

# update friday

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## 'Honeymoon' May Gain Rebates

WASHINGTON (AP)- Thanks to the "honeymoon" that Congress traditionally grants to a new chief executive, President Carter apparently has the votes to win Senate Finance Committee approval of his \$50-per-person tax rebate. But Carter can expect a stiff fight when the measure reaches the Senate floor. A final committee vote on the tax bill could come today. Democratic members of the committee stuck together when the panel refused on separate 10-8 votes Thursday to substitute a permanent tax cut.

## Water Projects 'Endangered'

WASHINGTON (AP)- The Carter administration has told Texas congressmen that six more water projects are on its "endangered" list, including the billion-dollar Trinity River project between Dallas and Houston. The six projects are all under the jurisdiction of the Army Corps of Engineers. They join two Bureau of Reclamation reservoir projects in the Corpus Christi area to make a total of eight Texas projects that may never be built.

## Bitterness Follows Conviction

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)- Wendy Yoshimura, sentenced to 1 to 15 years in state prison, claims past ties with Patricia Hearst and the Symbionese Liberation Army led to her trial and conviction in a weapons cache case. But Alameda County Superior Court Judge Martin Pulich cited the association with Miss Hearst as one reason for granting Miss Yoshimura bail after he imposed sentence Thursday. He hiked Miss Yoshimura's bail from \$25,000 to \$50,000 but allowed her to remain free while she raises the bail.

## World Free Travel Arrives

WASHINGTON (AP)- An executive order that has kept Americans from traveling to four Communist countries is expiring today and that means U.S. citizens are free to travel anywhere in the world for the first time in 27 years. President Carter announced nine days ago that he would not renew the ban on travel by Americans to Cuba, Vietnam, North Korea and Cambodia. The restrictions had been renewed semi-annually by previous administrations but Carter decided they were inconsistent with human rights.

## weather

West Texas: Fair through Saturday. Cooler tonight with low in low 30s north and mountains to mid 40s Big Bend. High Saturday mid 60s north and upper 60s mountains to upper 80s Big Bend.



## Consumer Prices Climbing

WASHINGTON (AP) - Consumer prices leaped one per cent in February, the biggest inflationary surge in 2½ years, largely as the result of the severe winter weather's impact on food supplies, the government said today. The Labor Department said about half the increase stemmed from higher food prices as killing frost in the South and drought in the West curtailed supplies.

Food prices alone rose 2 per cent in February, the sharpest rise in three years, with fresh vegetable prices jumping a record 20.9 per cent.

Most other food prices also were up sharply, including fresh fruits, and coffee which jumped another 9.9 per cent last month for a total increase of 82.9 since February 1976.

High prices for gasoline and other fuels also reflected winter's impact.

The February price increase, following January's eight-tenths of a per cent rise in consumer prices, was certain to add to fears that inflation may be worse this year than in 1976, when prices rose only a moderate 4.8 per cent.

If prices continued to increase for the full year at the February rate, it would translate into a 12 per cent jump in prices. However, the Carter administration believes the underlying inflation rate probably is still between 5 per cent and 6 per cent and that prices will begin moderating once the impact of the winter weather runs its course.



By Speedy Nieman

That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says money talks, but lately it's been repeating itself. It used to say "buy"; now it says "bye-bye."

Remember when we didn't know we needed fabric softener because no one had told us our clothes were hard?

**THE SUPER SPORTS** Weekend, sponsored by the chamber and the schools, will wind up Saturday as champions are determined in track, baseball and golf.

And, if that doesn't interest you, a Scout-O-Rama is being held at the Little Bull Barn Saturday from 1:30 to 4 p.m. It will be set up like a carnival with the Cubs and Scouts manning the special action booths. Tickets are just \$1 and will be sold at the door. The event is sponsored by the Tierra Blanca District of BSA.

**THE EDITOR** of any newspaper gets calls from readers who are unhappy about something in the paper, or something that was not in the paper. Just what does a reader want to see in a local paper? There are as many answers as there are readers. One frustrated Oregon editor, with tongue in cheek, wrote these answers to the perennial question:

1. My name.
2. A front page article showing how crooked the city government is most of the time.
3. My wife's name.
4. A featured article showing 25 ways on how to cheat on income tax forms.
5. My kid's names.
6. A local news item about the affair my neighbor is having.
7. A classified ad offering a new home for sale for \$4,000.
8. More news about lawbreakers.
9. Less news about lawbreakers. I was picked up last night and I should not have to pay a fine.
10. An editorial condemning high school teachers for being liberal with "F's."
11. A wedding picture of the groom instead of the bride when he is more handsome than she is pretty.
12. A sports picture of me when I bowled 183.
13. More advertisement on things that merchants are giving away.
14. A front-page picture of my neighbor

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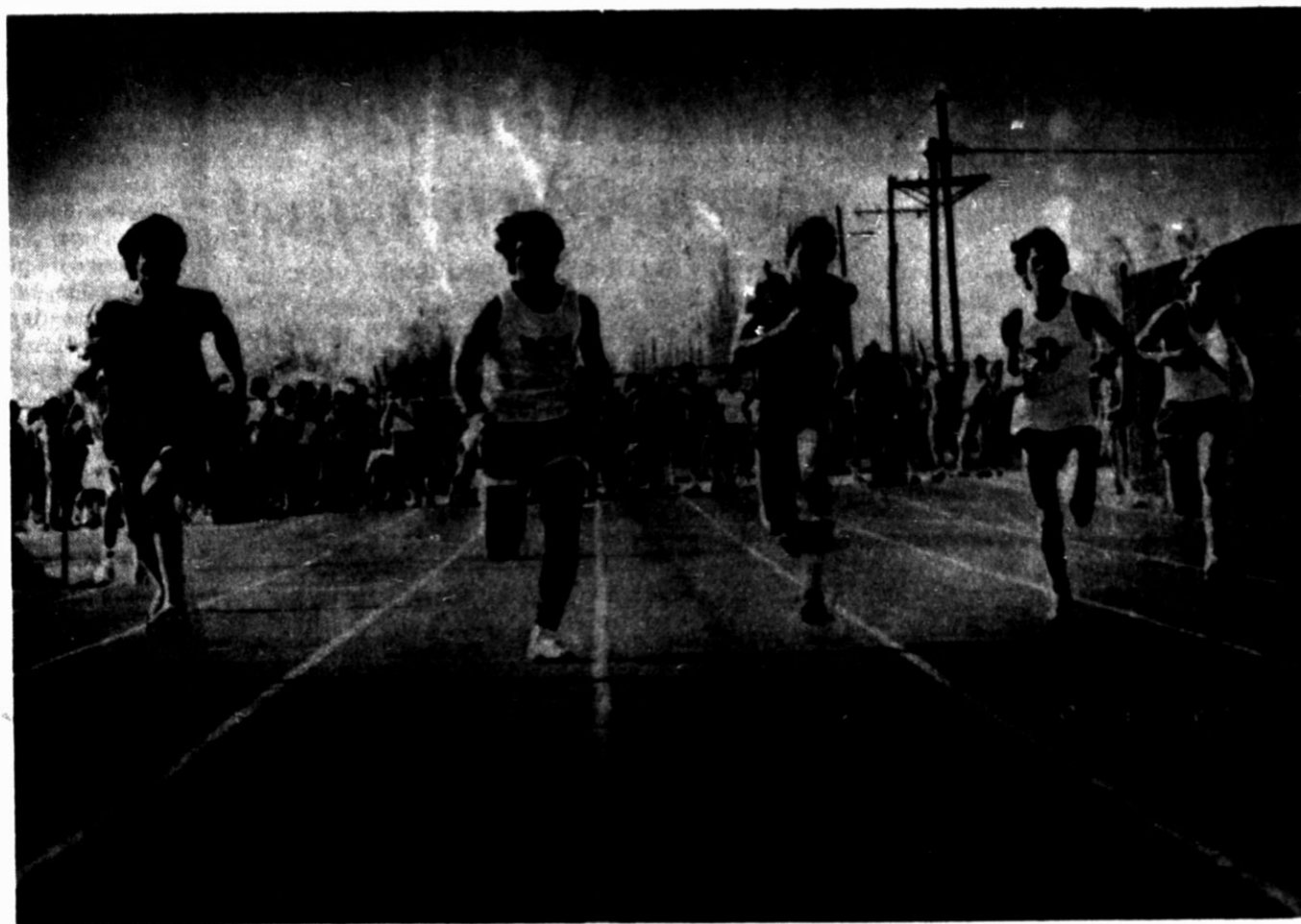
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## Carter Risks Popularity With Energy Plan



### Huffing, Puffing To The End

These track competitors didn't spare any energy as they race for the finish line in the 100-yard dash in the preliminary heats of the "Super Sports Weekend" being held through Saturday here.

