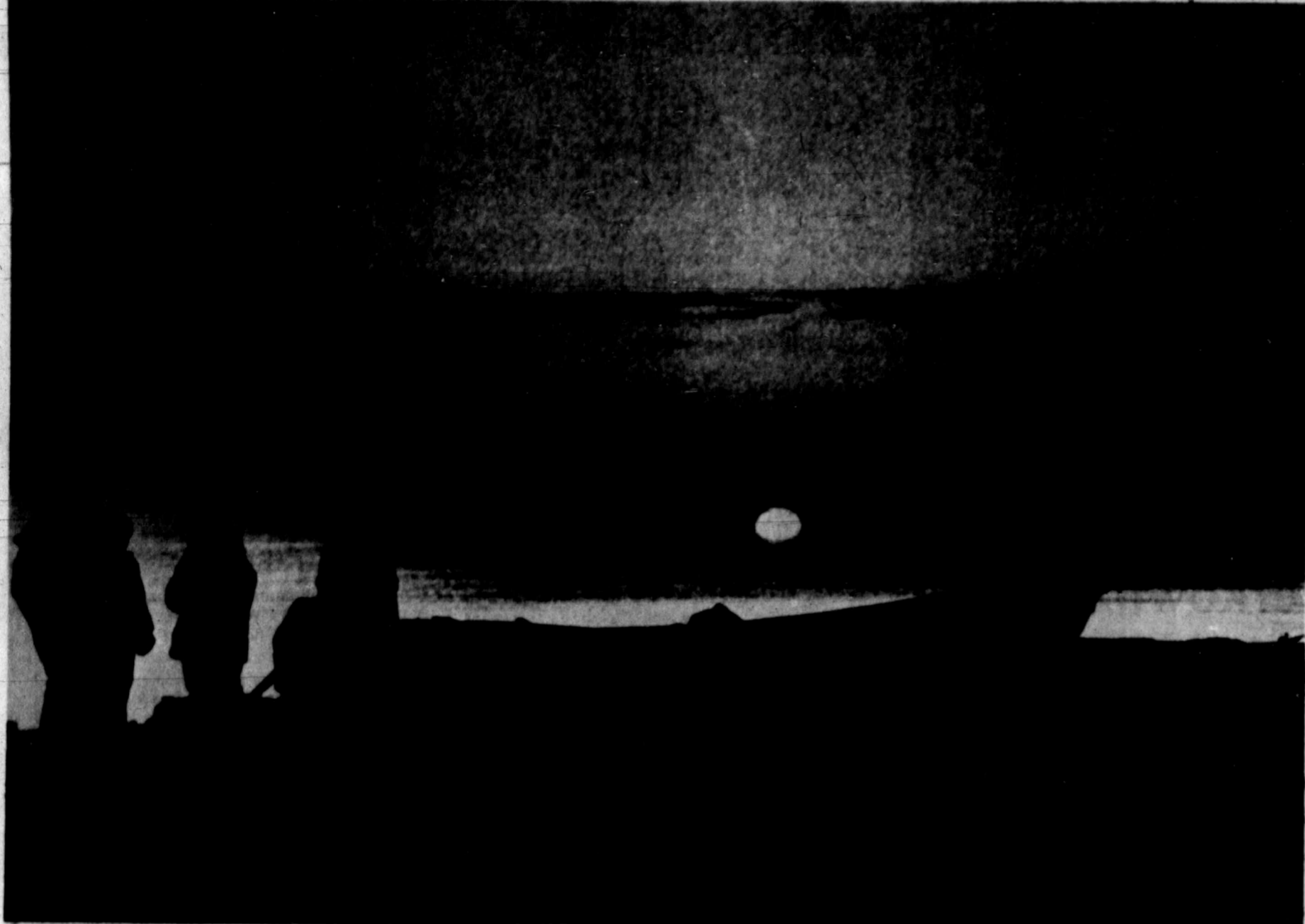
Carter, 28, and his wife, Caron, traveled economy class across the Pacific. "It's cheaper for the government," Carter said, adding that it was in line with his father's economy campaign.

