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Carter Intensifies Fight Against Inflation



Santa Arrives in Hereford

Santa Claus made his appearance in Hereford last night in conjunction with the "tree trimming" on the Courthouse lawn by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, and the turning on of the Christmas lights around the city. Preceding the lighting ceremony, Christmas carols were sung by a youth choir from

First Baptist Church and a group of Chamber Singers. Santa was brought in by the Hereford Volunteer Fire Department, and the jolly old gentleman distributed candy to a throng of youngsters. Mrs. Claus was also on hand to serve as mistress of ceremonies for the event.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Although President Carter says he will continue his fight against inflation even if it costs him a second term as president, some key government officials have probably can't get re-elected in 1980 if he doesn't deal with the problem.

"I would maintain the fight against inflation," Carter said Thursday when asked what he would do if he had to make a choice. "I believe it's exactly what the American people want."

However, two key officials have said Carter's chances of re-election probably depend on his success in controlling inflation, which is now stuck at 10 percent, the worst it's been in four years.

"Politically, it is essential he lick the problem of inflation," Carter's chief

inflation adviser, Alfred Kahn, said Wednesday in a speech.

"He can't get re-elected unless he deals with inflation, and therefore he has to be serious," Chairman G. William Miller of the Federal Reserve Board told a congressional committee recently.

Both Kahn and Miller were appointed to their posts by Carter.

Carter acknowledged at his news conference Thursday that his efforts to reduce inflation by slowing government spending and pushing up interest rates could put an even bigger drag on the economy in 1979 than his administration has admitted previously.

He said economic growth could drop below 3 percent - a level that surely would increase unemployment above the current 5.8 percent of the labor force - but repeated earlier assurances that a serious economic down-turn is unlikely.

"We don't anticipate a recession or depression next year," he said.

A large number of prominent private economists have said Carter's anti-inflation program virtually guarantees a recession in 1979.

The economy has been growing at a rate of 3.75 percent so far in 1978. The administration argues that slower economic growth is needed next year to take pressure off prices, which have more than doubled in the past 11 years.

"I think we will be successful in leveling off the rate of inflation and then in bringing it down," Carter said.

Carter also said he has not agreed to any changes in his voluntary wage and price guidelines - 7 percent for wages and an average of 5.75 percent for prices. But he added: "With a thousand different decisions to be made, there will be some flexibility."

The final details of the guidelines aren't yet worked out, Carter said.

On other topics at the nationally televised news conference, the president said:

"Americans should not over-react to the mass murder-suicide in Jonestown, Guyana, by demanding government supervision of religious cults. The deaths of more than 900 cult followers there was not 'typical in any way of America,' he said.

He said the victims were "people obsessed by a particular leader's philosophy...in retrospect, all of us can deplore what did occur."

But, he said, "I don't think we ought to have an overreaction because of the Jonestown tragedy by injecting government into trying to control people's religious beliefs."

"He is 'somewhat discouraged' by the slow progress in the Egyptian-Israeli

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United Way Total Up To \$125,000

Deaf Smith County United Way volunteers, preparing themselves for Monday night's house-to-house drive, this morning reported that they still need to raise \$75,000.

Volunteers, who held their final official report meeting of the campaign today at the Community Center, announced that \$124,976 has been raised in this year's fund drive which represents 63 percent of their \$199,815 goal.

Several businesses still had not been contacted for possible contributions by this morning, according to UW president Paul Sims.

Approximately 100 volunteers will knock on Hereford's doors beginning late Monday afternoon. Chamber manager Michael Carr and Jo An Dwyer are coordinating the house campaign.

"I think they've organized a good house-to-house drive, and we hope people are receptive to the volunteers Monday," Sims said.

"Hopefully, people who gave at the office will help us make up the shortage. And, hopefully, people who haven't had the opportunity to support these local agencies will do that Monday."

Sims said he was "as optimistic than ever" about the success of United Way.

"We're going to wind things up in the next couple of weeks and try to contact as many of these businesses which haven't been contacted yet. Everybody needs to have the opportunity to do something for the agencies."

Informant: Ready To Kill Davis

HOUSTON (AP) - An armed and shaken FBI informant was poised to kill Cullen Davis because he feared Davis had uncovered an August surveillance operation, a state attorney disclosed Thursday.

Chief prosecutor Tolly Wilson said

informant David McCrory nervously watched the millionaire defendant circle an undercover FBI van moments before a fateful Davis-McCrory parking lot rendezvous.

