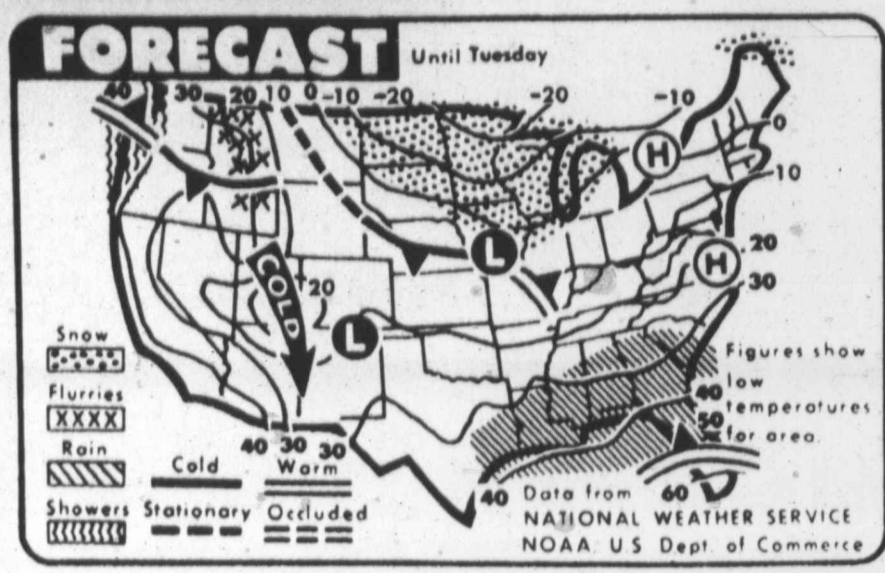
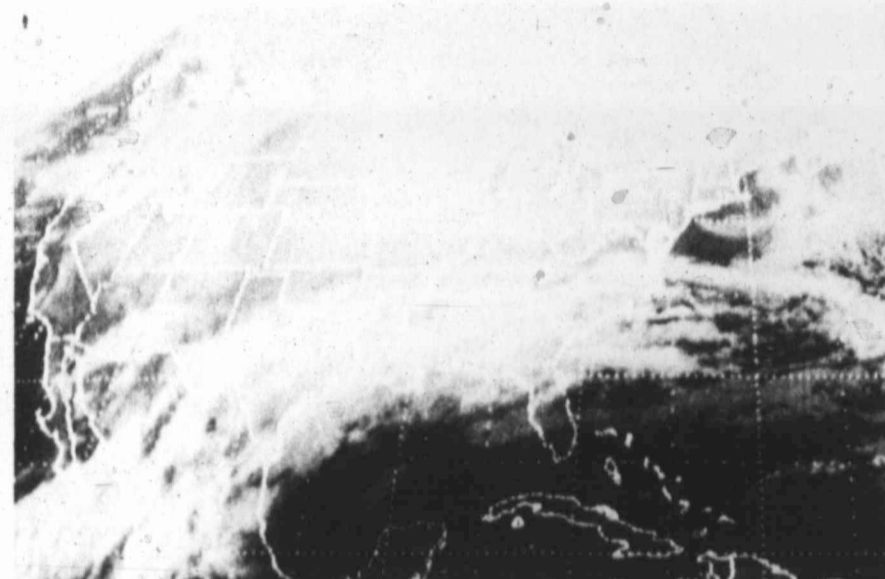




WEATHER SUMMARY



Snow is forecast until Tuesday morning from the northern Plains into the upper Midwest and Great Lakes. Rain is forecast for most of the Southeast. Snow flurries are forecast for the northern Rockies.



Today's satellite cloud picture, recorded at 3 a.m., shows a broad band of multilayered clouds extending from Texas to the Atlantic Coast.

Midland statistics

MIDLAND, ODESSA, RANKIN, BIG LAKE, GARDEN CITY FORECAST. Travelers advisory in effect today. Cold through tonight with freezing rain, sleet or light snow likely today causing hazardous driving conditions.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Amarillo, Anchorage, Asheville, Atlanta, etc.

Border states forecasts

Oklahoma: Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Cold tonight. A little warmer Tuesday. Lows tonight near 10 north to upper teens south.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Decreasing cloudiness tonight. Colder next sections. Fair north partly cloudy south Tuesday. Warmer most sections.