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AS THE SUN dips into the Arctic Ocean a few minutes after midnight, the last whaling crew on the Arctic ice watches for the bowhead. The rest of more than 30 whaling crews had towed their skin boats home after their senior captains pleaded with them to avoid a confrontation with federal agents who had accused the Eskimos of violating whale quota laws. (AP Laserphoto)

GSA's leasing practices questioned

By BILL DRUMMOND
The Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — A lease for a three-bedroom house normally is of slight concern to the General Services Administration. The GSA, the U.S. government's landlord agency, annually leases 90.5 million square feet of space all over the country for government use, at a cost of \$400 million.

However, the GSA seemed remarkably generous in the \$8,000-a-year lease it signed recently on a house in Plains, Ga., near President Carter's residence.

The GSA leased the house of Carter's nearest neighbors for the Secret Service under terms that could give its owners, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gnann, a handsome profit.

The Gnanns' 2,024-square-foot house and garage sit on two acres of land that adjoin the Carter home at 1 Woodland Drive. The property was sold to the Gnanns in 1975 for \$23,750, Robert K. Ledbetter, the former owner, said.

The U.S. government is leasing the Gnann house for \$666 a month under an Oct. 1, 1977, contract that could give Gnann \$80,000 over its 10-year life, although it can be terminated on 90 days' notice, the GSA said.

Except where a government facility is already nearby, the GSA regularly has leased property in areas where presidents and former presidents spend time.

At San Clemente, the government has been able to make use of a nearby Coast Guard facility for the Secret Service agents detailed to protect former President Nixon. But at Key Biscayne, Fla., the GSA rented two houses, at more than \$1,000 a month each. One of the lessors was Nixon friend Robert Abplanalp, president of the Precision Valve Corp.

Former President Ford's Secret Service detail and his office are to be housed in a leased 4,505-square-foot facility in Rancho Mirage, Calif., next to Ford's new home. Annual rental: \$79,532, a GSA spokesman said.

The decision to lease the Gnann property is noteworthy in other respects:

—In his first 15 months in office, Carter spent only about 13 days at his Plains residence. Before leasing the house, Secret Service personnel had been using mobile homes parked off Woodland Drive.

—An official in the Sumter County, Ga., tax assessor's office told the Los Angeles Times that the market value of the Gnann house today is \$30,000 to \$35,000. If this is true, the monthly rent should be no more than \$437.59 under provisions of the Economy Act of 1951. The act limits to no more than 15 percent of the appraised fair market value of the property the annual rental rate that the government may pay.

If the tax assessor's estimate is accurate, the GSA paid too much by 52 percent. Former owner Ledbetter said that \$250 a month would be a fair rental for the house.

The GSA apparently was not a particularly tight-fisted negotiator of the lease. James Dalton, a local real estate agent, said he believes that was because "Ralph Gnann had 'em. He didn't have to lease the house."

Gnann declined to discuss the lease.

In microcosm, the Gnann lease illustrates the problems in GSA leasing practices that have drawn fire this year from the comptroller general of the United States, the congressional watchdog on federal spending practices. The General Accounting Office last January told Congress that it had found "various deficiencies" in GSA practices.

"These deficiencies involved some of the major functions General Services performs in acquiring and administering leased space," the GAO report said.

In addition to failing, in some cases, to comply with the Economy Act, the GSA was accused of avoiding the requirement for congressional authorization of major leases, of leasing more space than required, of inadequately considering some offers and

of signing leases without sufficient competition.

The Gnann house is unusual, because there is no other residence in the immediate area, though there is plentiful vacant land nearby. In most cities where federal offices are leased, there are many suitable buildings.

Nevertheless, the GSA undertakes almost all of its leasing under so-called "negotiated procurement" conditions that differ from straight, advertised sealed-bid competition. Wide-open competition in low bidding would be impossible, the agency says, because no two buildings are the same.

The sums involved are large. In Washington, D.C., the largest lease GSA has undertaken is with David Nassif Associates for a building to house the Department of Transportation. Cost: \$5.8 million a year.