"He was scared to death," Wilson said of the key witness in the murder-for-hire

trial of the Fort Worth industrialist.

"McCrory really thought he was going to have to kill Davis when Davis looked in the van," Wilson said. "He thought Davis had caught him."

A FBI microphone taped to McCrory's chest picked up the words "just paranoid" moments later as McCrory climbed into Davis' blue and white Cadillac.

Inside the van, FBI agents pointed a video camera at the pair and filmed what the state contends was an exchange of \$25,000 to pay a "hit man" for the killing of Davis' divorcee judge.

The alleged death target was not harmed and subsequently cooperated with the FBI in a phony murder scheme that led to conspiracy charges filed against Davis, 45.

Wilson's revelations came late Thursday after a Texas Ranger testified that McCrory was distraught and "driven up" shortly after betraying his one-time friend and pool-shooting companion.

"He was visibly shaken, his cheeks wet with tears," Ranger John Hogg said of McCrory when the two met on the parking lot of a Fort Worth restaurant.

"McCrory requested that I get him some milk," Hogg said. "I told him, 'Come on, I'll drink some milk too.'"

Defense lawyer Phil Burleson said he "nearly puked" when he heard Hogg's description of McCrory.

"I think he could be mistaken. If Ranger Hogg is correct in that regard, McCrory deserves the Academy Award. I think he could be crying for various reasons," Burleson said.

"Some people cry when they're

elated."

Whatever, prosecutor Jack Strickland suggested that Hogg's testimony most likely provided jurors an impression of McCrory in contrast to that portrayed by the defense.

There was a brief interruption to the

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West Texans Seek Highway From Lubbock to San Angelo

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Armistead Rust of the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce told the state highway commission Thursday it may be San Angelo's turn to get an interstate highway.

West Texans made a united presentation for an interstate highway from Lubbock through Lamesa and Big Spring to San Angelo.

The highway would follow U.S. 87 to San Angelo and Eden, then turn south on U.S. 83 to connect with Interstate 10 at Junction.

The 281-mile route first proposed in 1956 - would cost an estimated \$455 million. A limited-access highway would cost approximately \$254.5 million.

Supporters included delegations or spokesmen from Lubbock, Lamesa, Big Spring, and Brady, as well as the Midland-Odessa complex, which is southwest of Big Spring and not on the proposed route. A letter was read from

the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, also supporting the proposal.

Rust, a rancher, said San Angelo does not have a main highway, railroad or airline. "We're very anxious to have some relief, to have a real super highway coming through San Angelo."

San Angelo, he said, is the second-largest city in Texas that does not have an interstate highway passing through it. Wichita Falls was the largest, the last time he checked, he said.

"It is the shortest and most direct route" between Lubbock and San Angelo, said Rust, "and that's what makes it the most economical."

He said all but some 20 miles of the proposed U.S. 87 route is a multi-lane, divided highway.

The traffic count on U.S. 87 ranges from 1,000 to 8,880 vehicles a day, but Rust said the federal highway department has predicted the top figure

will increase to 26,100 vehicles a day by 1995.

Rust said Central Texas and the Houston area "have a lot of interstates - maybe it's our turn to have one" somewhere out there in West Texas.

Maybe Tom Parrett of San Angelo said, "We are a very expensive city, with tremendous growth, but we have a certain handicap with transportation."

Hobby: State Needs Money To Operate

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby indicated Thursday that inflation and population growth alone will require the 1979 Legislature to spend all the state's growth revenue to maintain services at existing levels.

If events prove him correct, this would impede Gov.-elect Bill Clements' plan to give another \$1 billion in tax relief on top of the \$1 billion provided by this year's special session and the "Tax Relief Amendment."

The lieutenant governor said the Legislative Budget Board, which he chairs, will complete work Friday on a 1980-81 spending plan that would increase expenditures by \$2.6 billion.

This would use up virtually all the anticipated surplus and "windfall revenue" from inflation and state growth.

"Based on available revenue estimates, the biennial spending increases must be held to about \$2.6 billion to stay within available revenue from major state

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Farm Commodities Drop during November

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government's price index for raw agricultural commodities at the farm dropped 1.5 percent in November, the first decline since last summer.

The Agriculture Department said Thursday that lower prices for hogs, cattle and citrus fruit contributed most to the decline from the previous month's figure.

However, the department's Crop Reporting Board said higher prices for eggs, lettuce, milk, corn and wheat partially offset price declines for the other commodities.

