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## Cold weather end in sight


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was heading ono one but the pigeon and But the cooing bird, appearing ex.
hausted after untold hours of flight. nuggled up to the front screen door Garrett Paimer's place at 104 Monday a aternoon, when Pald
other, Marie Cooper, stepped o "He was just as close to the door a "He was huddled down in a knot," Her son, like just about every othe person in town, was watching tele
ised footbatt, when she took in the temporarily homeless cooer, placed
the bird in a cardboard box and fed it ornbread and water. grain. Feeding pigeens was not he eons was her son's hobby many II knew it belonged to soumebordy
omewhere," Palmer said. "It was young pigeon. Undoubtedly, he had
been in flight somewhere." He reck ing pigeon.
The bird had three bands - red,
俍 lettering and numbering on those
bands were PFA-78, P-838, 17-17,
at in the cold," Palmer said. "Ne her can my mother. She'd throw me The next morning, the thin an morning,

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Inside

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IN THE NEWS: Citrus growers in the Rio Grande Valley anxiously sit through another

LIFESTYLE: Women head major student engineering organizations

SPORTS: Alabama is named as national college football champions.

PEOPLE: Cuba's Raul Cas charging international brib-

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Weather
Partly cloudy and warmer hrough Thursday. Low tonight middle 20s. Details on Page 6A.
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TESCO still wants cut in usage

By LINDA HILL
R-T Staff Writer
Texas Electric Service Co. is con-
tinuing today to ask customers to hold and customers to cut back volunta yor electricity usage, although, a
cording to Midand District Manag
Winston Barclay $==2=$ by the ice storm and continuing cold
weather, had shut down erating, platats, and some some electricity being diverted to other areas.
TESCO President Bill Marquardt TESCO President Bill Marquardt
said in a prepared release that coma-
pany officials do not know how long pany officials do not know how long
the power shortage will last.
isWe do exist as long as this extreme cold weather lasts," Marquardt said.
Calls to major office buildings. Calls to major office buildings,
stores and industries in Midland Sores and industries in Midland
Tuesday indicated they are respond-
ing to the company's request ing to the company's request.
i.We ve lowered some thermostats and cut off some equipment we could
do without,", said Drilco Industrial do without,", said Dritco Industrial
Co. manufacturing manager Ken Evers.
Evers said brief interruptions
power Tuesday, which TESCO sail power Tuesday, which TESCO said
weree caused by icing on "galloping
-conductors" rather than the power shortage, had forced his compan
shut off some other equipment. Power surges caused by the mal-
function had made the equipment function had made the equipment
malfunction and some parts had to be scrapped, he said.
Although lasting only seconds, the power for computer users in the city.
lems Eagle Computing Co. reported a se-
ries of blown fuses, which put its resputers out of service briefly.
com In response to the TESCO request,
Dellwood Mall Shopping Center Tuesday was on "half power, except for the heat," according to Shirley Bar-
ragan, mall manager. ragan, mall manager,
The fountain wasturned off, and the
lights in the mall itself were reduced lights in the mali itself were reduced
to the level usuall 10 the level usually used at night.
Gibson Discount Center turned off lights and some heaters in its home
(Cont
County's employees get 10 percent pay hike


$\mathrm{E}=\mathrm{V}$ Iranians besiege California home
$\begin{aligned} & \text { An unidentified Iranian demonstrator } \\ & \text { bounces off the hood of a Los Angeles County }\end{aligned}$ demonstrations by Iranians outside the home
of the sister of the Shah of Iran. Several demonstrators were injured as hundreds

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 car. The protesters started at least adozen other fires on the hillsides
around the mansion, throwing placaround the mansion, throwing plac-
ards and dry bush onto the fires
while chant "Death ards and dry brush onto the hires
while chanting "Death to the shah."
"It was vilike a combat zone," sai. Bend residence, they began throwing rocks
and sticks at officers behind the
tates. They stormed the gate and and sticks at orficers behind the
gates. They stormed the gate and
broke the lock and continued throwing missiles at the officers. They
turned over a car in thé driveway and set it afire and became more and
more viotent." Some police officers dreW their pis-
tols during the disturbance, but no tols during the disturbance, but no
shots were fired. About 100 , sheriff's
deputies were called to aid Beverly Hills police.
The violence The violence followed a peaceful
march by about 2,000 persons through march by about ,000 persons through
this community about 10 miles west of
Los angeles. When the first marchers Los Angeles. When the first marchers
reached the $80-$-oot hill surrounding the princess' mansion, they broke
ranks and began throwing rocks and
bottles.