Texas thermometer

Table showing current and forecast temperatures for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, etc.

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Partly cloudy skies with seasonal temperature Wednesday through Friday. Highs near 60 north to lower 60s south.

Slick roads greet Basin travelers

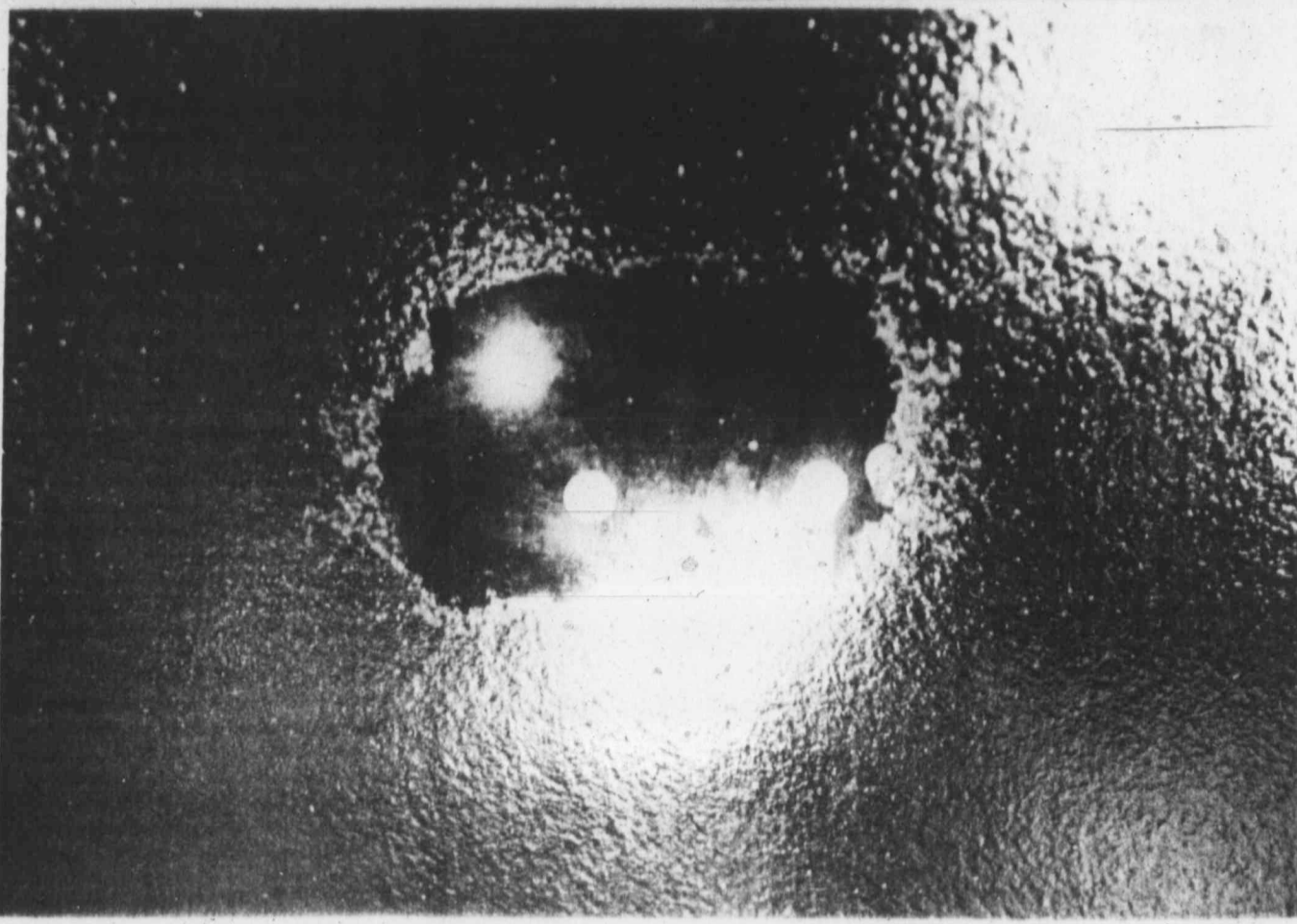
(Continued from Page 1A) gauge was frozen. Snow also was reported early today by Midland weather watchers in far west and far east extremes of the city.