In Los Angeles, the government is renting \$762,902 worth of space per year in the Los Angeles World Trade Center. In San Francisco, GSA has a contract with C and C Investments to rent space at 211 Main St. The annual rental is \$3 million.

The GAO listed several examples of questionable leases:

—The GSA rented a parking garage in Pittsburgh three times larger than the space needed. After two years of occupancy, only 84 of the approximately 224 excess parking spaces were being used, at a cost to taxpayers of \$63,000 a year for unassigned parking spaces.

—Since 1965, the government has been paying for all the electricity in the Matomic Building in Washington, D.C., even though a private commercial parking lot has been consuming electricity from the building. The GAO estimated that the government had paid about \$39,000 in electricity bills for the garage operator over a five-year period.

—In four major leases, the GSA did not negotiate adequate rent reductions in exchange for assuming the cost of utilities and services. Cost to taxpayers: \$767,000 a year.

Robert Bogardus, deputy commissioner of the GSA Public Building Service, said that the agency usually advertises its space needs and may receive from 5 to 50 offers, depending on the size of the city area in which the government is interested in locating. The smaller the area, the fewer the offers.

The government accepts the "lowest responsive offer," Bogardus said, and this may not be the absolute lowest price.

Because buildings differ in quality, low-bidders sometimes are offering unsuitable premises, Bogardus said.

However, the General Accounting Office report said that GSA practices tend to limit competition because the agency often deals with only one prospective lessor.

The GAO said that it had reviewed 65 recent new leases and 43 lease extensions and renewals and found that 55 percent of the new leases and 96 percent of the extensions and renewals involved negotiations with only one prospective lessor.

The result was that in one-lessee situations, the negotiated rent exceeds the GSA appraisal of a fair annual rent on 33 percent of the new lease awards and 20 percent of the extensions and renewals, the GAO said.

Concerning the Gnann lease, GSA headquarters in Washington and the regional office in Atlanta both disputed the Sumpter County tax assessor's office in its estimate of the house's market value at \$30,000 to \$35,000. "Our opinion is that it is a fair rental to pay for what we are getting," a spokesman here said.

A Secret Service spokesman in Washington said that an independent

appraiser was used to compute the value of the Gnann house. The appraiser arrived at a value of \$76,000, which would allow a monthly rental of \$950 a month, the spokesman said.

Both the former owner of the property and local real estate brokers dispute the government's estimate of the property's value. They say that Plains property went through a boom period shortly after Carter's election, when there was much speculative buying. Since then, interest has begun to flag, they said, and property values have been returning to normal.

Ledbetter, vice president of Jones Piping, Inc., said he bought the Woodland Drive house in 1971 for about \$15,000. At that time, the county tax assessor's office estimated the value of the house at \$13,900, county tax records show.

Ledbetter said he remodeled the house, installing central heating, propane gas and air conditioning before selling to the Gnanns in October, 1975, for \$23,750.

The only improvements the Gnanns have made in the property have been a paint job, a new garage roof and some work on the kitchen, Ledbetter said.

Real estate broker Ray Baldwin of the Baldwin Agency in Americus, Ga., called the \$666 monthly rental "uncommon and outrageous," but said that the nearness to the Carter residence made the Gnann home valuable for possible commercial exploitation.

"Ralph Gnann could have leased it to a private concern to capitalize on President Carter," Baldwin said.

However, the city fathers of Plains have taken a firm hand against rezoning the residence in the area for commercial purposes, according to real estate broker Dalton. As a result, a number of speculators have been caught holding residential property bought at inflated prices. "There has been a lack of progressiveness on the part of the city government," Dalton said.

"In my estimation," he added, "you could go to Plains now and buy property for less than you could before Jimmy was elected."

The GAO recommended that the GSA tighten up its procedures by ensuring maximum competition in leasing awards and by clarifying procedures to comply with the Economy Act.