## Shah agrees to name council,

 will leave Iran for 'trip abroad'


Layton must stand trial for murder of Leo Ryan



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never occurred never occurred.
James Stephens, ${ }^{43,}$ a used car
salesman, said he saw three princisalesman, said he saw hree princi-
pals in the case emerge romm a Fort
Worth hotel two or three days before Worth hotel two or three days before
the defendant's arrest Aug. 20.
The trio included Davis' estranged wife Priscilla, 37, his chief accuser
David McCrory, 40 and karate in. structor Pat Burleson, 42 .
That is the conspiratorial triangle,
Communists put t
KUWAIT (AP) - The leftist Iraqi
government has executed 11 Commu- $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { tions coincided with the arrest of } \\ \text { eight members of the Central Com- }\end{array}\right)$ nists serving in the army, a Kuwait enittee of the Iraqi Communist Party,
newspaper reported today. $\begin{gathered}\text { newspaper reported today, } \\ \text { The independent As Siyassa quoted }\end{gathered} \begin{aligned} & \text { a minor partner in Iraq's coalition } \\ & \text { government that in dominated by the }\end{aligned}$ travellers from Baghdad as saying
the Communists were executed Dec 24 after being found guilty of conducting illegal political activity in the
army.
It was the second mass execution of Communist military perssonnel in
Iraq in six months. Twenty-one Iraqi soldiers were executed in June for
forming illegal political cells in the

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## WEATHER SUMMARY

Midland státistics
The weather elsewhere


## Extended forecasts

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Texas area forecasts


Ice still hampering travel in Basin


#### Abstract

  Border states forecasts   (Continued from Page 1A)  The weatherman was forecasting the airport by mid-afternoon Tues partly cloudy and warmer weather though Thursday, with the wight ent day, he noted. Through Thursday, with the high the high Thursday to reach into the mid- Conditens appear to be much bet- ter today. It was slippery early this high Thursday to reach into the mid- ter today, It was slippery early this dee 50s. Tonight's iow should be morning. but the runways are not around 25. Winds tonight are expected nearly as bad as yesterday When the around 25 . Winds tonight are expected nearning, as bat the rus yesterday. When the to blow from the south at 5 to 10 sun comes out today, everything mph. Meanwhile, cold temperatures con- should be back to normal. Banks tinued to slow down air traffice at the tinued to slow down air traffic at the airport. airport. There were no flight cancellations Tuesday night-or early today, though mest airlines oxperiented Through this morning, area cities continued to experience chilling temperatures accompanied by ice-crust- ed readss whieh made traveling diffi-


Carp now used to clean out canal
By Tom FENToN
GAMBAA, Canal I Zone (AP)
Thousands of
of chinese grass

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the canal liocks.
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 Midland firms cut use of electricity due to request

## (Continued from Page 1A)

## mprovement section, according to an assistant manager. "If you could see

 this place, youtd begin to wonder if People in the Midland National any reduction in temperature, although use of electricity in the heat-ing system was reduced, said building ing sssem was reducen, sut, she said,
manager Mary Mixon. But, by today a temperature drop would be
felt. Both there and at First National

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 wherw biologist said the arp also

