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More than two months behind schedule because of recent weather conditions, the concrete top of the new Gibraltar Savings Association finally got poured Monday. On hand for the topping-off ceremony are, from left, Jim Farlee, carpentry foreman, and John Friberg, project manager for Mark Lee & Associates Inc., owner of the building. (Staff Photo)

Iran's Bakhtiar under arrest

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Former Prime Minister Shahpour Bakhtiar was arrested today as Iran's new provisional government appeared to be making headway in its efforts to bring unruly supporters under control.

The state radio reported that Mehdi Bazargan, head of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's new government, named seven members of his Cabinet. Two of the ministers are longtime leaders of the National Front, the coalition of parties that opposed the rule of Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi.

National Front leader Karim Sanjaby was named foreign minister and another leading Front figure, Dariush Forouhar, was named labor minister, the radio reported.

Bakhtiar, who made a futile, last-ditch attempt to stem the revolution led by Khomeini, was arrested by armed guerrillas, the official Pars news agency reported. State radio said he was taken blindfolded to the headquarters of the religious patriarch.

Bakhtiar had not been seen in public since his resignation Sunday and was reported Monday to be under the protection of provisional government chief Bazargan, an old friend. Bakhtiar had been a National Front member until he was ejected last month for accepting the shah's mandate to become prime minister.

A Khomeini spokesman said he did not know what charges would be

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deaths of hundreds of demonstrators in clashes with troops.

Tehran Radio said six generals also had been arrested, including the commander of the paratroopers, Gen. Mauncheh Khrosrowdad.

As the new government struggled to take hold, its military chief of staff, Gen. Mohammad Vali Gharani, ordered all officers to report for duty. Apparently he was preparing to reorganize the military following the weekend battles, insurrections and looting of bases in Tehran and elsewhere that preceded and followed the collapse of the Bakhtiar government.

Fewer gunmen were on Tehran's streets today compared to Monday, presumably as a result of Khomeini's appeal to his armed supporters to turn in their weapons and refrain from violence. Traffic also seemed to be returning to normal and many food shops were open.

However, American sources said gunmen seized the U.S. Information Center in Tehran and that U.S. officials had not been allowed inside. They also said about nine American civilians were seized Monday by various factions in Tehran, and some of them were held up to 12 hours before being released.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman said Khomeini supporters also briefly detained 25 Americans assigned to the Military Airlift Command.

"They were taken to one of Khomeini's courts and were released with apologies all around," the spokesman said. "We take comfort from the fact that they looked on (the arrests) as a great mistake."

Tehran Radio warned against attacks on the estimated 7,000 Americans and thousands of other foreigners in the country and destruction of government buildings.

"The operational staff of the Iranian Islamic Revolution in its statements has stressed that all foreign nationals domiciled in Iran are immune from any transgression," the broadcast said.

The operational staff is the provisional government headed by Bazargan that Khomeini set up Sunday when the nation's military commanders abandoned Bakhtiar and gave their support to the ayatollah.

Khomeini, the Shiite Moslem leader of the year-long revolt that drove Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi from Iran, urged his followers to avoid "arson, destruction and cruelty" and declared that violators would be disobeying "Allah's orders and are traitors to the Islamic movement."

Jury indicts Fife in death of 'Fifi' Murphy

An Ector County grand jury on Monday returned indictments in which murder was charged against three persons, including Stephen Fife, boyfriend of an Odessa woman whose body was found Thursday in a shallow grave in Crane County.

Fife, 22, who led officers to the grave of Catherine Ann "Fifi" Murphy, was named in an indictment on a murder charge.

The grand jury and District Attorney John Green recommended the bond be raised from \$60,000 to \$100,000.

Another indictment named Steve Paul Perrin, 21, an Odessa oil field worker who took law enforcement

officers Jan. 5 to a man's grave located 12 miles west of Odessa. No bond had been set on Perrin.

Perrin had been serving a 10-year probation sentence for a burglary he was convicted of four years ago.

On a June evening in 1977, Raymond Carl White, also known as Johnny Carl White, left without saying goodbye to his mother, Rose Clara White of Odessa.

His bones were identified 18 months later as being in the pasture grave 12 miles southwest of Odessa near Penwell.

The body was buried in a hole about three feet deep. A missing person's

report on White was filed on June 15, 1977.

The Ector County grand jury also returned an indictment charging murder against David Padilla of Odessa in a case involving the death of a seven-month-old girl. Padilla, named in the case which authorities said also involves child abuse, is in Ector County jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond.

Green had earlier expressed dissatisfaction with the \$60,000 bond against Fife which was set by Peace Justice Charles Gee last Friday.

Green said the range of punishment in such a case can extend from a minimum of five years to a maximum

of 99 years or life.

When asked if he expected a change of venue in the Fife case, Green answered, "In all probability, but only because of the publicity during the six months Miss Catherine Ann Murphy was not found."

Asked if Green believed anyone else is involved, he replied, "I don't foresee anybody else involved. However, we're continuing to investigate."

Green said the Fife indictment specified "death by strangulation." He added, "The indictment says he knowingly and intentionally killed" Miss Murphy.

When asked how he felt about the grand jury's decision, Green replied, "It's to be expected. The trial is going

to be interesting."

Although the indictment stipulates death by strangulation, results of an autopsy by Dr. Richard Cohen, chief of pathology at Odessa's Medical Center Hospital, have not been made public.

Miss Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Murphy of Odessa, disappeared July 20, and her car later was located in downtown Odessa.

Authorities said at the time the discovery of the car caused them to speculate foul play.

The Murphy family then offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the location of her body. That reward was later raised to \$25,000.

Profit-making prohibited in county's exhibit hall

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Midland County commissioners Monday adopted new rules for use of the County Exhibit Building which will prohibit any profit-making organization from using the facility.

By making such a move, the Commissioners Court rid itself of five requests Monday from the Cone-Rich Production group.

But in doing so, the county also is cutting out such things as political

fund-raisers and trade shows by dealers who are looking to make money from sales.

The drawing up and adoption of the 10-point guideline grew out of an encounter with Charles Cone and Robert Richardson of Cone-Rich over a planned Valentine party about two weeks ago.

The firm had planned a "Valentine Get-Off Party" which would have featured a local band, prizes and 50 kegs of free beer in exchange for paying the admission price. The commissioners during a special session called off the bash a few days before it was to happen.

During that session, the commissioners complained about the fact the party was a profit-making venture and that advertising of the free beer had reached high school campuses, with no age restrictions listed.

At Monday's meeting, Cone was requesting the county building for March 24, April 28, May 5, May 12 and May 19. There would be no advertising about beer on the handbills, and the radio spots would include a comment about the age restrictions, he said.

But these moves apparently were not enough to appease the court. Commissioner Charlie Welch complained that "they're still wanting to use the building for free enterprise. If they're going into business they should get into their own building."

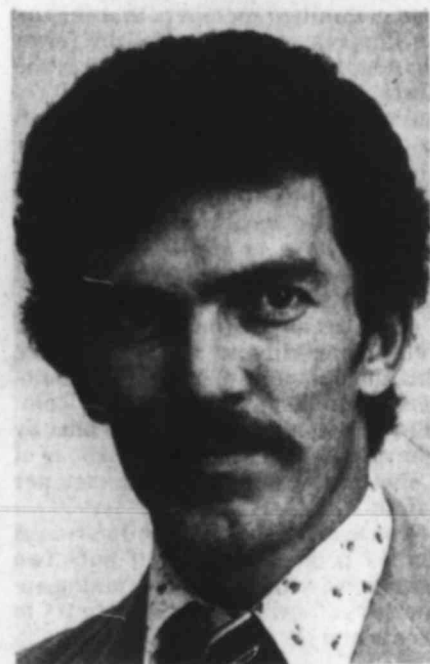
Action on the requests was tabled until the court could make its way through the agenda to the item on adoption of the guidelines, which were ready for signing.

No formal action was taken on the specific requests.

The new guidelines include:

- Reservations for the building must be made through the county judge's office.
- Applications will be accepted only for non-profit, civic or community organizations. There is no charge for use of the building.
- A \$100 deposit shall be paid to the custodian of the building prior to the event.
- All checks will be made payable to Midland County and cashed prior to the event.

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Byron F. Patterson

Who will enforce the law?

Three small sections of Midland County are designated as justice of the peace precincts.

But no one lives there. That necessarily also means there is no justice of the peace for those precincts.

"I don't know what the heck we're going to do if a crime ever happens there," commented Commissioner Win Brown Monday at the County Commissioners' Court meeting.

In giving the background about the JP precinct divisions, Brown said these were designated on small pieces of land owned by Texaco on which no one lives.

The fourth precinct covers the rest of Midland County which eventually voted to allow sale of alcoholic beverages.

Summing it up, Brown said it is illegal to drink in those three small precincts.

But who's going to prosecute if anyone does it?

"That's the point," Brown said, a grin spreading across his face.

His 'attorney' in jail, man faces trial alone

By LINDA HILL
Staff Writer

The woman he wants to defend him in jail on a contempt citation, an Odessa man was to act as his own attorney today as testimony started in his trial on federal income tax charges.

Byron F. Patterson of Odessa is charged in federal court in Midland with willfully and knowingly failing to provide the IRS with information for 1975 and 1976 and with supplying a false Form W-4 in 1976.

Monday, federal District Judge John H. Wood Jr. ordered Odessa Rita Duke jailed two days and fined her \$500 after citing her for contempt of court. Wood had ordered Mrs. Duke not to attempt to act as an attorney for Patterson.

Mrs. Duke claims to be a lawyer, with training consisting of "reading the law" and attending court proceedings to observe how they work.

Federal rules bar anyone, whether an attorney or not, from acting as a lawyer before federal court without being admitted to practice before the federal court.

Patterson had attempted to have Mrs. Duke represent him at preliminary hearings.

Friday afternoon, she and Patterson filed a \$20 million suit against Wood and others, charging, among other things, that they conspired to deprive her of her civil rights.

Earlier Monday, as a jury panel was reporting for selection in Patterson's and four other tax-related cases, Mrs. Duke and Patterson both were vague about what they would do in face of the court order.

Mrs. Duke told The Reporter-Telegram she would do Patterson no good if she were in jail, and jails in Midland and Odessa were "not safe."

"I'm not hiring anybody. I'm not representing myself, either. Apparently, I'm being railroaded," said Patterson.

When court convened, Patterson attempted to file motions before Wood and claimed Wood had denied him counsel.

Wood told Patterson he is entitled under law to represent himself, but otherwise must have a licensed attorney.