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TIPPING A BEER Sunday at an Australia-America Week barbecue in Sydney, Australia, is Chip Carter. Before sipping the brew, the son of President Carter said "Uncle Billy told me to drink plenty of this down here." (AP Laserphoto)

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WINNERS OF THE West Texas Iris Society spring show include, left to right, Mrs. C. D. Bradley, Wilkinson Memorial Trophy; Mrs. W. C. Putnam,

artistic sweepstakes; Mrs. Joe D. Eads, horticulture sweepstakes winner, and Maria Spencer, best artistic arrangement. (Staff Photo)

Our children: School comes before sports

By DR. WILLARD ABRAHAM
Copley News Service

Q. My husband lives, breathes, talks and even sleeps golf (talking about it in his dreams, I guess). That's all bad enough, but he insists that our sons share his enthusiasm, even to the point of having it replace schoolwork. In fact, when there is a tournament during the school day he insists on their participating in it.

Neither one of them is a particularly good student, so this practice is creating problems for them.

I think this is all kind of sick, and I tell him that. His reply is to walk out and slam the door.

A. He obviously needs help toward creating some balance in his life, and to preserve it in theirs.

A time and place for sports and other nonschool activities are important, of course, but a child's "job" is school. It is just as important to him or her as adults' jobs are to their parents.

Does your husband find time for his own work — or does golf have a higher priority there, too?

Q. My daughter is so worried because all of her friends are begun to menstruate, but she hasn't. She is 15 years old.

She shows other physical signs of maturing, but not this one.

I'll have to admit that I'm concerned too.

A. Through a physical examination your doctor can tell you whether there is any reason for you to worry.

It is not unusual for a girl not to menstruate until she is 16 years old.

Your reassurance and the explanation that people mature at different rates may be all that you need at present.

Q. I just discovered a marvelous book for parents, and I can't resist sharing it with others. It is called "The Sense of Wonder," written by Rachel Carson.

After reading her other books like "Silent Spring" and "The Sea Around Us," it was such a surprise to read this sensitive approach to childhood.

A. This beautiful book is based on a widely read magazine article of hers entitled "Help Your Child to Wonder." The book, with its delightful pictures and practical advice, was released after she died.

Parents and other adults usually have a difficult time seeing through the eyes of children.

After all, we were youngsters such a long time ago and families and communities were so different then.

I hope other parents will look up this Carson book. I'm sure most of them will agree with you.



Yolanda Jones

Yolanda Jones given crown

Yolanda Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jones, was crowned sweetheart at a sweetheart contest sponsored by the Midland Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The contest was held to benefit the sorority's scholarship fund. Other contestants were Dena Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenza Johnson; Armentha Kay Redman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Singletary, and DeShun Whitten, daughter of Mrs. Beverly Whitten.

SENIOR PARTIES

Suzi Graham, senior student at Lee High School, was the honoree at a punch party given by Mrs. Decker Dawson in her home at 2000 Winfield St.

Miss Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Graham, plans to attend Texas Tech University.

Wendi Stovall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stovall, was honored with a punch party in the home of Mrs. Edwin White, No. 7 Saddle Club Drive.

Miss Stovall, graduating senior at Lee High School, will attend Angelo State University.

DEAR ABBY

Speakers 'sick with fright' can overcome their shyness

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: The woman signed SICK WITH FRIGHT reminded me of myself not too long ago. I too was afraid to open my mouth in a group because I felt I had nothing important to say.

At age 43, I went back to college and earned a degree in accounting, but I was too shy and self-conscious to stand up and talk in front of a group. Then I joined Toastmasters Club 990 of TRW where I was employed—and still am. Three years later I was elected president of the club!

The first six times I stood before an audience (of only 20), I shook like a leaf. Today, I am calm and enjoy it!

Toastmasters is a club where we learn how to listen, think and speak better. There is a Toastmasters Club in nearly every city. Tell SICK WITH FRIGHT to look in the yellow pages of her phone book, or call the Chamber of Commerce. I know she can overcome her fright. If I did it, she can.—EVY IN HAWTHORNE, CALIF.

DEAR EVY: I know you're right. Some of the best speakers I've ever heard were once "sick with fright" but overcame it—thanks to Toastmasters.

DEAR ABBY: Why is it that brides-to-be can write hundreds of invitations and wedding announcements to people they scarcely know, but after the wedding they can't write a simple thank you note for the gift?