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 down a one-mile-an-hour current of
silttess water for about 5 hours.,
Sanchez said. "We dont have condi-
tions like that here.".
The Panama Canal is an inland
fresh water system covering more fresh water system covering more
than 170 spuare miles.
It includes Gatun Lake, which It includes Gatun Lake, which
stretches about halfway across the
$50-$ mile-wide isthmus. The lake is 50 -mile-wide isthmus. The lake is 82
feet above sea level and drains Peet above sea level and drains
through the canal locks into both the
Caribbean and Pacific. Caribbean and Pacifici.
Some of the carp are expeted to be
lost through the locks while others will be eaten by precators. Sanchez
said that beginning in two or three said that beginning in two or three
years about 25,000
fish will be added annualy to replenish he he population.
Sanchez estimated the cost of the Sanchez estimated the cost of the
project so far at more than $\$ 1$ million. project so ara at more than $\$ 1$ milion.
But he pointed out that the cost of
copper sulphate has jumped to 50
cents a pound, while the fingerlings copper sulphate has jumped to 50
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cost 40 cents eache On that basis,
25,000 fish a year would cost $\$ 302500$ cost 40 cents each. On that basis,
25,000 fish a year would cost $\$ 332,500$
less than 625,000 pounds of the chemical,
The carp were hatched at a hatch-
eryin Arkansas where large tumbers eryin Arkansas where large tumblers
simulate natural spa wning condi-
tions simulate natural spawning condi-
tions. They were put aboard a tank
truck that was driven aboard a a t.S.
Air Force C-130 that was flown to the Air Force C-130
Canal Zone.


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| Citrus growers in the Valley said it |  |
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twenties and remained there for up to
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sojior or otilitiectes echoed the warning
and said the problem seven hours in iome some citrus for upowing to and said the problem was not a short-
areas of the Vas, but a transmission prob-
areary a.m., the mercury had been low enough, long freezes controls.
enough to damage the fruit.
Grow eflugerville, north of Austin
 would take up to a month or more to company said the shut-off was a safe
determine if there was damage to the ty precaution because of low Less than 10 per cent of the crop is $\begin{aligned} & \text { reading sin the gas lines. He said the } \\ & \text { cause of the low readings was un }\end{aligned}$
protected by artificial heating de- known.
With wind chill factor, it's colder than you think

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| ro were too warm te be true were | Mallory said of the chart. "There is no |
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| Weather Service at Midland Region |  |
| port said he is not sure how a cha <br> led the "wind-chill factor" | said. |
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## New layoffs announced

 by mayor of ClevelandDavid Mattison


## Police doublecheck Gacy home

| chicAGO (AP) - Investigators suburban home, site of the nation's worst mass murder of the century, has probably yielded its last body. has probably yielded its last body. However, authorities said Tuesday they will doublecheck the area with heat sensors to make sure they have unearthed all the skeletons buried at John Wayne Gacy's home, where the remains of 27 young males-have been uncovered. |
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Westside Lions Club to observe 25th anniversary with banquet


| General Clothing |
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## ELLIS FUNERAL HOME <br>  Lssss

Police investigate shooting incident
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shooting", was under invèstigation early today by
Grapevine police.
No one wat hurt, officers said.
In the incident on Texas 114 near the north en. In the incident on Texas 114 near the north en-
trance to the Dallas.-Fort Worth Airport and not far
from where two person were shot te death by a
sniper last month, at least one gunshot penetrated her rear window of an automobile, opolice sanetrated
Grapevine police first deseribed the incident as "a
niper" and later changed that to "a shooting,"
ccording to St St arry Betik sniper" and later changed tbat to "a shooting,"
accorring to get Larry Betik.
Betion said at at east one shot was fired through the
back window of a 1978 automobile from a pickup back window of a 1978 automobile from a pickup
truck that was driving beside it. He said officers do
not betieve the shooting had any connection with the
shooting deaths last month at nearby Irving of two persons.
Officers are not certain what type of weapon was used in the latest shooting and asked for assistance
of Texas Department of Pubbic Safety ballistics
officers. Happears that offieers found the a bullet in the automobile, Betik said.
On Dec..9, a s siper firing from an apparently
concealed position on an overpass on Texas 183 in nearby Irving, Texas ,shot and killed two per-
sons. No arrests have been made in connection with
the shootings although police in Dallas and Fort Worth questioned some persons..
The victims of the earrier shooting included Steven
Thomas Gaulden, 12 of Plano, Texas, and Raymond
Douglas Andrew, 43, of Arlingten, Texas. Douglas Andrew, 43, of Arlington, Texas.
officers said they could not .find any sort of
information linking the two victims and theorized information linking the two victims and theorized
they were victims of a sniper who was simply firing
at random vehicles on the busy road leading from at random vehicles on the busy road leading from
Dallast through Irving to tha airport
officers also discovered that a third vehicle was believed to have been struck by bunfire as it tpassed
through the area of the other two shootings near midnight Dec. 9 .
Irving police said bullets taken from the victims
and shell casings found on the overpass indicated