Area towns reported snow, slick roads and cold temperatures early today. In Andrews, the temperature dropped to 22 degrees and snow covered the ice-slick streets.

San Angelo, Abilene and Wichita Falls were reporting sleet, snow or freezing drizzle at dawn, and travelers advisories were issued for the northern half of the state.

January was unusually cold month

If most Midlanders thought January was unusually cold, they were right. Last month came close to being the coldest month on record with an average temperature of 35.9 degrees.



More than one Midlander began with this view of oncoming traffic today prior to completely clearing their cars' windshields.

time-consuming chore — and instantly refreezing moisture — caused many to be late to work as a snow and ice storm swept across the Permian Basin and other parts of West Texas.

Two bodies found in abandoned well; Charges to be filed today

McKinney, Texas (AP) — Authorities said charges would be filed today in connection with the deaths of two persons whose skeletal remains were hauled from an abandoned water well.

Officers said the house was destroyed by fire about five days after Lovelady was last reported seen alive. It had been vacant at the time.

Two bodies. The top part of the well was dry, but officers hit water after finding the first body. They used buckets to lift out the water and debris in getting to the woman's remains.

Doctor says youth not 'doomed to blindness'

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — David Riojas got his chance to be bailboy for the Harlem Globetrotters after a friend said he was going blind. But a doctor says the 9-year-old is "not doomed to blindness."

David's best friend, with the permission of his pal's mother, wrote to the San Antonio News last week, urging that David, who is a star with a local YMCA basketball team, be made bailboy for the Globetrotters during exhibition appearances here Saturday.

Prison controversy may reopen

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — An old controversy over locating a new prison in the Lower Rio Grande Valley could come to life again in the Texas Senate this week.

Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan, served notice he will try to bring up his bill (S.B. 245), enabling the prison system to sell its Blue Ridge farm and spend the money on land elsewhere in the state.

Opposes Moore's bill, saying it fears the proposed Valley site would be purchased if the bill passes. CURE opposes prison construction in general because, it says, the money could be better spent on community-based corrections.

Carter begins China campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration today opened its campaign to sell the president's new China policy to Senate Foreign Relations Committee members who fear Taiwan has been left unprotected from potential economic and military threats from Peking.

Frank Church, D-Idaho, opened today's hearing with a sharp attack on the Carter policy toward Taiwan. Church said White House proposals for ensuring the security of Taiwan are "woefully inadequate to the task, ambiguous in language and uncertain in tone."

He said the principal military worries of the Peking government are forces of the Soviet Union arrayed across China's northern border plus the Soviet-backed Vietnamese government to the south.

The committee also summoned Leonard Woodcock, Carter's nominee as ambassador to Peking. The appearance of the former United Auto Workers union president is expected to give opponents of Carter's policy another forum for their views.

Friends mourn Jim Jones' wife

RICHMOND, Ind. (AP) — More than 250 people packed a tiny church to honor the memory of Marceline Baldwin Jones, wife of Peoples Temple leader Jim Jones, who died in the mass murder-suicide at Guyana along with her husband and two adopted children.

Lubbock trucker dies in Utah

GREEN RIVER, Utah (AP) — A Lubbock, Tex., truck driver was killed Sunday morning when the brakes on his Digby Freight Lines truck failed at the top of Spotted Wolf Pass, the Utah Highway Patrol reported.

DEATHS

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**DEATHS**

**Josie Mullenix**

MONAHANS — Services for Josie J. Redmon Mullenix, 72, of Monahans, mother of Sue Lytle and Marie Wells both of Midland and Mildred Stein of Hobbs, N.M., were to be at 2 p.m. today in Bethel Baptist Church in Monahans. The Rev. Jerry Sharp and the Rev. Jerry Cockerham were to officiate. Burial was to be in Monahans Cemetery directed by Wilson Miller Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mullenix died Saturday in an Odessa hospital after a lengthy illness.

Other survivors include two daughters, four sons, two brothers, three sisters, 27 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

**Annie W. Brooks**

BIG SPRING — Services for Annie Webb Brooks, 85, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home. Burial was to be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Brooks died Saturday in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born Aug. 27, 1893, in Hill County. She was married to Will T. Brooks in 1922 in Hill County. She was a Presbyterian.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Margaret Gentsch of Big Spring; a sister, Margaret Gamble of Ennis, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**D.D. Tate**

LOCKNEY — Services for D.D. Tate, 90, of Lockney, father of Percy Tate of Midland, were to be at 3 p.m. today in the Main Street Church of Christ with Jerry Klein, minister, officiating.