This has happened to me so often lately I am about ready to stop buying gifts.

You have a booklet on "How To Have a Lovely Wedding." How about writing one on what to do afterwards?—L. S. IN BOONE, IOWA

DEAR L.: I have. It's "How To Write Letters For All Occasions."

DEAR ABBY: Last summer I read a very moving article in your column about a 17-year-old boy who

had been killed in a car accident due to his own reckless driving. It made a deep impression on me. Little did I know that we would lose our 18-year-old son in a car accident soon after. If this letter saves one life it will be worth writing.

Our son wasn't driving Mother's or Father's car he was walking home from a party with a friend. A car stopped and the driver, a 19-year-old boy, offered the boys a ride home. They happily accepted.

The driver started to speed and the police took out after him. He refused to stop. Finally he struck a tree and his car was severed in half!

Our son was killed instantly and his friend died three days later without regaining consciousness. The driver survived with minor injuries. This happened only half a mile from our home.

We later learned that the driver of the car was on probation and the car was stolen, so he was afraid to stop. No alcohol was involved. And yes, Abby, he was our only son.—LONELY IN JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR LONELY: There is a valuable lesson to be learned here. Never accept a ride just because it's offered.

Sorority schedules coffee, discussion

The Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Association will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday for a coffee and discussion of rush at the various colleges and universities.

The meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Jerry Metz, No. 4

May Day garden party held

Volunteers for Visual Aids Newsmobile had a May Day garden luncheon for the clients of VAN at the home of Mayme Martin, 2008 Princeton St.

Plant centerpieces furnished by Mrs. Fred Forward were delivered to guests as special prizes. They were Zora Bradshaw of Leisure Lodge, Mary Whitman of Hillcrest Manor, Ethel

Vandeling, Lula Martin and Nellie Dodson of Trinity Towers, Dora Simmons of Midland Care Center and Alts Maire Reddoch of Westgate Manor.

Lorraine Dimney, a fully-trained blind per-

son, was a special guest. She has volunteered her services. She and Mrs. Martin will assist people in their own homes to adjust to their surroundings.

HOROSCOPE

By CARROLL RUGHTER

GENERAL TENDENCIES: (Tues. May 9) There is likely to be a mysterious situation you are confronted with today, so make a point to examine all facts and figures in all your business dealings. Be alert to all activities.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You have an important idea which needs more study and clarification before it can work successfully for you. Relax at home tonight.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) A financial expert can give you money-saving advice if you contact this person early in the day. Don't neglect an important bill.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Take steps to improve your appearance so that you make a fine impression on others and give your aims more reality.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You have fine creative ideas now and you should put them in operation without delay. Take no chances with the law.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Know what it is that associates expect of you and then do your best to please them. Show more devotion to the one you love.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Confer with a higherup who can help you make the most of your abilities. Study all angles of a new project you have in mind.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make arrangements for a trip you have long wanted to take and which can bring excellent results. Put your affairs in fine order.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Discuss a controversial money matter quietly with an associate and reason will win out. Show others you have poise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Study a civic matter well so that you fully understand it. Avoid an opponent who could give you trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Show others that you can do your work in an exact manner while under pressure. Take treatments to improve your health.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Make plans to engage in activities today that will give you the most pleasure and satisfaction. Strive for increased happiness.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Try to make conditions at home more pleasant. Study personal aims that are vital to your happiness and go after them sensibly.

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DEATHS

U. J. Hicks

SEAGRAVES — Services for U. J. Hicks, 92, brother of Mrs. John Dunagan of Midland, were to be at 4 p.m. today in Connally Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry Heald of Abilene officiating. Burial was to follow in Seagraves Cemetery.

Hicks died at his home Friday evening after a lengthy illness.

Hicks had been a resident of Gaines County. He moved here in 1909 from Scurry County. He married Eliza Margarette Smith in 1923 in Bronte. She died in 1943. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Southern Baptist Church.

Other survivors include a daughter, a son, three sisters, three brothers, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Robert Smith

HOUSTON — Services for Robert Dean Smith, 42, of Houston, son of W. S. Smith of Big Spring, were to be at 10:30 a.m. today in Forest Park Westheimer Funeral Home here.

