



That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says people who wake up each morning with a grouch might consider separate bedrooms as a solution.

Did you ever notice that fathers give daughters away to guys who aren't nearly good enough, but they turn up with grandchildren that are smarter and better looking than anybody's?

IF YOU WANT to spread some Christmas cheer, there are plenty of opportunities. A number of Sunday School classes in local churches are preparing Christmas baskets for less fortunate families. Another annual project is the Girlstown Coat & Shoe Funds. Donations are coming in slow this year — you could help by sending a contribution to Girlstown Christmas Fund, Box 414, Hereford 79045.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED in keeping the All Girl Rodeo in Hereford, don't forget to attend the public meeting Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the C of C Office. Chamber directors announced Thursday that the board is considering dropping sponsorship of the event. The project has showed a deficit for three years, and the chamber board wants to determine if there is enough community interest and leadership to try and conduct the project on a sound financial basis.

"YOU WILL SPEND several decades struggling, fashioning the best kind of living you can with your head and your hands. And if you're like most, your life won't be commemorated by a statue in the town square or an auditorium bearing your name. No. Instead, your monument will be built in the memories of people who have met you along the way.

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You carve the memory a chip at a
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Sadat Announces Begin Visit

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin will be coming to Egypt soon on a working visit to discuss details of a peace settlement, President Anwar Sadat announced Saturday.

He said President Carter forwarded outlines of Begin's proposals in a telephone call from Washington Friday night and in a later message through the U.S. Embassy in Cairo.

"Nothing is in shape yet...not until I meet with Mr. Begin," Sadat told a news conference at his Cairo residence overlooking the Nile.

Sadat declined to specify when Begin would come or where in Egypt they would meet. But he said Begin would not receive the massive popular welcome that met Sadat when he visited Jerusalem last month.

"The visit of Mr. Begin this time will be rather a short visit to put the final touches to the next move in the Cairo conference," Sadat said.

"Whenever Mr. Begin comes on a state visit I am sure my people will show their feelings."

He said Carter and he agreed that "in this precise stage, let's be discreet."

He declined to divulge any details of the exchange of messages with Carter, or whether they represented a break-through on major issues blocking a settlement. But the tenor of his remarks indicated clearly there had been at least enough progress to allow Begin to come to the first visit to Egypt by an Israeli leader.

At the news conference in Jerusalem when he concluded his visit, Sadat declared Begin had a right to come to Egypt but he did not give reasons why he could not do so then.

Asked what he changed to allow Begin to come now, Sadat replied: "We are in a very queer world of changes. I never imagined that this can take place so soon but everything is really moving very fast."

"I'm ready to receive Mr. Begin in Egypt whenever he chooses but I am waiting for his schedule. He is sending it to me," Sadat said.

Asked whether the accelerating pace of contacts between the two leaders meant that Begin had made significant concessions, Sadat replied: "You shouldn't pull my leg. I agreed

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Tree Sales Slated

Kiwanians (from left) Bub Sparks, Marvin Swanson, Lloyd Sharp and Ed Lemons had plenty of free time Saturday to discuss the Noon Kiwanis Club Christmas tree sales since they have not been busy since the project was started two weeks ago. The quartet blamed artificial

trees, the absence of snow this month and "too much competition" on the slow sales, adding that the Kiwanis Club still has a large number of good trees left on the Safeway parking lot. Proceeds will go to various community projects. [Brand photo]

Judge Recesses Hughes Trial

HOUSTON (AP) - After listening to two weeks of testimony, most of it in documents and depositions, a jury of three men and three women left the small probate courtroom in Houston Friday to spend a few days with friends and relatives during the Christmas holidays.

The jury, including two alternates, is to decide whether the late Howard Hughes, the eccentric multimillion-

aire, was a legal resident of Texas at the time of his death in April, 1976, and if the so-called Mormon will is valid.

Probate Judge Pat Gregory recessed the trial about 12:30 p.m. Friday, and ordered the jury to return at 9 a.m. Jan. 3. He said he wanted to give them a chance to enjoy some of the holiday season.

It has been boring, plodding, trial as Texas Atty. Gen. John Hill attempted to prove that Hughes was a legal resident of Texas and that the state should collect an estimated \$100 million in inheritance taxes from the vast estate.

Defense attorneys are arguing that Hughes, despite his frequent moves from one state to another, from one nation to another, from one hotel to another, was a resident of Nevada, where there is no inheritance tax.

Frank Davis, who represents Annette Gano Lummis, 89, and William Lummis, 38, the co-administrators of the estate, said Hill has presented "a rotten case with no hard evidence. Many of those documents presented by the state are ridiculous. They have nothing to do with the legal residence of Howard Hughes."

"When we begin our side of the case, which will take about three weeks, we will present live witnesses, not documents and depositions and unrelated things. All the state has done is try some near-misses, which don't count in court," he said.

Hill, a candidate for governor in the 1978 election, told newsmen, "We should complete our case in the first week of January. We have a solid

case, a convincing case, and I am pleased with the progress." Hill has presented more than 300 documents as evidence, including

everything from checks written by Hughes in 1926 to a letter from Hughes with a California dateline to a
(See HUGHES, Page 2)

Carter Tells Begin Of Plan for Peace

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Carter is relaying Egypt's appraisal of Israeli negotiating proposals to Prime

Mother's March Set For February

By KERRIE STEIERT
Women's Editor

In a preliminary campaign report, John Aikin and Lynne Carlile have announced that the Mothers March for the March of Dimes will be conducted here sometime during the month of February.

Aikin is Deaf Smith County chairman of the March of Dimes campaign and Mrs. Carlile is drive chairman.

Last year's fund-raising projects here gleaned more than \$8,000 for the March of Dimes, which is a national, non-profit organization concerned with prevention and treatment of birth defects. The majority of that sum was contributed during the Mother's March of volunteers.

Mrs. Carlile is urging local mothers who are interested in participating in the Hereford campaign to call her at 364-0552.

In conjunction with the March of Dimes drive, several other events are planned this spring, including a Book-A-Thon in the elementary schools and some type of sport-a-thon involving high school students. Educational films will be shown in Hereford's schools, where students will be invited to make their contributions.

As in the past, a local victim of birth defects will be chosen to serve as Hereford's March of Dimes poster child. Canisters will be placed throughout the city for donation deposits.

Proceeds of the March of Dimes drive will be spent in distribution of educational materials, stressing the ways of preventing birth defects. Also, a scholarship fund has been established for a Hereford student entering the field of health care. The March of Dimes additionally provides funds for instructional films and seminars.

Minister Menahem Begin as well as the U.S. view of the plan that would give civil self-rule to Palestinian Arabs.

Carter talked by telephone to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and is said to be encouraged that Begin's outline could promote an eventual Middle East settlement.

Egypt, under the plan, would get back almost all of the Sinai land it lost during the Six-Day War of 1967, while Israel would retain a security corridor near its border.

Areas extending eastward from the Suez Canal as well as oil fields and strategic mountain passes were handed back in 1974 and 1975 partial agreements.

For Palestinians on the West Bank of the Jordan River and in Gaza, there would be civil self-rule. Jews would remain free to live on the West Bank, which Jordan lost in the 1967 war but they, too, would be under Palestinian authority.

While Egypt would reassert its sovereignty in Sinai, the West Bank and Gaza would belong to neither Israel nor Jordan and there would be no Palestinian state.

The question of legal status was discussed Friday by Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance, a craeer lawyer, and Ahron Barak, the Israeli attorney general, at the State Department.

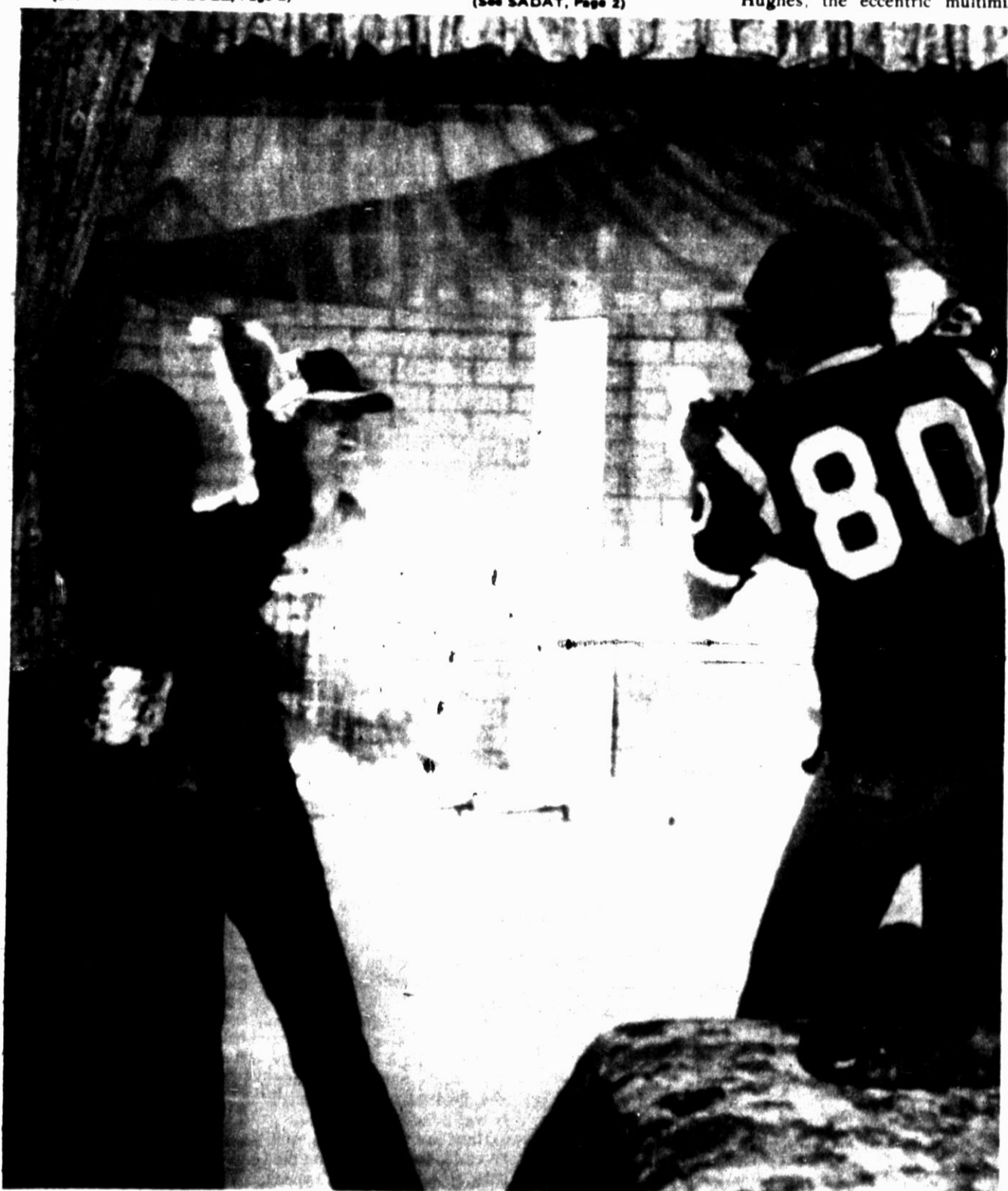
The Palestinians would not be permitted to have an army and Israel would maintain military control for a specified period.

Begin, an observant Jew, is spending the Sabbath at Blair House, shunning official business. He planned to meet there with Rabbi Alexander Schindler of New York, the chairman of the Conference of
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Methodist Church Schedules Scene

The First United Methodist Church young people will present a live nativity scene on the church lawn at 8 p.m. today and 7 p.m. Monday.

The scene will be repeated at 8:15 p.m. today and 7:15 p.m. Monday. The public is invited to attend, according to The Rev. Jordan Grooms, pastor.



Helping Hands

The Hereford High Key Club spent Saturday scrubbing King's Manor Methodist Home, an annual project for the club. Windows and floors were scrubbed as several Key Club members

gave the entire nursing home a cleansing overhaul. The students sang Christmas carols to the residents during the noon meal. [Brand photo by Paul Sims]

Hospital Board To Reappoint Medical Staff

The board of directors of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District will meet in regular session at 7 a.m. Tuesday to reappoint the medical staff.