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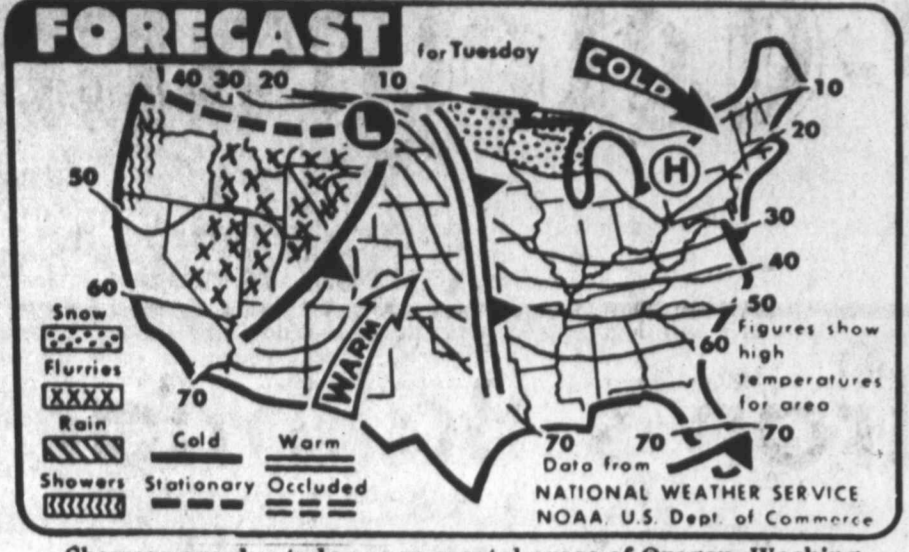
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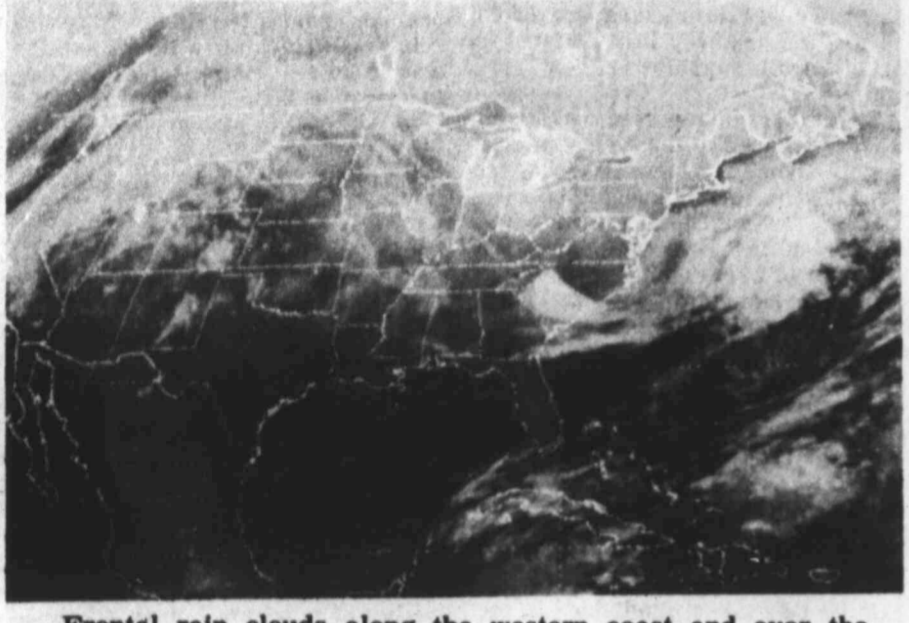
Fair through Wednesday. Low tonight in the low 40s. High Wednesday in the low 80s. Details on Page 2A.

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WEATHER SUMMARY



Shows are due today over coastal areas of Oregon, Washington and northern California, according to the National Weather Service. Snow is forecast for Minnesota and Wisconsin, with snow flurries due from Idaho and Wyoming south through Nevada. It will be cold in the Northeast. (AP Laserphoto Map)



Frontal rain clouds along the western coast and over the northwestern states are seen in today's satellite cloud photo, recorded about 4 a.m. Snow clouds are visible over the middle Atlantic coast, with streaks of high and midlevel clouds seen over the central and southwestern states. (AP Laserphoto)

Midland statistics

Table with weather forecasts for Midland, Odessa, Rankin, Big Lake, Garden City, Andrews, Lamesa, Big Spring, Stanton, and Southwest Temperatures for various cities like Abilene, Amarillo, etc.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Amarillo, Anchorage, Asheville, Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Bismarck, Boise, Boston, Brownsville, Buffalo, Christchurch, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbia, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Denver, Des Moines, Detroit, Duluth, Fairbanks, Hartford, Helena, Honolulu, Houston, Indianapolis, Jackson, Jacksonville, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Miami, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Nashville, New Orleans, Norfolk, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Orlando, Philadelphia, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Portland, Raleigh, Reno, Richmond, Salt Lake City, San Antonio, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane, St. Louis, Tallahassee, Tulsa, and Washington.

Texas thermometer

Table showing high and low temperatures for various Texas cities including Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, Beaumont, Brownsville, Childress, College Station, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Del Rio, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Houston, Junction, Lubbock, Lufkin, Marfa, McAllen, Midland, Mineral Wells, Palestine, Pecos, San Antonio, San Diego, San El Paso, San Juan, San Marcos, San Saba, Seymour, Terrell, Texarkana, Tyler, Victoria, Waco, Wichita Falls, and Wink.

Texas area forecasts

North Texas: It will be mostly cloudy with fog at night and during the mornings becoming partly cloudy during the afternoons today through Wednesday. It will be mild today and warmer tonight and Wednesday. Highs today will vary from 75 in the northwest to 75 in the south. Lows will range from 40 in the northwest to 50 in the southeast. Highs Wednesday will be from 75 to 78.

Extended forecasts

West Texas: Scattered showers, Thursday and again Saturday. Partly cloudy Friday. Cooler Thursday and Friday with a warming trend toward the latter part of the week. High Thursday and Friday 60 to north to 65 south warming to 60 north to 70 south Saturday. Lows in the 30s north to the 30s south.

Midland County bans profit making groups

refund, Charlie Welch will check the premises to resolve the dispute. After the rules were adopted, Cone and Richardson did not appear again to have a final vote taken on their requests. One of the commissioners said the new guidelines would eliminate the requests. Three other requests were approved for use of the building. One was from Kathy Snyder who wants the building on June 9 for a 1969 class reunion for Midland and Lee High Schools. Patty Cooper representing Epsilon Sigma Alpha said her organization is sponsoring a dance Friday night to raise funds for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Louis Leal requested the building for Sept. 8-10 for a large family reunion. Alcoholic beverages will be available at the three events.

Upper Coast: Winds will be from the south at 10 to 15 knots today and tonight, and southerly 15 to 20 knots Wednesday. Seas will be 3 to 5 feet today. A few showers are possible. Lower Coast: Winds will be from the south and southeasterly at 10 to 20 knots today through Wednesday. Seas will be 3 to 5 feet today. A few showers are possible.

Bhutto seeking stay of execution

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (AP) — Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto's lawyers asked the Pakistani Supreme Court today to stay the execution of the former prime minister until it makes a final review of his conviction for conspiring to murder a political foe. The court scheduled a hearing Wednesday on the petition to suspend the death sentence. If the stay is refused, Bhutto could be hanged on Thursday. But "I don't think they will refuse; I hope not," defense lawyer Yahya Bakhtiar told reporters after filing his petition along with nearly 100 pages of preliminary arguments for the judicial review he asked for. The military government has asked

to be heard on the request for the stay of execution and may oppose it, Bakhtiar said. The Supreme Court a week ago confirmed the Lahore High Court's conviction last March of Bhutto, Pakistan's leading political figure for nearly a decade, and four co-defendants. The Supreme Court is Pakistan's highest court, but defendants can petition for the court to review its own judgment during a 30-day period. The court does not have to grant the review, however. Bhutto also has appealed for clemency from President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq, the army commander who deposed him in mid-1977, and his appeal has been seconded by such for-

eign leaders as President Carter, President Leonid Brezhnev, President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, Prime Minister James Callaghan and Pope John Paul II. Zia, however, said before the Supreme Court gave its ruling that he would not set it aside, and he has given no indication that he has changed his mind. Bakhtiar told reporters the Bhutto case is so complex that 30 days is too short for an adequate judicial review. "If I were given a fair hearing, it would take three months," he said. The lawyer indicated he was chal-

lenging more than 40 points in the court's ruling covering the misinterpretation of evidence and reliability of witnesses which led to rejection of Bhutto's defense that he was not part of the conspiracy to murder Reza Ahmed Kasuri, a former close associate who broke with him. Kasuri escaped the ambush set for him in 1974, but his father was killed. He told reporters Monday that when he was visiting Washington last August, an ambassador of an Arab country offered him \$2 million if he would disavow his accusations against Bhutto. Kasuri said he rejected the bribe. He would not name the diplomat or country.

Gardendale couple files for injunction

A Gardendale couple filed a motion in federal court in Midland Monday in an effort to stop the IRS from selling three houses for back taxes the couple claims they don't owe. Mr. and Mrs. Buster S. Hahn of Gardendale filed in U.S. federal district court a motion for a preliminary injunction in U.S. Federal Court here Monday, seeking to enjoin the federal Internal Revenue Service from continuing with the "forced sale" of three rent houses the Ector County they say they have worked most of their lives to pay for and keep up. The Hahns face the prospect of losing three Odessa houses they own in a property sale planned for 10 a.m. Friday outside the IRS office in the First National Bank in Odessa. The federal government claims the Hahns owe \$37,873.59 in unpaid income taxes. However, Buster S. Hahn and his wife, Peggy J. Hahn, dispute that claim. Hahn said the government's action in trying to seize his property is illegal. "The government has illegally seized my rent homes in Odessa. They are trying to illegally sell them," said Hahn. He said he plans to fight the action, acting as his own attorney. In the motion for a preliminary injunction filed by the Hahns, the couple cited the fourth and fifth amendments of the U.S. Constitution. Federal Judge John H. Wood Jr. of the Midland-Odessa Division of the Western District of Texas is to decide on this motion, said authorities.



Sgt. Barry Hilliard of the Midland Police Department Monday displays \$8,600 worth of electric guitars and keyboards he and Texas Ranger David Burns recovered in El Paso in connection with an alleged burglary on Jan. 16 of the American Music Co. in Midland. Four men have been charged in the case. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Odessa man fights court

(Continued from Page 1A) to have counsel...I will try this case. When jury selection began for Patterson's case, Mrs. Duke stood in the back of the crowded courtroom until the clerk ordered everyone not involved in the process out into the hall. Patterson sat with hands clasped at his chin, rocking in his swivel chair and gazing away from the jury panel as Wood began questioning them about their ability to hear the case fairly. He neither referred to a jury list nor used his right to strike names from the panel. Shortly after court convened Monday afternoon to complete jury selection for the five tax cases to be tried this week and next, Wood sent the jury panel into the hall and summoned Mrs. Duke. Acting on a complaint from William H. Mann, the attorney for Amarillo representing the other four defendants, Wood asked Mrs. Wood to promise not to become involved in any of the cases. When several such questions failed to elicit a promise to follow his court order, Wood cited Mrs. Duke for contempt of court and a federal marshal led her to city jail.

House committee hears testimony on exempting autos from taxes

AUSTIN — Exempting two automobiles per family from property taxes would cost state and local governments as much as \$51 million a year and would still not produce a fair and legal tax system, according to testimony Monday to the House Ways and Means Committee. The committee is considering legislation necessary to activate some of the tax relief provisions adopted by voters in November. Among those provisions are the automobile exemption and homestead exemption for elderly and disabled persons. State Rep. John Sharp of Victoria told committee members that the tax on family cars is collected by fewer than half the taxing authorities in the state, despite a constitutional requirement that taxation be uniform and equal in all counties. "It (the tax on family cars) is one of the most unpopular taxes," said Sharp, who explained that some counties have to spend half the tax money they collect in trying to collect the other half. As a result of the November tax relief amendment, the Legislature has the option of exempting automobiles from the tax base. And the committee is considering similar bills by Sharp and State Rep. Froy Salinas of Lubbock to exempt two vehicles per family. However, State Rep. Lee Jackson of Dallas pointed out that if only two automobiles are exempted, taxing authorities still will be required to try to locate and tax additional family vehicles. Some taxing authorities do not now tax any vehicles. And with the expectation that the cost and difficulty of trying to locate third and fourth vehicles will outweigh the financial benefits of taxing them, Jackson suggested that the state still would be left with an unfair system open to legal challenge. A recent survey by the business-financed Texas Research League found that only 21 of 80 cities surveyed taxed automobiles for more than a total of \$10 million. "It's unfair to the people of Lubbock when people in Houston don't pay the tax," Salinas said. When asked how taxing authorities would make up lost tax revenues, Salinas said they wouldn't. "Voters are aware this has to be made up. But what voters of my area are saying is that they want to limit spending. If you lose a million dollars,

it means you cut out unnecessary spending," Salinas said. The committee also heard testimony on two bills by Rep. Jim Clark of Pasadena to grant elderly and disabled citizens tax breaks of up to \$10,000 on their homesteads. Clark's bills would grant the exemption regardless of economic status, a proposal committee chairman Bob Davis of Irving says ought to be carefully examined. "With the birth rate declining and longevity increasing, any elderly tax break will have a serious eroding effect on our tax base in the future," said Davis. "We ought to look long and hard to target tax relief to those who need it most." According to some of the testimony we heard today, 60 percent of the elderly don't really need tax relief," he said. Davis also said he thought the \$450 million fund reserved by the Legislature during the summer to reimburse school districts for revenues lost due to the tax relief amendment might be large enough to provide some temporary assistance to cities and counties which are facing abrupt losses in revenue but are not included in the reimbursement fund.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers may be starting to reduce their purchases at department and furniture stores, new figures indicate. The Commerce Department said Monday retail spending increased by 0.4 percent in January, the smallest gain since July. The nation's economy has been fueled since last summer by consumers spending extra income and borrowed money on consumer goods. Retail sales climbed faster than the inflation rate in the fall, posting gains of 1.3 percent in both October and December. The administration hopes to reduce inflation to 7.4 percent this year, down from 9 percent last year. Later, Alfred Kahn, Carter's chief inflation fighter, said January's sharp increase in wholesale prices was "not a reason for despair." In a speech at the Women's National Democratic Club, Kahn said the sharp jump in prices "does not prove the president's program is failing."