Burial was to be in Forest Park Westheimer Cemetery.

Smith died Friday in Houston of an apparent heart attack.

A Kansas City, Kan., native, he had lived in Houston the past 16 years. He was a former Lubbock resident. He worked for Donald R. Brewer Enterprises.

Other survivors include his wife, a daughter, a son and a sister.

David White

STANTON — David Milton Oliver White, 63, of Stanton died Sunday afternoon in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church of Stanton with burial in Evergreen Cemetery directed by Gilbreath Funeral Home.

White was born Jan. 19, 1915, at Douglasville, Ga. He had lived in Stanton the past 42 years. He was a veteran of World War II. He was married on May 15, 1944, to Lavelle Simon at Stanton. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Richard K. White of Stanton; a daughter, Mrs. Walter Taylor of Stanton; two brothers, George Walter White of Columbus, Ga., and Eddie M. White of Lovington, N.M., and four grandchildren.

Woodrow Wilson

COLORADO CITY — Woodrow Wilson Sr., 64, of Colorado City, father of Gail Pardue of Stanton, died Saturday in a Colorado City hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Oak Street Baptist Church. Burial was to be in Colorado City Cemetery directed by Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Wilson was born June 1, 1913, in Loraine and had lived in Mitchell County most of his life. He was a retired grocer. He married Gertie Williams April 18, 1947, in Levelland. Wilson was a U.S. Naval veteran of World War II. He was a deacon of the Oak Street Baptist Church.

Survivors also include his wife, another daughter, two sons, two sisters, a brother, four grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

The family has requested memorials be made to the respiratory therapy department of Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City.

Bailey White

LAMESA — Services for Bailey Weldon White, 70, of Lamesa were to be at 3 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church here with the Rev. Bill Hurdage, pastor, and the Rev. Billy Bush, pastor of the Northside Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was to be in Lamesa Memorial Park directed by Branon Funeral Home.

White died Sunday in a Lamesa hospital.

He moved to Dawson County in 1920 from Stonewall County where he was born. He was a longtime member of the Baptist church. White married Thelma Deaton April 30, 1936, in Tahoka.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Roger Newbrough of Lamesa; three sons, Weldon White, Don White and Dennis White, all of Lamesa; two sisters, Mrs. John Banta and Mrs. Russell Martin, both of Lamesa; a brother, Teaver White of Hermleigh, and 12 grandchildren.

James Hansen

NEW ORLEANS — James P. "Pete" Hansen, 50, of New Orleans, brother of John F. Hansen of Midland,

died early today in a New Orleans hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services are pending at a New Orleans funeral home.

Other survivors include his wife, two daughters and a grandson.

Robert Meeks

CRANE — Services for Robert Ray Meeks, 63, of Crane, were to be at 10 a.m. today in Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home here with burial in Crane Garden of Memories.

Meeks died Friday evening in a Crane hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 9, 1914, in Merkel. He was married to Odene Bennett June 6, 1938, in Merkel. She died in 1967. He was a driller. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Dena Ray Oldham of Odessa and Peggy Tarpley of Crane; two sons, Ricky Meeks of Crane and Robert Randall Meeks of Odessa; two sisters, Josie Brooks of Merkel and Birdie Pippin of Trent; five brothers, Lee Meeks of Italy, Texas, Charlie Meeks of Abilene, Other Meeks of Haskell, Henry Meeks of Bakersfield, Calif., and C. T. Meeks of Los Banos, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Bottle toss

leads to arrest

A 21-year-old Midlander was arrested Sunday afternoon after an officer reportedly observed him throwing something in to a southwest Midland yard.

That "something" turned out to be a small bottle, believed by the officer to contain a controlled drug, police said.

The investigating officer said he observed a motorcycle, allegedly without a required rear-view mirror, northbound on Midkiff. The motorcycle turned on to Delano Avenue and stopped. The officer reported seeing the driver of the motorcycle throw something into the yard where the motorcycle was stopped. A white pill bottle and two peach-colored pills were found in the yard, police said. Another four peach-colored pills were found in the yard next to where the motorcycle was stopped, the officer said.