The action, an annual one, will follow a report from the medical staff. The board will revise medical staff bylaws and consider applications for the medical staff from Dr. Edwin Hui and Dr. Richard Sheppard.

The board in other business will consider purchasing a defibrillator for the emergency room and replacing carpet in Stations III and IV, examine the list of doubtful accounts and discuss unemployment compensation.

Reports to be considered include the operating report for November, the audit report, Administrator Ron Welty's annual year-end report and miscellaneous reports from Welty.

update sunday

Mrs. Wallace Seeks Temporary Alimony

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Cornelia Wallace, described by her attorneys as penniless, is seeking temporary alimony from her estranged husband, Gov. George C. Wallace, until their divorce proceedings are completed.

A petition asking for an immediate temporary support hearing was filed in circuit court Friday on behalf of Mrs. Wallace.

The petition said Mrs. Wallace has not received from her husband "any money on which to live or any transportation or other basic necessities of life as required by law and common decency" since she moved out of the executive mansion Sept. 6.

The 38-year-old mother of two "has no money for Christmas," the petition added.

Subpoenas have been issued by attorneys on both sides in preparation for the Jan. 4 trial of the Wallaces' divorce suits. Gov. Wallace, 58, was among those subpoenaed. Mrs. Wallace's lawyers say his testimony is needed to help establish his financial worth.

Coal Strike Hasn't Slowed Xmas Buying

By The Associated Press

Striking coal miners aren't getting their regular paychecks, but merchants in the nation's coal mining regions say the walkout has had little impact on their Christmas sales.

"It's amazing the number of people on strike who are not only buying, but going into their savings to pay for things," said Thomas Murtha, owner of a furniture store in Ebensburg, Pa.

"Every merchant I've talked to seems

to be experiencing the same thing," he added.

"People are buying microwaves ovens, maybe a second color portable TV — luxury items."

But the strike by 160,000 members of the United Mine Workers was having another effect elsewhere. Indiana state officials have verified about a dozen cases of price gouging by coal retailers since the coal strike began Dec. 6.

Indiana Energy Director William Sorrells said Friday the gouging apparently is aimed at home coal users, who are unable to stockpile large amounts of coal as do utilities and public facilities.

Settlement Near In GM Lawsuit

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. reportedly is on the verge of making a multi-million dollar settlement with state prosecutors from across the nation in GM's celebrated "Chevy-mobile" engine switch case.

There are "some problems to be worked out" but GM lawyers and attorneys general from Illinois, Michigan and Ohio hope to be in federal court on the matter Monday, according to Illinois Attorney General William Scott.

Scott, the first of at least 24 state prosecutors to sue GM, said Friday that no agreement between the states and GM has been signed. But he said GM and Illinois officials will hold a news conference Monday in Chicago.

The proposed settlement is said to call for cash payments of \$200 each to about 100,000 persons who bought Oldsmobiles, Pontiacs and Buicks equipped with Chevrolet engines. GM also would grant special three-year warranties on the cars.

GM officials have refused to comment because the matter is "still in litigation."

Scott said any agreement would need approval of U.S. District Judge Frank McGar of Chicago, who granted Scott's suit the status of a nationwide class action covering an estimated 100,000 car owners.

Carter Appearance Highlights Wedding

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Sydney Scott Stapleton was married, which would

be mostly unremarkable except that his uncle, the president, was guest of honor.

"It's bedlam," said Ruth Carter Stapleton, evangelist sister of President Jimmy Carter, the feature attraction Saturday at the wedding of her son Sydney, 25, to Caro Lee Gainey, 24, a dental hygienist.

The president, wearing his best blue suit, and his wife Rosalynn, in a rust-colored outfit, left the Stapleton home at mid-morning and rode to a restaurant on the outskirts of Fayetteville for a wedding breakfast hosted by Sanford and Byah Dozey, longtime Carter family friends.

Carter took a minute before the short ride to shake hands with the Stapleton's neighbors across a hedge and pose for pictures.

Meanwhile, farmers demanding higher crop prices drove about 350 tractors, pickup trucks and other farm vehicles through Fayetteville en route to a rally at the local fairgrounds. They said they wanted to draw the president's attention to the demands but had no intention of disrupting his visit.

Weather

West Texas — Fair through Sunday. Windy northern portions today with some blowing dust South Plains area. Cooler most sections. Highs middle 50s north to lower 70s south. Lows lower 20s north to upper 30s south. Highs Sunday middle 50s north to middle 70s south.

Police Report

Vandalism is continuing at a discouraging pace for Hereford police this Christmas season.

Police Saturday were investigating broken windows at Carousel Beauty Salon, 321 W. 3rd; Walker's Refrigeration Service, 305 E. 3rd, and Family Shoe Center, 321 N. Main.

Ed Sanders, 807 Blevins, reported that somebody cut four tires, valued at \$300, Friday night on his automobile.

Range Western Wear, 233 N. Main, reported that a man stole a pair of boots valued at \$90 at 1:40 p.m. Friday. The man was described white, 25 or 30 years old, 5-11, and weighing 160 pounds.



HEROIC HERO sandwich constructed at California State University at Long Beach stretched 501 feet and consisted of more than 80 loaves of bread, 1,000 pounds of cold cuts, 250 pounds of cheese, 50 gallons of mayonnaise and assorted other ingredients. It took members of a fraternity an hour and a half to construct and was sold to hungry spectators for 25 cents an inch.



WHAT'S A MULTIMILLIONAIRESS doing in a disco? Exactly what a lot of the rich and beautiful people were doing recently — dancing up a storm. Greek shipping heiress Christina Onassis was one of the international set celebrities who turned out for a bash at New York's currently popular Studio 54.

Hospital Staff Tries Life In a Wheelchair

NEW YORK (AP) — It was called Awareness Day and it was for "big wheels" only. Thirty-five big wheels, executives and department heads at Brooklyn's Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center, volunteered to participate in an unusual program — to follow the routine of the 600 wheelchair patients in Kingsbrook's David Minkin Rehabilitation Institute.

They went in and out of doors, up and down ramps, through the cafeteria, using only their arms, functioning in every way as do the wheelchair patients who are in their charge.

The program was designed by the facility's department of rehabilitation medicine to convey to executives and members of the staff, through personal participation, the problems faced daily by wheelchair patients.

The "patients" had difficulty in opening doors and maneuvering the wheelchairs through as the doors closed in on them. They also had trouble getting in and out of washrooms, obtaining food from counters that were often too high and balancing trays of food in the cafeteria while trying to move the wheelchairs, moving up and down ramps that were too steep or moving in areas where there were no ramps.

Youth Faces Tragedy In Death of Mother

It has been five years since 16-year-old Stephen Mashler lost his mother, but somehow the memories are still there because "there wasn't time enough to say goodbyes," says the handsome 6-foot-3 youth.

The book, "There Are Two Kinds of Terrible," was recently published. "I had no one to relate to when I finally found out about my mother," Stephen commented. "I didn't have a girl friend or an older friend. I talked to my aunt a little bit, but I could not communicate with my father. I just did not feel open with him."

Like many suburban youths — he had lived in Mamaroneck, N.Y. — Stephen had little contact with his hard working father, who holds a U.N. post and travels a good deal. "I played baseball with my mother and sometimes we went to the movies. We did a lot of things together. She liked every kind of animal and birds. I guess I inherited a love of nature from her," he says.

Stephen is living with some "good family friends" in Leonia, N.J., where he is a junior in high school, but he wishes he could settle down in one spot for a while.

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time for them. Whenever you think of their needs, whenever you make them smile, whenever you do some little thing that makes them glad they know you, you shape the good memory just a bit. Or, whenever you slight them, or deceive them, or give them even a moment's pang of disappointment inside, you crack or mar the memory.

this business of leaving a good memory. If it's your main business, and you're conscious of it all the time, you're likely to fail at it. If you do everything with the primary motive of being well-remembered, people will know what you're up to.

for people because you appreciate who they are — not because you want them to appreciate you. "You treat every man as if you think he deserves to be honored, and he'll end up honoring you in his memory."

Sadat

with President Carter, discreetly. But he said he was "more optimistic" after Carter's phone call. The current long-distance negotiations have yet to produce a gesture from Begin to match Sadat's own bold risk of visiting Israel against massive Arab opposition, Sadat indicated.

against a reported Israeli suggestion that residents of the occupied West Bank of the Jordan River decide their future in a plebiscite after 20 years. "But let us wait until we see the outcome of the visit of Begin to President Carter and after that I shall be in a position to answer whatever you ask," he said.

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Hughes

Houston doctor asking for a cure for dandruff that wouldn't change the color of his (Hughes) hair. Davis promised to bring live witnesses to the stand. "not a stack of documents." He said it would take him about three weeks to present his case, and then Hill said, "I am sure I will have some rebuttal witnesses."

After the closed door session, the trial began to speed-up. Hughes died April 5, 1976, while on a flight from Acapulco, Mexico, to Houston, for medical treatment.

Although the Mormon will is a part of the Texas case, it is a minor segment. The main thrust of the Texas case is to prove that Hughes was a legal resident and the estate should pay the inheritance taxes.

Carter

Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. What Israel stands to gain in the deal, if it is accepted, is a peace treaty with Egypt that establishes normal relations between the two old warring neighbors. To Israel, this means an exchange of ambassadors plus commercial and other ties.

At a news conference on Wednesday, Carter said the PLO had taken "a completely negative attitude" on recent peace efforts and had removed itself from any serious consideration in peace talks.

total Israeli control. There was some question, therefore, that however eager the Israeli public may be to end the state of war with Egypt, that it will support enthusiastically the government's concessions. The Palestine Liberation Organization, meanwhile, appears left out in the cold, with no role in the negotiations and its statehood goal unfulfilled.



The first American magazine was The American Review, first published in 1741.

Obituaries

FERMIN GALAN Services for Fermin Galan, 27, of 204 Raymond St., are pending following his death in an automobile accident near Houston Friday night.

Burial will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home. Galan died instantly Friday night in a highway accident near Houston while on a trip. Born in Lamesa, he had lived in Hereford for a number of years.

Survivors include the widow, Julia; a son, Carlos, of the home; a daughter, Lou Anne of the home; his father, Julio Galan of Hereford; two brothers, Johnny and Ines, both of Hereford; and six sisters: Lavera Garcia of Plattville, Colo. and Mary Rivera, Seferina Flores, Ramona Martinez, Alice Jimenez and Mary Galan, all of Hereford.