Offshore quake felt in Alaska

PALMER, Alaska (AP) — An offshore earthquake was reported Monday night 225 miles southwest of Kodiak, but the quake was too weak to create a tidal wave, the Tsunami Warning Center reported. Geophysicist John Sindorf said the quake had a preliminary magnitude of 6.5 on the Richter scale, considered powerful enough to cause severe damage on land, but no damage was reported after the quake at 9:34 PST. The earthquake was not noticed at Kodiak or Sand Point but was felt at Chignik, which lies closer to the quake's epicenter, Sindorf said. All three cities are on the Alaska Peninsula. The Richter scale is a measure of ground motions recorded on seismographs. Every increase of one number means a tenfold increase in magnitude. Thus, a reading of 7.5 reflects an earthquake 10 times stronger than one of 6.5. An earthquake of 3.5 on the Richter scale can cause slight damage in the local area, 4 moderate damage, 5 considerable damage, 6 severe damage. A 7 reading is a "major" earthquake, capable of widespread heavy damage; 8 is a "great" quake, capable of tremendous damage.

Rankin school picks favorites

RANKIN — Members of the Rankin High School Student Body recently selected Kenneth Fulton and Sindy Freeman as Mr. and Miss Rankin High School. Others selected included: Most Likely to Succeed, Leril Fitzhugh and John Bell; Best Groomed, Kim Ratliff and Peter Sobotik; Most Dependable, Karrie Ratliff and Richard Barrett; Most Athletic, Darla Boyd and Mark Self; Most Popular, Kim Kidd and Dee Kendrick; Most Courteous, Shelby Edge and Brent Winkle. In addition, others selected include: Best All Around, Darla Boyd and Mark Self; Most School Spirit, Diane Pina and David Adler; Friendliest, Kim Kidd and John Bell; Most Beautiful, Leril Fitzhugh, and Most Handsome, Peter Sobotik. Class favorites selected were: seniors, Darla Boyd and Kenneth Fulton; juniors, Kim Rose and David Adler; sophomores, Lisa Copeland and Naldo Esparza, and freshmen, Kristie Bell and Bo Rose.

Lamesan's steer 'grand champion'

SAN ANTONIO — A Limousin cross steer exhibited by Nae Harris of Lamesa was judged the grand champion steer in the annual San Antonio Livestock Show last weekend. Miss Harris, 16, has won several ribbons in showing her livestock in Dawson County. A steer shown by David Hall, 17, of Big Spring was judged the reserve champion steer. June Humble of Sterling City exhibited the reserve champion polled Hereford. Reagan Brooks of Big Spring exhibited the champion Chianina.

More spring-like weather forecast for Permian Basin

It may be another month till spring officially arrives, but Mother Nature never did wait the clock. Another spring-like day is on tap for the Permian Basin, with the weatherman calling for warmer weather and fair skies through Wednesday. High Wednesday should reach the low 80s, according to the National Weather Service office at Midland Regional Airport. Tonight should also be mild, with

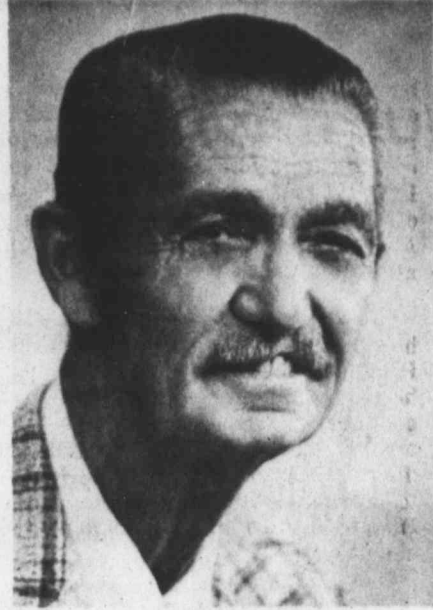
Retail spending figures seem to indicate buying reduction

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DEATHS



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Services for Grady E. Brown, 66, of 3101 W. Louisiana Ave. were to be at 4 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home with Elder Elvis Barrington of Primitive Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park. Brown died Sunday at his home. He was born Nov. 26, 1912, in Milam. He moved to Midland in 1928 from Milam. Brown was graduated from Midland High School and entered the service station business.

Brown operated a service station at Sky Haven Mobile Home Park east of Midland on U.S. Highway 80 until 1970, when he sold the business and moved to town. Recently, he had operated a walking sprinkler repair service at his home. He was a member of Odd Fellows Lodge and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, where he was a past president from 1974 to 1975.

Muriel Hunt

Graveside services for Muriel Isabel Hunt, 46, of Midland will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home. Officiating will be the Rev. Gordon Garlington III, pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church.

Miss Hunt died Sunday in a Midland nursing home after a lengthy illness. She was born Jan. 18, 1933, in Mount Pleasant, Mich., and was reared there. She moved to Roswell, N.M., in 1951 and to Midland in 1956. She attended the University of New Mexico.

Minnie B. Steele

BANGS — Services for Minnie Belle Hamilton Steele, 56, of Bangs, sister of Myrtle Bearden of Midland, were to be at 2:30 p.m. today in Davis-Morris Funeral Home in Brownwood.

Burial was to be in the Bangs Cemetery. Mrs. Steele died Saturday in a Brownwood hospital of injuries she suffered Friday in an automobile mishap.

She was born Oct. 11, 1922, in Hamilton County. She was married to N.D. Steele on Nov. 29, 1973.

Mrs. Steele was a retired beauty operator. She had lived in Bangs since November 1978.

Other survivors include her husband, a daughter, four stepsons, four brothers, two sisters, six grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren, a great-grandchild and two step-great-grandchildren.

Contest results listed

RANKIN — Results from the Rankin High School Band Solo and Ensemble, held in Monahans recently are as follows:

First in the brass sextet were Lisa Copeland, Rusty Lee, Rodney Johnson, Lerli Fitzhugh, Bradley Bains and Scott Russom.

First in the cornet quartet were Brant Meyers, Lisa Copeland, Phyllis West and Johnny Fannin.

First in the flute trio were Dianne Pina, Kristi Bell and Andrea Pheatt.

Bradley Bains was first in the baritone solo. First in the clarinet quartet were Tammie Jeanotte, Karrie Ratliff, Ronda Shankle and Kim Ratliff.

Second in the flute trio were Dianne Pina, Vicki Templeton and Patty Reich.

Third in the saxophone quartet were Sherril Swalm, Lori Leck, Cecil Holcomb and Terry Hastings. Also placing was drum soloist Kim Rose.

Trinidad Villa

Services for Trinidad G. Villa, 29, of 1102 E. Jax Ave. will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. today in Thomas Funeral Home.

He died Sunday in a Midland hospital from injuries received Dec. 9 in an oil field accident.

He was born June 11, 1949, in Mexico. He had been a resident of Midland 13 years.

Survivors include his wife, Gloria; two sons, Gilbert Villa and Mark Anthony Villa, both of Midland; a daughter, Monica Villa of Midland; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel M. Villa of Roswell, N.M.; five brothers, Jesus Villa, Constanvo Villa, Francisco Villa and Hector Villa, all of Midland, and Jose Villa of Roswell; four sisters, Lucille Reyes, Rosa Evilia, Jackline Villa and Liva Villa of Roswell, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Villa, of Mexico.

Donald Robinson

LUBBOCK — Services for Donald H. Robinson, 30, of Lubbock, brother of Ray Robinson of Midland, were to be at 2 p.m. today in Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home here. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Robinson died Friday from injuries received in a car accident.

He was born July 3, 1947, in Ardmore, Okla. He had lived in Lubbock since 1955, moving here from Littlefield. He was a member of the Stardusters Square Dance Club and Trinity Church. His wife, Sharon, also died in the accident.

Survivors include his parents, one other brother and a sister.

Mary E. Rhodes

HUNTSVILLE — Services for Mary Etta Rhodes, 82, of Lamesa were to be at 10 a.m. today in Huntsville Funeral Home. Officiating were to be the Rev. Gary Bonner, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and F.I. Stanley, Church of Christ minister.

Burial was to be in Clines Prairie Cemetery. Mrs. Rhodes died Saturday in a Lubbock hospital after an illness.

She was born in Groveton. She was a matron at Goree Unit of the Texas Department of Corrections in Huntsville for 17 years before retiring.

Survivors include a son, Sam Rhodes of Houston; four daughters, Bennie Nicholson of Lubbock, Billie Yarbrough of Lamesa, Mary Taylor of Irving and Ola Wells of Huntsville; two brothers, Marion Antley of Groveton, 12 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Erie E. Barron

LAMESA — Services for Erie E. Barron, 78, of Lamesa, were to be at 2 p.m. today in First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dick Schmidt, pastor, and the Rev. Cecil Foster, a Lamesa Baptist minister, officiating.

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

He died Sunday in a Lamesa hospital after a lengthy illness.

Barron was born in Bedias and moved to Dawson County in 1905. He was married to Julia Anderson July 30, 1923, in Amarillo. He was a retired farmer and stockman.

Barron was a charter and honorary member of Lamesa Country Club, a charter member of Lamesa Rodeo Association and a member of Dawson County Junior Livestock Show and Dawson County Museum.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Helen White of Lamesa; a son, Norris Barron of Lamesa; a sister, Mrs. Walter Lawrence of Hobbs, N.M.; a brother, Lee Barron of Hot Springs, Ark.; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Imojene Wilks

ODESSA — Services for Imojene Wilks, 45, of Odessa, mother of Glenda McMullen and sister of Lois Hill, both of Midland, were to be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home in Odessa. Burial was to be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Wilks died Sunday in her home. She was born Feb. 24, 1933, in Rochester and moved to Odessa in 1950.

She was married to Oran Wilks Jr. Oct. 5, 1963, in Odessa. She was a Baptist.

Other survivors include her husband, two sons, a daughter, and three brothers.

John Connally to visit Midland

Republican presidential candidate and former Texas Gov. John Connally and his wife are scheduled to visit Midland Feb. 23 as part of a statewide tour.

The Connallys will attend an informal luncheon at noon in Theatre Midland. "Gov. Connally wanted to start his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination in his home state," said Deane Stoltz, chairman of the event.

Also scheduled for Feb. 23 is a 2 p.m. coffee. Stoltz said the event is open to the public. Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased at the door or by sending a check made out to Connally for President Luncheon, P.O. Box 3179, Midland, 79702, or by calling 684-7151.

Vice chairmen for the event are Tony Martin, Jim Nelson and Tom Sealy. Numerous others are serving as a host committee.

BRIDGE

Read opening lead; React accordingly

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD The only things worth learning are what you learn after you know it all. In today's hand nobody learned anything, even though the situation was highly instructive.

Bridge hand diagram showing North dealer, both sides vulnerable, with cards for North, South, East, and West. The hand is 1NT Pass 4. Opening lead is ♠4.

Crowley policeman shot

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Police set up roadblocks in a remote corner of Fort Worth today seeking two men following the shooting death of a Crowley police officer. The men are believed on foot after abandoning a pickup truck.

Thick fog hampered the search during the early morning hours. Police hoped that the fog would burn off quickly, allowing use of a helicopter to aid the search.

The dead officer was identified as James Michael Carpenter, 27.

New health facility needed

The need for a new city-county health facility was outlined to Midland County Commissioners Monday during a regular session in the county courthouse.

City Manager James Brown and Chief Sanitarian Jewel Smith presented the plan, asking the Commissioners Court to continue its practice of paying \$35,000 a year rent if the city finances a new building. No action was taken on the request.