Other events sponsored jointly by the schools and the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce are golf and baseball. (Photo By Bob Nigh)

### Barela Drops Out Of City Race

## Absentee Voting Gains Little Interest During First Week

Absentee voting in the four local elections scheduled for April 2 has been slow so far compared with earlier years when elections seemed to garner early voter interest. It began Monday.

Based on reports from the three entities handling votes, eight ballots have been cast so far as of presstime today. Actually, fewer persons could have voted since the ballots could be from the some of the same people.

The city, independent school district, hospital board and county school board elections are all scheduled for the same day with absentee voting being held at different locations. The deadline for absentee balloting is Tuesday, March 29.

The Hereford School District tax office

is handling the voter voting, the city clerk's office is responsible for the city elections, and the county clerk's office is coordinating for the city elections, and the county clerk's office is coordinating the hospital board and county school board elections. Those voting in the Walcott School District may absentee vote at the Walcott School.

In a late development Thursday, Eugene Barela, a candidate for place 2 on the Hereford City Commission, announced he was no longer a contender for the post due to "personal reasons." His name must remain on the ballot but he said he was withdrawing from consideration due to complications with his job at Armour Foods which might

force him to move and therefore unable to serve.

"However, I feel like I could have won the election," Barela said. "I want to thank all the people who were supporting me."

On the ballot against him were E. Earl Brookhart, a retail store owner, an Ed Coplen, also a local retailer. Other candidates in the city race are Paul Abalos (incumbent) and John Matthews, a teacher, in place 1; and accountant Bartley Dowell and construction contractor Emory Brownlow for mayor. Brownlow would have been the incumbent in place 2 had he filed for the post. Abalos runs a restaurant and is employed with the school district.

Candidates in the Hereford School Board of Trustees races are incumbent David Hutchins, a farmer, in place 4; Mack Tubb, attorney, in place 6; and restaurant manager Trini Gamez, REC rural development manager David Pruitt, and livestock raiser Bill Walden in place 7. Incumbents in place 6 and 7 are not seeking re-election.

On the Hospital Board ballot, the following contenders are listed: Gerald Payne, Eddie Reinauer Jr., and incumbent Hap Cavness and Isaias Gamez.

It is the first time for the hospital board election is being held with the top three vote getters destined for service on the board. In the other elections, voters cast ballots in each place with runoffs set for places in which no majority is received.

Candidates in the at-large Walcott School Board elections are Earnest Brown, Gene Bradley, and Galan Jacks.

Running in the county school board race are Robert Strain in county precinct one, Grant Hanna in county precinct 2, and L.F. Straffuss in county precinct four.

### Lifestyle To Change

WASHINGTON (AP)- President Carter says his proposal for a national energy policy will make his popularity rating plummet because his plan "will substantially change the lifestyle of the American people."

Chatting with reporters Thursday night as he neared the end of his first meet-the-people trip, Carter said his energy plan means "some very difficult decisions will have to be made by Congress."

The President said, "I'm going to take as much of the disapproval and disappointment of the American people on myself as President to make it easier for Congress to move forward."

Carter planned today to sign legislation that will halt the importation of chrome from Rhodesia. Carter had supported the measure, saying it would underline U.S. commitment to black majority rule in the African nation, now controlled by a white minority.

On his whirlwind two-day trip, the President participated in an energy roundtable in Charleston, W. Va., where he said:

"We now have above a 70 per cent favorable rating in the polls for our job so far, but when we come out with an energy policy on April 20 we will probably lose about 10 or 15 per cent of that."

That was a reference to the most recent Gallup Poll, which showed 70 per cent of those questioned saying they approve of Carter's performance as President, while 9 per cent disapproved. The rest had no opinion.

Carter said he was willing to sacrifice

some of his popularity among the people "to require them to face the brutal facts that we all are going to have to work together to deal with the impending crisis... as energy runs out" in the years ahead.

The President gave few details of what he has in mind beyond emphasizing conservation programs and greater utilization of coal.

He did say he wants to provide "an easy way for homeowners to heat their homes" and urged investments in insulation.

The trip that began Wednesday afternoon took him to Clinton, Mass., for a town hall meeting, to Charleston and then to United Nations headquarters in New York where he addressed world diplomats. He returned to the White House late Thursday.

Referring to his Clinton and Charleston appearances, Carter told reporters: "That's the kind of thing I like to do. It makes me feel sure of myself when I go back to the White House."

In Charleston, he seemed sure of his moves to cut the budget by scrapping federal water projects. He declared: "This will be a major struggle between me and the Congress... I hate, as a brand new Democratic president, to have an argument with Congress, but I'm determined to let the American people know about this."

At the United Nations, Carter vowed to end the arms race and to continue his emphasis on human rights. Human rights, he said, will be the "backbone of our foreign policy."

The President rejected arguments that a country's handling of its citizens is an internal matter out of the realm of foreign affairs, noting that all U.N. members have pledged to observe basic human rights.

## Local Officer Wins Suit Over Drug Raid

A local law enforcement officer was one of the fortunate defendants in a civil suit filed against six area officers as the result of a drug raid last year on a Plainview Apartment.

Federal District Court Judge Halbert O. Woodward filed a judgment Thursday in Amarillo which released Deaf Smith County Sheriff's Officer Robert Barnes from any liability in the \$303,000 civil rights suit filed against him and five other officers. He was assigned as a Metro-Intelligence Unit (composed of Deaf Smith, Randall and Potter Counties) representative in the raid.

As it turned out, the officers, seeking drugs in the Plainview apartment knocked down the door of the wrong apartment. The plaintiffs in the case were the ones living in the residence including Ted Hooks, his fiancée Dianne Duncan, and her roommate Delia Gutierrez.

The original defendants in the case besides Barnes are Russell Ivy and Mike Patterson, former Amarillo Metro-Intelligence Unit officers; Former Hale County Major Crime and Narcotics Commission members Benny Clifton and Gary Gillespie; former Hale County deputy sheriffs Gary Noblett, David McDaniels and Clyde Vandergriff, and former Plainview police Lt. Richard Sims.

Sims, McDaniels, and Vandergriff were dropped from the case after both sides in the case agreed.

The plaintiffs, court reporter students, were ordered to pay court costs and can not receive any damages based on the decision.

The case was tried last month with a hung jury resulting after two days of deliberations. The trial concluded Feb. 25, with the final deliberation of the jury. The incident which took place on

March 19, 1976 involved a suspected heroin pusher who lived beneath the plaintiffs.

The petition by defendants claimed that their constitutional rights were violated when the officers entered the apartment without a proper search warrant, awoke them from sleep and arrested them.

Defendants' attorneys argued successfully that the officers did act in good faith in carrying out the warrant, which specifically directed them to the upstairs apartment. Judge Woodward agreed that even with forcible means, the officers acted correctly since past cases have supported that, "good faith and reasonable belief are complete defenses to any entry even though forced and without announcement, that the police officers are acting under a warrant, and in taking action necessary to protect themselves under circumstances."

Attorneys for the plaintiffs argued the warrant was no good since it was obtained with incorrect evidence.

Woodward admitted in the judgment that he made an error in instruction the jury when he directed them to decide a legal question as follows: Did the officers act maliciously, capriciously or arbitrarily in carrying out the search warrant?

### Forces Advance

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP)- The forces that invaded southeastern Zaire from Angola last week is advancing eastward from the three towns they occupied when they crossed the border, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said.

"A preliminary report said the situation is deteriorating slightly," the spokesman said Wednesday.

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# Piano At Local Museum Of Old Tascoda Vintage

Contributed By SUE COLEMAN

On loan to the Deaf Smith County Historical Museum, an unusual piano dating from the turn of the century is linked to the history of the family of Thomas Benton Jones, a pioneer cowboy, resident of Old Tascoda and Oldham County Judge.

The piano, with elaborately carved trim on its gleaming dark surface, is a recent addition to the Fine Arts room at the museum, where some of the more elegant effects from pioneer homes of the area are on display.

It is typical of fine pianos of the period around 1900. On the panel with the name of its

makers, Wing & Sons, is the designation "Concert Grand" although it is of upright style. This name was used at that time to indicate special qualities of tone and volume.

A noticeable feature is its five pedals instead of the usual three. A close look shows them labeled "Orchestration" and "Mandolin" as well as "Forte," "Soft" and "Expression."