Burial was to be in Lockney Cemetery directed by Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

Tate died Sunday in a Plainview hospital.

He was born June 5, 1888, in Gainesville. He moved to the Lockney area in Floyd County in 1924 from Lexington, Okla. He was a retired farmer.

Tate was married to Hattie Louella Percy on Feb. 1, 1920, in Wanette, Okla. She died Dec. 26.

Tate was a veteran of World War I and was a member of the American Legion.

He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Other survivors include a son, two daughters, a brother, nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Marie Whitlow**

SAN ANGELO — Graveside services for Marie Whitlow, 91, of San Angelo, mother of Edna L. Shafer of McCamey and Gertrude Parrott of Crane, were to be at 11 a.m. today in Fairmont Cemetery with the Rev. Taylor Henley, administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital, officiating and directed by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Whitlow died Saturday in a San Angelo hospital.

She was born April 7, 1887, in Paint Rock.

Other survivors include a daughter, a son, four sisters, 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

**Alice Kitley**

AUSTIN — Services for Alice Kitley, 91, of Austin, mother of Dayton Kitley of Midland, were to be at 1:30 p.m. today in Hytlin Manor Funeral Home here. Burial was to be in Capital Memorial Gardens here.

Mrs. Kitley died Saturday in an Austin hospital.

She was born Nov. 19, 1887.

Survivors include two daughters, two other sons, 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

**Mrs. Sam Miller**

BROWNWOOD — Services for Mrs. Sam (Libby) Miller, 89, of Brownwood, mother of Georgia Graham of Midland, were Sunday in the First Church of the Nazarene in Brownwood. Burial was in Greenleaf Cemetery directed by Davis-Morris Funeral Home.

Mrs. Miller died Saturday in a Brownwood hospital.

She was born Dec. 15, 1889, in East Liverpool, Ohio. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene. She had lived in Brownwood 15 years. She was married to Samuel Arthur Miller May 23, 1909, in Ohio. He died in 1968.

Other survivors include three daughters, eight grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

**Claude McKinnon**

ODESSA — Claude C. McKinnon, 69, of Odessa died Sunday in an Odessa hospital after a short illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Hubbard Kelly Funeral Home with burial in Odessa Cemetery.

He was born June 3, 1909, in Roby. He was married to Peggy Boutwell in 1936 in Lovington, N.M. He came to Odessa in 1940 from Hobbs, N.M. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include a stepson, Charles Lovett of Odessa; a stepdaughter, June Coatney of Oregon; four brothers, Roy McKinnon of Oklahoma, Jimmy McKinnon of California, Kirk McKinnon of Abilene and Lauren McKinnon of El Paso, and a sister, Lucille Huffman of McCamey.

**'Hooter' Carter**

HAWLEY — Services for S.J. "Hooter" Carter, 63, of Hawley, brother of Juanita Faulks of Big Spring, were to be at 2:30 p.m. today in First Baptist Church in Hawley. Burial was to be in Hawley Cemetery directed by Lawrence Funeral Home of Anson.

Carter died Sunday in an Anson hospital after a short illness.

He was born April 18, 1915, in Hawley. He was married to Katherine Burkhalter in Throckmorton Dec. 31, 1939. He entered the U.S. Air Force in 1942 and served overseas in Italy. He was discharged in 1945.

Carter owned and operated a service station in Hawley from 1940 until his death with the exception of time spent in the service.

Other survivors include his wife, his mother, a daughter, a brother, four sisters and two grandchildren.

**Police seeking answers to stabbing questions**

VIDOR, Texas (AP) — Police hope a 16-year-old passenger can help answer a string of inquiries spawned by the slaying of a truck driver with a history of sex crimes.

Officers plan to interrogate the youth about the activities during the past year of James Davis, 48, of Los Angeles, who was stabbed to death last week near here.

Detective Sam Kittrell said Sunday that Vidor police have received "numerous inquiries" about Davis since the man's record of sex crimes was disclosed.