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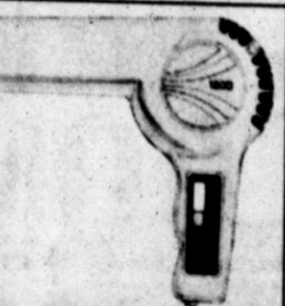
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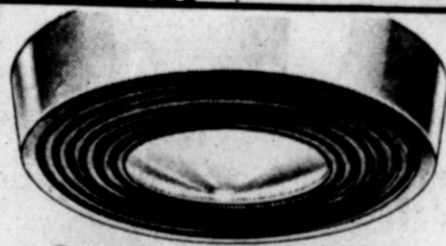
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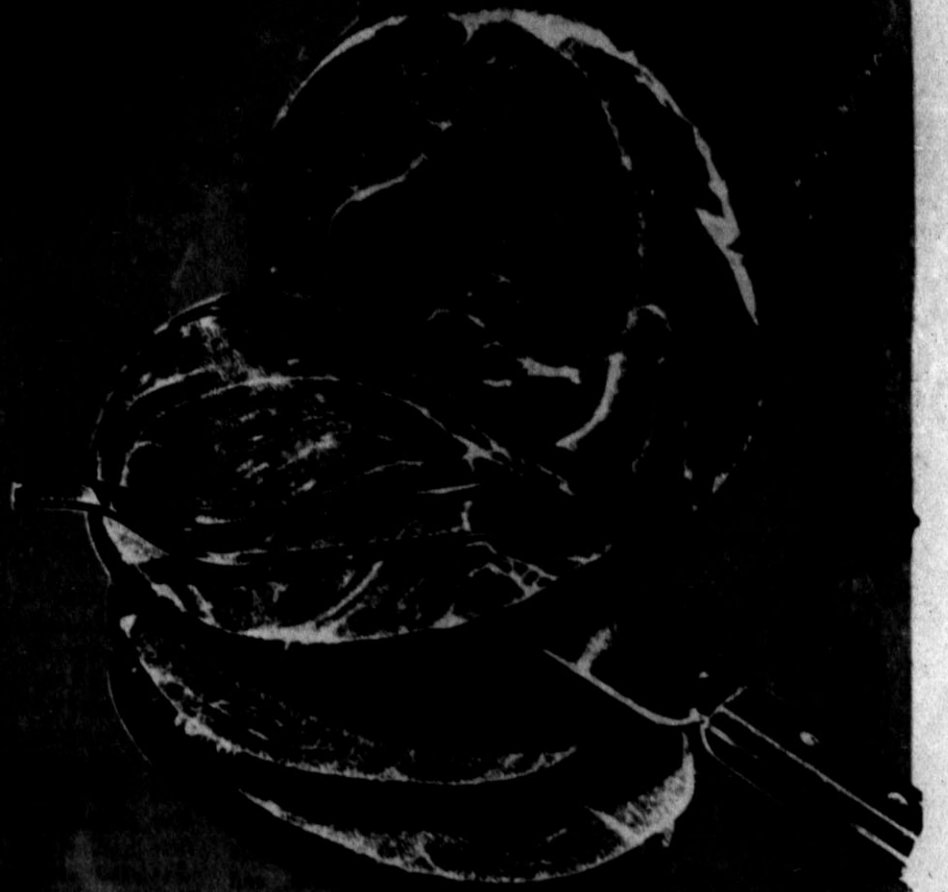
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Herd Struggles To Edge Past Caprock

By BOB NIPP
Sports Editor

The Hereford Whitefaces scrambled to their 8th win of the season against six losses Friday night, but it took three free throws in the final eight seconds to do it as the Herd nipped Amarillo Caprock 63-62.

Hereford suffered from a sluggish start that saw the Longhorns (3-10) jump ahead by as much as 10 points midway through the second period. A tenacious, turnover-producing press countered the early sluggishness, however, and the 'Faces fought back to take a 36-34 lead at the half.

Scott Sandel scored 10 points in the first half, while Alvin Raef and Bruce Nipp added six points each and the Longhorns looked like they were going to make it a long night for the Whitefaces.

Herd leader Kelly Kitchens scored only four points in the first half; once on a 20-footer as the first period ended, and on a layup with 1:02 left in the half.

Kitchens' long-range jumper at the first-quarter buzzer pulled the Herd to within four at 18-14, but the 'Horns scored six

quick points as the second stanza began to take a 24-14 margin. A short Herd rally was offset by another Caprock splurge, and the lead grew to nine points again (32-23) with 2:32 remaining in the half.

Brent Allen entered the game for HHS, and quickly got two buckets to cut the lead to five; David Schumacher hit a five-footer, and Kitchens' layup after a steal by Allen made it a three-point ballgame at 34-31.

Schumacher added a short jumper with 27 ticks left, and David Arney got three of his 12 points in the game with a three-point play with just nine seconds left to put the Herd ahead 36-34.

The lead changed hand four times in the final 16 minutes of play with the largest Herd lead coming at 40-34 with 7:16 left in the third quarter. The pressing Whitefaces forced several crucial turnovers on in-bounds plays by the Longhorns, and Caprock lost several other chances when the Herd picked off errant passes.

In the end it was a one-point edge from the charity stripe which gave the win to Hereford. After a dismal five-for-12 performance at the line in the first half, the 'Faces connected on five of nine attempts in the final half. The Longhorns were potent from the charity stripe meanwhile, but had nine less attempts in a 10-for-12 night.

Arney put the Whitefaces ahead for the last time with eight seconds left as he was fouled by Nipp. The play

followed a stall by the Herd, which consumed the final two minutes of play.

Arney connected on the first of two free tosses, but missed the second, and Hereford led 61-60.

Robert Graves put the game out of reach following the missed free toss by Arney, however. Graves rebounded the missed try, and was fouled by Caprock's Randy Hughes.

Both ends of the one-and-one try swished through the nets, and a token floor-length driving layup by Nipp closed out the scoring.

Schumacher wound up the game's leading scorer with 16 points, while Graves added 14 and Arney 12 to the Herd total. Scott Sandel led Caprock in the contest with 14 points, while Raef finished with 12 and Nipp with 10. Kitchens finished with nine points for the night, the first time all season the Herd senior has been under 10 points in a game.

Raef, a 6-5 senior was sorely missed by the 'Horns in the late going, fouling out with 1:29 left in the third quarter.

In the junior varsity game Hereford scored a 47-41 win with Joe Walker's 15 points leading the way. Buzzy Abalos added 12 points to the winning total, while Reed Herring added seven points, Kevin Bunch five and David Mays four.

Plano Upsets PNG In Class 4A Final

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Plano's Wildcats stormed to their first class 4A state schoolboy title Saturday behind Stevie Haynes' field goal kicking and Jeff Turner's running to nip favored Port Neches-Groves 13-10 before a high school record crowd of 47,340 in Texas Stadium.

Plano, which became the first school ever to win titles in divisions 2A, 3A and 4A, never trailed to the Indians who won the class 4A title in 1975 and were semi-finalists last year.

The game was in doubt until the final 36 seconds when Plano linebacker Norris Smith sacked PNG quarterback David Fry who fumbled and Mike Pedigo captured the ball on the Indian 49-yard line.

The Wildcats struck for 10 first quarter points on a 26-yard field goal by Haynes and Turner's 11-yard scoring romp as the quarter ended.

The stunned Indians retaliated with a 72-yard drive in 15 plays capped by Fry's one-yard sneak on third down. Mike Barnett added the extra point.

Haynes kicked a 30-yard field goal with 49 seconds to play in the half and the Wildcats couldn't find the scoring touch in the second half.

However, a Plano defense led by Pedigo and a 185-pound tackle Billy Ray Smith handcuffed the potent PNG offense, allowing only Barnett's 36-yard field goal in the third quarter.

PNG ended its season with a 14-1 record and was only the second time the Indians had lost in their last 41 games.

The Cinderella Wildcats, who were picked to finish fourth in their district, finished at 13-1-1.

The previous Texas record crowd was 45,790, established at the Waco-Highland Park title game in 1945 at the Cotton Bowl.

Smith and Pedigo led a Plano rush that sacked Fry seven

times as the 165-pound junior attempted to pick holes in the Plano secondary.

Plano advanced to the finals by overcoming a 28-point lead in its quarterfinal game and narrowly defeated Odessa Permian 3-0 last week.

Plano's only serious scoring threat in the second half came late in the third period when the Wildcats drove to the Indian 13 where John Gaddis fumbled and PNG's Ted Brack recovered the ball.

The Indians made one final, desperate bid for victory starting at their 16-yard line with a minute to play. Fry passed PNG all the way to the Wildcat 39-yard line before his costly fumble settled matters.

PNG has owned three state championships while Plano has been in the 4A division only five years.

The Plano players were so jubilant that 30 minutes after the game they were still in their uniforms on the field leading some 15,000 Plano fans in cheers.

Mav 8th, 9th Claim Titles

La Plata Junior High claimed championships in both the 8th and 9th grade divisions of the Hereford Junior High Boys Basketball Tournament Saturday night. The 7th grade title went to Plainview Coronado.

La Plata won the 8th grade battle in a 42-40 squeaker over Dimmitt as Alan Wartes led the way with 18 points. Felix Soliz added eight points in the win, while Don Delozier scored seven and Bruce Clarke six.

The freshman title tilt closed out the tournament, and the Mavericks led virtually all the way in posting a 47-39 win over the Stanton Dogies. John Josseland popped the nets for 16 points in the win, while Norman Hill added 14 more. Stanton got 15 points from Eddie Chavarria and eight each from Derek Dirks and Burt Wofford.

La Plata led 10-6 after one period, and stretched the lead to 19-14 at the halfway point. The Dogies fought back to make it close at times, but could never quite overtake the Mavericks,

who increased the margin to 31-24 after three stanzas, and withstood a late Dogie charge to post the win.

In the 7th grade final Plainview Coronado got 23 points from Hallman in rolling to the title 38-32 over Dimmitt. Watts and Cleveland each tallied 12 points to lead the losers.

La Plata's 7th grade scored a win in the third-place game of that division as Steve George led the way with 11 points in a 26-25 win over Plainview Estacado. Alfred Ball and Sammy Velasquez each added four points to the winning effort.

In the other third-place games Plainview Estacado took the trophy in the 8th grade division with a 34-27 win over Canyon, Purple, and Muleshoe took the 9th grade game 62-47 over Plainview Coronado.

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Defensive tackle Louis Kelcher has been named the most valuable player on the San Diego Chargers by his teammates.

Maverick Gals Lose Two of Three Games

The La Plata Junior High girls' basketball teams traveled to Canyon Thursday in continuance of their district schedules, and for two of the

Boys' Cage Meeting Tomorrow

All high school age boys interested in playing in a basketball league sponsored by the Hereford Area YMCA are requested to meet with Y program Director Weldon Knabe at 6 p.m. tomorrow night.

The meeting will take place in the YMCA office at Sugarland Mall. Those attending the meeting are asked to enter the building through the Y's back door.

Hereford	14	36	52	63
Caprock	18	34	50	62
Hereford-Brent Allen, 2-0-4;				
Kelly Kitchens, 4-1-9; David Arney, 4-4-12; David Schumacher, 7-2-16; Jackie Mercer, 3-2-8; Robert Graves, 6-2-14; Totals - 26-11-63.				
Caprock-Bruce Nipp, 5-0-10;				
Bart Allison, 0-4-4; Sherman Stewart, 3-0-6; Randy Hughes, 3-2-8; Scott Sandel, 7-0-14; Charles Stuart, 3-2-8; Alvin Raef, 5-2-12. Totals - 26-10-62.				
Total fouls-Hereford 14, Caprock 18.				
Fouled out-Raef, Caprock.				
Hereford JV	19	28	35	47
Caprock JV	12	20	32	41

Liberty Bowl Has Huskers, Tar Heels

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - The 'L's unquestionably will have it Monday night when Nebraska and North Carolina bring their I-formations and two talented young tailbacks into the 19th annual Liberty Bowl.

North Carolina will unleash a precocious freshman named 'Famous Amos' Lawrence while the Cornhuskers will call on I.M. Hipp, a sophomore walk-on who rushed for 1,301 yards this season.

Lawrence, who rolled up 1,211 yards, and Hipp helped propel the Cornhuskers, 8-3, and the Tar Heels, 8-2-1, into the first appearances by either school in the post-season bowl at Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium.

Lawrence, a 5-10, 180-pounder, and Hipp, a 6-0, 200-pounder, have carried the ball 30 times this year. 'Famous Amos' amassed an NCAA record for freshman when he gained 286 yards against Virginia while Hipp cleared the 200-yard mark twice, with a high of 254 against Indiana.

Hipp is also a dangerous receiver, having caught five passes for 99 yards. While Lawrence didn't catch a pass, he threw the ball four times, once for a touchdown.

So there should be little secret about who's got the ball when the 13th-ranked Nebraska and North Carolina, ranked a notch

below the Cornhuskers in the Associated Press poll, meet. The trick for the respective defenses will be to stop Hipp-as Oklahoma did in their 38-7 victory Nov. 25 and Lawrence, a feat no one could achieve in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Statistically speaking, North Carolina has the edge in defense. The Tar Heels were the stingiest team in the nation, scoring-wise, allowing 7.4 points per game. North Carolina's defense permitted 238 yards per game while Nebraska's offense averaged 415 yards per game.

In order to free Hipp, Nebraska will have to contain an excellent North Carolina defensive front, consisting of tackle Dee Hardison and Rod Broadway, ends Ken Sheets and T.K. McKenzie and noseguard Dave Simmons. The best battle could be between Nebraska's outstanding center Tom Davis and Simmons.