The instrument reached the museum through Mrs. Virgil Marsh, to whom it was loaned several years ago by the late Joe Jones, son of Thomas Benton Jones. His wife was a sister of Mrs. Marsh.

The Marshes lived in a house with rooms large enough to accommodate the piano which is much larger than its modern

counterparts so that it would crowd the usual contemporary room.

The Marsh daughters practiced their piano lessons on it, but now they are in their own homes and last year, Mr. and Mrs. Marsh sold their large home north of Hereford and moved to an apartment and with permission of the present owner, Ellen Jones who lives in California, it was placed in the museum.

When museum officials asked for facts about the piano and something of the family which owned it, the oldest Jones daughter, now Margaret Garrigan of Pismo Beach, Calif., was motivated to write a sketch of the family history as she had been asked to do by the younger members.

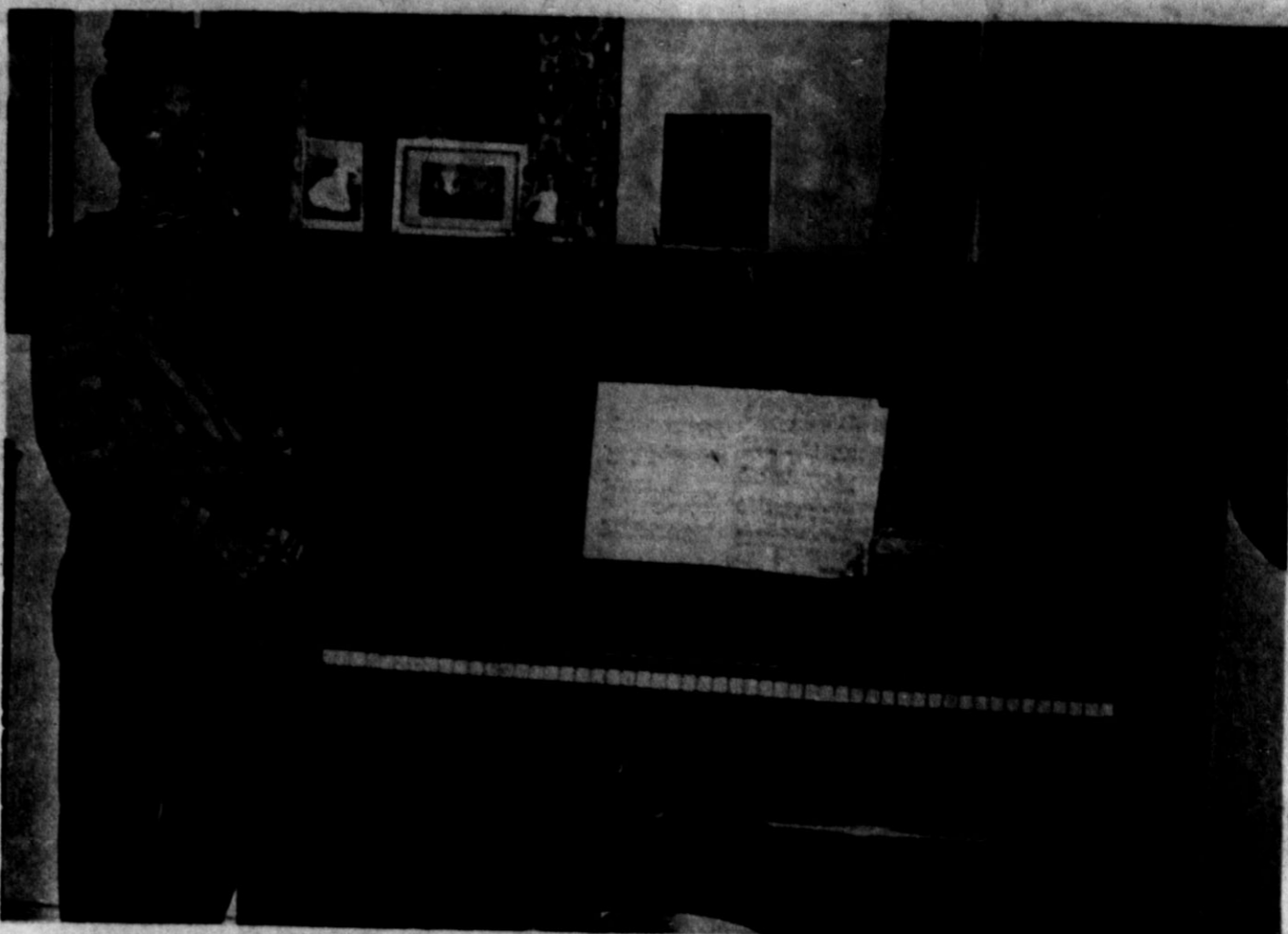
Her father went to Oldham County in 1894 from Saint Jo in North Texas and was a cowboy on the LS Ranch near Tascoda when a Scotch-Irish girl from New York, Catherine McAuley, arrived in that pioneer town to visit her sister Jane, wife of Jerry Singleterry, the hotel owner. They were married in April, 1905.

Jones was elected Oldham County clerk and then judge while they lived in one of the adobe houses at Tascoda, and their four children were born there. He was active in having the county seat moved from the fading community of Tascoda to Vega.

The Jones lived on a ranch near Vega and were there in 1922 when they bought the piano from a Mrs. Abbott who had brought it to Amarillo in 1915. It had been purchased in New York for her mother. Later the Jones family moved to Amarillo.

Mrs. Garrigan's lively history tells much of her childhood in Tascoda, where Frenchy McCormick, later noted as the last resident of the ghost town which it became, was just a friendly neighbor.

She writes of Jack Cooper, the saloon owner who loaned the big lamp from over the bar to light the tiny adobe church where her parents were married by Father Dunne, and other figures from the past including lawyers from Amarillo who came for the court sessions while Jones was county judge and were friends of the Jones children.



THELMA MARSH ...with piano from Old Tascoda

## 4-H Leader Training Takes On New Flare

Training workshops for youth and adult 4-H leaders, in March, at the Texas 4-H Center are taking on a new flare. Workshops being planned deal with such new areas as "Aerospace," "Camp Counseling," and "Finding Summer Jobs."

A wide variety of 4-H leader training opportunities are being provided to meet leader interests, points out Sherry Harder, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Experts in the various fields will provide the training.

Workshops on the three subjects noted above as well as on "4-H Record Books" and "Knitting" will be held at the Texas 4-H Center March 26-27. Any leaders interested in attending should submit their applications to the State 4-H Office at Texas A&M University by March 21.

The workshop on "Finding Summer Jobs" will be conducted by Dr. Richard Floyd, economist in business development with the Extension Service. It is designed for older youth and will deal with techniques of finding suitable summer employment.

Robert Vaughn, NASA engineer and 4-H leader, will conduct the "Aerospace" workshop for those interested in projects involving model rockets. All phases of model rocketry will be discussed, and each participant will build and

fly a model rocket.

Leaders interested in the techniques of knitting and methods of teaching knitting to youth groups have a readymade choice in the "Knitting" workshop. Instruction will be given by Mrs. Auston Kerley, a hobby instructor and elementary school principal.

George McArthur, Extension 4-H and youth specialist, will direct the "4-H Record Books" workshop, which will include a beginning and an advanced section. Changes for 1977 will be discussed along with proper selection of report form entries, condensing material and judging record books.

For teen leaders involved in camping programs during the summer, the workshop on "Camp Counseling" is a must. Conducted by Carolyn Gilbert, Extension 4-H and youth specialist, this workshop will deal with the philosophy of 4-H camping and the role of the counselor.

For those interested in attending, travel scholarships are available for the driver of the car. The scholarship is issued at the completion of the workshop.

Mrs. Harder invited both youth and adult 4-H leaders interested in any of these workshops to submit their applications now. Applications along with additional information on the workshops is available at the county Extension office.

## Women's Club Federation To Assemble April 1-2

Top of Texas District, Texas Federal of Women's Clubs, will hold their seventeenth annual convention April 1-2 in Amarillo at the Hilton Inn.

Formal opening of the event begins at 1 p.m. with Mrs. Bill Reed, Stratford, District President presiding. Her theme is "Dare to Dream-- Work to Make It Seen". Mrs. B.M. Sims, Wellington, who is Texas Federation of Women's Clubs State second vice president, will be among those attending.

Activities include awards, information and fellowship beginning with a Board Buffet Brunch at 11 a.m. April 1 with all Junior, General club members and club presidents invited. Local Amarillo students are providing music.