Despite the drop in the index,

November farm prices were up 20 percent from a year ago, the report said.

The drop in overall farm prices may be short-lived. Cattle and hog market prices began to rise again toward the end of the month, and department economists expect further gains during the winter.

Farm prices, after climbing for nine consecutive months, dropped 1 percent in July and another 3 percent in August. They rose 2 percent in September and an additional 1 percent in October.

The report said costs paid by farmers to meet expenses held steady in November but still averaged 11 percent more than a year ago.

The November parity ratio for farm commodities was 70 percent, compared to 71 in October and 65 a year ago, the Crop Reporting Board said.

In theory, if prices were at 100 percent of parity, farmers would have the same buying power they had in the 1910-1914 period. For example, the November corn price was \$2.03 a bushel - 54 percent of the November parity price for corn of \$3.78 a bushel.

According to the report, the preliminary November index for all commodities at the farm averaged 214 percent of the 1967 base used as a standard. In October, it averaged 217

percent. It was 178 percent in November of last year.

The record high for the index is 221 percent, in August 1973.

The report also said: -Cattle averaged \$51.50 per 100 pounds of live weight nationally in November, compared to \$53.20 in October and \$34.30 a year ago. Those are average prices for all types of cattle sold as beef.

-Hogs averaged \$46.70 per 100 pounds, compared with \$51.10 in October and \$37.80 a year ago.

-Wheat averaged \$3.05 a bushel at the farm nationally in November, according to preliminary figures, compared with

\$2.99 in October and \$2.46 in November 1977.

-Corn was \$2.03 a bushel, compared with \$1.97 in October and \$1.88 a year ago.

-Soybeans were \$6.31 a bushel, compared with \$6.26 in October and \$5.61 in November of last year.

-Upland cotton was 60.6 cents a pound on a national average, compared with 59.6 cents in October and 50.7 cents in November 1977.

-Oranges were \$4.65 a box against \$5.25 in October and \$5.03 in November of last year.

Hereford Welcomes Yule Season

Hereford held its formal opening of the Christmas season Thursday night with the appearance of Santa Claus, along with the lighting of a community Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn and the turning on of the Yule lights around the city. Mrs. Santa Claus (Carolyn Canon), left, served as mistress of ceremonies for the events. The community tree is shown in the center photo, along with spectators, and a group of youngsters, right, listen to Christmas carols prior to the arrival

of Santa. Carols were sung by a youth choir from First Baptist Church and by the Hereford Chamber Singers. Following a prayer by Mary Herring, incoming president of the Women's Division of the chamber, and a welcome by current president Margaret Formby, the lights on the tree were lit by executive vice president Mike Carr. Mayor Bartley Dowell and County Judge Sam Morgan also participated in the ceremonies.



Oxford Welcome Rude to Nixon

OXFORD, England (AP) - Five hundred student demonstrators flinging eggs and shouting "No crooks here!" and "No more Nixon!" gave former President Richard M. Nixon an angry welcome Thursday as he arrived at Oxford University to deliver an address on foreign affairs.

The placard-waving crowd of British and American protesters pummeled Nixon's black limousine as it drove up outside the Oxford Union debating society hall, where an audience of 800 awaited him.

Demonstrators knocked off the helmets of a cordon of British policemen and pushed forward to surround Nixon's auto. Secret Service men in tan raincoats rushed forward and surrounded the car, and police eventually held back demonstrators to allow Nixon into a narrow passageway behind the building.

Nixon, told of the protest that awaited him here, had said it would make him feel "very much at home."

Leading American students at the famed British university had said they planned to turn out hundreds of students, including a busload of Americans from London, to try to keep the former president from speaking at the Oxford Union, the university's 155-year-old debating society.

At least one protester received a black eye. People close to Nixon's car were hit in the head or shoulders by flying eggs. But it was not known whether Nixon himself was struck, and a policeman who

was in the middle of the fracas said no officers were injured and there were no immediate arrests.

Protest signs read: "Nixon Crawl Back Into Your Hole," "Why Shame Us Here" and "If You Can't die, at Least Fade Away."

Demonstrators included 43 Rhodes and Marshall scholars, and more than 100 other Americans studying at Oxford. Some had fashioned themselves as an ad-hoc group called "CREEP," using the acronym of Nixon's one-time Committee to Re-Elect the President but changing the meaning to "Campaign to Resist the Effects of the Ex-President."