Brown said the main health department is housed in Midland Memorial Hospital, but there is no room for expansion there.

Smith said the number of patients going through the clinic has increased, and the state maintains a laboratory on the premises.

The department also keeps two satellite clinics on the south and east sections of Midland. If a new facility is built, these clinics will be combined with the main one, he said.

The city has a block of land bordered by Dallas, Fort Worth, Michigan and Tennessee streets which has been proposed as the site for the new building, Brown said.

This location would be closer to the people the department serves, he added.

Commissioner Win Brown agreed a new building "would be a step in the right direction." But the commissioners decided to look further into the proposal of maintaining its rent status.

Rollins Services, which provides cleaning and maintenance for the county courthouse was retained.

At the last regular meeting, the commissioners had voted to terminate the firm.

The firm's employees will be placed under the supervision of maintenance director Vern Dawkins, the commission decided.

The panel also voted to go ahead with improvement of a county road

south of Texas and Pacific Railroad between FM 1369 and 2.2 miles west in preparation for PPG Industries to build in the area.

Henry Pearson with the State Highway Department said the agency will pay for paving the road and making it into a farm-to-market road. But he cannot obtain the funding until June.

The county will do the basic dirt work and install some temporary drainage in the meantime.

Fred Counce requested the commissioners investigate Article 5, Section 19 of the Texas Constitution. This deals with the division of county commissioner, constable and justice of the peace districts.

Currently, most of Midland County is in one justice of the peace precinct, while the other three, their existence mandated by the constitution, are small sections of land that are uninhabited.

Derailment forces evacuation

BIG RUN, Pa. (AP) — A tank car derailed and spewed deadly chlorine gas outside this rural town today, forcing 1,000 peoples from their homes and causing a dozen minor injuries, authorities said.

LEGAL NOTICES

APPLICATION NUMBER: 8822

Notice is hereby given that Rudolfo Valdez is making application to The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Beer Retailers Off-Premises License, to be located at 4700 W. Hwy. 80, Midland, Texas, under the trade name of Hi Lo Service Station #18 and that a hearing will be held on 21st day of February, 1979.

ROSENELLE CHERRY, County Clerk, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS By Mary Gregory, Deputy (February 12, 13, 1979)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCORPORATE Notice is hereby given that Jones Farms, who principal business is at Route 1, Box 93, Midland, Midland County, Texas, intends on or before February 1, 1979, to become incorporated with a change of firm name to ERWD Farms, Inc. Dated January 24, 1979.

NOTICE OF INTENDED TRANSFER Notice is hereby given that on February 1, 1979, the entire assets of Jones Farms, whose address is Route 1, Box 93, Midland, Texas, will be transferred to a new enterprise organized to take over and continue the business under the name ERWD Farms, Inc., a Texas corporation, whose address will be Route 1, Box 93, Midland, Texas 79701.

The corporation will assume all of the debts of the transferor and the transferee will receive nothing from the transaction except shares in the corporation, which will be subordinate to the claims of creditors of the corporation. Dated January 24, 1979.

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DAILY QUESTION Partner bids one notrump, and the next player passes. You hold: S-63; H-AK87; D-9543; C-Q85. What do you say?

ANSWER: Bid two clubs, the Staymen Convention, asking partner to bid a major suit of four or more cards. If he bids two hearts, you will raise to four hearts; if he bids anything but two hearts, you will jump to three notrump.

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DPS plea justified

The Texas Legislature should give serious consideration to Col. Wilson "Pat" Speir's request for increased funding of the Department of Public Safety, of which he is the chief.

Col. Speir's job of operating a statewide law enforcement agency is a tough one at best, and legislators should recognize the fact that law enforcement at all levels of government is becoming more and more expensive as additional demands are placed on it.

He asked the Senate Finance Committee for a 13.6 percent pay raise for troopers during each of the next two years.

The board's total recommendation for the DPS in 1980-81 is \$196 million, which is \$40.2 million less than the DPS request.

says that one-third of all Texas motorists must drive within the 55-mph speed limit by Sept. 30 of this year, or the state could lose \$8 million of 1981 highway funds.

Considering all of this, it is easy to see the plight in which the DPS finds itself in regard to finances.

It is interesting to note that Sen. A.R. Schwartz, D-Galveston, said he would like to see every single employee who stays with DPS get the 13.6 percent wage hike recommended by Col. Speir.

He has presented an excellent case. Surely the legislature will provide some relief more in line with the colonel's request.



WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

AID is loose in its spending

By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — Just about every nation in real or apparent need has received aid from the United States.

Reflecting their bosses' cavalier attitude toward the taxpayers' money, single employees and childless couples at the Pakistan mission occupy four-bedroom houses with five or six air conditioners.

General Accounting Office investigators found that the Honduras mission had owned an airplane since 1965; the plane's operating and maintenance expenses ran to \$32,000 a year.

costs of these private pools are paid out of operating funds. The Mali mission ignored a 1976 directive from Washington intended to curtail the leasing of houses with swimming pools.

Top officials of the Pakistan mission have treated their administrative budgets like personal slush funds.

When Irving Tragen took over the Panama AID mission in 1975, he added \$6,668 worth of security devices to the official residence, rented an alarm system and hired a full-time guard.

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HEMISPHERE REPORT: Pope John Paul II warns Latins against violence

By WILLIAM GIANDONI Copley News Service



Pope John Paul II is opposed to any mixing of Marxism and Christianity, even when it is dignified with the "theology of liberation" label, as in Latin America.

The pope made the point repeatedly during his recent visit to Mexico. Time after time, during the six days he spent in the Aztec republic, John Paul spoke out against church involvement in violence, in revolution, which is what the liberation theologians really seek in many Latin American countries.

Mission officials explained they needed a plane to inspect AID projects in the rugged Honduran boonocks; they sold the plane after GAO's audit, and now rent aircraft as needed.

In violation of agency regulations, the Kenya mission relocated its offices to the top eight floors of a new office building without getting clearance from Washington.

The only AID official to be relieved of his position as a result of the audits was Charles J. Nelson, director of the Kenya mission.

Auditors told our associate Peter Grant that the pattern of waste in a particular AID mission usually reflects the mission director's attitude.

Footnote: AID officials in Washington assured us that accounting and bookkeeping procedures are being tightened up to prevent future abuses.

Some Western states are attempting to increase the speed limit to 65. I guess that's the only way we can legally keep up with the trucks.

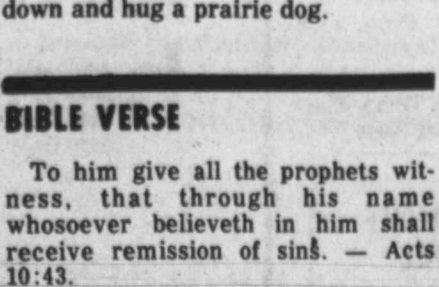
The limit should be lowered to 45. As a result, maybe trucks will slow down to 70.

We are all one nation and should keep the national 55-mile limit. God did not draw up state boundaries. The only reason we need them at all any more is for football and the Miss America contest.

So, send \$1 to "Love Our Limit" today. We'll put that money to work sending the message to Westerners — you've got a beautiful country out there, so take time to enjoy it, slow down and hug a prairie dog.

To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. — Acts 10:43.

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INSIDE REPORT:

Teng Hsiao-ping talked business while 'on the road'

By ROWLAND EVANS AND ROBERT NOVAK

SEATTLE — On the eighth and last night of Teng Hsiao-ping's U.S. visit, one more symbolic piece of evidence was provided about how quickly respectable conservative opposition to the new Washington-Peking link has vanished.

Instead of standing outside in the Seattle rain protesting abandonment of anti-communist Taiwan, leaders of the business establishment were inside at Canlis' expensive restaurant hosting a dinner for the veteran of the communist long march of 1934.

That was the tone of Teng's five days on tour after leaving Washington. While his stay in the capital was marked by reassurances of non-combativeness toward Taiwan and warnings about the Russian polar bear, Teng on the road was talking business.

Business leaders in the three prosperous, high-development cities visited — Atlanta, Houston and Seattle — were more than willing to respond.



declined to give him the key to the city on grounds that Houston and Taipei are "sister cities."

Although news reports stressed his

attack on Soviet "warmongers," Teng's masterful speech to an Atlanta Chamber of Commerce luncheon emphasized how much China could learn from the people "in what you call the Sunbelt."

So, the final-night Seattle dinner was a natural culmination. As a piano played show tunes of the 1930s, Teng rubbed elbows with the likes of George Weyerhaeuser of the Weyerhaeuser Co.

No blacks, union chiefs or noted liberal leaders were present at the Seattle dinner, fitting the pattern of the entire trip.

Business enthusiasm for Teng clearly surpassed that of what Chinese Communists call the working masses.

tention to U.S. domestic problems did Teng share the agenda of American liberals who long advocated the Washington-Peking link.

In response, Americans encountering Teng on the road asked few embarrassing questions about Taiwan, human rights or internal Chinese politics.

Neither in foreign policy nor in at-

The Country Parson by Frank Clark



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Upland: Traces of old ranching community remain

Her cemetery provides a 'suitable' epitaph

By ED TODD
Staff Writer

UPLAND — The old courthouse was all but crumbled.

The jail walls have fallen inward. Rubble is scattered about and can never be fitted together again.

Traces of houses, the mercantile store, church, hotel, school, blacksmith and wheelwright shops long since have vanished.

The people here, the few that stayed, are only ghosts.

Upland's graveyard writhes with weeds, cactuses and mesquite.

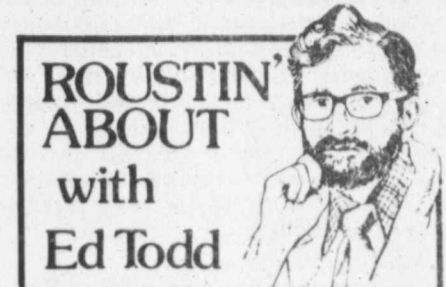
A broken tombstone lays toppled.

The epitaph on the marker, to an infant who died two days after her birth in June 1913, reads:

Short pain, short grief,
Dear babe were thine.

Now, joy eternal and divine.

That inscription to the daughter of George E. and M.Y. Blanton might somewhat fit the old Upland commu-



nity, which died an early death in the 1910s.

It was deserted, true, but for a reason.

Yet the epitaph's third line somehow doesn't fit this abandoned and decayed community.

"...joy eternal and divine" nowhere seems evident in old Upland, which today persists only as rangeland barren of livestock — a result largely of drought.

An old windmill, though, turns in the wind and brings water up on the Dwayne Lindsey ranch, which gradually has absorbed Upland.

UPLAND, POOR UPLAND, was the victim of recurring drought, poor-to-begin-with grazing land, scarcity of underground water, failure of irrigation to pan out and, finally, of railroad "neglect"...those then-vital strips of steel having bypassed Upland the same way they did Stiles to the east.

In effect, the demises of Upland and Stiles insured the survival — though not the grand growth — of Rankin and Big Lake.

The rails of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway (now, the Santa Fe) were laid in Rankin, 11 miles south of Upland, in the mid-1910s.

And due to that and to the harshness of the land and weather, the disheartened souls of Upland moved their gear, wares, houses and businesses to Rankin...to the railroad.

Not unlike the Blantons' child, Upland succumbed in near-infancy. The community was "born" early in 1900, perhaps before 1908.

In 1910, Upland was designated the seat of Upton County. But by the mid-1910s, most ranchers had moved into Rankin. And when an election was called to relocate the county seat, the few hangers-on at Upland lost out to Rankin.

A DIRT ROAD SPURS westward from Texas 349, cattle-guards onto the Dwayne Lindsey ranch, passes the old cemetery and leads to the Lindsey ranch house. Less than two

miles from there rests the rubble that once was Upland.

Admittedly, Lindsey knows far more about ranching — his livelihood — than he does about the history of Upland. But he graciously allows visitors on his ranch so they can mill about the old Upland townsite.

Some who come are bona fide historians. Others are curious or campers or both. Others loiter and litter, build campfires and make their age-old marks called graffiti.

Lindsey doesn't really mind as long as no one gets hurt or pilfers.