The afternoon program features Milton Morris, West Texas Opportunity Plan, who handles the district Lola B. Mundy Scholarship Fund.

A Shakespearean Group from WTSU and Dr. Winfred Moore, First Baptist Church, Amarillo, are included Friday night, April 1, 7 p.m. at the banquet. An

informal Open House follows in the President's suite for Juniors, Juniorettes and General Club members.

Saturday activities begin a 9 a.m. with Robert Wilson and a group of girls from Borger Girlstown, U.S.A. and a "Hands Up" presentation on Child Abuse by Judge Naomi Harney, Amarillo.

Fashions for Fun style show and luncheon is slated for 1 p.m.

Pre-registration is desired by March 25. Make checks to "Top

of Texas District, TFWC" and send to Mrs. H.H. Caraway, Box 686, Stratford, Tx. 79084 or call 806-396-2015 if the hour is late! Registration \$2, Board Lunch \$4.40, Banquet \$5.90, Lunch \$5, total \$17.30.

Mrs. W.C. Hromas is president of Pioneer Study Club, and Mrs. Thurman Atchley is president of Summerfield Study Club. District Life Members are Mrs. L.H. Lookingbill and Mrs. Ray Johnson. Miss Roberta Campbell will also be on the program.

### Barbs

By PHIL PASTORET

The ability to teach is not necessarily measured by degrees.

With the thermostat locked in at 60, how can one help but keep one's cool in this office?



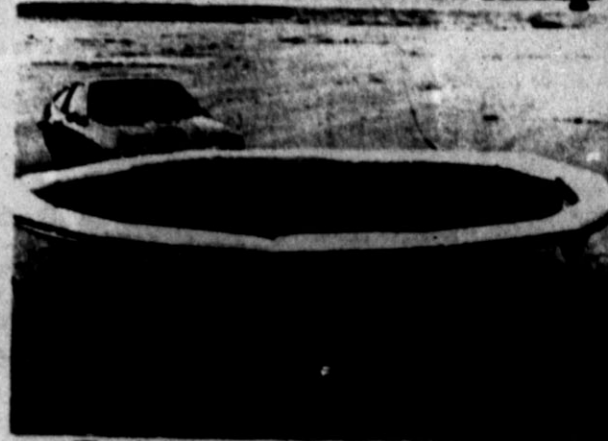
Whatever did they do with stale toast before they found onion soup to float it on?

When you're 20, age 30 looked a zillion miles away; when you're 40, it's so far out-astate you can't measure it in miles.

The BIG trouble with some officials' junketing is that they get back to their desks often enough to mess-up the work that's being done.

Our neighbor grumps that home-made jam is what he's in most of the time.

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BY JOAN DWYER Executive Director Big Brothers-Big Sisters THE IMPORTANCE OF QUALITY

Several years back I made an emergency trip to visit with my niece, Ann, who was then a teenager. She has become "uncontrollable" according to her mother. As a result of the visit, it was quite plain to me that the mother had exercised "force" (both physical and verbal) over her daughter most of her life. When Ann discovered that her mother could no longer "make" her do anything, she lost interest in their relationship and her total family for which she had been responsible most of her life.

The point I want to make with this story is that we need to look at the QUALITY of our relationships with a child.

We have the idea that we are larger and more powerful and, consequently, can dominate what a child does. I suggest we relate on the level of human being to human being. Let's share feelings of good will, appreciation, respect and love. Let these be the foundation of the relationship. When they are, there is no possibility of a child suddenly realizing that he is as physically strong as the adult who has been exercising power and force and there's no basis for the relationship.

Let's compare a quality relationship with money in the

bank. Every time an adult uses force as a management technique, money is subtracted from the account and the relationship is soon bankrupt.

The effectiveness of the way you handle the problem depends on how much money is in your account.

Start building your account and you'll find your relationship is not only wealthy, but healthy and enduring.

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Like so many of our special events, St. Patrick's Day has come down to us as a far cry from its religious origin, where a Catholic bishop journeyed to Ireland in 432 A.D. to introduce Christianity; an act for which he became their patron saint. Today, Irish descendants celebrate the occasion with parades, parties and green apparel. But they maintain the Shamrock as the symbol of the deeper meaning of the day: pride in their faith and their beliefs. For what St. Patrick and others did throughout the centuries was exactly what all of us should do, to the best of our ability: set the example and thereby encourage those around us to attend the Church of their choice, where they will learn that we are all the children of God, no matter where we live on this earth.

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— Kenelm Henry Digby

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DJ's Diggin'

Hereford centerfielder Donald Johnson lopes into third base after teammate Chris Hill [in background] rapped a double during the Herd's sixth-inning rally. Hill finished the game with four

hits in four tries and collected the win on the mound in a 10-strikeout performance. [Photo By Bob Nigh].

## Young Gains Unanimous Decision Over Foreman

By ED SCHUYLER JR.  
AP Sports Writer

SAN JUAN, P.R. (AP) - George Foreman, whose brute power has carried him to 42 knockouts, was in a hospital today, a victim of exhaustion,

frustration and Jimmy Young. In a major upset, Young, who lives in the ring by finesse rather than the big punch, escaped trouble in the seventh round, knocked Foreman down in the 12th and won a

unanimous decision Thursday night. "It was do or die," said a jubilant Young, in a talkative mood over the victory that put him in a solid position in the heavyweight division, where most of boxing's gold and glory can be found.

"No comment Howard," Foreman told ABC sportscaster Howard Cosell from the ring after the stunning loss that severely hurt his hopes for a rematch with champion Muhammad Ali, who also used finesse and frustration to wrest the title from big George with an eighth-round knockout in 1974.

About 45 minutes later, Foreman's brother appeared at the post-fight interview area and told reporters that George would not be there. A short time later, Foreman was carried from his dressing room on a stretcher and taken by ambulance to a hospital.

Gil Clancy, one of Foreman's trainers, said that the former champion was suffering from heat and exhaustion and that he was okay. Promoter Don King said he felt that it was more frustration than anything.

But a spokesman for Presbyterian Hospital said Foreman was admitted to the intensive care unit. He would make no further

comment. The victory puts Young in line for a rematch with Ali, to whom he lost a disputed 15-round decision last year.

But while Ray Kelly, a young co-manager shouted, "we want Ali," Don King, who promoted the upset, was talking about matching Young against the winner of the Ken Norton-Duane Bobcock bout in this Caribbean capital. Norton and Bobcock will fight in New York's Madison Square Garden May 11.

As for Foreman, King was talking about getting him back in action as soon as possible, but it won't be against Ali, at least not in the near future. Referee Waldemar Schmidt scored it 118-111 for Young. Judge Cesar Ramos scored it 116-112 and Ismael Fernandez ruled it 115-113, both for young.

The AP scoreboard had it 116-110 for Young. Young, who weighed 213 pounds to 229 for Foreman, earned his biggest boxing check, \$250,000, and a chance to make much more. It boosted his record to 51-5-1.

The bitter loss was worth \$700,000 to Foreman, who now has a 45-2 record. Only seven of those 47 fights went more than five rounds.

## McCullough Grabs One Shot TPC Lead

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) - The significance of his effort was not lost on Mike McCullough.

One of the longest of the long shots in perhaps the finest field of the year, McCullough had just fired a six-under-par 66 for the first-round lead—the first

lead of his life—in the \$300,000 Tournament Players Golf Championship.

"This is a very important day in my life," said McCullough.

"The day I married my wife was a very important day in my life, too."

## La Plata, S-Earth Claim Track Titles

By BOB NIGH  
Brand Sports Editor

La Plata and Springlake-Earth Junior Highs used a lot of strength in the field events to propel themselves to the 7th and 8th grade championships of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Invitational Track Meet Thursday.

La Plata took firsts in the pole vault, high jump, discus, and shot put, scoring one-two finishes in both the discus and high jump to race to the team title.

Springlake-Earth also was strong in the field events with wins in the pole vault, long jump, shot, and discus, and they

won both the 440 and 880 Relays to romp to the win in the 8th grade division.

La Plata finished with 102 points to top the 7th graders, while S-Earth finished second with 79. Friona was third with 58, and Stanton and Clovis Gattis tied for fourth with 44 points apiece.

S-Earth totaled 125 points in the 8th grade class, far ahead of runner-up Pampa which had 87 points. Stanton was third with 57 points, while Vega and Friona tied for fourth with 39 points apiece.

Track action continues today at Whiteface Field with a girls 7th-high school meet to be

conducted.