Andy Paalborg, 23, of Philadelphia, a graduate student in politics at Oxford's Pembroke College, was a vociferous leader in the protest.

"I feel insulted this man apparently thinks I have no memory and no intelligence," Paalborg said.

SCULPTURES
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - A retrospective exhibit of sculptures by George Segal will be on display at Walker Art Center through next Jan. 7.

The center says the show "of more than 50 sculptures presents the full range of Segal's work: major environmental pieces such as 'Cinema' and 'The Gas Station' from the 1960s which brought the artist international prominence; wall reliefs reminiscent of classical themes based on the female nude, and vibrant-color, figure sculptures in surreal environments."

The Abundant Life

NO GRUMBLING

BY BOB WEAR



THE UPKEEP

IN ALL OF OUR PLANNING, we must not overlook the necessity for upkeep. Without proper plans for "upkeep," the loss in personal well-being; in efficiency of people and machines; in unnecessary depreciation of houses, buildings, businesses, communities and even people; and in many other areas is astronomical. The neglect, or perhaps it is just a failure to realize the importance of "upkeep," is inexcusable.

UPKEEP REQUIRES planning, money, labor, diligence, and perseverance. Even so, it is always profitable. "Upkeep" does not cost; it pays. Original investment and labor can be protected no other way. The maximum satisfaction, usefulness, performance, and profit in both people and things are some of the rewards of continuing upkeep.

DILIGENCE AND INDUSTRY are two of the principal elements in the "upkeep" that is so much a part of the fullness of living, and the maximum in accomplishment. Many things which have a good beginning have serve their intended purpose, because the "upkeep" is neglected. Many of our personal problems in such matters as our health would not occur, if we are abiding by the established rules of recommended "upkeep."

SOME COMMON SIGHTS such as; rusting farm machinery, unusable automobiles.

Barbs

By PHIL PASTORET

New York City papers are back on the streets, and just when nervous politicians' nails had started to grow back again.

When exercising your rights, make darned sure the other fellow hasn't been practicing up on his lefts.



The assurance that comes with the feeling of a job well done is in direct proportion to whether the boss has yet checked out your performance.

Add to your collection of collective nouns: an alling of hypochondriacs.

The United Church of Canada is the largest Protestant-denomination in Canada. Total membership is 982,163.

dilapidated houses, unpainted and unrepaired buildings, lots of overgrown weeds and made unsightly with junk, unpainted signs, and many other conditions of disarray and disorder testify to the great loss caused by neglect. None of these would exist if the simple rules of "upkeep" had been followed. The financial loss and service loss are astounding.

"IT IS NOT THE ORIGINAL COST, but the upkeep" is one of the expressions heard frequently. This probably means different things to different people, but it is often made as some sort of complaint. Of course, there are many people who know and very capably accept the responsibility of "upkeep". They find life and their activities rewarding and very satisfying. The losers are the persons who disclaim the obligation of "upkeep".

MOST OF US probably slight some things, and many of us neglect our own well-being; from the standpoint of "upkeep". This is common knowledge, and we frequently tell ourselves that we are going to do better. Here is one resolution we must put into action because this is inescapably essential to the best of living. Even if this has happened to us, we can regain a renewed interest in living by seeing and accepting the obligation of "upkeep".

MOST IMPORTANT than any other consideration is the fact that the responsibility of "upkeep" is part of the greater responsibility of stewardship. When we make the right use of our blessings, and care for them as we should; there is appropriate increase. If we misuse and neglect our blessings, we lose what we do have.

WISE PRACTICES OF "UPKEEP" enable us to make the best of life, and all of the things which pertain to living.

Insurance Man Given Choice Of Jail or Revealing Assets

By LEE JONES

Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - State District Judge Peter Lowry has given a Houston man who insurance officials claim ran a "computer fraud" a choice between turning assets over to the receiver of his insurance companies or going to jail.

Aubrey Jerald Gordon must spend two weeks in jail if he failed to produce the assets, including stock shares and three-motor vehicles, Lowry said. In a receivership petition granted in July, the State Insurance Department alleged that Gordon - who lost his agent's license in 1962 - operated under the names Eagle Financial Services and The Phoenix Companies.

The receivership action alleged Gordon was doing insurance business without a license.

Gordon denied any wrongdoing.