Archaeological Society sets January meeting
 Service co. Dave Dorchester said Dr. Frank Weir
President Dave be the speaker, bringing another outstanding
program. "Overview of Texas Highway Archaeology in 1977 ." "eir is supervising archaeologist for the Texas
Dr.
Highway Department. He resides at Austin. He received his master's degreee from The Uusversity of
Texas at Austin and his PhD. from Washhington State Texas at Austin and his PhD. from Washington State
University. He has had wide experience as an ar-
chaeologist, having worked in Texas. New Mexico. North Carolina and Washington, as well as in Spain and Northeastern Barkes and Arnold Som mers are among
Jime Bars who have brought interesting programs in others who have brought interesting programs in
recent months Dorchester said anyone interested in archaeology
is invited to attend society meetings held regularly
New diet for chickens cuts cholesterol in eggs BELLEVILLE, N.J. (AP) - A New Jersey phar
macologist has developed a dietary supplement for macolens he says will cut the cholesterol in eggs
chickens
they lay by more than 30 percent. they lay by more than 30 percent.
Dr. Samuel Klein, the inventor, Dr. Samuel Klein, the inventor, says the decreased
cholesterol level reduces the risk of heart attacks and high blood pressure for people who eat the
egg.
Klein received a patent last month after three Kein received a patent last month after three
years of testing the vegetable-based poultry-feed
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## City officials behind bars

CHICAGO (AP) - Eight Carpentersville officials, including the town
board president and manager, are in jail today for refusing to issue i1 sewer permits.
With "a bit of sadness and a great deal of reluctance," U.S. District Judge Frank Magarr Tuesday ordered orville Brettman, town board
president, manager George Shaw and six board members jailed indefinitely on contempt charges.
All eight brought suitcases to court, apparently anticipating a stint behind bars.
To emphasize his stand, Brettman said it was "like Davy Crocket going to the Alamo
He told McGarr:
Jail tond I McGarr: "People told him not to go and he got shot. I'll go to Brettman said if the 11 permits were granted sewage would begin
backing up into homes. He said the overflow would also pollute the near by Fox River. The dispute began in 1973. A contracting company building 200 homes
in Carpentersville went broke after the village ordered it to improve the sewer system. A bankruptcy court ordered the village to issue sewe permits so the final 11 homes in the development could be sold.
The village balked, and decided to appeal the ruling. To further complicate matters, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has banned new sewer hookups in Carpentersville until the area
treatment plant is upgraded, a spokesman said, adding that waiver treatment plant is upgraded, a spokesman said, adding that waiver
would be needed even though the board issued the-permits. McGarr, however, noted that the permit issue was decided at "several
levels of federal courts." He said the officials' attorney, Richard Husted levels of federal courts." He said the officials' attorney, Richard Husted
had promised him in November that the village would issue the permits if given time to ask for a stay from the U.S. Supreme Court. The Suprem Court rejected the request.
The judge accused the bo In a similar case in Michigan last weet on the promise. Buren Township board, near Detroit, weere jailed Thursdary and released
Friday for defying a judge's order to approve a sewer linkup for a moble Friday for defying a judge's order to approve a sewer linkup for a mobile-
home park. They were freed on recogniz
dered them released from jail.