"We plan to question the boy extensively. We hope he will tell what transpired since he's been with Davis. We've got all these inquiries out nationwide as to crimes Davis could have committed," said Kittrell, who said Davis had dodged sex or assault charges in numerous states.

Davis and Rex Patrick Atencio, 31, of Albuquerque, were stabbed to death about midnight Jan. 28. A hitchhiker from a small community in Montgomery County north of Houston — has been charged with two counts of first-degree murder.

Tony D. Adams, 17, of Huntsville remained in Orange County Jail on \$50,000 bond.

Davis was originally identified as James Hincey, 50, of Albuquerque, but police learned through a fingerprint check his real identity. Kittrell said records checks across the nation

turned up five aliases and a criminal record for Davis in Texas and California.

Police said the men were stabbed by a hitchhiker when they refused to let him out of their westbound truck at Vidor.

Adams was arrested in a motel room in nearby Vinton, La., shortly after the bodies were found. A citizen monitoring police band radio had called police after seeing him, his clothes spattered with blood.

The 16-year-old boy whom police plan to question Monday was lying in the bunk behind the driver's seat when police arrived at the truck. He claimed at first that "Hincey" was his father.

Later, he admitted Davis was not his father. He said Davis abducted him a year ago in California, forced him into a homosexual relationship and used him to lure sex partners.

"We've been receiving numerous inquiries on Davis, but it's going to take time to put them all together. We don't have anything concrete at this time," Kittrell said.

Prison records show Davis served time in the Texas penitentiary at Huntsville from 1965 to 1968 for assault with intent to commit rape.

Kittrell said Davis pleaded guilty in 1971 to two counts of sexual perversion in Bakersfield, Calif., and received a 90-day sentence and two years of probation.

**Lee team places 3rd in DECA meet**

SAN ANGELO — Midland's Lee High School No. 2 team placed third in the Area 1 Distributive Education Clubs of America competitive events conference in San Angelo Saturday.

A total of 70 high schools participated in the two-day meet.

Midland High School's Robert Holgin and Eddie Grady of Andrews were among seven first-place winners in

the food marketing category.

Jane Cline of Big Spring was among first-place winners in the food services division.

In the petroleum division, Mary Boler of Lee High School was among the first-place winners.

Also at the contest, area officers were chosen. Nita Giles of Lee High was elected president.



Traffic on the Whitehurst Freeway, a major artery into downtown Washington from the west, is at a standstill as tractors, trucks, cars and trailers of the American Agriculture movement jam the roadway Monday morning. Hundreds of vehicles are converging on the Capital as farmers seek higher crop prices. (AP Laserphoto)

**Texas farmers lead tractorcade assault on Washington's streets**

By MILLER BONNER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amid the crackling of CB radios beneath a clear, star-lit sky, Texas farmers led the American Agriculture Movement assault this morning on the nation's capital.

Cotton farmer Clifford Hamilton of Shallowater rolled his John Deere onto a bridge spanning the Potomac at 6:01 a.m. leading a 25-mile-long caravan of blinking amber lights. Hamilton, who left home on Jan. 12, completed his 2,100-mile trek covering the final 28 miles at a 12 mph pace.

"I tell ya, it feels good," cackled Hamilton over his CB and hundreds of farmers following him cheered lustily into their radio microphones.

Hamilton proceeded to the Agriculture Department and within 15 minutes, all six lanes were filled with tractors, trucks, recreational vehicles and cars.

Texas tractors led two of the five tractorcades that converged on Washington. The disgruntled farmers say they will congest until the Congress and the Carter Administration agree to fully implement the current farm bill. Such a move would raise loan limits and government-supported prices.

Gerald McCathern, the AAM national wagonmaster from Hereford, said the activity this morning "exceeded all our expectations and with tractors from Illinois, Mississippi, Texas — just all over the country — should show the American people that this is a national problem. Individual farmers aren't having problems. All farmers are having problems."

When asked how long the tractors will congest Washington streets, McCathern said: "It may take us two or three days just to get them unraveled. I know my tractor is sitting in the middle of the street, but I can't move it."

McCathern said the only accident that he knew of had occurred on a Virginia highway when an "impatient consumer who must not like to eat got in front of one of our tractors...I think we had a little fender-bender."

Farmers flew a red, white and blue AAM flag from atop the Agriculture Department and plastered windows and walls with posters of Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland — with a target superimposed across his face.