Insurance Commissioner E.J. Voorhis said Gordon's scheme worked like this: Gordon - through his wife, a licensed agent - would agree to administer credit life and health insurance policies for various insurance companies. This involved selling group policies to banks, receiving premiums and paying claims. The companies would get a percent of the premiums. Bankers would receive commissions when a borrower took out credit insurance.

Voorhis said companies received periodic computerized reports of the business done in their names but the computer programs were rigged so the reports failed to show the true volume. He said Gordon kept the difference.

How big an operation was it?

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"For the record, let's just say many millions," Voorhis said.

Sources indicated that between \$7 million and \$15 million in premiums passed through Gordon's hands.

About 200,000 borrowers were involved, Voorhis said.

Harris said 25 to 40 insurance companies used Gordon as an intermediary that saved them the expense and trouble of administration.

Gordon said there were only eight or nine.

"Let me tell you another thing... Every policy written through my office, was 100 percent reinsured by one of these companies that he controlled," he said.

He said all of Voorhis' "allegations are incorrect... they made two runs at the district attorney in Houston and he turned them down."

Gordon said he remitted to the insurance companies all the money they had coming "in accordance with all the contracts

we had."

He also denied working as an agent or functioning as an insurance company without a license.

"We were operating as a service company. I was not the agent. I handled the administrative affairs," he said.

Voorhis said legislation to "effectively prohibit an insurance company from surrendering its fiduciary responsibilities and financial controls to entities beyond the regulatory authority of this department would be the best possible step to keep such a mess from happening again."

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Stanton Dogie Roundup

Stanton boys' basketball teams have been selected and are working hard to be ready for their first games this weekend.

Members of the freshman team are Ray Harris, Grady Brown, Alex Valdez, Wayne High, Matt Collier, Mike Hill, Duane McNaney, Garry Ford, Kevin Huffaker, David Sandlin, Frankie Garcia, Paul Brockman and Brett Barrick.

Those on the eighth grade team are Charles McDowell, Jay Hodge, Alfred Ball, Jessie Moreno, Joe Castillo, Steve Beene, Ricky Valdez, Armando Rodriguez, Eddie Torres, John Stotts, Saul Villarreal, Robert Abalos, Freddie Garcia, Brian Taylor, Victor Soliz and Gilbert Rodriguez.

Our seventh grade basketball team members this year are Johnny Adame, Donnie Ander-

son, Keith Bridwell, Vernon Carroll, Ronnie Collier, Dale Denney, Dee Fowler, Juan Gamez, Gomer Garcia, John High, Clarence High, Craig Jones, Jesse Ortiz, Shawn Patrick, Kelly Priest, Ted Ramirez, Ernest Reyes, Joel Smith, Jeffrey Streun, Ronnie Terry, Gordon Timmons, Audenago Trevizo, Eric Walterscheid and Charles White.

The winners in last week's Talent Show, sponsored by our Red Cross Chapter were Wendy Roe, Michelle Gonzales, and Michelle Ford. Comedy act; Gloria DeLaPaz song; and Freddie Garcia, dance. Congratulations to these students.

Thirty-three Dogie Band members will be in Amarillo Saturday for All-Region Band tryouts.

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To Meet Penn St, Bama Must Beat Auburn

By The Associated Press
If Bear Bryant wants to win the national championship, he'll have to win the championship of Alabama first.

That, of course, will be decided Saturday when his Crimson Tide plays Auburn in their annual uncivil war.

"I don't think there's any doubt that both teams will be ready mentally," says Bryant. "It will be a mypiral game with great emotion on both sides."

Not only local pride, but an important bowl game is at stake. With a victory Saturday, Bryant's second-ranked Tide can gain a Sugar Bowl berth opposite top-ranked Penn State in a dream game in New Orleans Jan. 1 for the national championship.

A loss or a tie for Alabama would allow the 11th-ranked Georgia Bulldogs to win the Sugar Bowl berth as the Southeastern Conference representative, despite what they do against Georgia Tech Saturday.

Alabama is hotter than its arch-rival, having won nine straight games after an opening-game loss to Southern Cal. Auburn has won six and tied one of 10 games.

"Auburn is a big, strong physical team that is capable of controlling the line of scrimmage offensively and defensively," said Bryant. "They're also one of the best defensive teams in the conference against the run and they have a great set of backs."

Auburn Coach Doug Barfield has equal respect for Alabama. "For us to win," he said, "we'd have to play our best football on defense, make them really work for what they get. We'd have to move the ball well, complete more passes. And our kicking game would have to neutralize theirs."