### SEVENTH GRADE RESULTS

Team Totals—1. La Plata 102 2. Springlake-Earth 79 3. Friona 58 4. Stanton 44, Clovis Gattis 44 6. Berger 43 7. Muleshoe 42 8. Vega 23 9. Dimmitt 18 10. Clovis Yuma 8, Alamo-Catholic 8 12. Farwell 8 13. Nazareth 0.  
100—1. Love, Berger (11.6) 2. Bedille, Vega 3. Costen, Farwell  
100 Low Hurdles—1. Richburg, La Plata (13.9) 2. Barryman, Gattis 3. Baine Yuma 690—1. Norman, Muleshoe (1:48.4) 2. Taylor, Gattis 3. Combs, La Plata 60 Int. Hurdles—1. High Stanton (9.7) 2. Carpenter, Alamo 3. Dominguez, Gattis  
880—1. Holquin, Stanton (2:31.4) 2. Mendoza, Friona 3. Martinez, Muleshoe 220—1. Lonjoria, S-Earth (27.1) 2. Badlow, Vega 3. Love, Berger  
440—1. Cabalero, Friona (81.7) 2. Solt, La Plata 3. Pocha La Plata  
440 Relay—1. S-Earth (52.1) 2. Berger

3. Friona  
880 Relay—1. Muleshoe (1:59.8) 2. Stanton 3. S-Earth  
High Jump—1. Clark, La Plata (6-3) 2. Werten, La Plata 3. Bedille, Vega  
Long Jump—1. Longoria, S-Earth (17.1) 2. High, Stanton 3. Stangul, La Plata  
Pole Vault—1. Werten, La Plata (9-4) No other entrants cleared opening height of 7-6  
Shot Put—1. Richburg, La Plata (37-4) 2. Olvson, S-Earth 3. Compasano, La Plata  
Discus—1. Hernandez, La Plata (120-10) 2. Richburg, La Plata 3. Ross, Friona

### EIGHTH GRADE RESULTS

Team Totals—1. S-Earth 125 2. Pampa 87 3. Stanton 57 4. Vega 38, Friona 39 6. Dimmitt 34 7. Gattis 32, Greger 28 9. Farwell 10 10. Yuma 4, Nazareth 4 12. La Plata 3 13. Alamo Catholic 8, Muleshoe 9 100—1. Williams, Pampa (11.1) 2. Pruitt, Berger 3. Smith, S-Earth  
100 Low Hurdles—1. Windham, Latbuddle (12.8) 2. James, S-Earth 3. Fangman, Vega  
600—1. Faggins, Pampa (1:35.0) 2. Melendez, Dimmitt 3. Carr, Stanton 60 Int. Hurdles—1. Windham, Latbuddle (8.4) 2. Fangman, Vega 3. Cabellero, Friona  
880—1. Garza, S-Earth (2:23.0) 2. Blankenship, Friona 3. Murray, Pampa 220—1. James, S-Earth (26.8) 2. Williams, Pampa 3. Washington, Dimmitt  
440—1. Cabalero, Friona (89.2) 2. Rodriguez, Stanton 3. Drexel, Pampa  
440 Relay—1. S-Earth (57.7) 2. Berger 3. Gattis  
880 Relay—1. Stanton (1:44.2) 2. S-Earth 3. Pampa  
High Jump—1. Windham, Latbuddle (6-4) 2. Williams, Pampa 3. San Miguel, Stanton  
Long Jump—1. James, S-Earth (19.0) 2. Smith, S-Earth 3. Garza, Farwell  
Pole Vault—1. James, S-Earth (10-4) 2. Roberts, Dimmitt 3. Bradford, Pampa  
Shot Put—1. Garza, S-Earth (45-1) 2. Stevens, Vega 3. Bonner, Gattis  
Discus—1. Garza, S-Earth (127-9) 2. Bonner, Gattis 3. Cabellero, Friona

## 'Horns, Herd' Dogs Advance In Tourney

By BOB NIGH  
Brand Sports Editor

Caprock, Hereford, and Berger all grabbed opening round wins in the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Invitational Baseball Tournament Thursday afternoon to advance to the semifinals today.

Caprock held on to down Canyon 5-4 in the opener Thursday before the host Herd and Berger hit the field to register going away wins.

The Whitefaces scored 11 runs in a big sixth-inning outburst to defeat Dumas 19-11 in the second game, and the Bulldogs used seven runs in the second and six more in the third to romp to a 16-6 win over Levelland.

Semifinal pairings today have Caprock meeting Berger at 1 p.m. and the Herd challenging Pampa, which had a bye in the first round, at 3:30.

In consolation action Canyon was to test Levelland at 10:15 this morning.

Caprock and Canyon began the day and the Longhorns turned four singles and a triple into five runs in the third frame to move out front 5-0.

Caprock hurler Timmy Frost helped his own cause greatly with a triple to center with two men on.

The Eagles came back with a solo run in the fifth, and a three-run homer by Ron Hickman made it a 5-4 affair with two out in the top of the seventh. Canyon pitcher Terry Mick followed Hickman's blast with a double to left, but Frost ended the contest by getting the final out on an infield grounder.

Canyon saw its record evened at 4-4 with the loss, while the Longhorns moved to 6-5.

Junior Chris Hill took the mound for Hereford in the second game against the Demons and he added a four for four performance at the plate to a 10-strikeout showing on the mound to lead the Herd to a

19-11 win.

The game was a see-saw battle in the middle innings after the host Whitefaces had gone ahead 6-3 after three frames. The Demons tallied twice in the fourth to make it 6-5, and moved ahead 9-8 after a 4-2 margin in the fifth.

Dumas moved ahead 11-8 with two more runs in the top of the sixth, but the 'Faces put it all together in their half of the frame to push across 11 runs.

Coach Rick Stewart sent 15 batters to the plate in the outburst, with Hill the big bat in the frame with a single and double.

Errors played a big part in the contest with Dumas guilty of nine miscues and the host Herd butter-fingered on seven occasions.

The win give the 'Faces a 2-4 record on the year, while the Demons fell to 2-6 with the loss.

In the nightcap Berger outthit Levelland 10-3 to register their third win against four losses. Levelland was 4-1 going into the game.

The Bulldogs moved ahead 2-0 in the first, and after the Lobos cut it to one in the second, erupted for seven more tallies to grab a 9-1 lead in the bottom half of the inning.

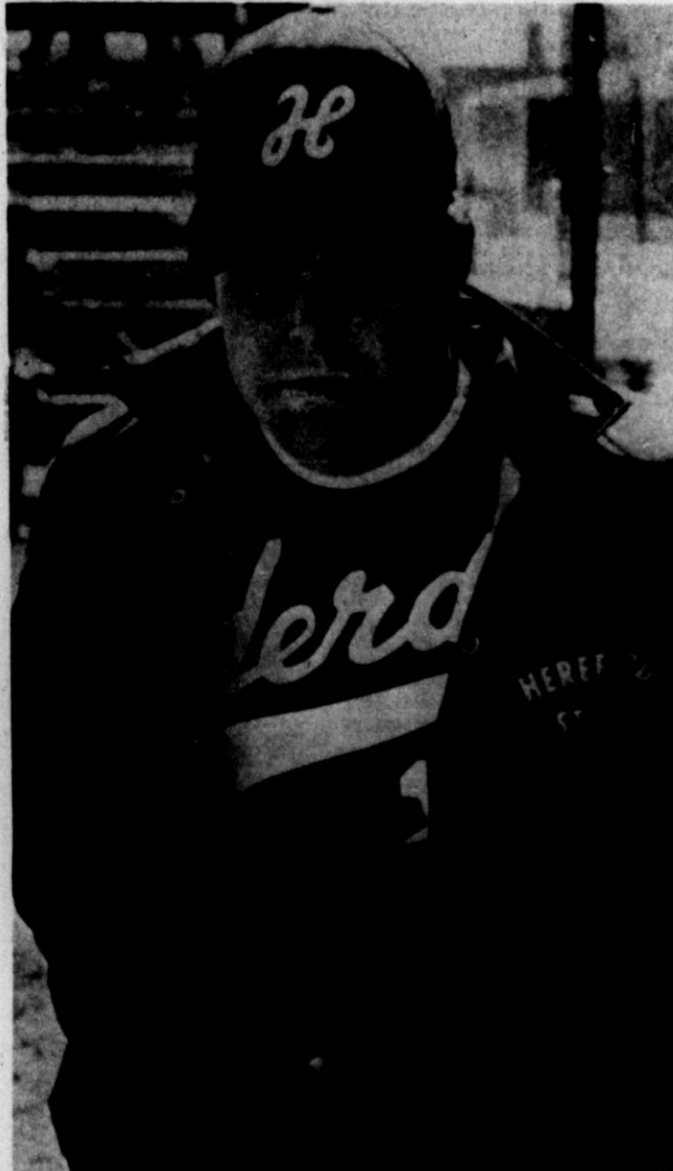
Levelland came back again in the third, scoring five runs on two hits, three walks, and four Bulldog miscues, but the winners closed the door with six more runs in their half of the frame.