Tar Heel quarterback Matt Kupec doesn't pass often but when he does, he's accurate, hitting 56 percent of his attempts. His favorite receivers are tight end Brooks Williams and wide receiver Walker Lee.

Nebraska's offensive talent is two-deep. Before Hipp, junior Rick Berns was the starting tailback. At fullback Monte Anthony, the third leading rusher in Cornhusker history, lost his starting spot to Dodie Donnell. And at quarterback, junior Tom Sorley is the starter, but senior Randy Garcia has passed for more yardage.

Bowl games often come down to kicking and each team has almost spectacular kicking games. Tom Biddle holds almost every Tar Heel placement record, including 18 field goals this year, while Nebraska's Billy Todd was 12 of 18 this year, including a 55-yard field goal. Todd missed five of 33 extra points.

The oddsmakers have made Nebraska a touchdown favorite, but in the Liberty Bowl, that could be the kiss-of-death. A favorite hasn't won the Liberty Bowl in nine years.

BROWNWOOD, Texas (AP) - Norris Powell scored two of three East Bernard's last period touchdowns as the surprising Brahmas schooled No. 1-rated Seagraves 27-10 to win the state-class A schoolboy championship.

Powell, a junior halfback who was injured on the first play of the game, returned to scamper across the goal line twice and lead all rushers with 138 yards on 18 carries.

Whitefaces to Host Palo Duro, Canyon

The Hereford Whitefaces, 8-6 on the year after edging past Caprock 63-62 last Friday night, will play host to the Palo Duro Dons and Canyon Eagles tomorrow and Tuesday night before taking a week off.

The Herd has played both Palo Duro and Canyon already this season, having dropped the Eagles 69-64 on November 19 and blitzing the Dons 84-76 last Tuesday night in Amarillo behind a 33-point effort by Kelly Kitchens and a 31-point performance by David Schumacher.

The 'Faces have won four of their last five outings since placing fourth in their own tournament behind Morton, Clovis, and Monterey and then losing an 81-63 decision to a talented Borger team.

Fourteen points from Brenda Straffuss weren't enough to help the 8th graders in their three-point loss. Amy Schumacher, Cathy Lane, and Sheela Herr all added four points to the total, while Christie Artho scored three.

Nine different players scored points for the Maverick frosh in their loss, but Colleen Keating's four was the high point. Terri Harkins, Deanne Vigil, Keile Robinson, and Diane Warden all pitched in a pair of points in the loss, while Cathy Trolinder, Linda Garcia, Claire Montemayor, and Christie Crawford all added one.

The Maverick girls were participating in the Clovis Tournament this weekend, along with teams from Stanton.

The Herd ranks have been decimated somewhat of late with the loss of Greg Brockman, who quit the team to concentrate on off season football training, and an injury to reserve Ricky Matchett.


Matchett is sidelined with a broken toe, and will be out of action for several weeks. Junior varsity standout Steve Cerda has been moved up to the varsity to bolster the ranks.

Hereford will take seven-days rest following the Canyon game Tuesday night before opening play in the Clovis Tournament December 27. Following the tourney in New Mexico the Herd will have but non-district tilts with Caprock, Levelland, and Clovis before opening District 4-4A action against Coronado in Lubbock January 17.

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NCAA Probing Changes In College Kick Game

By HARRY KING
Associated Press Writer
LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - The often lonely figure on the sidelines may not be able to pass, run, block or tackle, but he has the power to dictate the strategy of those who can.

He is the long-range field goal kicker - a legitimate scoring threat from midfield. Field goals played an important part in the outcome of the Texas-Arkansas, Texas-Oklahoma and Texas A&M-Arkansas games, to name just three this year. And coaches are no longer afraid to call for kicks from 50 yards out. Kickers like Steve Little, Russell Erleben and Tony Franklin have rewritten the NCAA field goal records.

Because of the impact of such kickers, the National Collegiate Athletic Association is looking into possible changes in the rules governing the kicking game.

The most likely possibility is elimination of the two-inch high kicking tee used in college football. Other possibilities are reducing the distance between the goal posts and bringing the ball back to the line of scrimmage on a missed field goal attempt from outside the 20.

University of Delaware Athletic Director Dave Nelson has been a member of the NCAA Football Rules Committee for years and is considered the foremost authority on such regulations.

He says: "Those that have the kickers are not concerned. Those that don't have them are concerned. And, in between, there are people who feel it isn't a good game when you have to play goal-line defenses on the 50-yard line."

Nelson says there are "those who are basically interested in the imbalance of the ball game where offense and defense are really being overweighed by the kicking game, especially those that can kick the ball 65 and 70 yards."

In 1969, when the NCAA began keeping such statistics, 9.6 percent of all field goals attempted by major college kickers were from 50 yards or more away. This year, 17 percent of the field goal attempts have been from that distance.

Hal Lahar, chairman of the rules committee and assistant commissioner of the Southwest Conference, expects several suggestions concerning field goals to come from coaches as well as conference administrators and he believes there will be "some strong consideration" given to the options.

The rules committee meets Jan. 16-18 in Atlanta, less than two weeks after the meeting of the American Football Coaches Association.

Lahar is opposed to adopting a rule to return the ball to the line of scrimmage when a field goal is missed from outside the 20. The rule is in effect in pro football.

"I personally would not like to see you penalize the opportunity to try for a field goal from the 35-yard line, if you choose to do so. Not as a first move. If you were going to modify the rules, I would rather see us try, for example, the removal of the tee before I would like to see us take that route.

"The removal of the tee seems to be the logical step because it would permit a player to develop certain skills without penalizing them to a great a

degree. We don't want to wipe the thing out. I think it's added a lot to our game."

Throwing away the tee would be much cheaper than rebuilding the goal posts at football fields throughout the country.

The goal posts were 18 feet, 5 inches wide before being widened to 23-4 in 1959.

In 1958, a total of 108 field goals were kicked in college football. This year, there were 1,237.

Nelson said the goal posts were widened because a study had determined that most field goals were missed because of lack of accuracy, not lack of distance.

The pros use the goal posts that are 18-5 and kick without a tee.

The distance explosion has been astounding. Until 1970 when Arkansas' Bill McClard booted a 60-yarder, there had never been a field goal that long in major college play. Since then, there have been 16 other kicks of 60 yards or beyond.

Little of Arkansas and Erleben of Texas share the record of 67 yards. Franklin of Texas A&M has kicked 15 field goals of 50 yards or more and is the NCAA career leader in that department. Erleben is next with 10. Both are juniors. Little, a senior, has kicked nine from 50 yards or more.

Arkansas Coach Lou Holtz says when his Razorbacks with Little played A&M with Franklin "the whole strategy was to try and stop a team from crossing midfield. It's almost as important to keep them out of your end of the field as it is to keep them out of the end zone."

Holtz favors a rule change. "The way it is now all you're doing is punting and you might get three points out of it."

In addition to the burden on the defense, Delaware's Nelson believes the presence of such a kicker affects offensive strategy.

"I suspect the people that have such a kicker are different from the people who don't," he says. "They're going to keep the football and make sure they don't run high-risk plays where they're going to lose it."

Remarkable Broncos Challenge Cowboys

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) - The incredible Denver Broncos hope to brand "Orange Crush" on the best record in the National Football League Sunday with a victory over the Dallas Cowboys in a joust of two teams with playoff berths in the bag.

The Orange-clad Broncos can become only the sixth NFL team since 1932 to post 13 victories in a regular season by conquering the 11-2 Cowboys.

It's a possible Super Bowl preview as Denver, the kings of the American Conference West, visit Texas Stadium where

Dallas resides as champions of the National Conference East.

Although there's nothing at stake but pride, the game has attracted such interest that it was moved from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. so it could be beamed to a national television audience.

Denver will host a first round AFC game Dec. 24 while Dallas will entertain in the NFC first round Dec. 26.

"We have a shot at being the best record in the National Football League, and if we don't get it, it won't be for lack of effort," says saucy Denver Coach Red Miller. "Dallas is one of the best if not the best

team in the league. "I respect them but I'm not at all awed by them."

Denver, making the playoffs for the first time, has even gained the admiration of Dallas Coach Tom Landry who says "I'm kinda rootin' for them myself - in the playoffs."

Landry says of the Broncos "They are remarkable. They play with a lot of enthusiasm. They smell those playoff roses and a team that has never been there before can really be tough. It seems like they have been up for every game this season."

It marks the return of former Cowboy quarterback Craig Morton to Texas Stadium. Morton failed to master his old team in five tries at the helm of the hapless New York Giants.

However, Morton's trade to Denver was made in football heaven.

"I coached against him and thought he was a darn good thrower," says Miller, former offensive coordinator at New England. "You've got to surround a quarterback with talent. He can't carry a team by himself. Craig has given us experience and leadership."

Landry, who once decided Morton should replace Don Meredith then replaced Morton with Roger Staubach, says "Craig always had the ability to move a team. I chose Roger over Craig because of mobility. That was always Craig's big problem."

"If I had chose Morton we would have played well with him at quarterback."

Dallas comes into the game off a wild 42-35 victory over San Francisco while Denver had a workmanlike 17-9 triumph of San Diego.

"It's important that we play well against Denver for momentum into the playoffs," says Landry. "We need to play a red hot team. We haven't had too many games we had to win this year and Denver will be a test."

A sellout crowd of 65,000 was expected to jam Texas Stadium for the attractive matchup.

Bengals Must Win To Clinch Title

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) - The Cincinnati Bengals, with a chance to win the American Football Conference Central Division, face a must-win situation Sunday when they play the Houston Oilers but don't overlook how the Oilers might feel about their season finale.

"We consider this a must win game for us too," Oilers Coach O.A. "Bum" Phillips said. "We've been saying that we're as good as they are and that we should have beaten them the first time. Well, now we have a chance to prove it."

The Oilers, 7-6, once again have a chance to be the spoiler but not the champion in the rugged AFC Central Conference. If they beat the Bengals, it will send the Pittsburgh Steelers to the playoffs.

If Cincinnati wins, it will advance. Ironically, a year ago the situation was reversed.

Houston closed out against Pittsburgh and if the Oilers had beaten the Steelers, the Bengals would have gone to the playoffs.

"Somebody asked me if I was going to make Cincinnati fans unhappy or Pittsburgh fans happy," Phillips said. "I told them I didn't care about their fans, I was interested in making

our fans happy."

The Oilers do have strong evidence that they should have beaten the Bengals in their first meeting. Line Judge Vince Jacob ruled an apparent Oiler touchdown as a touchback with 27 seconds left in the game that would have given Houston a 16-10 lead.

Instead, the game went into overtime and Cincinnati won 13-10.

After viewing film of the play, National Football League Commissioner Pete Rozelle apologized to Phillips for the blown call.

Asked if he ever thought about that play, Phillips said "It's hard not to think about it everytime I look at the standings."

Pittsburgh and Cincinnati have identical 8-5 records going into Sunday's regular season finale but the Bengals have a one-point advantage in the points scored in head to head competition.

If both Pittsburgh and Cincinnati lose Sunday, the Steelers would advance because they have a better Central Division record.

"The Oilers are a fine football team and we'll have to play our best to beat them," Bengal Coach Bill Johnson said. "The first game went into overtime and we were fortunate to win."

Johnson also called the Oilers one of the hottest teams in football but Phillips disagreed.

"We've improved a lot since the beginning of the season but the hottest team in pro football now is Denver," Phillips said.

Phillips said he expected the Bengals to try something different this game.

"They lined up and tried to run at us the last time and didn't do too good," Phillips said. "I anticipate them trying something a little different."

Kickoff is at 1 p.m. CST in the Astrodome.

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) - Charlie Weaver and Jon Morris are the Detroit Lions' most valuable players this season, the National Football League team announced Friday.

Inspired Redskins Defeat LA, 17-14

WASHINGTON (AP) - Veteran Billy Kilmer threw two touchdown passes Saturday and Mark Moseley booted a 45-yard field goal as the inspired Washington Redskins defeated the Los Angeles Rams 17-14 to remain in the running for a berth in the National Football Conference playoffs.

The Redskins needed a loss by either Minnesota Saturday night at Detroit or by Chicago Sunday against the Giants in New York to gain a wild card slot in the playoffs.