Another bowl berth will be decided Saturday when ninth-

ranked Houston plays Rice. The Cougars can gain a place in the Cotton Bowl with a victory over Rice, one of the weaker teams in the Southwest Conference.

Texas Tech has an outside shot at the Cotton Bowl but it would take an unlikely set of circumstances to do it. The Red Raiders would have to beat eighth-ranked Arkansas while Rice was upsetting Houston.

Meanwhile, Rose Bowl-bound Southern Cal, the nation's third-ranked team, will play the University of Hawaii Saturday in a tuneup for its Jan. 1 game in Pasadena with Michigan.

Elsewhere, Army meets Navy in Philadelphia in a continuation of one of college football's most storied rivalries. More than 100,000 fans at JFK Stadium - plus a national television audience of millions more - are expected to watch the contest between the service academies.

In a game tonight, No. 14 Texas plays Texas A&M in another historic rivalry. Sun Bowl-bound Texas is a 7-point favorite at Memorial Stadium at Austin, which expects its usual sellout house of 79,800.

Rose Still Looking

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - The Philadelphia Phillies and rambling Pete Rose have shaken hands and parted ways after a brief encounter of the bargaining kind.

"We have made an offer that would have made Pete the highest paid player in Phillies history" club owner Ruly Carpenter told a news conference Thursday. "Unfortunately, it was not quite enough."

"He didn't get into the game of one-upmanship, for which I have the greatest admiration. He's a great player and I wish him the best."

The Phillies had been considered the front runner in the mad dash of baseball clubs trying to lure Rose with a variety of sweet and sweeter offers. The Phillies' entry in the Rose sweepstakes reportedly came in at about \$1.8 million over three years.

At age 37, Rose owns the modern National League hitting record of 44 straight games. He has been searching for a new team since he played out his option after 15 years as a star infielder-outfielder with the Cincinnati Reds.

Rose said the Phillies offer was "a tremendous one, but it wasn't what I thought I could get from a couple of the other ball clubs."

Rose said he may reach a decision as early as Sunday and would first call all the teams involved before making any public announcement.

Earlier in the day, the Mets said they were withdrawing from the Rose competition, saying the switch-hitter had turned down a package deal offer in excess of \$2 million.

The Pirates are to meet with Rose this weekend.

Second Round Playoff Pairings Set

By The Associated Press
Here are playoff pairings in the second round of the Texas schoolboy football playoffs.

Class 4A

El Paso Anders vs. Plainview, Saturday, 2 p.m., Sun Bowl at El Paso. Odessa Permian vs. Arlington Heights, Friday, 8 p.m., Shotwell Stadium at Abilene.

Garland vs. Dallas Carter, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Texas Stadium at Irving.

Temple vs. Plano, Saturday, 2 p.m., Texas Stadium at Irving.

Houston Stratford vs. Houston Kashmere, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Astrodomes at Houston.

Aldine vs. LaPorte, Saturday, 1:30 p.m., Astrodomes at Houston.

Lamar Consolidated vs. Corpus Christi Ray, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Rice Stadium at Houston.

San Antonio Judson vs. San Antonio Churchill, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Northeast Stadium at San Antonio.

Class 3A

Lubbock Estacado vs. Snyder, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Snyder.

Gainesville vs. Carthage, Saturday, 2 p.m., Mesquite.

Crosby vs. Brownwood, Saturday, 6 p.m., Memorial Stadium at Austin.

Gregory-Portland vs. Bay City, Friday, 8 p.m., at Victoria.

Class 2A

Childress vs. Muleshoe, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Canyon.

Mabank vs. Pittsburg, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Tyler.

Class 1A

Luling vs. San Antonio Randolph, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Luling.

Kenedy vs. Port Isabel, Friday, 8 p.m., Javalina Stadium at Kingsville.

Bowie vs. Wylie, Friday, 8 p.m., Memorial Stadium at Mesquite.

Slaton vs. Kermit, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Midland.

Mabank vs. Pittsburg, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Tyler.

Hanshew-Fannett vs. Sealy, Friday, 8 p.m., at Pasadena.

West vs. Manor, Friday, 8 p.m. at Killean.

Class A

Stratford vs. New Deal, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Canyon.

Iraan vs. Haskell, Friday, 7:30 p.m., San Angelo.

San Saba vs. China Springs, Friday, 8 p.m., Brownwood.

Celina vs. Wolfe City, Friday, 8 p.m., Sherman.