Anyway, what's left of Upland, if not eventually worn down by time and weathering, may someday be felled and buried by bulldozers. That "finale" will be for safety, for no one wants to fall on rubble or, worse, have it fall on them.

RUINS AND THE SHAPED rocks of stone buildings represent what little is left of Upland: the two-story sandstone courthouse, wasted as if by war; the wreck of a jailhouse, which, too, got the full blast of abandonment by man, abusive visitors and the harsh West Texas elements; and a hull of concrete, which served some purpose now lost in non-history.

In front of the desolate courthouse is a cement block, an accidentally symbolic tombstone for Upland. Printed on black on the marker is "R.I.P." — one can imaginarily delete the periods or read it as an abbreviation for rest in peace.

Less mournfully, lettered in black just above the north threshold to the courthouse is "MOTEL."

Lindsey's youngest son, Shane, 11, occasionally wanders around and into the Upland rubble. So do others.

"A lot of Boy Scouts come down here and spend the night," Shane said.

They, too, left their mark. "BSA Troop 96" of Midland is boldly lettered high on a wall.

Well below that and penciled in much smaller lettering is this cryptic message:

We are the people
Our parents warned us about

A footnote to that is this: "This place was infiltrated (sic) by nature-loving long hairs." The date was May 24 and 25, 1974.

"They write all over it," noted Shane. "Whenever they can, they write."

So did Shane. He had printed in black on a faded green wall:

"SHANE."

Debris from the crumbling sandstone building and litter which campers and passers-by had brought in but not packed out was within and without the building: beer bottles, tins and cans, soft drink cans, fuel tins, a beef-stew can and spent shotgun shells.

A discarded 22-caliber rifle shell was on the westside of the courthouse.

"Ah, I probably fired that," announced Shane, who owned up to shooting (or shooting at) rabbits, particularly from the building's concrete second floor.

Often moseying around with him is his pal, a dog he variously calls Mutt, Poochie or Snoopy. The animal's names suit her rambling and curious behavior.

MUTT SIDLED AWAY from Shane and seemed to be following a unseen trail, a scent, away from the courthouse.

Shane whistled. "Here, Snoopy." The dog obligingly returned.



This old place, never a motel or hotel, is the courthouse at Upland. The community was the citizens moved into Rankin in the 1910s. (Staff Photo by Ed Todd)

"She goes tracking through the grass. Snooping. Anything she can track down. Rabbits mostly," said Shane.

Dishelved and standing stones at Upland soon may disappear from the landscape.

"Yes, sir," said Shane, "we're fixing to cave it in. Dig a big hole and get a big bulldozer and push it in. All of it. The courthouse."

That may be some time off, but the day will come when nothing but a historical marker and the old cemetery will suggest the site of Upland.

Upton County was organized in 1910 by an act of the neighboring Midland County Commissioners' Court. And on May 7 of that year, an election was held to name county officials and to determine the site of a county seat for the county of 501 people.

One of the townsite promoters, rancher Henry Halff, had built a hotel and general mercantile store before 1910.

Fledgling Upland had a school building, and was planning to build another. In 1912, voters passed a \$30-

000 bond election to build the stone courthouse and jail.

Those structures did come to pass. So did the town's badly needed railroad line — but in a fatal, literal, 11-miles-away sense.

Built by the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway Co., the railway was the dream of A.L. Stilwell. It would run from Kansas City to Mexico. But never through Upland.

Perhaps the railroad's ultimate route — more than drought, lack of water for irrigation and poor soil — spelled the death of Upland.

HENRY HALFF SOLD his hotel and general store to John Johnson who, realizing that Rankin would outlast Upland, put the buildings on skids and had them team-pulled to Rankin.

Others followed. Roads were surveyed from Upland to Rankin and from Upland to Midland.

A post office was established in Rankin in 1912.

By 1913, Rankin was voted site of

the common school district. Uplanders protested in vain.

More and more families put their houses on skids and moved into Rankin.

By 1914, Upland was a virtual ghost town.

Later in the decade, a severe blizzard struck the county, killed off livestock and broke many of the ranchers.

Most recouped, though some ranchers opted to go into the sheep business rather than raise cattle for a living.

And Rankin bustled but never really "flourished" as a ranching community.

However, the coming of the petroleum age was a boom to the area's economy.

The discovery of the Santa Rita No. 1 oil well in 1923 at nearby Texon in neighboring Reagan County gave a new dimension to the economy.

FIFTEEN MILES TO THE west and along The Orient Railway, an oil field town named McCamey cropped up after wildcatter George B. McCa-

mey in 1925 brought in a gusher there.

McCamey soon swelled considerably. By the late 1920s, 10,000 oil field workers, families, merchants and opportunists lived there.

Today, McCamey and Rankin are small but active towns dependent on ranching and petroleum. At 1,105 people, Rankin is about a third as large as McCamey.

Upland boasts a population of zilch.

Still, the town insists on being remembered, mostly for its distinction as the first county seat of Upton County.

Otherwise, it might have drifted into thorough obscurity, as have other Upton County ghost towns such as Bonita, Damron City, Heidleberg and Crossett.

In Upland of today, the epitaph on the tombstone of R.B. Olmsted, who was buried at age 66 in 1916, speaks for the former community:

Sleep on, brother:
Thy work is done.

New snow hits East

By The Associated Press

Bitter cold and about half a foot of new snow left most of the East Coast and Mid-Atlantic states in a vast deep freeze today, closing schools, forcing motorists to abandon cars and sending some venture-some residents of Washington, D.C., to the streets on skis.

Record lows — as cold as 47 below zero in New York State — were recorded throughout the East after a low pressure system blew in from the Midwest, then headed out over the Atlantic Ocean.

An area within a 100-mile radius of Washington, D.C., appeared to have been the hardest hit.

The National Weather Service reported 7 inches of snow at Alexandria, Va., and other suburbs of the nation's capital, and police spotted skiers in downtown Washington.

National Airport, closed in the afternoon, reopened about 10 p.m. Monday.

Public schools throughout the Washington area were closed and some canceled classes today as well.

Snowy roads were blamed for the deaths of two persons in suburban Maryland, police said. In one, a driver was unable to stop her car on a steep hill, striking and killing a pedestrian.

Disgruntled commuters on a bus in the District of Columbia took a look at curb-to-curb traffic ahead and voted to change their normal route. Their bus driver complied.

A pregnant woman, stranded in traffic, was rescued by a police officer who drove her to Georgetown University Hospital on the only route free of traffic — the sidewalks, said Steve Haray, a hospital administrator. She made it in time to deliver her baby.



Shane Lindsey, 11, receives a fond lick from his rabbit-chasing pal on the R.I.P. — rest in peace — marker in front of the old courthouse at the ghost town of Upland. Shane lives on a ranch near the old Upland townsite. (Staff Photo by Ed Todd)

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Treasury Bonds

NEW YORK (AP)—Closing Over-the-Counter U.S. Treasury Bonds for

Table of Treasury bond prices including Rate, Mat. date, Bid, Asked, Bid Chg, Yield.

Talks underway trying to avert exchange strike

NEW YORK (AP)—A federal mediator has set up more talks after cancellation of a no-strike truce and the possibility of a walkout by clerical employees of the New York Stock Exchange.

After meeting separately with union representatives and officials of the exchange on Monday, federal mediator Rosemary LeBoeuf set up a bargaining session for Tuesday.

Trading on the exchange apparently proceeded normally. Union leaders have not commented on possible effects of the cancellation of the no-strike truce, and on a new money offer made by management Friday night.

The 2,100 members of Local 153 of the Office and Professional Employees Union threatening to strike include nearly 1,000 working on the exchange floor. The rest are employed by two exchange subsidiaries, Depository Trust Corp. and Securities Industry Automation Corp.

A major stumbling block in the talks has been a demand for a shorter work week for the subsidiary employees, who under the old contract had a 40-hour week compared to a 32-hour week for employees on the floor.

Because on Lincoln's Birthday on Monday, Depository Trust, which handles the transfer of securities and money for the exchange, was closed.

However, Bryant Mason, news manager for the exchange, said a full staff reported for work at Securities Industry Automation.

"There's been no work stoppage or slowdown," he added. "Everything is quiet."

The union served 24 hours notice Friday night that it was terminating the truce under which both sides agreed not to alter contractual relationships while negotiations continued. The day-by-day truce followed a 90-day extension when the previous three-year contract expired in November.

The new economic offer was believed to be little changed from a previous offer of three annual seven percent raises. Most of the clerical workers have an annual base pay of \$15,000.

Does anybody know about U.S. economy?

BY JOHN CUNIFF

NEW YORK (AP)—The economic news has been good. Who said so? Maybe you, for one, but not you then certainly your neighbor, if we can believe the polls. And the Carter administration for another.

Its official line seems increasingly to be at odds with the more spontaneous, less considered comments of its individual members. And that could mean some unpleasant decisions coming up.

Such as whether or not to curtail gasoline sales, and whether to strengthen or perhaps even more rigidly its wage-price standards.

While the official word remains one of optimism that the country can escape the worst of inflation, recession, shortage and other economic stresses, you have to wonder when:

—James Schlesinger, energy secretary, assessed the Iran oil cutoff as "prospectively more serious" than the 1973 oil embargo, and then, to stress the positive, called it "serious" but not "critical."

—Alfred Kahn, chairman of the Council on Wage and Price Stability, called the January producer price increase of 1.3 percent "a catastrophe" and said he couldn't even appear to be optimistic.

—Courtenay Slater, Commerce Department chief economist, expressed surprise as the big producer price rise, saying it was more than she expected, and warning of fairly large consumer price increases to come.

—Michael Blumenthal, treasury secretary, in effect conceded that the dollar has not stabilized in world markets and that "uncertainties continue to generate nervousness" concerning it.

—Kahn, though doing his utmost to sound happy about it, was forced to concede that of the 500 largest U.S. companies, only 207 have pledged to uphold the wage-price guidelines. Among the holdouts: oil and food.

Perhaps nothing has generated more general nervousness than the wide currency of "unanticipated," a word repeatedly used to describe the continued rise in wholesale and consumer prices.

The entire wage-price program—in fact the entire Carter economic plan—is predicated on accurate estimates of future prices, but some of those prices already seem to be slanting off at different angles.

Markets at a glance

Table of market data for New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange, and various commodities.

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TUESDAY

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Georgia Engle watches in open-mouthed excitement as major American circus acts compete with their international counterparts...

Evening TV Schedule

Table with columns for TV stations (KMID, KOSA, KMOM, S.I.N., KTVT, KERA, KXTX) and their respective programs for various time slots from 6:00 to 12:30.

El Paso struggling for recognition

By TOM DeCOLA

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — El Paso has caught the eye of the federal government, albeit indirectly.

Recently, representatives of the Community Economic Business Development Meeting popped up in town to tell civic leaders that their city is being considered for a pilot project.

The project's aim is to identify the most promising cities in the country and cull the better ones, eventually setting up a program designed to make private and government sectors work together in a system for wide-ranging community development.

The representatives do not work for the government, but their goal parallels President Carter's vow to have public and private sectors work together.

They have access to no particular federal funding, but imply they can help

cities take part in such funding.

WHETHER EL PASO chooses to be included is undecided.

The place that promoters call the "Sun City" is struggling out from anonymity. As Mayor Ray Salazar said, "For too long, El Paso was a secret... a well-kept secret... that we are rapidly dissipating."

It's no secret that things are changing.

Salazar heads a city government that is no longer elected by slate.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dan Ponder proudly wears the label "Black Hat," a roundabout reference to the push-pull makeup of the city's alderman system.

The city's banks now include one owned by a holding company, nestled among many family-owned operations.

MORTGAGE LOANS ARE well over 9 percent, but are still available.

Ft. Bliss and Biggs Air Force Base contribute military money to the economy, and a proliferation of companies operate out of twin plants in El Paso and neighboring Juarez, Mexico...

A new civic center stands out downtown, and hotel space is increasing rapidly (one

Second in a series

major chain is expected to announce a large, new hotel near the civic center.

The University of Texas at El Paso is a well-established satellite campus that has been around long enough to establish its own identity.

But above all, Salazar points to one thing. Asked the reasons for El Paso's apparent prosperity, Salazar leads off

thusly: "The weather."