Scores of city police and federal security guards watched helplessly as the farmers rolled their diesel monsters to a stop. Officers offered no opposition and joked with farmers in the street.

Commuters had been warned to leave early for work and to use mass transit systems or carpools.

Many were caught in the line of more than 1,500 tractors and an equal number of support vehicles.

Although the parade permits specify Capitol Hill, AAM leaders sent tractors to the White House and Capitol Hill also.

"They may be able to haul off a tractor or two but they can't haul off a thousand of 'em," said Plainview farmer Marvin Meek, the wagonmaster of the AAM tractorcade that left Abilene on Jan. 15.

McCathern, the AAM's national wagonmaster, urged the tractor drivers to mind their manners while en route to Washington this morning.

"We don't want to give the Virginia police any problems," he said. "We want to make sure we get across the bridges (into Washington)...That's where the people are that have made the bad decisions."

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"We don't want to see you in the coffee shops...get out and talk to the congressmen and tell them what we need," McCathern told a group of West Texans. "And don't spend a lot of time with the congressmen we know already back us. Go see the ones we have still have to convince."

The AAM wants Congress to pass a resolution urging the president to fully implement the current farm bill. Such a move would raise loan limits and government-supported prices.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Les Aspin said Sunday that military services have set their intelligence standards so high that "Sgt. York wouldn't be welcome in the Army anymore."

"The services ought to consider lowering, not raising, their intelligence standards for recruits," the Wisconsin Democrat said in a study.

Aspin said he strongly opposes renewing the draft. He said one way for the military to avoid conscription is effective use of people with lower intelligence.

His example was Alvin C. York, the soldier who single-handedly fought off an attacking German unit in the Battle of Argonne in 1918. The 132 German survivors finally surrendered to him.

But Aspin said York probably would be classified today as "Category IV" intelligence — in the lowest 10 to 30 percent of the population on intelligence tests. Aspin said York "was generally considered semi-literate and of limited intelligence."

Between 1974 and 1977, Aspin said, none of the services filled the quotas they allow themselves for Category IV people — and he said the quotas are unrealistically low.

The Army's quota allowed 18 percent of all recruits to be in the low mental category, Aspin said, but only 11 percent of the people actually recruited were in that category.

He said 18 percent is an unrealistic quota because, during the last 20 years of the draft, the number of low-intelligence Army enlistees finally fell below 18 percent only in 1960 and in 1961.

"The services combined have accepted far fewer of those so-called 'dummies' than in any year under the draft," Aspin said. "These men are not 'dummies.' They are fully capable of performing many jobs in the military."

The Navy and Marine Corps quotas for the low intelligence people were 14 percent, but both services actually recruited only 4 percent from that category, Aspin said.

He said the Air Force quota was 5 percent, but lower-intelligence people actually recruited were less than one-half of 1 percent.

As a result, Aspin said, "all four services must assign reasonably intelligent men and women to low-skill jobs."

"There is no surer way to lower morale and raise discontent," he said.

**Military intelligence standard criticized for being too high**

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# McCrary has new identity, but lives in fear



Gov. James Thompson



Nellie Connally

## Names in the news

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Nellie Connally, wife of Republican presidential candidate John Connally, was released from a hospital Sunday after an overnight stay.

Mrs. Connally, 59, collapsed at an awards banquet Saturday night and was taken to Brackenridge Hospital for emergency treatment. She was hospitalized overnight for observation.

A spokesman at the hospital said she "apparently fainted" during the Headliners Awards Banquet at the Texas Special Events Center.

contagious," Jones says. "I started looking into it, and each day I looked into it more seriously."

With his law degree now securely in hand from the University of Vermont Law School, Class of 1978, Jones says he sees his second career as a chance to keep going when others slow down. "The trip each one of us has through life is pretty short — 50, 60, 70 years. I guess I feel inspired to make the most of the one I have."

EASTON, Md. (AP) — Gov. James Thompson of Illinois says he won't actively seek the 1980 Republican presidential nomination but has left open the possibility of changing his mind.

"My intention is to serve out my term and run for re-election in 1982," Thompson told reporters Saturday at a Republican conference.

However, the governor declined to expand his statement to include a flat pledge to complete his current four-year term.

"That's my intention," he responded repeatedly when pressed.