New Yorker sues police on 'fingers'


Couple to begin animal shelter sentence

State capitol building has cosmetic surgery

 capitol press will be walking softer
when the 1979 Legislature begins Jan.
Visitors might not notice the
Visitors might not notice the
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90 - year-old pink granite statehouse. On the Senate side; construction
crews have built three committee
 "I don't think I can live through
another interim like this the llaimed Secretary of the Senate, Betty
king Sawdust and varnish fumes pene-
trated the rated the chamber this fall to the
point that Capitol point that Capitol guides declared the
Senate offl-limits to tour guides.
"The old Senate off-limits to tour guides.
"The old sound system just blew up
in our face,". Mrs. King said.
".It just shorted out It . It was held Latest ruling favors Abilene 'wets'

 disputed June 17 local option liquor $\begin{aligned} & \text { contest filed by "dry" forces. He said } \\ & \text { ef } 29.955 \text { votes cost }\end{aligned}$ cost during the June Retired State District Judge J.H
election, "11,557 were cast in favor of
the proposition and 11,428 were cast

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## Carter taking

 political risks, says Ham Jordan






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 980 election. He can give back half a $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { itically and administratively. } \\ & \text { To that end, the White House per *ill go on. }\end{aligned}$ "They are our appointees - the even a president, can have it both


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Producers potential project set
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Field areas gain testers

## Shaheen \& Son of Abilene No. 1-8 Bernice Williamson is to be drilled a

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miles southeast of Sonora miles southeast of Sonora. County, 2
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## SCHLEICHER TEST Delta Drilling Co

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troleum, Inc., of Midland No. 2 Delhi Jones is to be dritiled as a 6,900 -foo
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2,404 feet.

## Mexico jumps into sixth in production



Brown finals opener; wildcat projects slated


## National, union officials believe strike upcoming



| By LARRY BORTSTEIN <br> DENVER (AP) - National officials and local presidents of the 60,000 -member refinery workers union appear convinced there will be a strike against the oil industry when their two-year contracts expire at |
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| bargaining program. <br> THE UNION HAS put no specific | year instead of the-two-year agree |
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| price tag on the package it seeks, but in keeping with gains made by other |  |
| major unions in 1978 before Carter |  |
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| 11 or 12 percent, including major |  |
| gains in company-paid medical covefage. | $160$ |
| Although union locals negotiate in- |  |
| dividual contracts with the oil companies, they have voted Grospiron |  |
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| authority to call a national walkout. Roy Barnes, secretary-treasurer of |  |
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| OCAW Local 367, a Houston unit of 3,600 members, most of whom are employees of Shell, said there was a trong possibility Grospiron would | St |
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| 'I think there's an excellent chance," Barnes said in a telephone interview. He pointed out that OCAW doesn't have the tradition of the |  |
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| United Mine@Workers - 'no contracino work' - so we wouldn't necessarily go out at midnight on Jan. 7. We'll negotiate right down to the end if we |  |
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| nego we can get re | USA |
| Joe Campbell, secretary-treasurer | that the con |
| OCAW locals in Houston and one of the largest in the nation with 4,500 |  |
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| members, said, "I think there'll be strikes around the country." |  |
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| feel strikes hurt the workers too," said Campbell. "But we feel Carter's |  |
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| really turned his back on us." |  |
| BILLY PARHAM, secretary-trea--surer of Local 423, a Texaco unit with |  |
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| 3,600 workers in, Beaumont, Texas,said, "I think the' president's (Gro- |  |
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| (e) ${ }^{\text {spiron) going to take us out. It's as }}$ simple as that |  |
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| One president of a small local said |  |
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## Operators schedule <br> two Basin explorers

## improvements. "We're fighting an in justice and we must resist. We hav no choice," he said in a recent inter



Consumers
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MIAMI (AP) - There is no trace of
30 seamen who abandoned a burning
oil tanker for the stormy Caribbean,
but four men who stayed abooard for
another 2 thours survived, the Coast
Guard says.
At least one crew member drowned At least one crew member drowned
when the five who stayed aboard the
burning, 350-foot Master Michael plunged into the sea Tuesdiay morning
to swim for a passing ship.
U.S., Dutch and Jamaican aircraft and a Cuban navy patrol searched the
area,.about 180 miles south of Hiati,
until dark Tuesday. The earch of the
stormy waters, raked by 35 mph winds and 10-10ot swells, was to con
tinue today-
The four survivors, who are aboard
the ship lici headed for Venexueva,
told rescuers their shipmates were
forced into the rough seas Monday forced into the rough seas Monday
morning as the fire raged out of con-
troo. The tanker's life boats were des
troyed by an explosion, said Coas
Guard spokesman Ray Baker.