The Rams rallied with two touchdowns in the fourth quarter but the Redskins held on for the triumph.

The 38-year-old Kilmer connected with wide receiver Frank Grant for a first-quarter touchdown of 59 yards, the longest play of the season for the Redskins. Grant caught the ball at the 26 after Ram cornerback monte Jackson deflected the pass at the 32 and knocked it up in the air.

On the next series of downs, Los Angeles quarterback pat

Haden, the league's top passer, had an aerial deflected and it was picked off by Washington safety Jake Scott to give the Redskins the ball on the Los Angeles 32.

Five plays later, Kilmer dropped a 3-yard pass into the hands of tight end Jean Fugett, who was all alone in the end zone.

The Redskins ended the regular season with a record of nine victories and five losses.

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Bellville Stunned By Wylie Pirates

WACO, Texas (AP) - Doug Gollahon hauled in two touchdown passes and Wayne Mayberry and Jeff Croley led a tenacious Wylie defense as the Pirates climaxed their Cinderella season by stunning top-ranked Bellville 22-14 for the state class 2A football title.

Gollahon snared a nine-yard scoring toss from Ronnie Cross in the first quarter after Mayberry had returned an interception 90 yards.

The senior end then grabbed a 42-yard touchdown pass from Rock King on a tight end reverse pass play in the second period. Cross hit Gollahon again for the two-point conversion that gave the underdog Pirates 15-14 halftime margin.

Cross whipped Wylie, 13-2, on a 78-yard scoring drive in the third quarter, spicing it with a 20-pass to Roy McClendon and a 31 yarder to Roy Fuentes, he connected with Fuentes on a 12-yard touchdown play with 3:08 left in the period to give Wylie a 22-14 lead.

The Pirates, who lost two of their first three regular season games, were underdogs in most of their playoff victories enroute to the state finals. The powerful Brahmas, 14-0 coming into the game, were ranked number one throughout the season.

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High games-Mary Glander 176, Bertie Pope 174, Rochelle Rutland, 171. High series-Pope, 493; Glander, 492; Betty Jones, 449. Splits earned-Maria Bridges, 5-7, 5-7-10; Debbie Baum, 7-8-10; Mickey Bronniman, 8-7-10, 3-5-10; Glander, 2-7. Star of week-Jones, 104 over average.

The Standings

Team	W	L
BAR Welding	70	28
NAT	57	30
Gilliland-Watson	54	42
Boots & Saddles	49	47
Owens Cleaners	47	49
Grain Handling	46	50
Wato Int'l	45	51
Mead's Alley Cats	44	52
Brandon-Clark	38	58
7-A Land & Feed	30	66

B.B.'s Keglers League
High games-Alice Lueb, 243, 177, 195. High series-Lueb, 806. Splits-3-10, Selena Burnett, Luelia Dool, Cathy Yeld, Naida Smith, Jean Watts, 5-6, Ronnie Elliott, Eleanor Hudspeth, Margaret Betzen, 3-7 and 4-5-7; Randy Hamilton, 6-10 and 3-7-10; Watts, 5-6. Star of week-Lueb, 90 pins over average.

The Standings

Team	W	L
Hoerner-Waldorf	45 1/2	14 1/2
Anthony's	40 1/2	19 1/2
Brown Drilling	39 1/2	20 1/2
Pratt Chevrolet	35 1/2	24 1/2
Hereford State Bank	35	25
Hereford Janitor Supply	35	25
Pizza Inn	35	25
Big T-Pump	32	28
Elmettes	27	33
The Barber Shop	24	36
Dobie's	23 1/2	36 1/2
Uncle Sam's	22	38
Shupe Bros.	22	38
SIC Insurance	22	38
Flowers West	21 1/2	38 1/2
Sossaman	20	40

YMCA Youth League
High games-Matthew Albracht 118, Mickey Stengel 118, Keith Anderson 116. High Series-Stengel 230, Albracht 212, Anderson 204.

The Standings

Team	W	L
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GOPs, Demos Talk Taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) - Gathering issues for the campaign season, Republicans are concentrating on an old favorite: taxes. But by the time the voting begins, President Carter and the Democratic Congress may be boasting on that issue themselves.

"The Democrats are handing us Republicans the best issue we've had in a long time, and it's one on which a majority of working Americans will agree with us," says Ronald Reagan. "The issue is taxes."

In fact, it hasn't been a long time at all. Just one campaign ago, Gerald R. Ford and his GOP allies were arguing that Carter's campaign promises would force sharp increases in federal taxes. That didn't turn out to be very persuasive on election day.

Now for the Republican theme is that higher taxes are coming to pass, and that the Democrats are to blame. They point to new Social Security and energy taxes - although the size and shape of the latter will not be clear until next year.

But a Republican administration would have had to act - or

try to - on energy and Social Security, too. And it would have cost money.

"Mr. Carter and the Democratic majority in Congress are preparing the biggest pain in the pocketbook that middleclass America has ever had," said Reagan.

House Republican Leader John J. Rhodes contends that every taxpaying family will face an additional \$1,000-a-year in taxes for the next four years, although there may be more politics than arithmetic in that estimate as the numbers really aren't set yet.

"President Carter's apparent inability to deal with important matters of tax policy except in terms of blatant partisan politics is disgraceful," adds Republican National Chairman Bill Brock. Brock, incidentally, began his tenure by saying that there is some consolation in past defeat since the party out of power doesn't have to take the blame.

It may be, as Reagan said, that the Democrats are handing over an issue. But that doesn't count for much in the waning days of an off-election year.

When it does count, during the congressional campaign year ahead, the Democrats almost surely will take it away.

All it will take is an election-year tax cut, which the administration already is planning. House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill forecasts a \$25 billion cut, two-thirds of it for individuals. "We are anticipating that come April or May of next year that in our economic stabilization package, we will have a substantial tax cut," he said.

Carter also said there will be substantial reductions, along with a taste of tax reform. The administration is likely to propose cuts of about \$15 billion for individual taxpayers and \$5 billion for business.

The idea, in 1978 as in the

1977 tax bill, is to stimulate economic activity and curb unemployment. But the political fallout is obvious. And the bill will carry the Democratic trademark.

So, of necessity, does the Social Security bill, which will impose tax increases of \$227 billion over the next decade - beginning in 1979, after the congressional elections.

Social Security taxes will be going up next year, but that's automatic, under existing law, not because of the new tax measure. The big bite comes beginning in 1979.

The Republicans say they've been for permanent income tax cuts all along, but point out that Carter threatened their plan with a veto if it passed, which was impossible anyhow for lack

of votes. Republican-sponsored tax cuts have been voted down five times in the House and once in the Senate.

"Now we are hearing noises that a tax cut may be in order, not to improve the economy, but merely to compensate for President Carter's proposed increases in other taxes," Rhodes says. "In other words, the government will take with one hand and give with the other...."

That probably is the way winter's issue will look come next summer. Republican campaigners will be arguing that all the Democrats did was give back what they took away.

And the Democrats? They'll just point to a hefty, election-year tax cut with their trademark on it.

Fish Sausage Tastes Almost Like Real Thing

PORT LAVACA, Texas (AP) - You may soon be waking up to the early morning smells of frying eggs and sizzling fish sausage.

Yeesh, you say? Not so, retorts Texas County Extension Marine Agent Joe Surovik, one of the developers of the experimental sausage made from minced fish and throwaway pork.

"It tastes like pork sausage, but it does have a hint of fish flavor to it," said Surovik. "It's very nutritious and very good."

Surovik and six other Texas Agricultural Extension agents whipped up the 36-pound batch of fish sausage links this week and tried it out on 45 housewives at Calhoun County's Sea Fair.

"They tasted it and all 45 said they would readily accept it and buy it," said Surovik.

The sausage is 51 percent minced croaker and king mackerel meal and 49 percent pork, mostly the fatty portions trimmed from pork products. The croaker is a bony, small 1-2 pound fish and the mackerel is a 40-50 pound sport fish.

Both are numerous in the Gulf of Mexico off the Texas coast and both are usually thrown away after being caught - the croaker because of its bones and the mackerel because of its strong fish odor and taste.

"This is part of a program to develop another deep-water fishing industry besides shrimp," said Surovik. "The only seafood we utilize from the Gulf is shrimp."

Port Lavaca is situated in the predominantly rural areas along the upper Texas Coast. When "hog killin' time" and deer season arrive in the winter, the residents generally make their own pork or pork-venison sau-

sages. "We saw people making venison sausage and saw no reason why we couldn't make fish sausage," said Surovik, who labels it "SCALE AND SQUEAL" SAUSAGE. "The fish meat is good, lean, nutritious meat. There is no reason not to utilize it. The pork covers up most of the fishy odor."

Surovik said fish sausage has been tried before, but not with croaker or mackerel.

The sausage, he said, is still experimental, although he feels it will catch on with the sausage-making farmers in Southeast Texas. "I'm sure someone will come up with a marketable fish sausage," he added.

Any complaints about the first batch?

"Well, it was a little bit greasy," said Surovik. "We are going to go ahead and mix 60 percent fish and 40 percent pork the next time."

Carter Plans Strike Talk

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Carter administration, prodded by the governors of 10 agricultural states, is planning to meet with representatives of striking farmers who are demanding higher prices.

Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland committed himself to negotiations with strike leaders Friday night at the end of a 70-minute telephone conference call in which the governors chided the administration for not doing enough to end the strike.

No date was set for the meeting and no decision was made on whether it would be held in Washington or in one of the farm states.

Bergland stopped short of committing President Carter to the meeting, despite the protests of some governors that only a session with the president would convince farmers that the administration is truly interested in solving their problems.

Gov. James Exon of Nebraska told Bergland that the administration should intervene in the farmer's strike as the government has done in the past when strike plagued other major U.S. industries.

"We are not blaming the Carter administration for these problems," said Exon, who coordinated the conference call. "We are concerned that corrective action is not being taken with the vigor needed."

Gov. Robert F. Bennett of Kansas, a Republican, accused the administration of "stonewalling this thing," saying that direct negotiations are urgently needed between the government and the farmers who went on strike Wednesday.

Gov. Richard Lamb of

Colorado told Bergland he believed "... a deaf ear will come back to haunt us. There'll be a radicalization of the movement.

Bergland responded by saying, "President Carter has designated me as the mediator. It's part of my job." He consented to meet with representatives of striking farmers if the governors could select farm leaders from the various states.

But the secretary reiterated his view that it is difficult for the administration to deal with the farm strike, saying it is a spontaneous movement involving farmers who have no elected leaders.

Exon said the meeting was urgently needed, and he set a Dec. 28 deadline for the other governors to supply a list of farmers who would participate.

During the conference call, Bergland defended the administration's position. The secretary said he had met with large numbers of farmers in several states, including a visit Friday to Georgia and Mississippi.

Bergland said the administration is formulating legislation to provide insurance to protect against losses resulting from "the vagaries of weather." He also said he has ordered the Farmers Home Administration not to foreclose on farmers who are unable to repay loans to the government.

"No one will be put off their farms this winter," Bergland said.

The governors of Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota and Wyoming participated in the conference call.



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Unemployment to Drop, Costs To Continue Rise

By The Associated Press
The coming year will bring jobs to thousands of unemployed Americans and continued growth for the economy, although at the cost of higher interest rates on loans and higher prices for most goods.

Many of the nation's businesses, however, don't expect much respite in 1978 from the squeeze on sales and profits being caused by foreign imports.

That's the picture outlined by more than two dozen businessmen, bankers and economists interviewed in a nationwide survey by The Associated Press. The corporate executives included officials of the auto, petroleum, textile, steel and agricultural-equipment industries.

The survey found many expecting a decline in the nation's unemployment rate from the current 7.5 percent to 7 percent or less. Economists say the decline will occur because of

a rising Gross National Product and a leveling off in productivity, requiring more workers to meet production goals. Especially optimistic employment notes were sounded by both the auto and farm-equipment sectors, despite the competition from foreign auto makers.

However, those surveyed also contended that Americans will be faced with slightly higher prices - especially for food - and growing interest rates, largely as a result of the sharp rise in the nation's money supply this year. The inflation estimates ranged up to 8 percent, compared with 6 percent this year.