Thompson said "an active campaign for the presidency is inconsistent" with his duties of being governor of Illinois.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Harry Horton Haldeman, son of former Nixon aide and convicted Watergate conspirator Bob Haldeman, is engaged to marry UCLA coed Heather Eaton.

Miss Eaton is the granddaughter of the late Goodwin J. Knight, who was the governor of California from 1953 to 1959. Her family announced the engagement over the weekend.

The younger Haldeman is the president of Hank's Music Enterprises Inc. of Los Angeles and a UCLA graduate.

No wedding date was announced.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. (AP) — After 37 years, J. Franklin Jones Jr., has left the hum of a Springfield gear factory for the quiet of a law library.

The move began as "a scheme to avoid retirement," says the 63-year-old Jones, now practicing with the Springfield law firm of Parker and Lamb Ltd., after working most of his life for the Fellows Corp., a manufacturer of gear-making machinery.

When his son Peter graduated from law school in 1970, Jones said he was "facing the question of what to do with my life — and 65 loomed large in my mind."

"The interest and excitement Peter found in his career was

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — President Tito of Yugoslavia was given an enthusiastic welcome by tens of thousands of people when he arrived here Sunday on the second stop of his four-nation 15-day tour of Arab Middle East states.

The official Iraqi news agency said a crowd of 250,000 turned up at the airport and lined the route to the city to cheer the Yugoslav leader.

President Ahmed Hassan al Bakr was at the airport to greet his guest during an official ceremonial welcome with all the trimmings.

The 86-year-old communist leader arrived here from a four-day stay in the oil-rich conservative sheikdom of Kuwait. After Iraq, he was to visit Syria, like Iraq a radical socialist state, and Jordan, another conservative monarchy like Kuwait.

DALLAS (AP) — David McCrary, the state's key witness in the murder-for-hire trial of Cullen Davis, has a new life, a new identity and the constant urge to look over his shoulder in fear.

"The price has been too damned high," McCrary told the Dallas Times Herald.

In exchange for his testimony, McCrary was given a new home and a new name under the Federal Witness Protection program.

Davis is free on bond after jurors in his murder solicitation trial in Houston failed to reach a verdict.

But McCrary said he is a prisoner of his own fear in the solitude of his new clandestine life. "All I try to do is stay alive."

information to find where I am. Sooner or later somebody will make a mistake. I have to stay hid real well," McCrary said.

Davis' defense lawyer Richard "Racehorse" Haynes said allegations that Davis has spent \$100,000 looking for McCrary are "absolutely, unequivocally wrong."

"We've not spent one dime looking for him," said Haynes.

"I just feel sorry for the folks of the community in which he is residing."

McCrary branded the Houston mistrial as absurd. But said "Haynes

may be the most brilliant person I have ever met.

"I can understand the jurors not believing me. I think he (Haynes) could put anyone on the stand in the country and make the jury believe what he wants them to believe. Their (defense) case was nothing but a pack of lies, though, made up by people expecting to get paid by giving false testimony."

McCrary said a U.S. attorney from Fort Worth suggested the witness protection program.

"He thought I had no protection at the house, and thought it was ridicu-

lous. He told me I wouldn't live 15 minutes."

The protection program provides rent and sustenance money, McCrary would not specify how much, but also places restrictions on his life. Neither he nor his wife are allowed to work or leave the city where he is relocated.

"When you fear somebody is trying to have you killed and you're worried about your family and your name's been changed, it's probably one of the worst things that could happen to a person other than death," said McCrary.

## Woman will sell house to help Cullen

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A Fort Worth woman said her conviction in Cullen Davis' innocence is so strong she would sell her house and all her belongings to stop any future prosecution.

Davis currently is free on bond after a jury in his murder-for-hire

trial in Houston failed to reach a verdict. But prosecutors said they would seek a new trial.

Joy Smith heads a group collecting signatures on petitions aimed at convincing District Attorney Tim Curry

waste tax dollars.

"I think Mr. Curry's a nice guy, I really do. I do think he's been given some bad advice," she said, adding she believes Davis' Houston trial resulted from Curry's "desperate" efforts to make up for "the asinine mistake in Amarillo."

## Three trustees to be elected at meeting

Midland school trustees are scheduled to formally set the election of three trustees for April 7 at their meeting at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school administration building.