ON A RECENT FEBRUARY day, the sun shone and people went about their business wearing the lightest of jackets. The construction season is year-round.

"There's sufficient labor, and there's plenty of vocational training," Salazar said.

There is also the matter of cheap labor by illegal aliens crossing over from Mexico.

"Sanctions against employers (of illegal aliens) would be one method of control," Salazar said. "But you can bet there would be a reaction. Where there is a majority of Mexican-Americans, you could have charges of discrimination."

Salazar cited the example of an employer who might ask for documentation strictly because the applicant might look Mexican.

"SOMEHOW, THE SOLUTION is to try to eliminate the attractive-

ness for aliens. We should give Mexico the technology it needs, and I've told the people in Washington. They wrote it down," Salazar said.

Asked if President Carter's upcoming trip to Mexico would be a good one, Salazar said Carter would have trouble "as long as he has that gooney bird hanging around him." He said he referred to Energy Secretary James Schlesinger.

The reference was to expected large quantities of oil becoming available in Mexico, a factor that would be important but not overriding, according to Salazar.

"There's more to gain from mining and forestry in the interior than there is in oil," the mayor said. But such discoveries as oil would mean Mexico's economy would boom, he said.

"And so will El Paso's." NEXT: Glitter

Relief for property tax on cars studied

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Dallas' chief tax collector says the property tax on cars is so unpopular he must endure repeated slurs on his part for making people pay it.

"I have had my parent lines questioned long enough with enough sincerity by enough people that I asked my parents to get out their marriage license to see if there was something I didn't know," Max Noller told the House Ways and Means Committee on Monday.

The committee is trying to decide whether to recommend legislation exempting two cars or light trucks per family from property taxes. The 1978 Tax Relief Amendment allows this but does not require it.

Old persons urged the committee to grant the full homestead exemption authorized by the amendment for the elderly and the disabled. It would exempt from school taxes a total of \$15,000 of a home's market value, plus any other exemptions granted by

school districts. Taxes of persons 65 and older would be frozen for their lifetimes.

Ernest Cabe, speaking for retired teachers and the American Association of Retired Persons, said it would be impractical to grant the old age exemption only to the most needy. States that do this also have income taxes, which enables the state to know everyone's income, he said.

"Around 40 percent of the people 65 and over are hovering down around the federal level of a poverty-level in-

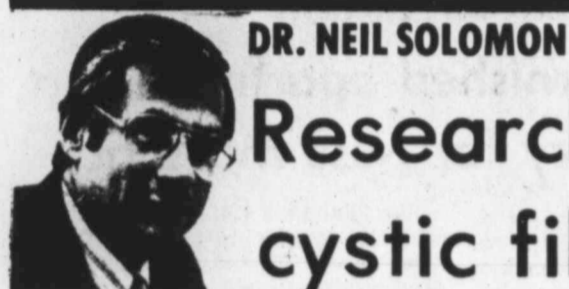
come," he said.

Most of the committee's time was taken by testimony and discussion of exempting cars from property taxes.

"This is easily the most controversial tax there is... The turnover for tax assessor-collec-

tors is high, and it could be the same for state representatives if this doesn't pass," said Rep. John Sharp, D-Victoria.

School districts would be reimbursed by the state for the lost revenue but cities and counties would not.



DR. NEIL SOLOMON

Researchers probe new cystic fibrosis cause

By NEIL SOLOMON, M.D.

Los Angeles Times Dear Dr. Solomon: I had always been under the impression that cystic fibrosis was hereditary. New I hear it's caused by deficiencies in nutrition. What's the latest on this?—Hal

Dear Hal: The theory that cystic fibrosis is caused by prenatal or neonatal deficiencies is interesting but has not been proved. It was advanced by a veterinarian, Dr. Joel D. Wallach, on the basis of studies with monkeys at the Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center in Atlanta. Following some controversy concerning his research and findings, Dr. Wallach has left the center, and the studies are being continued by Dr. Harold M. McClure.

Dr. McClure says the hypothesis is worth looking into. He warns, however, that the announcement of an environmental basis for cystic fibrosis is premature.

Dear Dr. Solomon: I've heard there's a new instrument that enables patients with retinitis pigmentosa to see in the dark. Can you tell me what it is and how expensive it is?—Mr. G.L.

Dear Mr. L.: The instrument you refer to is called the Night Vision Aid, is sold by a Maryland firm in association with the National Betinitis Pigmentosa Foundation, and costs about \$2,750. It provides people with night blindness caused by retinitis pigmentosa the equivalent of their best daylight vision when they go out in the dark.

A person must have reasonably good day vision to be helped by the device. There are four screening centers—in Boston, Los Angeles, St. Louis, and Baltimore—staffed by ophthalmologists who can decide whether a patient's day vision is good enough to be helped by the Night Vision Aid.

The scope was developed from an army night-vision surveillance device. It converts light into an electronic image which is then intensified and displayed on a screen viewed through the eyepiece. It is battery-powered and designed to last through about one thousand hours of use. Since most patients would use the scope for only a few minutes a day, it is estimated that it might last anywhere from five to 10 years.

However, the Night Vision Aid is not an unqualified success. Some patients have reported they feel a powerful flashlight would be just as useful.

Dear Dr. Solomon: What causes air pollution?—M.S.

Dear M.S.: Several processes contribute to air pollution. One is evaporation of liquids like gasoline. Another is attrition-activities like grinding or drilling. But most air pollution comes from combustion in furnaces, vehicles, incinerators and open dumps.

These processes take place primarily in automobiles and other moving vehicles; furnaces burning fuel for heating and making electricity; containers or places for burning waste; industrial activities, including cement making, grain handling, kraft paper pulping, petroleum refining and storage, metal smelters and mills, fertilizer production, and many forms of chemical manufacturing.

Ford said planning 1982 front-wheeler

DETROIT (AP) — Ford Motor Co. is reportedly planning a second line of small front-wheel drive cars for 1982, a year after the scheduled introduction of its first front-wheel drives in models replacing the present Ford Pinto and Mercury Bobcat.

Code-named "Derby," the 1982 models would be longer versions of the 1981 subcompact "Erika" Pinto replacement, the trade publication Metalworking News reported Monday.

Another front-wheel drive project, "Monica," was reported to have been put on the back burner. Monica was to have replaced the present compact Ford Granada and Mercury Monarch models in 1981.

But instead, the Granada and Monarch lines will get a "major facelift and redimensioning" and keep their rear drives, the publication said in a report that attributed its information to "sources within the company."

Monica could be revived later if demand for front-wheel drive cars turns out to be strong enough, it was reported.

Bill challenging 55 limit dies in Wyoming House

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — A bill challenging the federally mandated 55 mph speed limit has died in the Wyoming Legislature, one of its backers says.

A measure that would reduce fines for traveling faster than 55 mph received support from only 20 of the 62 House members on Monday. "It kills it dead in hell," said state Rep. Charles Scott of Casper. The bill would have dropped fines to \$5 for traveling 55-65 mph and imposed a \$30 fine for faster than 65 mph. Currently, a motorist may be fined \$1 for each mile per hour above the speed limit plus \$5 in court costs.

Wyoming officials said they were not aware of President Carter's reminder that federal highway aid could be cut to states which set maximum speed limits beyond 55 mph.

Carter told a news conference in Washington on Monday: "One thing that's concerned me recently is the move on the part of some ill-advised state legislatures to raise the speed limit above 55 up to 65 or more.

"Now, this would result in the termination of federal funds allocated to them for highway purposes," he added. Wyoming currently receives about \$51.7 million annually in federal highway money.

Keeping the Wyoming speed limit at 55 was backed by House Speaker Warren Morton, also of Casper, who warned of an impending oil-supply crisis because of the takeover in Iran by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

"We are part of the world and we cannot by legislative action withdraw from the world," said Morton, an oil and gas producer. He added that the 55 mph law is "a sacrifice that we all must accept."

Other Western states have begun moves to raise the speed limit, and legislation has been introduced in Congress that would allow states to set their own limits without worrying about losing federal aid.

Also, Pamela Able, Wyoming conservation director, said two federal officials were "receptive" to a proposal that a trade-off be established

to link an increase in speed limits to increases in gasoline taxes.

But on Monday, the officials — Ray Warner of the transportation department and Mark Friedrich of the energy department — said they had agreed only to talk to Mrs. Able about the proposal.

The 55 mph speed limit became law during the 1973 Arab oil embargo. The lower speed limit also has been credited with reducing the number of highway fatalities.

Last week, an Associated Press-NBC News poll showed that 59 percent of the public favor keeping the 55 mph speed limit, and 39 percent said states should be allowed to raise speed limits.

Advertisement for The Great Gatsby's Valentine Dance and Fashion Show at Midland-Odesa's newest entertainment complex, 3920 W. Wall.

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Advertisement for Sweetheart's Dance Valentine's Day featuring Southern Knights and Stardust.

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Advertisement for Magic movie, featuring Anthony Hopkins and Ann-Margret.

Advertisement for Ice Castles movie, featuring Robby Collien and Benson Dewhurst.

Advertisement for The Lord of the Rings movie.

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Advertisement for Goma movie, featuring Genevieve Bujo and Michael Douglas.

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Names in the news

CLARKSBURG, W. Va. (AP) — Singer **Leon Redbone** is in his 30s, but says he feels "like I'm 93" after escaping without serious injury from the crash of an Allegheny Airlines plane at a local airport.

"I ache all over and my hip hurts. But nothing is broken as far as I know," Redbone said from his hospital bed a few hours after the crash. He was one of 25 persons aboard the Washington-bound plane.

Two people were killed and 23 others were injured when the propjet flipped and crashed shortly after taking off in a snowstorm.

Redbone is a blues singer from New Hope, Pa. He said there was little time to prepare for the crash. "All of a sudden I was hanging upside down in the plane," he said. "It was a matter of moments before the plane came down. Everybody was disoriented, but no more than could be expected."

Redbone, his road manager, Daniel Cronin, 27, of Santa Monica, Calif., and clarinet player Robert Gordon of New York City were among passengers held overnight for observation.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (AP) — Former first lady **Bess Truman** planned to celebrate her 94th birthday quietly today in her stately 17-room Victorian mansion.

The widow of President Harry Truman was reported in high spirits and regaining her strength from recent hospital stays.

Bouquets of flowers and cards and letters were expected for Mrs. Truman, who has surpassed by five years the age of any former first lady. Anna Harrison, wife of the 9th president, William Henry Harrison, lived to the age of 89.

Mrs. Truman's sister-in-law, Mary Wallace, 84, said she planned to stop by with a birthday favorite of the former first lady's — homemade chocolate fudge.

"She's very frail; she doesn't get around too well yet," said Mrs. Wallace, who lives near the Truman home and is a frequent visitor. "The nice part is that her head is clear. Thank goodness she can read; that's one of her great pleasures." Mrs. Truman likes mystery stories.

Health has been a problem for Mrs. Truman the past year. She spent 17 days at Research Medical Center in June and was hospitalized again from Nov. 20 to Dec. 16 for tests and treatment of high blood pressure.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Letters from well wishers — including England's Queen Elizabeth II — helped keep up his spirits while he recovered from surgery to remove his cancerous stomach, says actor **John Wayne**.

The gravel-voiced box office king says he's now "feeling fine and going to make it."

In a copyright interview with the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner, Wayne said he got "30,000 letters at the hospital ... and there were another 10,000 here when I got home. I skimmed through some of those and found one from one of my grandkids, who wrote it the day I was operated on."

He made his comments Sunday from his Newport Beach home — a day after being released from UCLA Medical Center.

"I still have a little trouble (a slight infection), but as soon as that clears up, I'll be up and at 'em," Wayne said.

Filmmaker Jean Renoir dies in Hollywood at 84

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Jean Renoir, an artist's son who achieved his own renown as a maker of classic films, has died at 84.

Son of the celebrated impressionist painter Auguste Renoir, the French moviemaker died Monday afternoon after a long illness at his home in the Benedict Canyon area of Los Angeles.

His family announced his death today in Paris. Family spokesman Nick Frangakis said Renoir's body is to be flown to France next week for a funeral with state honors.

Renoir won international recognition for his 1937 film "La Grande Illusion," a portrayal of gallantry among French prisoners of war and their German captors during World War I.