Some corporate executives said it was difficult to foresee what will happen in 1978 because of the uncertainties of foreign competition and of congressional action on President Carter's various economic plans.

for example, are adamant in their conviction that Washington must help control imports if their industries are to prosper.

Economists and bankers generally agree that the economy is growing fairly well. They expect a 4.5 percent to 5 percent annual GNP growth rate in 1978 compared with 4.7 percent in this year's third quarter. That would mean the growth rate will level off or begin to rise after dropping from 7.5 percent in this year's first quarter.

The businessmen disagreed on some specific steps that Carter should take - tax cuts and tax reform, for example - and they wondered whether the president and the business community can develop a working relationship satisfactory to businessmen.

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U.S.-Japan Trade Negotiations Touch Off Light Skirmishes

NEW YORK (AP) - The Carter Administration's attempt to avoid a worldwide trade war resulted in skirmishes on several fronts this past week.

The Japanese unveiled a package of tariff reductions and other measures at a four-day meeting in Washington, called to discuss problems created because Japan is exporting billions of dollars more in goods to the U.S. than it buys in return.

The tariff package's significance in bolstering U.S. exports to Japan was described as "peanuts" by Robert Strauss, Carter's special trade representative. But he said the talks were a starting point and was happier with a Japanese pledge to attempt faster economic growth next year, which could improve the country's ability to buy more imported goods from the United States and elsewhere.

trading partners, has been buying more imports than most countries - including huge amounts of oil - but not matching that with sales of exports. Because that leads to a relatively plentiful supply of dollars on world money markets, it tends to make the value of the currency cheaper, economists say.

If the currency exchange rate remains relatively unhampered, as the Carter Administration wants, economic theory holds that it will help correct the U.S. trade deficit by making U.S. exports cheaper while goods from Japan, West Germany and others with relatively strong currencies, become more expensive.

But major U.S. trading partners are concerned about the implications for their own economies. In West Germany, the government this past week announced a series of moves designed to stem the rise of the mark because industry fears it will worsen inflation and is squeezing profit margins.

In other business developments this past week:

President Carter promised "a major tax reduction for businesses and individuals" as part of the administration's new tax package, which will be submitted to Congress in early 1978.

Carter would not be specific about the size of the tax cut, saying only that it would be "substantial," but indications are it could be as much as \$25 billion annually, two-thirds of that for individuals.

The Commerce Department said retail sales for November rose 1.5 percent from October and 12 percent from November 1976 figures. The rise combined with an increase in October for what an administration official characterized as "a strong performance."

The reports from the nation's automakers, however, weren't as encouraging. After a slight drop in new car sales in November, sales fell 6.3 percent in the first 10 days of December. Only Ford Motor Co. reported an increase for early December, the company's new car sales rising 13 percent. The industry-wide figures are expected to drop in January, and Chrysler Corp. and American Motors Corp. said they are planning temporary shutdowns of some assembly plants.

The nationwide strike against coal mine operators entered its second week with several cases of violence reported against struck mines and non-union facilities. Negotiators appeared to be hammering out broad outlines of a settlement, but an agreement is not imminent, they said. The strike affects 160,000 United Mine Workers, who are asking reform of absenteeism regulations and benefits, as well as higher wages.

The nation's farmers headed for the picket lines, too, in a unique way - a tractor caravan in Washington D.C. The farmers want the government to pay more attention to their needs.

Mansfield Feels Japan Will Accept Korean Withdrawal

TOKYO (AP) - Ambassador Mike Mansfield says he thinks Japan, despite initial opposition, has accommodated itself to the Carter administration's plans for withdrawal of U.S. ground forces from South Korea.

"I think they'd like to see the troops remain in Korea indefinitely. But they have accepted what has been done and they have been assured the security treaty with Korea remains in full force and effect as does the security treaty with Japan," Mansfield said in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

Both Japan and South Korea had expressed anxiety that the pullout would encourage North Korea to new acts of belligerency. But Mansfield said the reduction, which has also been criticized by some American military men and politicians, "should be seen in its true perspective."

"It was not a sudden reduction," he said. "It was started by Nixon in 1969 when he withdrew the 7th Division and reduced the forces in Korea from 60,000 to 40,000. The Koreans were told then this reduction would be continued in the years ahead...."

"South Korea, with a population more than twice that of North Korea, with a booming economy, with a self-sufficiency one has to see to believe, is in a position to make up for the reduction through a revving up of its own armaments industry, plus sales and transfers by us over the four to five-year period involved."

He also pointed out that two of the brigades of the U.S. 2nd Division will remain until "the very last moment." Meanwhile, U.S. air forces in Korea will be strengthened, and 8,000 to 13,000 logistic, intelligence and air-support personnel will remain after the combat ground troops are pulled out.

"The U.S. 7th Fleet will be behind them, the forces in the Pacific will be behind them. That means the flexibility of our armed forces out here will be further enhanced and strengthened and be in a better position to move rapidly if the need arises."

Mansfield, former Senate majority leader, also said he did not believe the timetable for the withdrawal of the troops had been set back by the congressional investigation into the Tongsun Park case.

In Tokyo, U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield described the trade problems as a crisis situation. He said that unless the differences were settled in 60 to 90 days it might be impossible to ward off sentiment in Congress for protectionist trade measures.

The Administration has been strongly opposed to increasing tariffs or other moves to protect U.S. industries from imports. It fears other countries would retaliate and create a worldwide atmosphere of protectionism that would severely hamstring trade.

The United States had a trade deficit with Japan of about \$6.5 billion during the first half of this year and expects a record trade deficit of more than \$30 billion on a worldwide basis for 1977.

It has taken a similar stance of non-intervention toward the declining value of the dollar against major world currencies, saying the foreign exchange market should determine the dollar's relative value.

Largely in response to the trade deficit, the U.S. dollar has been falling steadily against other major foreign currencies all year and skidded steeply in hectic midweek trading against the strong European currencies of West Germany and Switzerland and the Japanese yen. The dollar, which was worth 292 Japanese yen at the start of the year, reached a record low of less than 240 yen last week.

While speculation plays a part in foreign exchange trading, the declining value of the dollar is also, tied to the U.S. trade situation by the basic laws of supply and demand. The United States, with a faster economic growth rate than its major



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Jews Few In Banks

NEW YORK (AP) - A biased, old stereotype portrays Jews as rich money-holders. Actually, their ranks are disproportionately few in running banks. And an estimated 750,000 of them eke out an existence below the poverty line.

This commonly disregarded but extensive segment of the poor is getting some added attention lately, lighting up long ignored misery, especially in the larger cities.

It's the subject of a special television documentary on the ABC network this Sunday 1 to 1:30 EST, written, produced and directed by Howard Enders, an independent producer who spent months probing into economically blighted Jewish lives in New York City.

"No, I don't blame God," says an impoverished old man in the film. A once prosperous Berliner, he barely escaped Nazism with his life and now exists on \$121 monthly Social Security. "God is good to everybody. But we - we are no good."

An old Jewish woman, her hands shaking, mumurs, "It hurts to be poor. It kills. It always did."

The film report says the myth persists of "widespread Jewish affluence," ignoring about three-quarters of a million desperately poor Jews, who have often been bypassed in government anti-poverty efforts.

"Other minority groups have been more vocal in their demands," the documentary notes. "Blacks, Hispanics and other minorities have been classified as disadvantaged and so are eligible for government small-business loans. Yiddish-speaking Jews are not."

It is particularly among them and older Jews that acute poverty is common, the report and other studies find, as well as among Jews left behind in mixed, run-down areas, once stable Jewish communities, abandoned by better-off residents.

Betram H. Gold, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, puts estimates of the number of U.S. Jews living on incomes of \$4,000 a year or less for a family of four at 500,000 to 1 million.

He says government programs generally have been targeted to other ethnic groups and "do not even attempt to meet the very different economic and cultural needs of Jews." He says part of their neglect stems from "traditional Jewish reluctance to apply for public relief," although eligible Jews who do apply get welfare benefits.

However, the film says that of \$40 million in federal dollars spent annually on New York City poverty programs, the Jewish poor get less than 1 percent, although they make up about a fourth of the city's population. A fifth of them - 350,000 - are reported below the poverty line.

Gold notes that until recently, American Jewish agencies themselves "took for granted that poverty did not touch many Jews," and did little about it. But in the wake of a national conference on the subject five years ago, they have stepped up programs to deal with the problem.

"A host of new programs around the country are being developed," he says.

Rat Fair Serves As Control

PATHUM THANI, Thailand (AP) - A Third World Pled Peeper tosses a squirming rat into a crowd of children - and the youngsters go wild with glee. Welcome to the Pathum Thani "Rat Fair."

Unlike the age-old fairy tale, Thailand's latest venture in pest control has a happy ending - unless you're a rat.

Officials of this rice-rich agricultural province 20 miles north of Bangkok say villagers killed 71,315 grain-gorged rodents in a recent two-day search-and-destroy mission. And they had a good time doing it.

The provincial government provided entertainment including boat races, a beauty contest, folk dancing and a gourmet rat barbecue.

Some Thais and visiting foreigners found the cuisine revolting and the "rat killing lessons" barbaric. But few argued with the results.

One expert estimated that the rat fair exercise wiped out 10 percent of Pathum Thani's resident rodent population, not bad for two days' work.

Pathum Thani lies in the Chao Phya River floodplain, an area rich, well-watered and blessed with a climate just right for rice cultivation. But it has a rat problem.

Last year, Thai government

experts say, rats caused \$10 million in losses to farmers throughout the country.

Pathum Thani province was one of the worst-hit by the plague. Thailand's agriculture ministry distributed different kinds of poisons to farmers, but the program was slow in catching on.

Bannasith Salabaeng, a senior district officer in the prov-

ince, thought a little local action coupled with "sanuk" - Thai for fun - might produce results.

A trial rat kill early this fall wiped out more than 20,000 of the pests in a single day. Pleased, Bannasith planned a full-scale offensive. He interested central government officials.

A much-heralded rat fair

would rid the province of even more rats and promote one of Bannasith's pet projects - "Nutritious rat meat."

Farmers, mindful of the losses they suffer to the fast-breeding rats, rose at dawn on the festival day. Whole families took up hoe and stick, and flushed the rats out of paddies and brush.

Villagers vied for silver

trophies. Farmers converged on the province seat, site of the rat fair, for a grand tally of kills. Mercifully, rat tails sufficed for counting purposes.

The growing crowd watched traditional-style boat races on the Chao Phya and graceful moon maidens danced.

The crowd gravitated to the barbecue pit.

Cooks compared recipes, but

most chefs appeared untrifled with a charroiled approach. The larger animals were dropped into a pile of burning hay.

The Thais were adamant in their hospitality, especially toward visiting Westerners.

"Try some, try some," coaxed one backyard chef, thrusting a plate of roast rat at a newsmen.

Researcher Claims Shark Repellent

By CARL D. ROBINSON

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) -

Sound waves in the surf from underwater loudspeakers may end the threat of shark attacks on Australian beaches next summer.

That is the hope of Theo Brown, 43, an Australian marine researcher who claims to have developed a new method of repelling the most feared denizen of the deep.

Beach-crazy Australians, who flock to their magnificent surfing beaches each summer, spend millions of dollars a year on aircraft, helicopters and beach patrols against sharks, erecting sharkproof nets on beach beaches and catching them by the hundreds from

trawlers. Even though fatalities are few, the fear of sharks is with every swimmer in shark-infested Australian waters. In an average year, there are one or two fatal shark attacks and two or three non-fatal attacks, according to the best available statistics.

Brown plans to install his radical anti-shark device at Manly Beach, a popular resort in Sydney Harbor, starting in the summer of 1978.

Brown, who recently returned from five years of experiments in French Polynesia, said in an interview that he will set up three transducers or underwater transmitters on the sea

bed about 300 yards offshore. The speakers will sound a very strong signal which he hopes will drive the sharks away.

Brown estimates he has spent more than \$100,000 so far on developing his method, most of the money from private companies in Australia and overseas. His personal expenses are paid by the California-based World Life Research Institute.