Neither team scored in the fourth, and the umpires called the game in the fifth when the Bulldogs went ahead 16-6 with no one out.

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son, Hogan (6) and Gardner. WP-Hill LP-Watson. 2B-Martinez, Lawson, Hill (2), Hereford. 3B-McClintock, Dumas Levelland 015 00-6 3 8 Berger 276 01-16 10 5 Hanna, Methkin (2) and Driver and Harley. Cotton and Washer. WP-Cotton LP-Hanna 2B-Bassey, Levelland, Hearon, Cotton, Berger, 3B-Harley, Levelland, Hearon, Berger.

John Denny turned in a 2.82 earned run average per nine innings with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1976 to pace National League pitchers.



Pensive Mood

Herd coach Rick Stewart had his ups and downs Thursday afternoon as the 'Faces challenged Dumas in the first round of the baseball tournament. The coach was all smiles following the contest, however, as the Herd took a 19-11 win to advance to the semis today. [Photo By Bob Nigh]

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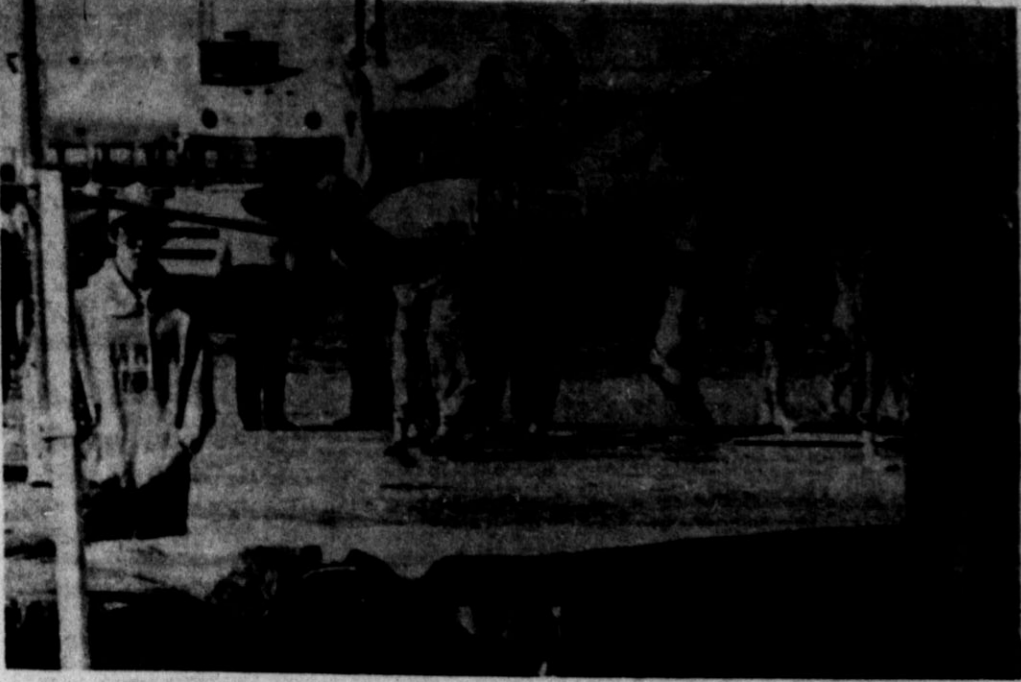
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**Busy Day**

Form was what counted Thursday afternoon as the 7th and 8th graders participated in their track meet. The high jump was a busy place as indicated by this photo. La Plata and Springlake-Earth won team titles at the meet (Bob Nigh Photo).

**Bonnies, Cougars Win In NIT Semis**

By KEN RAPPOPORT  
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Jim Satalin had "Gardenitis"—that nervous affliction that has fogged the minds of many basketball coaches at Madison Square Garden.

"I almost blew it because I wasn't smart," said the St. Bonaventure coach.

Luckily, he had some clever players to make up for his coaching mistakes Thursday night, and the Bonnies moved into Sunday's final of the National Invitation Tournament with an 86-82 victory over Villanova. They will meet Houston, an 82-76 winner over Alabama in Thursday's night's other semifinal game.

Satalin particularly faulted himself for the foul trouble of his two leading scorers, Essie Hollis and Greg Sanders. They each collected a third foul before

the first half and had to sit out some crucial moments before and after intermission.

"I wasn't smart enough to take them out earlier," Satalin said. "I should have sat them down when they got their second fouls. If we had lost the game, I would have blamed myself."

Glenn Hagan came to Satalin's rescue. Usually the Bonnies' playmaker, he turned into their top scorer with 26 points, including 22 in the second half.

"For some reason, he just plays well against Villanova," said Satalin, whose team beat the Wildcats earlier in the season. "Certain guys always do well against a certain club—and he just kills the Wildcats."

When Hollis and Sanders did get back into the game, the Bonnie went into a zone defense

"to protect them," Satalin said. They managed to get plenty of mileage from their brilliant forwards with this play, Sanders finishing with 20 points and seven rebounds and Hollis with 16 points and 10 rebounds.

The Bonnie played smart, tough basketball.

"We were able to keep them off the boards," said Satalin, "and we also forced them to take a lot of outside shots. That was the key to the game."

Houston became the first team from the Southwest conference to gain the final in the 40th year of the NIT. The Cougars did it with the help of Otis Birdsong, who scored 18 points and hit the go-ahead basket with 1:45 left.

Houston trailed 40-39 at halftime before putting things together behind Birdsong and Charles Thompson, who scored 14 of his team-leading 20 points after the first half.

The Crimson Tide lost leading scorer Reggie King for the first half when he injured his right ankle in a fall 37 seconds into the game. He was ineffective thereafter, scoring only six points.

By The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - The Sun Belt Conference basketball tournament will return to Charlotte next year on Feb. 26-27, conference officials said.

North Carolina-Charlotte won the conference's inaugural tournament this year, defeating Jacksonville and New Orleans.

This year, only four of the six conference teams played in the tournament, with two teams eliminated in preliminary games.

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) - The 1977 Bob Hope-Desert Classic golf tournament earned more than \$900,000 for charity, sponsors say.

That topped the \$715,000 in 1975.

**Boys Run Tomorrow  
Golf, Fem Track Kick Off Today**

The second day of the Super Sports Weekend begins today with the beginning of the golf tournament and the girls track meet with action continuing in the baseball tournament.

The boys edition of the track meet will take place on Saturday as well as the final round of the golf tournament and the finals of the baseball meet.

Two divisions were to have started off this morning at the Pecos Golf Course. Defending champ Finley leads Division I which includes the host Hereford, Monterey, Lubbock, Corsado, Pampa, Amarillo High, Caprock, and Palo Duro.

Division II teams include Andrews, Andrews B, Dumas, Dumas B, Berger, Loveland,

Minahan, Monterey B, Corsado B, Hereford B, and the Hereford sophomores.

Finley and Berger have been installed as favorites to win their respective divisions by meet director Terry Russell. Top individuals on hand will be Finley's Greg Weatherford, Lubbock's David Jennings, and Berger's James Salinas.

As to the girls track meet head coach Ray Shipp feels that defending State 3A champ Canyon has to be the favorite. The Eighties will be led by Merry Johnson, Terri Tucker, and Dandy Johnson.

Varsities to be on hand in addition to the host Hereford and Canyon include Alamo Catholic, Brownfield, Frisco, Lubbock Estacado, Monterey, Corsado, Hart, Palo Duro, Nazareth, Springlake-Earth, and Vega.

The junior high meet will also be run today with preliminaries in the 400 Relay to kick off the action in all classes at 10 a.m. A complete timetable of events is shown below.

**PRELIMES:** 400 Relay- 10:00; 220; 10:30; 60-11:15 (7-8); 80-yd. Hurdles- 11:35; 800 Relay- 12:20 (Varsity Only); 100-12:30.

**FINALS:** 440 Relay- 3:00; 440-3:15 (7-8); 800-3:35 (Varsity and 9th); 220-3:55 (7-8); 440-4:00 (Var.-9th); 60-4:20 (7-8); 220-4:25 (Var.-9th); 80-yd.