Today's opening stock market report

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## Treasury bonds

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Mutual funds assets shrink By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) - They were a phenomenon of
the soaring 60s, the same decade that sent a man to the moon. As sales rocketec, promoters spoke of a
new era in personal finance, an era that knew no new era in personal ninance, an era that knew no
limitations.
It hasn't turned out that way for the mutual funds, which pool the funds of many investors to buy a
diversified portfolio of stocks and bonds. one that few
amateur investors could put together themselves.
 lower except for a rather recent change of concept.
During the heady days, some of the newer funds propelled themselves on a fuel mixed of startling
performance and bigger promises. Some of them
doubled doubled investors
they'd do it again.
Concerned in a y year, and suggested of the old-line firms sought to warn that swift growth was not the sole goal of funds

- that security, dividends, management services
and the like counted too. Their voices weren't heard.
How could they with the noise so great! Stocks were soaring. The public clamored to get into the
market. And young portfio managers - the new
breed". But the stock market turned sour, and the public
soured on funds - indeed, on stocks in general soured on funds - indeed, on stocks in general. The
days of sensational performance were over. Inves-
tors sold fund shares and put their money in the bank.
So su
So So suddenly did the lase image evaporate that
some funds were unable immediately to redeem the
shares of disenchanted investors. Performanceinstead.
The truth sank into the public consciousness that show business had no place in securities, a view held
also by the Seurities and Exchane Commission,
which regulates the securities markets. The public realized, often too late, that many of the
big performers hand tony anotion how to handle a declining market, and that many of the fund's
biggest performers now became the biggest losers. mean many things: Hard-working pros with a deep
public concern; or on other funds, a board made up public concern; or on other funds, a board made up
of big-name, no-work figureheads
The public learned some of the devious techniques too, such as buying popular stocks just before quar-
teriy report time, the window-dressing being aimed
at in impressing shareholders but adding little to profThe industry survived. In fact, some funds contin-
ued to trrive as they had for years before: they still
enjoy the trust of the public and probably will ued to thrive, as they had ior years before; they still
enjoy the tust of the public and probably will
continue to do so through high markets and low. But much of the damage hasn't yet been repaired,
even though the Investment Company Institete,
which represents most of the industryy continues to speak in terms of new records and accomplish-
ments.
Reminiscent of the of the 1960s, it issued a year-end statement that mutual funds last year had the
highest net inflow of cash in their history, a total
estimated at $\$ 5.2$ billion estimated at s.i. bilion
"The new record reflects the broad appeal to
investors of the wide variety of mutual funds which now exist," said David Silver, president of the
institute.
But the institute must have nonown the statement was something of an exaggeration. Exclude moneyy-
market funds and the industry actually had a net Such funds, a recent innovation in which share-
holder money is invested in high.interest securities,
such as government debt and commercial paper, rather than in stocks, brought in $\$ 6$ bil changes proposed by Janet Staihar WASHINGTON (AP) - Saying many consumers
don't have sufficient information on how to buy life
insurance, a House subcommittee Tuesday urged insurance, a House subcommittee Tuesday urged
states to require agents to furnish clear and concise
buyers' guides to prospective customers. "Americans spend well over sone binlion a year on
individual life insurance policies," said a report prepared by the House Commerece, subbommittee o
oversight and investigations, headed by Rep. Joh oversight and inve
E. Moss, D-Calif.
 Slow and reticent in devetoping reguations intend
ed to increase information about buying life insur
ance. "Significant consumer loss occurs because many apparently do not purchasse life ife insuraune
products on the basis of suitability, quality and The American Council of Life Insurance called the
subcommittee's conclusions "sweeping generaliza-
tions which are unsupported by the realities." of the tions which are unsupported by the realities" of the
marketplace. The council represents 90 percent of
U.S. life insurance companies. In addition to a buyers' guide for consumers, the
subcommittee said,
provites should require that agents provide summaries containing essential data about
the partitular poilict the purchaser is considering.
The panel said the following information should be
ind included
How many years the policy would have to be hel
before the policheolde could surrender it withoul before the policyholder could surrender it withou
suffering a financial loss.
How the polity benefits would compare with a
alternate plan consisting of term insurance and -How the policy benents would compare wind
alternate plan consisting of term insurance and
separate savings account. "Most purchasers don't realize what is at stake
and as a consenuenee, , buy from whichever agen
contacts them first,", said the report. "Agents per
form a valuable service but consumers shouldd" form a valuable service but consumers shouldn'
have to accept agent recommendations on blin
faith."
Walter Bussewitz, a spokesman for the life insur ance councill, siaid, the in induststran has long life supported
state regulation that would provide consumers with
sta all the information needed to make inteltigen
choices. "That support so far has resulted in
states adopting this kind of regulation," he said. "We agree that some consumer losses take place as a result of poor choice making between competing
policies with different costs," Bussewitz added.
We do poincies with different coter,
We do net agree, however, with the implication tht a
consmer loss occurs because a person has boughi Consmer loss occurs because a person has bought
whole life policy instead of a term, or vice versa." The subcommittee said the byyers' guide should
explain the difference between whole life and term
policies, and the prices and policies, and the prices and values of each.
Term is pure protection, much like auto insurance,
said the subcommittee. The customer pays an an nual premium in return for being protected duning
the course of the year from a particular risk, in this the course of the year fr
case premature death.
On entire other hand, whole life remains in effect for
the insured. Its principal feature is
that premiums do that premiums do not increase in amount to reflect
the rising mortality risk, but remain level for the
duration of the policy.