Brown's experiments have touched off some controversy within the Australian scientific community. Much of the criticism centers on how long the noise will keep the sharks away, or even if it will deter them at all.

Chris Warner, the manager

of a local shark aquarium, said he didn't think the method would be effective. "The beauty of the shark is its adaptability," he said, "and while you can irritate the shark's nervous system with a high-pitched sound, it will end up getting used to it. To the shark

it's more the fear of the unknown rather than the sound itself."

Brown said his long-term goal is to develop a shark-repellent system that could be used for emergencies at sea, where most shark attacks take place.

ACCORDION ENDANGERED?

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP)

The once popular piano accordion has literally been bumped off music shelves in favor of the guitar, says Mrs. Murland Peterman, a piano accordion teacher who was once part of a 50-accordion band that played at fairs and conventions.

Mrs. Peterman once had 60 students. Now she has one.

Ray Kaminaki, 47, owner of a music store, says up to a hundred piano accordion exhibitors were present at an annual merchandise fair of musical instruments in Chicago two years ago. "Last June there were only two distributors' booths at the fair," he said.

TDA Opposes Enforcement Of Outdated Water Law

EL PASO - "It is reasonable to enforce federal irrigation guidelines which were set up 75 years ago?"

This was one of the questions posed by Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown in testimony presented Nov. 16 at the regional reclamation hearing held here by the U.S. Dept. of the Interior.

Brown questioned whether it was reasonable

for the Interior Department to restrict ownership of irrigation land on Reclamation Bureau projects by "guidelines set three-quarters of a century ago."

Landowners in four Texas counties—El Paso, Hudspeth, Reeves and Tom Green—are protesting the Interior Department's plans to begin enforcement of the 75-year-old Reclamation Act of 1902. Under rules announced by the Department in August, farmers owning over 160 acres will not be allowed to sign contracts to receive irrigation water from government projects until

they dispose of the excess land under a lottery system, with the sale price set by the Interior Department.

Adding his testimony to that of some 60 others appearing at the hearing, Brown said the law "no longer serves its original intentions, (as stated in the original act) to provide irrigation water for an area of land which 'may be reasonably required for the support of a family upon the lands in question.'"

"It has always been the American tradition for a business—and, yes, a family farm is a business—to prosper and grow," his testimony continued, "I cannot think of a single other industry which has received government assistance in its beginnings to be told, 'prosper if you can, but not if that prosperity depends on growth.'"

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Tankers Rescued

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa (AP) - Safety inspectors boarded two stricken American-owned supertankers today after fires on both were extinguished and the vessels were taken in tow by rescue tugs, port authorities reported here.

The tankers, which collided off South Africa's southeast coast, were being towed out to sea to reduce the danger of coastal pollution during the inspections, port officials said.

Authorities said no final decision has been made on what to do with the tankers, one empty and the other carrying more than 75 million gallons of crude oil. Sources said the oil from the loaded tanker probably will be transferred at sea to another ship.

"It's all under control," said Wally Shaw, the assistant port captain. "We were very, very lucky. We have been fortunate enough to avoid one hell of a big disaster."

The collision in fog Friday morning of the 330,954-ton Venoil and its sister ship, the 330,869-ton Venpet threatened the worst pollution disaster in maritime history.

Fires on the Venoil - which was carrying more than 75-million gallons of crude oil - and the unladen Venpet were extinguished overnight and leaks of engine oil from both ships were under control, the port authorities said.

Both Liberian-flag tankers are owned and operated by a Bethlehem Steel subsidiary, Bethlehem spokesman Bill Gignak said. The ships, each 1,115 feet long and 176 feet wide, were chartered by the Gulf Oil Corp.

Two seamen were reported missing and presumed dead, and 82 others, most of them Chinese, were rescued.

Shaw said engine fuel spilled from the stricken vessels has spread a slick about six miles long and two miles wide near the point of collision, some 20 miles off the South African coast. He said the slick is now 20-25 miles south of the mouth of the Storms River, a popular tourist resort, and moving east to west.

It may blow toward coastal resort beaches, "but time is on our side," Shaw said.

One South African pollution control vessel is already on the scene and four more are converging to spray detergents to break up the slick.

Port authorities said the Venoil's bow knifed into the starboard side of the Venpet in a fog that had reduced visibility to two miles.

A spokesman for the Lloyds of London insurance group said each of the four-year-old, Japanese-built, tankers was insured for about \$27 million, making the collision potentially

one of the most costly shipping accidents ever. It was the worst ever in terms of tonnage.

The Venoil was bound for Point Cupper, Nova Scotia after picking up its cargo in the Persian Gulf. The Venpet was headed for the gulf to take on a cargo destined for a European port.

Fires on both ships subsided Friday evening but flared again toward midnight before being extinguished early today.

Port officials said a coffer dam in the bow of the Venoil held back the blaze and kept it from igniting oil in the ship's storage tanks.

Center's Cookie A Mouthful

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Santa Claus delivered a 100-pound cookie on a mattress to a Memphis motel reservations center.

A spokeswoman for Holiday Inns Inc. said the cookie was a gift from the owners of Holiday Inns in Denver and Houston to clerks in the motel chain's reservation center.

The spokeswoman said a Houston bakery had to consult a computer to come up with a recipe for the cookie.

The computer-produced recipe called for 35 pounds of cake flour, 24½ pounds of sugar and 24½ pounds of shortening, three dozen eggs, three fourths of a quart of water and 3½ ounces each of salt, baking powder, vanilla extract and almond emulsion.

The cookie is to be given to patients and families at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital for their Christmas celebration.

The John Rankin house in Ripley, Ohio, was once a major stop on the underground railway. A lantern placed in its upper window, visible across the Ohio River in Kentucky, helped some 2,000 escaping slaves find their way to the safety of the free state.

Pilot Remembered As Compassionate Man

DALLAS (AP) - Friends here remember Capt. Ty Van Pham as a hard working, compassionate man whose first love was flying.

Pham, 42, was at the controls Tuesday night when a National Jet Service DC3 crashed near Evansville, Ind., killing 29 persons, including Pham and the entire University of Evansville basketball team.

Pham, a former airplane pilot with Air Vietnam who helped fly out top officials during the collapse of South Vietnam, also served as a fighter and bomber pilot with his nation's air force during the long conflict with North Vietnam.

He was one of the first refugees to reach a relocation camp at Fort Chaffee, Ark., and was one of the last to leave. He and his wife worked as interpreters in the massive program to find new homes for his fellow countrymen who wound up in the refugee camp.

"He worked first in helping relocate refugee in Fort Chaffee and in Dallas. But he had flown for more

than 20 years and his first love was flying," recalled George Deuillet, a Dallas friend. He said Pham had been decorated for his work as a bomber and fighter pilot.

Marjorie Lynch, the late undersecretary of Health, Education and Welfare, presented Pham with a commendation for his efforts in helping relocate Vietnamese refugees, friends said.

"He had tremendous people ability. He was just a real warm guy," said Deuillet, who served as chairman of the North Park United Presbyterian Church's committee which sponsored the Pham family here.

Pham arrived in Dallas in 1975 with his wife, four children, his wife's four children, his wife's brother and sister and enough money to buy a car.

"They were very industrious people," recalls Mrs. Betty Murphy, a close friend of the Pham family.

The first thing the Phams wanted to do when they arrived in Dallas, friends at the North Park Church

remember, was to find work.

"I jokingly told him 'You're going to be the first Vietnamese refugee to become a millionaire in America,'" said the Rev. David L. Zacharias.

Pham worked for an air transport company here for a time, but moved his family to Memphis after the firm went out of business. He worked there for a time and went to work in October for National Jet Services in Indianapolis, the owners of the DC3 that crashed near the Evansville airport.

Speaking of the Pham family, Deuillet said, "Each month things just kept getting better and better for them...until this."

Pham's body was returned to Dallas Thursday. Funeral arrangements were pending, awaiting the arrival of his family.

But members of the North Park Church said they have raised enough money to pay for the funeral services and other church members are raising money to buy Christmas gifts for his children, ages 2, 6, 9, and 11.

The Lighter Side

By The Associated Press
MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) - The holiday spirit is infecting even Missoula's Big Hooker.

"Let Big Hooker take you home tonight!" blares big type in newspaper ads for Otto's Towing and Service Center, which is starting a "Tow a Drunk" service.

For \$16, a motorist who has imbibed too much can call Otto's any time, and a tow truck will pick up both motorist and his vehicle. There's a special \$14 rate for Big Hooker Club members.

"So enjoy the holidays. To the fullest," the ads say. "But, if you're filled with too much Christmas cheer, let the Big Hooker take you home tonight."

BOISE, Idaho (AP) - State Treasurer Marjorie Moon has sent four counties checks for a penny each.

The checks sent to Power, Boundary, Bonner and Boise counties represent their share of federal mineral royalties and leases as part of more than \$14 million paid to Idaho counties by the federal government.

Miss Moon says she hopes the checks are cashed soon so they don't mess up her books.

"Some people might think that a penny isn't worth anything in these times," she said, "but those who have tried to make books balance know we can't just ignore even a few cents or keep it for the state's use. So we wrote treasurer's checks for amounts ranging down to one cent."

But not all counties fared so poorly. Minidoka and Gooding counties received two cents each for mineral royalties, while Adaa County received three cents.

MONTICELLO, Iowa (AP) - If you see a bunch of cows with ink on their noses at the Jones County Fair, don't call the police. Fair operators probably know about it.

Officials at the fair said they plan to take nose prints of each Bossie that is entered in its 1978 beef contests.

Fair officials didn't say they

had problems with exhibiting switching animals in an effort to win prizes in the past, but they said such shenanigans have occurred at other livestock shows.

The officials say noseprinting a cow is pretty much like fingerprinting a person. A card is simply applied to the cow's inked nose.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - A rural Wilson County couple will be allowed to keep their Biblical verse on a barnroof that can be seen from nearby Interstate 24.

The verse, painted on the roof by Mr. and Mrs. John Hamblen of Mt. Juliet, was said to be illegal outdoor advertising by the state Transportation Department, which ordered it removed.

But Transportation Commissioner Eddie Shaw said Friday the sign will be allowed to remain and, as far as he is concerned, the case is closed.

"Praise the Lord," Mrs. Hamblen said when told of the decision. "I knew the sign had to stay."

The signs reads: "Repent & be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ. Acts. 2:38."

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LUFKIN, Tex. (AP) - The newly-installed Catholic Bishop of Beaumont says the federal government must share the blame for the deterioration of the American family's values.

In a tour of the diocese last week, following his installation, the Rev. Bernard J. Ganter said family life is "under attack constantly" because of government actions.

The bishop said that legalized abortion has been followed by pressure to make dollars available for abortion.

"Thanks to our judicial system, a teen-age girl doesn't have to have her parents'

permission to obtain an abortion," he said, "yet approval of parents is required for every other kind of surgery. She can't even have her ears pierced without permission of her parents, but she can get an abortion."

Bishop Ganter added: "This is a concern of everyone, whether they be of the Catholic faith, Protestant faith, any faith or, for that matter, no faith. The family system is seriously troubled."

The new bishop said the problems of today's family is being carried over to the next generation as children grow up

in broken homes.

"Our highest suicide rate is among young adults and faith in God is being lost more among the high school-age young people than any other group," he said.

At the same time, Bishop Ganter said he is very encouraged by the spiritual attitude of many of today's young people, particularly at the college level.

"We have more opportunity to work with young people than we have had in some time," he said. "We are out of the Vietnam syndrome and tranquility has returned to our cases."

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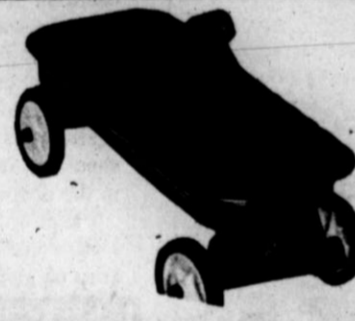
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A Gradual Process

Money taken from productive Americans and given to the unproductive now totals 200 billion dollars a year.

A Georgia farm boy has to have learned that you can't have more people riding the wagon than pulling. President Carter, campaigning, promised to "put unemployed Americans to work."

I really think he wants to and means to.