**Finley Loses Suit; Promises To Fight**

By HOWARD ULMAN  
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) - A strike-out pitch from a federal judge hasn't taken the starch out of Charlie Finley. The feisty Oakland A's owner is making fighting noises again as he warms up for the next inning.

"We've lost the battle, but we haven't lost the war," Finley said Thursday night in declaring he would appeal within two weeks the loss of his lawsuit against Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

"I'll never forget this St. Patrick's Day. It's been the most miserable of my life. But, as the old saying goes, there'll be another day," he said.

"It makes me think of the old adage: 'If you want to see the sun shine, you have to weather the storm.' But you have to hang in there."

The latest cloudburst soaked Finley Thursday when U.S. District Court Judge Frank J. McGarr ruled Kuhn had great powers, including the authority to void Finley's sales last June 15 of three stars.

The colorful boss of the newlook A's said he was disappointed by the decision of McGarr, who professed no love for baseball. But Finley flashed signs of optimism.

"In the front of every pawnshop throughout the country there's three brass balls hanging over the sidewalk in front of the store. You know what those balls stand for? They mean we buy, we sell and we trade. And that's the way that this ballclub won three world championships and five consecutive division titles and we're going to do it again."

Finley said McGarr's ruling will not affect the way he runs the A's and if Kuhn tries to block another of his transactions he'll take the commissioner back to court.

But next time, Kuhn could be armed with a copy of McGarr's decision.

The judge said Finley's \$3.5 million suit came down to a single issue: Did Kuhn have the power to void deals which he felt were not in baseball's best interests. McGarr's answer was "yes."

Whether Kuhn was right in deciding that the sales were not in the best interests of baseball had no bearing on the case, said McGarr.

It was a legal confrontation, not a hot-stove debate over what the attempted sales of Joe Rudi and Rollieingers to Boston for

a million dollars each and Vida Blue to the New York Yankees for \$1.5 million would mean for the national pastime.

McGarr said baseball's owners themselves gave Kuhn the power to block actions which he considers to be not in the best interests of the game. He noted that the "questionable wisdom of this broad delegation of power is not before the court it was a prime topic for Finley, who said, "A man can't have this kind of power, no way. The man thinks he's God."

Kuhn was "obviously pleased" by the ruling which found on its will or capriciousness on his part.

"I've said right along that there really was more at stake here than a hassle between Charlie Finley and Bowie Kuhn," the commissioner said. "What is more important is the fact that the court upheld the commissioner's authority to do what he thinks is right for baseball."

**Kids, Inc. Applications To Be Taken**

Player applications for all age groups will be taken by the Deaf Smith County Kids, Incorporated from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the Community Center.

League presidents Gene Combs and Marry Hughes remind youngsters that at least one parent must accompany them when they register.

A \$10 per child of \$30 per family fee will be charged this year for the first time. The fees will be used toward the completion of the new ballpark facilities.

The nation's first "bikeway" originated in Homestead, Fla. in 1963. Since then, some 25,000 to 30,000 miles of the special roadway have been established in the United States.

The second round of the baseball tournament will also be played today with semifinal contests scheduled for 1 p.m. and 3:30 in addition to a consolation game at 10:15 a.m.

The boys track meet will get underway at 9:30 a.m. Saturday with the 9th grade 440 Relay race. Four divisions will be run with the 3A-4A schools in Division IV, the A and 2A schools in Division III, the junior varsities in Division II, and the 9th grade teams in Division I.

A complete timetable for the meet is listed below.

**PRELIMES:** 9:30- 440 Relay (Division I only); 9:45-120 Int. Hurdles (Division I Only); 9:45-120 HH; 10:15-100; 10:45-440; 11:15-330 LH (Division I Only) and 330 HH; 11:45-220.

**FINALS:** 2:30-440 Relay; 2:45-800; 3:05-120 HH (Division I Only); 120 HH; 3:25-100; 3:40-440; 3:55-330 LH (Division I Only); 330 HH; 4:15-220; 4:30-Mile Run; 4:50-Mile Relay.

In all running events Division IV will go first with the other divisions to follow in order.

**FIELD EVENTS:** 9:30- Div. II pole vault and long jump, Div. I high jump, Div. II shot put, Div. IV Discus; 11:00 Div. I pole vault and discus, Div. II shot put, Div. III long jump, Div. IV high jump; 12:30- Div. III pole vault and discus, Div. II high jump, Div. I long jump, Div. IV shot put; 2:00- Div. IV pole vault and long jump, Div. II discus, Div. I shot put, Div. III high jump.

**Mat Fans To See Beauty And Beast**

Local wrestling fans will get a chance to see "Beauty and the Beast" in action Saturday night as the Hereford Lions Club continues to bring the mat sport to the Hereford Bull Barn.

"Texican" Alex Perez, who calls himself the Beauty of his team will join with Beast Doug Somers to challenge the duo of El Bracero and Ricky Romero in the main event this Saturday night.

Bracero and Romero come in at a combined weight of 439 pounds, sixty pounds less than the B and B duo.

Perez and Romero will also be renewing a bitter feud which started weeks ago and had led to violent clashes in arenas in three states.

The feud had led to chair throwing and fistfights outside the ring on several occasions.

In semi-main action this Saturday 250-lb. Cyclone Negro will take on newcomer Cien Caras, a masked Mexican who will spot Negro almost 30 pounds. Caras is a movie star in his native country as well as a noted grappler.

In opening action Reggie

Parks will meet Good News Jackson of Los Angeles. Parks is a highly-conditioned 228-pounder originally from Canada.

Jackson is a ring name employed by former UCLA linebacker Carlos Payne, who tips the scale at 265 pounds. Jackson was also a former draft choice by the Los Angeles Rams.

In action last week Randy Brewer and Nick Roberts were to have met, but both were stranded by high winds and blowing dust. In a replacement event El Lobo dropped a short match to El Bracero.

Abilene's Lawman won a disqualification over the Iron Shiek, and Swede Hanson and Rip Hawk beat El Bracero and Nick Kozak in a tag-team main event.

Wrestling gets underway at 8 p.m. this Saturday evening in the Bull Barn.

**Trinity Net Coach Has Happy Problem**

HOUSTON (AP) - Trinity University tennis coach Bob McKinley has a delightful dilemma—three No. 1 players on his team and he has to decide almost daily who's going to play the No. 1 position.

His current No. 1 is freshman Tony Giannalva, formerly of Houston, who advanced through the first two rounds Thursday of the 19th annual Rice Invitational Tennis Tournament to protect his No. 1 seed.

"I guess you'd say we have a rotating lineup," said McKinley. "Tony has played No. 1 in a lot of the big matches. He is an aggressive player and I have a theory that you have to be aggressive in the big matches. He does very well and isn't tentative."

McKinley, whose Tigers currently are ranked No. 1 in the

nation, also can choose from freshman Larry Gottfried, the No. 1 ranked junior in the nation, and freshman Ben McKown, a former No. 6 ranked junior. Erick Iskersky is Trinity's No. 4 player.

McKown, seeded second in the Rice Tournament, Gottfried, seeded fourth, and Iskersky, placed 14th, all advanced through Thursday's first two rounds of play.

Third seeded Jai Dilouise of Southern Methodist, and the fifth through eight seeds Gary Plock, Texas, Bob Hubbard, Pan American, Danny Valentic, Houston and Fernando Maynetto, Clemson also advanced through the first two rounds.

Two more rounds of singles are scheduled today with semifinals set for Saturday

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### Hereford Bull

- being hauled out of the bar by his wife.
- 15. A front-page spread about the deadbeat who lives across the street from me who just had his car repossessed.
- 16. Forget that last one. I just got word from the finance company that they're coming after my car.
- 17. More letters to the editor naming the crooks we have in town.
- 18. A full page of local news, a page of national, several pages of sports and comics, one page on divorce and three pages on all the domestic troubles we are having in town.
- 19. Less stuff about how cute everybody

### Grandmother

her. She just refused to take it down." The civic club filed suit and when Mrs. Smith failed to appear in court after being subpoenaed, Snell ruled in favor of the civic club by default.

"I didn't know I was going to be locked up," Mrs. Smith said. "I was upset and nervous. I couldn't sleep all night. I did a lot of preaching to the girls and they all else's kids are. My kids are better looking than those you rave about.

20 A complete biographical sketch about the "most important citizen in town," and be sure you spell my name right.

called me grandma."