Three arrested for alleged deal

Three persons, two men and a woman, were arrested Sunday after an officer observed a man exchanging "something from his pocket" for a green towel, police said.

An officer who was watching the Four Seasons, 3421 W. Wall Ave., reported that he observed a pickup with three occupants parked on the south side of the bar. Two of the men entered the bar and emerged a few minutes later with another man, police said.

One of the men reportedly removed a object wrapped in a green towel from another pickup and placed it on the floorboard of the first pickup, after which he was given something by the first two men, officers said.

The first pickup reportedly then left. As the observing officer attempted to call for another police unit to stop the first vehicle, a person approached him and asked why he was watching the bar. By the time he identified himself, the officer said, the first pickup had disappeared.

At that time, two men and a woman left the bar and got into the second pickup. Police said they stopped that vehicle in the 3400 block of Thomason Drive. Police found a large plastic bag containing a partial brick of a substance believed to be marijuana, officers said. Police also said they found a small jar believed to contain marijuana seeds and a small jar believed to contain marijuana.

Plane bombing plot aborted

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Lebanese military authorities have arrested a Palestinian guerrilla on suspicion of plotting with a Swiss woman to blow up a Middle East Airlines jetliner last week, a military prosecutor said today.

Prosecutor Assaad Germanos refused to disclose the identity of the arrested guerrilla or the suspect's organizational ties.

Security officers said it is likely that the woman took the bomb on board without knowing that the device was set to explode.



NEW OFFICERS of the Midland Jaycees for the coming year are, front from left, David Smith, financial vice president, and Lynn Williams, president, and, back from left, John Walker, administrative vice president, and Leo Riek, civic vice president. (Staff Photo)

Ethiopia offers training for South African rebels

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Ethiopia's government-controlled newspaper says Ethiopia has offered to train "fighters for freedom in South Africa," the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported today.

In a dispatch from Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, Tanjug also quoted the Ethiopian Herald as speaking of "the brutal aggression of the Vorster regime's racist forces on Angola" and adding: "Provocations against independent African states cannot be tolerated."

can government of Prime Minister John Vorster announced that its forces last Thursday raided bases of black South-West African guerrillas in Angola in retaliation for guerrilla attacks into South-West Africa. That South African-ruled territory lies between Angola and South Africa on Africa's west coast.

The guerrillas and Angola's Marxist government said the South Africans struck against civilians.

The Yugoslav agency quoted the Ethiopian Herald as saying that East African nation's Marxist government has undertaken "the obligation to train fighters for freedom in South Africa and offer other facilities."

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Fiesta leads to rioting

HOUSTON (AP) — Police patrolled a tense north side area today after thousands of Mexican-Americans rioted when police tried to break up a fight at a fiesta in a park.

Police reported shots fired, looting and arson in a 10-block area over a six-hour period Sunday night. A police car and a television mobile unit were burned. Two convenience stores were looted and a fire caused heavy damage to a bakery, variety store, and a laundry in a shopping center.

Twenty-two persons were arrested and about 15 others were injured. One policeman received a broken leg and two television reporters were hospitalized in satisfactory condition with stab wounds.

While more than 100 policemen were at the scene, all other officers were kept on standby alert more than eight hours.

"It was the good guys and the bad guys," said KPC-TV reporter Jack Cato, who was struck on the forehead with a brick and stabbed in the back. "One Latin American helped me get out and others were still throwing rocks at us."

The initial outbreak occurred as police sought to stop a fight in Moody Park, which is located in a predominantly Mexican-American community that has been upset since Joe Campos Torres, 23, died a year ago while in police custody.

"A couple of people got into a fight and some people jumped in," said State Rep. Ben Reyes. "When the police came, people reacted to their being there."

Police answering the initial call were pelted with rocks and bottles.

Four hours after the outbreak, police reported scattered looting and one store ablaze. They said no one was injured when several shots were fired from an apartment building. Police in riot gear escorted firemen into the area.

Police reported the situation under control at 3 a.m. today.

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