Elkhart vs. Hawkins, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Henderson.

Hull-Daisetta vs. Lexington, Friday, 8 p.m., Cypress-Fairbanks.

Franklin vs. Tatum, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Palestine.

Stockdale vs. Falls City, Friday, 8 p.m., Floresville.

Class B

Wheeler vs. Jayton, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Vernon.

Robert Lee vs. Italy, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Comanche.

Union Hill vs. Wortham, Friday, 7:30 p.m., Hanby Stadium at Mesquite.

Thrall vs. Agua Dulce, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Yoakum.



Up and In

Robert Graves (42) puts up a shot during Hereford's game against Dumas in the Hereford tournament. Looking on are David Mays and Jackie Mercor. Hereford won their first contest of the year 64-54.

Houston No Longer Joke Of National Football League

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Oilers were the joke of the National Football League in 1972 and 1973 when they put together back to back 1-13 seasons.

Critics' standard line, spiced heavily with sarcasm, was the Oilers were doing okay—they won one game in 1972 and came right back with another victory in 1973.

Now it's the Oilers who are telling jokes, including Coach O.A. "Bum" Phillips.

"I have to tell you all about the lady who came up to me before the game," Phillips told his weekly news conference.

"She said her husband had died and she wanted me to give his Oiler season ticket to someone."

"I asked her why she didn't give it to one of her friends and she said she would hope they were all at the funeral."

Phillips then guffawed at newsmen who had taken the story seriously until he got to the punch line of the old joke.

There have been no real reports of Oiler fans skipping funerals to attend Oiler games but there is little doubt that the sellout crowds this season have been stricken with playoff hysteria.

Houston is 9-4 going into Sunday's American Football Conference Central Division showdown against Pittsburgh, which has the best record in pro football at 11-2. Houston has not been in the playoffs since 1969.

The Steelers will be met by a

sea of blue and white pompons which will be waved by the seventh consecutive super charged sellout crowd of the season. The pompons first appeared as part of a soft drink promotion when the Oilers defeated Miami Nov. 20 before a national television audience.

Oiler fans shake the pompons toward the field in unison as if invoking a curse on the opposition.

The pompons are most visible after an Oiler touchdown when the Astrodomes loud speakers blare out the Oiler fight song, which has captured the imagination of the Oiler faithful.

"Look out football here we come. Houston Oilers No. 1," comes the shout as the song begins.

The song ends by unabashedly proclaiming "Houston Oilers number one, five, seven, eight. We're the best in the Lone Star State."

The song, written by Lee Offman of Nashville, Tenn., got national exposure when it was aired during the Houston-Miami game.

"The next day we got at least 75-80 calls from all over the country from people wanting to buy the record," said Oiler public relations director Jack Cherry. "I suppose they were either Houston fans or formerly lived here."

When Houston fell behind Cincinnati 10-0 Sunday and then ignited behind Earl Campbell to take a 14-10 lead in the second quarter, the Astrodomes literally vibrated. Pompons shook, the Oiler fight song blared and 50,000 fans stomped their feet.

AAU Meet Set For June 15-17

ANTONIO (AP) - The Amateur Athletic Union announced Thursday its 1979 national outdoor track meet will be held in Walnut, Calif., at Mount San Antonio College.

The AAU said the meet will be sponsored by the Los Angeles Times, as it has been the past three years. But previously it was held at UCLA's Drake Stadium Westwood, Calif.

The dates for next year's track and field championships are June 15-17. The nationals will serve as the trials for the U.S. team that will compete in the Pan American Games in San Juan, P.R.

World Series Hero Dent Hot Property

NEW YORK (AP) - "Isn't he cute?" gushed the lady in the leg-hugging blue jeans and knee-high boots.

"Gorgeous!" responded her attractive companion, looking through dark glasses with lenses as big as saucers. "I think I'll take him home and put him on my mantle."

Bucky Dent paid little mind to the ooohs and aahs that rustled through the fashionable Emilio Gucci Fur Salon as he pranced around in ankle-length raccoon, fox and luxurious mink - joining his wife, Karen Lynn, in modeling the latest in cold weather fashions.

It's a long way from the corner lots of Savannah, Ga., to featured model at one of Manhattan's swankiest emporiums, but Bucky made it, emerging as probably the hottest commercial property in sports for the year 1978.

It's been a dizzying experience for the bandy-legged shortstop of the New York Yankees since he lashed 10 hits in 24 times at bat and won the Most Valuable Player Award in the World Series.