Robert R. Duvall, civic club attorney, said, "I've been jawing with her for 16 months. We didn't want her in jail. We didn't take any pleasure out of putting an old lady in jail."

Mrs. Smith said she did not blame Judge Snell for signing the contempt order and that he had been very considerate since the time her case first came to court.

"He's a lovely person," she said.

However, Blanche Henry, 41, a daughter, said the jailing of her mother was a grave injustice even though she was treated well.

Rhodes said there will be a hearing March 29 on the contempt order but he said he would advise his client to remove the carport before the hearing date.

### Today In History

Today is Friday, March 18th, the 77th day of 1977. There are 288 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1776, during the American Revolution, George Washington took over control of Boston after evacuation of the British.

On this date: In 1837, Grover Cleveland, who held office as the 22nd and the 24th U.S. Presidents, was born in Caldwell, N.J.

In 1937, a gas explosion in a school in New London, Texas killed more than 400 people, mostly children.

In 1962, a cease-fire in the Algerian War was signed by French authorities and Algerian rebel delegates in Evianles-Bains, France.

In 1965, a Soviet cosmonaut became the first man to leave an orbiting spacecraft and float in space.

Also in 1965, exiled King Farouk of Egypt died in Rome.

In 1970, Cambodia's Prince Norodom Sihanouk was deposed as Chief of State while on a visit to Moscow.



### Kiwanis Gift To Library

Gwen London, head librarian at the Deaf Smith County Library, receives a check in the amount of \$300 from Noon Kiwanis President Bud Eades. The Kiwanians gave the money to be used in the Family Film series held at the library once each month. The presentation was made Thursday at the regular Kiwanis luncheon.

## Surplus In Teacher Retirement Found

AUSTIN (AP)—A \$13 million deficit in state contributions to teacher retirement changed to an \$8 million surplus in the year ending Aug. 31, 1976, the Texas Teacher Retirement System said Thursday in its annual report.

Rep. Jim Nugent, D-Kerrville, had made an issue of the 1975 deficit in several attacks he made on management of the retirement system.

The system director replied that the state contributions account swells during a school year as the state matches the money paid in by teachers, then diminishes in the summer months as teachers retire.

Nugent serves on a House subcommittee currently considering several bills to increase teacher retirement benefits. He is sponsor of Gov. Dolph Briscoe's bill that would concentrate increases on teachers whose benefits are low because salaries were low when they were active. Benefits are based on past earnings.

The retirement system's report included a letter dated

March 2 from its actuaries, saying the system "is actuarially sound." The actuaries said the system's unfunded liability

would be amortized in 33 years, assuming payroll growth increases at six per cent annually due to employment of new teachers.

## Residents Warned About Flights

CANNON AFB, N.M.—The 27th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW), Cannon AFB, New Mexico, wishes to inform local residents of low altitude navigation flights in their general area. These low level flights are an integral part of F-111D aircrew training.

This training is vital to the Air Force mission as it provides realistic simulation of combat sorties. During these missions, 27TFW aircrews are flying precision training routes to increase their combat readiness and maintain a high degree of proficiency. These low altitude routes are designed to train aircrews to attack enemy targets with the least possible exposure to enemy aircraft and defenses.

The routes depicted are flown in New Mexico, Arizona, and Texas. They have been carefully selected to avoid as many populated areas as possible, and also to by-pass primitive wilderness areas in order that the areas will not be disturbed.

The VFR low level routes flown by the 27TFW are normally in use from 8 a.m. to 12 Midnight, Monday through Friday. This schedule provides aircrews the training necessary

to perform their assigned mission either day or night. Aircraft normally operate on these low level routes between 200 feet and 1500 feet above the surface. Speeds range from 390 knots to 560 knots which is well below supersonic flight.

General aviation pilots have been asked to be particularly alert when flying in areas of low altitude routes. Civilian pilots who maintain an altitude of 2000 feet above the ground will be well clear of military aircraft on these low level routes. Anyone desiring more information on the Cannon AFB VFW low level training program is requested to contact Capt. Jack Bauder, 784-3311, extension 2405.

## 8 Accidents Kill One, Injure Six

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated eight accidents on rural highways in Deaf Smith County during the month of February, 1977 according to Sergeant W.E. Wells, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in one

person killed and six persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first two months of 1977 shows a total of 16 accidents resulting in one person killed and 12 persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of the Lubbock Department of Public Safety Region for February, 1977 shows a total of 414 accidents resulting in 13 persons killed and 275 persons injured, as compared to February, 1976, with 416 accidents resulting in 17 persons killed and 243 persons injured. This was two less accidents, four less killed, and 32 more injured in 1977 at the same period of time.

The 13 traffic deaths for the month of February, 1977 occurred in the following counties: Two each in Lubbock and Randall; and one each in Archer, Wichita, Carson, Deaf Smith, Foard, Hall, Ochiltree, Oldham and Parmer.

## 'Go Ahead Take This' Could Lead To Drug Addiction

"Go ahead and take this. It will make you feel better." These are words parents use that begin the social pressure that eventually could lead to experimentation with drugs, according to Reverend Bill Lang.

Lang, director of the Deaf Smith County Council on Alcoholism, was speaking before the Noon Kiwanis at their Thursday meeting. "It will make you feel better" is the phrase that many parents use when they try to persuade children to take aspirin, cough syrup and other medications. In later life, this is the same phrase that peer groups will use to coerce a young person to try drugs. This, in essence, makes a parent a "pusher". This is why

parents should explain that aspirin will make a headache go away and that cough syrup will make a cough stop.

Lang told the group that we are a society dependent on drugs. Many drugs are socially acceptable, such as caffeine, nicotine and the many sleeping aids, keep-awake aids and a multitude of non-prescription drugs. The most socially acceptable is, of course, beverage alcohol. And it is also the most abused drug.

According to national statistics based on population, Hereford has approximately 700 alcoholics. Lang said that the age limit on alcoholics and other drug abusers would surprise most Hereford citizens. Young people begin experimenting

with glue sniffing, perhaps as early as the late elementary school years and early junior high years. Many have progressed to the abuse of various pills, alcohol and even begun smoking marijuana at the tender ages of 13 and 14. In Hereford last year, there were just over 60 arrests of juveniles that were drug related. Lang estimated that more than five times that number of juveniles were never caught.

One myth that many parents seem to cling to is that beer is a "safe" drink. Not so, says Lang. Drinking beer can get you just as drunk and passed out as any other alcoholic beverage when consumed in large enough quantities. And people who drink only beer can also become alcoholics. Many parents tend to overlook the drinking of beer by saying that they are thankful it isn't marijuana. Either could lead to the same end.

During a question and answer period, Andy Shuvall, local district attorney, stood and voiced his opinion that over 85 per cent of all crime that is handled by his office is in some form related with drugs. Persons who get drunk might commit crimes they ordinarily would never think of, from stealing a car to beating up their wife. And there are people trying to support a habit.

Dempsey Alexander, Kiwanis program chairman, concluded Rev. Lang's program by telling of incidents at La Plata Junior High School, where he is assistant principal. He said that there really is a problem of drug abuse, including alcohol abuse, at his school. Drug used during school hours is not a problem, but often students come to school after drug use. His testimony provided additional impact to Rev. Lang's theme that drug abuse is a major problem in our society today.

## Money, Clothes Stripped Away

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—A masked gunman stripped a local massage parlor of its nightly earnings and its occupants of their clothes here early Thursday, police said.


Officers said the gunman forced three women and three men to strip naked before shutting them in a closet while he fled.

The gunman reportedly entered the massage parlor shortly after 2 a.m. and surprised the manager and a female massage parlor attendant in the front room.

Waving what appeared to be a luger pistol, officers said the gunman forced the woman to get a bank bag containing the day's receipts of between \$600 and \$700, officers said.

The gunman meanwhile flushed out two other female attendants and their customers from the parlor's back rooms.

Officers said the gunman took about \$30 from each of the men customer's wallets and then forced all six people into the closet. The group emerged a few minutes later and called for help.



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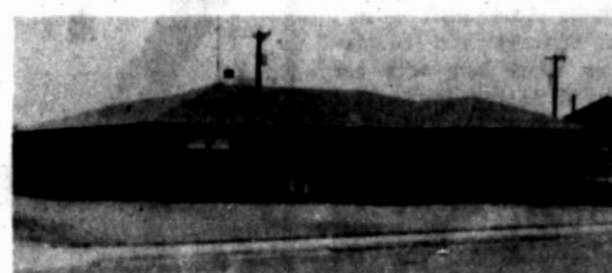


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