Chris Crain, a short-order cook and a member of the American Political Items Collectors, shows some of the more than 1,200
Nixon political buttons he has collected. Members of the collectors group get together regularly to swap and sell their treasures. (Lo
Mideast, South Asia due locust invasion

## $\begin{gathered}\text { NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) - Millions } \\ \text { of locusts from East Africa will in- }\end{gathered} \begin{aligned} & \text { fighting between Ethiopian troops } \\ & \text { and secessionists in the northern Eri }\end{aligned}$


 Ethiopian radio report that the agri-
cultural pests were "beyond the con:
trolling power" trolling power" of the Desert Locust
Control Organization of East Africa Control Organization of East Africa
and were bound to swarm over neigh-
boring regions. Debele, who is also Ethiopia's agri-
cultural minister, blamed heavy
rains on both sides of the Red Sea and rains on both sides of the Red Sea and
Guls of Aden for the iofestation in
East Africa, the radio said.

$\qquad$ The locust control organization last
month, reported that 55 swarms were
spoted in Ethiopia in 1978 and each
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miles. An additional 3 swarms were
seen breeding in Somalia and another 38 in parts of southern Sudan.

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Too much salt really harmful

## The pipes, the pipes are calling


#### Abstract

By HUGH A. MULLIGAN AP Special Correspondent       1 Sun "No," I put him in his place, which was back in the fertilizer section, 1 IIl eat that here. But let me have a gift card I want to put my wife's naine on it "The pesticide?" "The pesticide?" "No, the basin wrench." I guess they're still talking about me down at the 1. guess they're still talking about me down at the hardware store as that nut case who came in and had a basin wrench gift wrapped for his wife for Christmas. Too bad I to have it eng to


## Peer counseling producing

 results in rural Wisconsin
## By TIMOTHY HARPER

res was going through a midel-life crisis. Her farm wife bus hus
band. didn't talk with her much the band, didn't talk with her much, the children had left
home, and her life seemed empty. She was tired all the time ty and had frequent
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ctean an arready clean house.
from the professionals and the agencies. In rura
areas, you don't get professional help unless it's a
crisis, something visible like being a battered wife or





But some of her doubts and fears came out one day
white talking with the church secretary, a woman
who happened to be one of 30 ". "per counselors" now
working throughout rural Wisconsin. She began re.






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