He won a car. He rushed off to Dallas to make a television movie with the Dallas Cowboy cheerleaders. He was grabbed by Playboy Magazine for a men's fashion spread - with all of his clothes on. He upstaged Snoopy and Mickey Mouse in Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. He did an auto

commercial. He has been so busy he can hardly catch his breath - but he loves it.

"It wasn't an instantaneous thing - we have had Bucky more than a year, seeing in him tremendous potential beyond his baseball career," said Jim Griffin of the William Morris Agency.

William Morris doesn't deal in small fry. Rarely does a sports figure catch its fancy. One of its clients is Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin. It caters to the Hollywood crowd, top political, literary and jet set personalities, whose talents can be peddled for figures of six digits and up.

A good-looking, personable young man of 27, Dent suddenly has become the newest male sex symbol in sports. He's picking up assignments once reserved for Broadway Joe Namath, the pantyhose and popcorn man, and O.J. Simpson, who runs through more airports than football fields.

Bucky has put a reverse twist to the old gag - it's a short jump from "Who's he?" to "Who's Who" - but he disclaims the sex appeal role.

"Sure, I get mash notes," he said earlier this week after receiving the Cutty Sark Baseball Award. "but I think I relate more to the kids - the teen-agers. I try to treat them nice. I sign autographs. When they hang around after a game, I stop to talk to them."

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NFL In 14th Week

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

If the old calendar were still operational, the National Football League's regular season would be ending this weekend with each team playing its 14th game.

But in the first year of the new 16-game calendar, there are still two weekends left after this one in which to scoop up what's left of the Pro Picker in this upset-riddled season. The Picker thanks you, commissioner, for the extra time to get his act together.

When you're in the kind of trouble the Picker is, you go for upsets to get back in the game. So, for Week 14, he offers four visiting teams, Atlanta, Detroit, Green Bay and Pittsburgh, all listed as underdogs, to win. Stop laughing, please.

Last week's 5-8, not including the Minnesota-Green Bay tie, left the season mark at 105-75 for .583.

The picks:

Falcons 21, Bengals 10
Coach Leeman Bennett has Atlanta thinking playoffs and Cincinnati won't stand in the way of that target.

Lions 24, Cardinals 13
Detroit defense came of age against Denver and Gary Danielson should put enough points on the board against St.

Packers 17, Bears 13
Tied for first in the NFC Central with Minnesota, Green Bay can't afford to lose. Tampa Bay can.

Steelers 23, Oilers 20
It won't be easy but Pittsburgh should survive this shootout in Houston, with the Terry Bradshaw-Lynn Swann battery the difference.

Jets 31, Colts 14
Super Bowl III champion Jets hold a 10-year reunion at Shea Stadium. Won't they be surprised by the new-edition New York club.

Chiefs 16, Bills 13
Kansas City is tougher at home than Buffalo is on the road.

Seahawks 27, Browns 17
Jim Zorn's show gets more exciting every week for Seattle. He looks like a left-handed Fran Tarkenton.

Raiders 19, Broncos 17
There is great temptation to pick Denver and the way Oakland has played, there is justification as well. Unless, of course, you've seen the way the Broncos have played.

Rams 30, Giants 10
Now that the New York York defense has joined the offense's season-long wildcat strike, Los Angeles ought to be able to name the numbers.

Dolphins 17, Redskins 14
Label this one the recovery of

back against the rapidly aging Redskins.

Cowboy 23, Patriots 17
Dallas has things in focus now and needs this one for its image and future reference, like Super Bowl XIII, for example.

Vikings 13, Eagles 10
Minnesota has never lost to Philadelphia in six meetings. No reason for them to start now.

Saints 24, 49ers 7
After those two last-second losses to Atlanta, New Orleans deserves a break. San Francisco will provide it.

Chargers 21, Bears 14
San Diego is tough at home and should cool off rebounding Chicago.

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The brilliant hues of autumn leaves
In which the wind-blown trees abound,
Until they flutter to the ground;
The curtain on the final act,
With just the branches left intact.
In any Church you may attend,
You'll learn that harvest time will blend
Both food and beauty in the plan,
In which God shows His love for man!

—Gloria Nowak

Heap high the farmer's wintry hoard!
Heap high the golden corn!
No richer gift has Autumn poured
From out her lavish horn!
—John Greenleaf Whittier

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—Revelation 14:15

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