Places currently held by trustees David Grimes, Ann Page and Ed Runyan will be up for grabs in the April election.

A report on elementary school projections, also scheduled for the meeting, is expected to show an upward swing in elementary school enrollments for several years in the future.

While enrollments are growing, some redistribution of students from one school to another may be necessary, Schools Superintendent Dr. James Mailey said. But, he added, the district probably will be able to "make do" with the buildings in existence now until 1985.

In other business, the trustees are scheduled to hear a report on the agriculture programs in the schools and the functions of the vocational advisory committees.

They also are to set the school calendar for the 1979-80 school year, consider renewal of the concessions contract with the Jaycees and give final approval of the Midland High School vocational building.

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## Homeowners still paying off on 'Blizzard of 1978' bills

By DANIEL Q. HANEY

SCITUATE, Mass. (AP) — Though an occasional bungalow still stands atill along Scituate's oceanfront, the most noticeable leftovers from the Blizzard of '78 are bills to pay for the damage.

Like elsewhere in southern New England, the outward evidence of the worst storm in anyone's memory, which hit a year ago Tuesday, has been patched up and painted over.

### Mortgage program tops housing meeting agenda

A proposed single Family Mortgage Revenue Financing Program is scheduled to constitute much of the discussion when the Housing Authority of the City of Midland meets at 2 p.m. Wednesday in City Hall Council Chambers.

Chairman Harry Clark will give a report on the financing program. That will be followed by the panel's requesting a change in the cooperation agreement between the city of Midland and the Housing Authority to permit the authority's participation in the program.

The authority also should hear recommendations for a long-range maintenance program and will consider taking action based upon the recommendations.

A request from the Hillcrest Manor Residence Council for an exercise in the Community Room will be considered.

Mrs. August Wenck, a member of the panel, will outline the status of the home rehabilitation program carried out with private contributions.

The authority's financial condition will be reviewed along with the accountant's Statement of Operating Receipts and Expenditures for the six month period ending Dec. 31, 1978.

And people are clamoring again to buy the newly repaired property as though the storm had never occurred — or as though a similar one could never strike again.

But Massachusetts businessmen and homeowners are still paying off — and will be for many years — a total of \$187.1 million in low-interest federal loans that have been used to reconstruct buildings washed out to sea, restore roofs that collapsed under the weight of record snows and replace ruined furnaces and furnishings.

The Small Business Administration says it has made 11,744 disaster loans to repair businesses and homes in Massachusetts.

In all, 339 houses were destroyed in Massachusetts, and 6,500 were damaged, state officials say. They place property damage at around \$300 million.

Twenty-nine deaths in Massachusetts were attributed to the two-day storm, which dropped 2 feet of snow and virtually paralyzed Boston for a week.

The worst damage was in the coastal suburbs north and south of the city, where high waves and winds reaching 92 mph battered oceanfront homes and flooded blocks of houses along the streets behind them.

In Scituate, the worst-hit town, 189 houses were destroyed and 911 others damaged. Almost every house has been rebuilt, and many are on sturdier foundations, but they are as close as ever to the pounding surf.

The blizzard also took a heavy toll in Rhode Island, where it was blamed for 22 deaths. But some people in the nation's smallest state are remembering the storm cheerfully.

A downtown restaurant where many were stranded planned to hold a blizzard party today; some stores have begun selling "The Great Providence Blizzard Game," and a Providence radio station is sponsoring a drawing during its "Great Blizzard Week." First prize: a one-week trip to sunny, sultry, snowless St. Maarten in the Carribean.

## Harvard honors Bergen, DeNiro

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Film stars Candice Bergen and Robert DeNiro have been named woman and man of the year by Harvard's Hasty Pudding Theatricals, the organization announced Sunday.

Miss Bergen is to receive her award Feb. 13 following a parade through Cambridge, and DeNiro is to receive his award Feb. 21 at the opening of Hasty Pudding's 131st show, "Overtures in Asia Minor."

Both awards, pudding pots, will be presented at the Hasty Pudding clubhouse.

Hasty Pudding Theatricals, the nation's oldest theatrical organization, has presented shows since 1844. Harvard undergraduates produce and act in original musical comedies. Men traditionally play all roles.

The woman of the year award is given for "great artistic skills and feminine qualities."



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