His life was filled with honors. Among the last was a special Academy Award at the Oscar ceremonies April 8, 1975. Actress Ingrid Bergman presented the award to Renoir as "a film maker who has worked with grace, responsibility and enviable competence through silent film, sound film, feature, documentary and television."

Renoir was too ill to attend the ceremonies. He remained in his Beverly Hills home following an operation on his leg.

"It was on April 17, 1915, that my leg was struck by a German bullet," he explained once in an interview. "The bone was badly damaged and over the years I have had problems with it."

Renoir spent his last months in a wheelchair, close to paintings and sculptures by his father, including a full-length portrait of Jean as a boy.

Critic Penelope Gilliatt wrote once of the director: "He makes films full of feeling for picnics, cafes, rivers, barges, friends, tramps, daily noises from the other side of the courtyard."

Renoir was born Sept. 15, 1894, in Paris, the second of three sons. The eldest, Pierre, became an actor; and the youngest, Claude, photographed many of Jean's films and later worked in television.

Renoir lived in Paris and at the family farm in Provence, attending College Sainte-Croix at Neuilly. He immersed himself in films while he was recovering from his war wound, and he interested his father in the new medium.

After the war, Renoir married one of his father's models, Catherine Hessling, began working in ceramics, and continued studying movies.

He wrote a script in which his wife starred — "Une Vie Sans Joie." Renoir was disappointed with the way the director interpreted his script, and decided to become a director himself.

"Nana" in 1926 was Renoir's first major film as a director. It was ambitious and it failed, although it was later vindicated as a silent-film classic. He continued making films into the sound period, sometimes appearing in them himself.

LEE HIGH YOUTH CENTER CHATTER Rebel Roundballers to face Midland High

BY ROBIN BENNETT,
CINDY CANFIELD AND
JULIE OSCHNER

Hey Rebs! Tonight our Mighty Rebel Roundballers will complete the 1978-79 season by taking on those MANGY MUTTS from Midland High. Varsity action starts at 8 o'clock sharp and J.V. at 6:15, so we want to see all you Rebel fans at the CHAP-PAREL CENTER to see our guys MANGLE MIDLAND HIGH!!!! Last week our Mighty Men were defeated by Permian and Abilene High, but not without some pretty fancy shots.

ATTENTION ALL SENIOR WOMEN! If you weren't at the meeting last Wednesday night, you can turn your list of names of no more than ten girls you want to invite in to Robin Bennett, Cindy Canfield or Pam Moseley. Also, to any Senior not involved with the party, and to ALL Juniors and Sophomores, please do not invite a date until you have received your invitation!!!!

TO ALL SUPERIOR SENIORS!!!! Senior Dinner tickets are still on sale. If you want to attend, be sure and get your ticket by Friday. They'll be on sale in the cafeteria during both lunches for \$8. Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime event at the Hilton. George Bush will be our guest speaker. See you the 22nd.

Hey all you track fans out there—Our Mighty Rebel Track Men did pretty good against Midland High and those Punny Panthers from (ugh!) Permian. Jeff McCowan threw the shot put 58 feet to win in that event. Our great men also took home a victory in the 440 relay, and Jody Sessom vaulted 13-feet to win the pole vault. Way to go, Guys!!!!!!

That's all this week. Your Chatterers, Robin, Cindy, and Julie P.S. Friday at 7:30 a.m. all Padre-bound Senior Girls meet in the Youth center. NO EXCEPTIONS—Everyone who is going BE THERE!!



Gloria Reyes, a junior student at Lee High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Reyes, was crowned queen of the fifth annual Park Center YMCA Valentine Dance and Coronation held Saturday night in the County Exhibit Building. Her escort was Paul Gonzales, a student at The University of Texas at Austin. Princess attending the queen was Cindy Reyes.

Rockefeller furnished apartment, art, \$60,000 salary for Miss Marshack

NEW YORK (AP) — The late Nelson A. Rockefeller bought his research assistant, Megan Marshack, a \$45,000 cooperative apartment, furnished it with art objects from his valuable collection, and paid her \$60,000 a year in salary with an unlimited expense account, the New York Post reports.

Quoting an unidentified source who admitted to "detesting" Miss Marshack, the Post said in Monday's editions that Miss Marshack had no life outside her work, spoke of the former New York governor with "warmth and tenderness" and "acted as if she was Mrs. Rockefeller."

The source, who asked not to be identified, told the Post that Miss Marshack was on 24-hour call to Rockefeller, ran the staff of his Manhattan townhouse with an imperious air, and bought many items of Rockefeller's personal clothing.

Miss Marshack, 25, a former Associated Press Radio reporter in Washington, D.C., was with Rockefeller when he suffered a heart attack on Jan. 26 in his Manhattan townhouse office.

She joined his staff in 1976 while he was vice-president.

In his will filed last week in White Plains, Rockefeller forgave Miss Marshack a \$45,000 loan which she had used to buy her cooperative apartment.

The Post reported that Miss Marshack had been a regular visitor at Rockefeller's Pocantico Hills estate in Westchester County where she took horseback riding lessons.

Questions about Miss Marshack's relationship with the former governor have surfaced amid growing confusion about the circumstances of Rockefeller's death. The confusion developed after family spokesmen, Hugh Morrow, issued conflicting reports about the time and place of Rockefeller's death and about whether Miss Marshack was there.

WNBC-TV program hostess Panchitta Pierce said when she was called from a nearby apartment to come to Rockefeller's townhouse, she found only Miss Marshack and Rockefeller in the office. Miss Marshack and Miss Pierce are friends and neighbors in the building.

Motorists tamper with smog devices

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Air quality in the Los Angeles area last summer was the worst in a decade because many motorists used leaded gasoline in cars designed for unleaded gasoline or tampered with smog control devices, an expert said Monday.

Three tankfuls of leaded gasoline can ruin a catalytic converter in a car designed for unleaded gasoline, said Dr. Thomas Heinsheimer, vice chairman of the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

He told the National Commission on Air Quality, which is preparing recommendations for Congress on ways to alleviate smog problems, that mistuning in catalytic converter-equipped cars occurred in 15 percent of those studied.

Unleaded gasoline is more expensive than regular gasoline.

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MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
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Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ray Thomas, Route 3, Box 681-A, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daniel Kunkel, Star Route B, Box 10, a girl.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Joseph Ramirez, 1504 S. Jefferson St., a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Harris Yeager, 4310 Princeton Ave., a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Dee Martin, 2506 Shandon Ave., a girl.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Frank Schumpert III, Route 1, Box 73-A-10, a boy.

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Midland Lee's girl cagers open new can of worms

By TERRY WILLIAMSON Sports Writer

Monday night was supposed to be the end of the District 5-4A girls' basketball season...

after that. "You never expect to win one that easy," Stephenson said.

Midland High did win the junior varsity contest, 40-37, as Sandra Black led the way with 15 points.

Gilchrist had 10 points for the Pack while Kay Rowe led Lee with 10 points.

The Lee varsity is now 27-7 on the year while MHS fell to 25-11.

Midland Lee (23): Adams, 6-6-2-4; Poole, 2-2-2-4; Ledbetter, 3-3-1-1; Watkins, 4-2-2-1; Wilson, 2-0-4-4; Rowens, 0-0-0-0; Parrish, 0-0-1-4; L. Taylor, 2-1-2-2; Robinson, 0-0-1-0. Totals: 15-11-24-23.



Ben Branin, left, of Jal, N.M., takes a flying punch to the head from Odessa's Dock Ramsey Monday night at the finals of the regional Golden Gloves Tournament at the Ector County Coliseum.

Midland boxers improve

By BOB DILLON Sports Writer

ODESSA — Midland fighters won two out of three matches Monday night.

Fabian Ramos and Emilio Menchaca, left the ring with championship trophies while competing in the High School Football Division of the 33rd annual Regional Golden Gloves Tournament before more than 6,000 boxing fans in the Ector County Coliseum.

Ramos, a 110-pounder from Midland Lee, punched out an impressive victory over Gary Trout of Odessa High in a close bout while Midland High's Menchaca, a 117-pounder, took a classy win from David Escamilla, 120, from Monahans.

Both Ramos and Menchaca fought well and received a good response from the big crowd, although when Ramos was announced the winner in his fight, the OHS fans boomed loudly.

There was no question about Menchaca's victory as he used several body punches early in the fight to pile up important points.

Jimmy Rascon and Anthony Cortez, a pair of 50-pounders, opened the 37-card fight in a special Pee-Wee

Division fight which was crowd pleasing, in getting the finals underway. The 37 fights lasted for more than four hours with Rascon, from Seminole, taking a close decision over Cortez of the Odessa Boys Boxing Club.

In a special Sub-Division 90-pound bout, Joel Abila of Odessa Boys Club, came out swinging early to take a technical knockout victory over Seminole's Timmy Garcia. The TKO came in the second round as referee Zeke Sanchez stopped the fight when Garcia was unable to continue.

Fort Stockton's Joey Gaitan, one of the classiest fighters in the tourney, pounded out a victory over Roy Chavez of the Odessa Boxing Club, but one of the best fights of the night was fought by Midland Lee's Warren Kyle, a 147-pounder, who dropped a very close decision to Odessa High's Robert Gardner in the High School Football Division.

Kyle, a gutsy fighter, was behind in points going into the third and final round, but fought back tremendously and almost pulled out the win in a fight that brought the crowd to its feet. His final flourish had Gardner going, but the Broncho boxer had enough points early to hold on for the

narrow victory. Despite the loss, Kyle received the "Fightingest Fighter Award" for the tournament.

Besides the Kyle-Gardner fight, the final bout of the night in the High School Football Division, really got the crowd's attention when Odessa Permian's Bryan Lambert, squared off with Elton Powell of OHS. It was a free-swinging fight with both boxers fighting well. Powell won in a close decision much to the delight of the Broncho followers and OHS won the team title in taking two out of three matches from the Mojo fighters. OHS' Darren Dennard outpointed Permian's Ted Rambo in a 131-pound fight while Permian's only win over OHS came when Fabian Nunez, a 129-pounder, pounded out a victory over Kenneth Tollett.

Jessie Lujan of Andrews won his Football Division fight, posting a win over Edward Jaso, also a 124-pounder. Jaso was fighting out of San Angelo for Tony's Boxing Club. Jesse Gore and Raul Yzagurrie, both from OHS, put on a great fight with Yzagurrie taking a TKO win after being knocked down by Gore in the first round.

IF IT sounds complicated, it is. But in a nutshell, there are two do-or-die games left to be played with any of the three teams able to win the overall 5-4A title and a trip for future glory. Still, Lee seems to be in the best position since they have to only play in one of the games. They can sit back and wait for Midland High and Abilene High to decide which one wants to be in that final game.

No decision has been made on the site or date of the MHS-AHS confrontation, but Jane Young, Midland High coach, has stated that she prefers to play on a neutral site. "I don't think we want to go back to Abilene," she said.

BUT MONDAY was a night for the Rebels to put in a scrapbook. They were never really threatened and they dominated the entire course of action on the floor.

"We've been fighting for our lives ever since we lost to Midland High in the first half. The girls have been playing hard, and it all paid off out there tonight. I don't know anything about the playoffs, but I think we will take the day off tomorrow (Tuesday)," Shirley Stephenson said after the big victory.

The Bulldogs, who could have wrestled the 5-4A title away from the defending champions with a victory, were their own worst enemy Monday. They were so cold in their shooting touch that one would have thought a snow blizzard was raging outside. The Pack missed their first 18 shots from the field and ended up hitting only five of 42 attempts—a meager 12 per cent.

THE REBELS didn't exactly burn the cords with 16 of 46 from the field and a 35 per cent shooting percentage, but they did maintain the tempo of the game and dominated both the offensive and defensive boards.

Senior Deborah Ledbetter led the Lee attack with 11 points, but she was even more awesome crashing the boards while intimidating the Pack shooters. She was all over the court.

Leisha Watkins was the only other player on the court in double figures with 10 points, but she fouled out early in the fourth period.

DEBORAH KITTLE gave Lee a 4-2 lead with 5:10 left in the first period and the Rebels never trailed after that. The Rebs built up a 12-2 lead in the first period and then led 21-8, a 13-point cushion with 1:12 left in the half after a seven-point run in the second period. Ledbetter canned two back-to-back baskets in that spurt.

Meanwhile, the Bulldogs did not score a field goal in the first half on a 0-for-16 streak, and hit on only nine of 18 free throw tries. But they were lucky to be trailing only 21-9 at the half.

Midland High missed two more shots to open the second quarter to stretch their field goal mark to 0-for-18, but Margaret Christian, who led the Pack with six points, finally hit a layup with 5:26 left in the third period. That is a dry spell in anyone's book.

"We couldn't hit the broad side of a barn," was the only comment Young put forth for the night.

LEE'S DEE DEE Poole hit for nine points in the victory and four of them came in the fourth period on two brilliant steals that went the length of the court for easy layups. She scored six of her nine in the final period, and the last bucket she scored gave Lee the 20-point margin of victory, the biggest lead of the night with 2:28 still left in the game. Neither team scored



Midland High's LaShell Shrock (54) battles for a rebound against Midland Lee's Leisha Watkins Monday night in which Lee forced a three-way District 5-4A playoff. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Howard College falls as Chaps start rolling

BIG SPRING — Robert Tate, Chucky McGill, Cullen Mayfield and Kenneth Young paved the way Monday night.

Midland College, with that foursome, shot down the Howard College Hawks, 67-61, in a Western Junior College Conference game.

Tate flipped in 17 points while McGill followed with 16 and Young and Mayfield chipped in with 15 and 10 points, respectively as the Chaps showed a balanced scoring attack.

The victory for Coach Jerry Stone's Chaps gives them a 16-10 season record and they are 8-5 in WJCC action while the Hawks are now 1-12 and 8-21 on the year.

MC jumped out in front early so the Hawks didn't have a chance to run their patent slow-down game.

The Chaparrals led by as much as 13 points in the first half and had led again up to nine points in the second half in leading all the way. It was 39-36 at halftime in favor of MC, but Howard did manage to pull to within three points—57-54 with 3:49 left in the game. But baskets by Mayfield and Luis Alvarado, increased the lead once again.

Robbie Randolph was the only Hawk player in the double figures with 27 points as MC connected on 50 per cent from the field and 56 per cent from the line and the Chaps won the battle of the boards, 37-31.

Midland entertains Frank Phillips College of Borger Thursday night in the Chaparral Center on the MC campus. Frank Phillips took a narrow 80-79 decision over the Chaps in their first conference meeting.

MIDLAND COLLEGE (87): McGill, 7-2-2-16; Tate, 6-5-1-17; Alvarado, 4-2-2-9; Randolph, 10-7-2-27; Gross, 1-2-2-4; Smith, 4-0-4-4; Tulliver, 4-1-4-8; Hines, 4-1-4-8; Rawls, 2-0-2-4. TOTALS: 25-11-29-47.

Table with columns: Teams, Conf., Season. Lists scores for Western Texas College, NMCI, Midland College, New Mexico JC, Odessa College, South Plains College, Frank Phillips, Amarillo College, Howard College, Clarendon.

Monday's results: Midland College 67, Howard College 61. Frank Phillips 86, Amarillo College 81. Western Texas College 101, NMJC 89. Odessa College 56, NMCI 54.

Aggies fail in upset bid

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — As usual — lately at least — Texas A&M fell behind early in its game Monday night with Texas.

And Texas' John Moore performed just as he's been doing, too — pumping in a season high 23 points to lead the 12th-ranked Longhorns to an im-

portant 65-57 Southwest Conference basketball victory over the Aggies, rated 11th going into the game.

"I didn't have any set plan," said Moore, who went into the game averaging nine points. "I just had the open jumper so I considered it my duty to take it."

In other SWC action Monday night Houston outran SMU 101-94, Rice nipped Texas Christian 84-80 and 14th-ranked Arkansas shot a blistering pace from the field in beating Baylor 71-62.

Free throws were the difference in Rice's win. Rice went to the charity stripe 32 times in that game while TCU got only seven free throws. Rice is now 4-10 in the SWC and TCU is 1-12.

Arkansas remained a game behind Texas with a 10-3 mark, while Baylor fell to 7-6.

The Aggies meanwhile lost their third straight SWC game, each time falling behind in the first half.

"We're just letting teams get a quick jump on us," said freshman star Rudy Woods, held to four points. "That's what we had been doing to teams. Jerry Odems and Eugene Merritt had 10 each for Lee while Dexter Peterson led Midland with 15.

Lee finished with a 13-3 season record.

first 5:12 of the game as Texas ran up a 10-0 lead using a slow methodical offense en route to a 35-20 halftime lead.

Texas shot 68 percent from the field in the first half. A&M managed only 34 percent from the field in the first half and could not stop the incessant outside shooting by the Longhorns.

The Aggies fought back in the second half with a much more aggressive defense. They cut Texas' lead to 60-55 with 1:03 to play. But five straight Texas free throws ended the threat.

"They've got to be the best mad dog pressing defense in the nation," Texas Coach Abe Lemons said. "We should have pulled out on them tonight."

Moore said the Longhorns six day layoff since their last game helped.

"We knew it was going to be loud so we had to know where everybody would be," Moore said, about the enthusiastic crowd of 7,850.

A&M Coach Shelby Metcalf said, "This game cleared the air. I feel like we'll comeback and play two good ball games and be ready for the tournament. Our defense was outstanding. Our problem is on the offensive end of the court. We need to add a shooter to the lineup."

Texas is now 18-5 for the year and 11-2 in SWC games. The Aggies are 20-7 on the year.

Pesky Rebels shoot for upset over MHS Bulldogs

By TERRY WILLIAMSON Sports Writer

For all practical purposes, the District 5-4A basketball chase is over, but there is still that matter of the pesky Midland Lee Rebels to consider.

Midland High's Bulldogs put the 5-4A title in their hip pocket Friday with a resounding 62-35 victory over Abilene Cooper, and they are looking forward to the state playoffs. Still, the Bulldogs must face Lee today at 8 p.m. in the Chaparral Center on the Midland College campus, and that's where the guessing starts.

It's hard to take this year-end finale as cut and dried because the Midland High-Lee basketball contest has

never been all that predictable. Emotion sometimes is more powerful than season records indicate.

The Rebels have had some trouble this year, and they are going to end up with more losses than victories whether they win or lose tonight. But they haven't been a team to fold. They have been competitive, and if they really want a victory tonight, they just might pull one off. The true makeup of the two teams will be on display in the Chap Center.

The last time around, the Bulldogs hung a 30-point haymaker on the Rebels after they tried a stall effort. No one knows what the Rebs plan tonight in the rematch.

Midland High cage boss Don

Humphrey says his Bulldogs will try to win the game tonight, but he also stated that they would play this one for fun. Humphrey plans to use every player in the game. The question is, "Can the Bulldogs take this game seriously with wondering eyes looking at next week and the playoffs?"

The Rebels, on the other hand, would like nothing better than to go out on a winning note against the 5-4A champions, but Coach Paul Stueckler's crew must come to play to win. A Stueckler team rarely does anything but that, and he likes victories over Midland High.

Lee is the home team tonight, and will be carrying a 14-17 season mark into the battle against the 25-8 Bul-

dogs, who have won 15 games in a row. The Bulldogs would like to keep that win streak in tact while heading into the playoffs.

Over 4,000 fans turned out for the first meeting between the two schools at the end of the first half play, and another large crowd is expected tonight. No pre-game sale of tickets has been done, so all tickets can be purchased at the gate.

Meanwhile, Sam Cox, Midland athletic director, announced Monday that the Wichita Falls-Midland High bi-district contest will be played in Abilene's Taylor County Coliseum Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 8 p.m. Ticket information will be released as soon as all the details are worked out.

Midland High officials will meet with the Wichita Falls officials immediately after tonight's contest to work out all the fine details of the bi-district clash. Both coaches wanted to play in the Taylor County Coliseum since that will be the site of the Regional Tournament, which is set for Feb. 23-24. The winner of the MHS-WFH bi-district game will then have a small edge since the winner will already have played a game on the Taylor County floor.

But the Bulldogs had better take first things first because some renegade Rebels have nothing else to look forward to. Tonight is their last stand.

District 5-4A Standings (Second Half) Boys

Table with columns: Team, Dist., Season. Lists scores for Midland High, Abilene Cooper, Odessa Permian, San Angelo, Midland Lee, Abilene High, Odessa High, Big Spring.

District 5-4A champions outright.

Tonight's Games

Table with columns: Team, Location. Lists games: Midland High vs. Midland Lee, Chaparral Center; Odessa High at Odessa Permian; San Angelo at Big Spring; Abilene High at Abilene Cooper; Ends regular season play.

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Table listing NAIA top 20 basketball teams with columns for rank, team name, and record.

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Table listing professional hockey game results with columns for teams and scores.

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By The Associated Press. The Top Twenty teams in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics basketball poll...

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Table listing NBA leaders in various categories like points, rebounds, and assists.

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Table listing college hockey game results.

WBL standings

Table showing Western Basketball League (WBL) standings.



Indiana State All-American Larry Bird's attempted shot is blocked by West Texas State forward Carl Johnson (41), but the Sycamores remained undefeated with their 23rd victory of the year. (AP Laserphoto)

Campbell wins big prize

HOUSTON (AP) — A computer evaluation of last season's Pro Football League players has determined that rookie running back Earl Campbell of the Houston Oilers was the top achiever.

Rozelle is willing to be mediator

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Pete Rozelle is more than willing to serve as the mediator in the Wellington Mara-Tim Mara New York Giants power struggle.

Indiana State rips West Texas

By The Associated Press. Nothing's changed now that the Indiana State Sycamores are finally No. 1 — they're still winning basketball games.

Undefeated but relatively unloved by the voters throughout the season, the Sycamores have moved to the top of The Associated Press poll...

Incidentally, that not only gave some more substance to their top-ranked status, but clinched the Sycamores' first Missouri Valley Conference championship.

That was apparently the thinking of AP voters who in past weeks voted Indiana State No. 2 even though the spotless Sycamores had the best record in the Top Twenty.

In other games involving the ranked teams, No. 6 Louisiana State beat Auburn 78-68; No. 11 Arkansas stopped Baylor 71-62; No. 12 Texas whipped Texas A&M 65-57; No. 19 Vanderbilt beat No. 20 Alabama 65-57.

As on many other occasions, Larry Bird was the reason that Indiana State won its most recent game. Bird scored 27 points and registered 19 rebounds against West Texas State.

Jordy Hultberg scored 16 of his 20 points in the second half as LSU rallied from a 12-point deficit in the final 17 minutes to beat Auburn.

Elsewhere, Chad Kinch and Kevin King each scored 24 points to lead North Carolina-Charlotte over New Orleans 76-66; Marty Coyne's 17 points led Army over Fordham 71-70; Florida State stopped St. Louis 84-79 as Kris Anderson put in 20 points; Kelvin Troy had 19 points as Rutgers defeated New Hampshire 83-73; Cincinnati held Xavier 60-58 behind Pat Cummings' 25 points and Les Henson had 18 points to power Virginia Tech past William & Mary 55-49.

Also, John Stroud sank two free throws with one second left to give Mississippi a 67-65 victory over Florida; Davidson turned back Tennessee-Chattanooga 70-64 as John Gerdy scored 36 points; Tom Slawson's 16 points led The Citadel over VMI 72-69; Carl Belcher scored 26 to lead St. Bonaventure over St. Francis (Pa.) 86-77; Kenneth Williams scored 38 points as Houston trimmed SMU 101-94 and Anthony DeCello hit two free throws with 11 seconds left to ice an 84-80 victory for Rice over TCU.

Dwight Anderson scored 26 points to pace Kentucky past Mississippi State 80-65; Tulane's Joe Holston sank a 20-foot jumper with 24 seconds remaining to give the Green Wave a 75-74 decision over Southern Mississippi; Wayne Kreklow fired in 30 points as Drake edged Southern Illinois 79-75; Dana Perno's 19 points triggered West Virginia past Robert Morris 85-79 and Michael Brooks and Kurt Kasnikle combined for 56 points as La Salle defeated Lehigh 100-93.

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