The problem is that after three generations of spoon feeding, the weaning process must be gradual.

For 26 of the past 28 months the number of "Help Wanted" ads in newspaper has increased. Presently there are 26 percent more such ads than one year ago.

One factor is that the number of American men who don't want to work has increased 71 percent in nine years.

Some of them prefer to be "househusbands" while their wives work--yet are officially listed as "unemployed" for as long as those benefits last.

A larger number of unemployed protest that they are not qualified for the available jobs. In response to that, the Administration is seeking money for a gigantic jobs training program.

In the short run it will cost you. But, hopefully, confronted with a choice of job training or jobs, many would stop goldbricking and go to work.

Meanwhile, the deserving needy would be trained to become self-supporting.

Some past efforts to put welfare recipients to work have failed. Employers have found that many, with skills and poor work attitudes, don't stick at the jobs for which they are trained.

Essentially, they are unreconstructable goof-offs.

But Labor Secretary Marshall, recognizing that problem, hopes that it can be remedied--however gradually--as work becomes more profitable than non-work.

Taxpayers everywhere are so fed up with public welfare--as is--that were it put to a veto they would stop the gravy train altogether.

A generation of spoiled brats would respond to a total welfare cutoff by burning and sacking our cities.

That is why they will have to be weaned gradually.

And the experience of some states is encouraging. In Utah, where all able-bodied welfare recipients must work--the state's cost of welfare was reduced by 16 percent in one year.

Indeed, the federal government's already-established Work Incentive Program last year placed 230,000 welfare recipients in paying jobs where they are earning an average \$3.10 an hour.

If that's not a cure-all it's better than nothing--and we've tried nothing.

Government Gives In To Dairies

WASHINGTON (AP) - An imported substitute won't be replacing natural protein in the 800 million gallons of ice cream produced in this country yearly after all, as the federal government backtracks under dairy industry pressure.

A Food and Drug Administration spokesman said last week it was reneging on a plan originally announced in May to allow ice cream makers to use sodium caseinate in place of non-fat dry milk.

The FDA said then that it had decided the nutritional and taste qualities of ice cream wouldn't be hurt by the switch.

The ice cream industry agreed and noted its costs would be cut about 5 cents a gallon by using the European import, already in the American kitchen in the form of non-dairy coffee creamers, whipped toppings and instant breakfast drinks.

But the American dairy farmer balked. He argued that the change would cut his income and add \$300 million to the Agriculture Department's spending for dairy supports.

In announcing the decision to keep sodium caseinate out of America's favorite dessert, at least temporarily, the FDA said it had determined the additive might lead to less nutritious ice cream.

"We have decided to revoke if (the rules change) because it would be possible to make an ice cream that was less nutritious than the current ice cream," FDA spokesman Wayne Pines said.

Sodium caseinate, made by reducing skim milk to its dry protein residue, is a protein similar to that in non-fat dried milk. It once was produced in the U.S., but the beginning of federal price controls in 1949 ended its commercial value as dairymen switched to producing dry milk - which was covered by the subsidy.

The FDA's proposed switch was to have gone into effect June 13, but was delayed for more study because of the dairy industry objections.

Pines said a statement revoking the regulation is being prepared by the FDA and will be published soon in the Federal Register.

Pines said the FDA would allow to stand a part of the regulation that requires ingredient labeling on ice cream by July 1979. Ice cream now is exempted from labeling requirements.

Residents Leave Town Because of Copper

LARK, Utah (AP) - Ghost towns are nothing new to the West. When a mine gave out, folks moved on.

But Kennecott Copper Corp. with plenty of copper still in the mountain - gave notice to the people of this tiny mining town near Salt Lake City Wednesday night they would soon be ex-residents of a former town.

"Well, it's a helluva Christmas present!" exclaimed one of about 200 of the town's 650 residents packed into a cultural hall.

When asked what the copper giant plans to do with the land, Kennecott spokesman Soren A. Barrett remained silent.

When asked whether Kennecott planned to provide any relocation funds, Barrett said nothing.

Previously, Kennecott had arranged that in 1992 it would assume control of the 650 acres upon which Lark sits from U.S.

Smelting, Refining and Mining Co. - now known as UV Industries.

But UV ceased its operations here earlier than expected, and on Nov. 22 agreed with Kennecott to consummate the earlier deal immediately.

Barrett told residents Kennecott will not buy their houses. Those who rent or lease were told their leases would not be renewed. All except those who own houses have until Aug. 31, 1978, to move.

Families who own homes on leased ground get an extra 60 days. If they don't move their homes, Kennecott will, Barrett said.

Tension filled the hall as younger residents demanded an explanation and some elderly persons sobbed quietly.

"You have us over a barrel," said resident Robert Bardsley. "It's amusing to see how these big companies work. Once we're no longer needed, all of us are out."

Homeowner Robert Moulton said he would lose everything he put into his home. He said it would be impossible to move it.

"What will we do, where will we go?" another person demanded.

"Doesn't it mean anything to Kennecott that the people here are going to be reduced to nothing?" asked 81-year-old Hilda Grabner, who has lived in Lark for 40 years.

"It isn't easy to pick up stakes and start over somewhere else," she said.

"I'm used to this," said another member of the audience. "I'm an American Indian."

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VIEWPOINT

It Sims to Me . . .

Of Kids and Taxes

By PAUL SIMS
Managing Editor

It seems like we've got more and more month left at the end of our income.

The cost of living is surpassing what a lot of folks take home from work each week.

Then, there are taxes. County taxes, city taxes, school taxes, income taxes, sales taxes.

It's easy to be disenchanted with the system. But, according to some people who don't pay them, taxes are the only way the people who receive them can cope with the high cost of everything.

So, don't be discouraged, say the third-grade students at Northwest Elementary School.

Why ask a child's opinion on the subject? Because a kid isn't burdened with the burden. We who are — burdened that is — see the burden before we appreciate the reason.

"And a child shall lead them," it says in the Bible in so many words.

"Taxes are important," says Wayne Jones, one of the Northwest kids, "because they help build schools and homes, hospitals and buildings and places for old people."

Katie Ramey may be in a minority among young folks — she likes school. And that is why, she says, taxes are not something to gripe about.

"When our mothers and fathers pay taxes, they pay teachers where we go to school," responds Katie.

Taxes "give food to people and poor people," says Jerry Rodriguez.

"Taxes are important because they help workers and help cities grow and buildings and animals stay alive," says Scott Lane.

Gasoline taxes are crucial, writes Michelle Mason, because people "waste gasoline."

She adds, "Taxes are important because the schools and store have to pay like \$500 a week."

Taxes "pay for roads and schools and stores, buildings, homes, decks and more things," writes Tonya Redwine.

"They make our city grow," says Manda Lytal. Daryl Dale Furr isn't sure why taxes are important.

"Taxes help the city get things to use in buildings and they help poor people, I think," he writes.

"Taxes are very important because they make the city rich. They make everybody happy. They make judges happy," says Maria Elena Rameriz.

Judges, maybe. Everybody? Not hardly, Maria. Jennifer Bankston sounds like a taxpayer. She says the only reason taxes are important is:

"They're high and hard to pay."

Guest Editorial

85% No-Shows

By H.M. BAGGARLY
The Tulsa Herald

If the majority of the people in the 31st senatorial district, having counted the cost, want a Republican to represent them in the state senate, then they have every right to elect one under the American system. We may quarrel with their judgment, but never with their right.

But when 85 percent of the potential voters simply don't give a damn who is elected, when they place pheasant hunting above their responsibility as citizens, when they sit on their butts because they are too indifferent to go to the voting places and merely mark "X" on a small piece of paper, then they are totally irresponsible as citizens and no longer deserve the right to elect their public officials, a right they have forfeited.

There was no legitimate excuse for our delinquency as citizens which was exhibited Saturday. Not one voter had a legitimate excuse. Those sick, hunting, or out of town could have voted absentee.

We believe we have reached a point where it is no longer economical even to hold elections when so few participate even in major elections, including the Presidential. It costs the candidates thousands of dollars to campaign. It costs the counties hundreds of dollars, even in Swisher, just to hold an election.

Why let candidates spend thousands of dollars when we, the public, exhibit so little interest in who represents us? We dare some bastard who failed to vote Saturday to criticize the action of the legislature during the next three years.

Califano Pitches HMO

Big businessmen were given some good advice about health insurance in a speech in New York the other day by the secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, Joseph Califano.

If your company is paying too much for health insurance, Califano suggested, why not organize your own health care system for employees and provide better care at lower cost.

What the secretary has in mind is a national network of health maintenance organizations like the Kaiser-Permanente Plan now operating in California, Colorado, Ohio and several other states.

To promote the idea, Califano has invited the chief executives of the nation's 500 largest corporations to a conference on HMOs in Washington next February.

The HMO has two major advantages. It offers prepaid health care at reasonable cost. And it tries to keep its members healthy instead of simply treating them when they're sick.

Doctors who work for the HMO usually are paid salaries rather than fees. Patients are encouraged to have regular physical checkups. The emphasis is on preventive medicine as a deterrent to expensive hospital care.

Despite all the lip service from Washington in recent years, only a relative handful of HMOs have sprung up around the country, partly because of government red tape.



Doug Manning:

Penultimate Word

EVERYTHING TO DO ABOUT
NOTHING

I have an idea for a great new business. A new industry, as a matter of fact. I am looking for some interested people with money to back the project.

Seems like ever since Watergate and the scandal it created, we have been on a purging kick. Every slip must be blown into a full grown scandal. We seem to live in fear there will be a molehill we do not get to make a mountain out of.

Indiscretions which once were handled with discretion are now made into frontline news. Hearings are held, declarations declared and the guilty hung on public display.

This means there is a market for a return of some tools long dead. My company will manufacture:

Rails: for riding folks out of town on. Why just fire the man and ruin his life? Ride him out of town on one of my very special rails and do him in for good. I have in mind several models. Regular for folks who misplace money and then put it back. Sharp for folks who misplace money and do not put it back. And, a super-studded model for all political figures.

Feathers and new Supergoo - for goo and feathering. I know it used to be tar but tar is so messy. My new goo is clean to handle, does not have

to be heated, holds more feathers and once bound to the skin, cannot be peeled off by the entire Dallas Cowboy football team.

Witch-burning kit - for doing away with all of those folks who are different. Not just homosexuals, but anyone. (In some areas this includes Republicans) The kit includes my latest book, "Everything You Have Always Wanted to Know About Bigotry but Were Afraid to Ask." With a chapter on how to tell if a commie joins your church and other great chapters.

The kit also includes instructions for organizing campaigns, handy Bible quotations to use when condemning almost anyone, and the usual stuff like ropes, gasoline and matches. The matches have a slogan on the box which reads, "Since you are without sin, strike the first match."

I am sure our society is ready for my products. I am also sure we will develop others as time goes on. My company slogan will be copied from Shakespeare. He called it, "Much Ado About Nothing."

My slogan will be "Everything to do about nothing."

I'm going to get rich.

Warm fuzzies,
Doug Manning

Bootleg Philosopher:

Bad Weather? Sue!

Editor's note: The Bootleg Philosopher on his Deaf Smith County grass farm examines an upcoming court trial.

Dear Editor:

One of the major airlines, being sued for millions by the victims of a plane crash in a storm last year, is now suing the Weather Bureau for not giving it a correct weather report. It says the Bureau was "negligent in gathering and disseminating weather conditions," which caused the pilot to fly into a storm with tragic results.

I am going to watch that suit very carefully, and I imagine a lot of lawyers will too. It opens up boundless possibilities for more court business than the profession has dreamed of. Just think, an end to no-fault weather predicting.

For example, say the Weather Bureau predicts continued sunny weather for the next three days, you go ahead and cut your hay, and it rains cats and dogs that night. You've got a case. Call your lawyer. He's probably sitting by his phone waiting.

And there are all sorts of other possibilities. A rained-out political rally expected to raise \$300,000 for some Senator. Snowed-in office

workers who can't get home at night. Housewives who believed a forecast and didn't protect their pot plants the night the temperature went to 25. People washed out by an unpredicted flood. Thousands of school kids threatening to riot because the school bus couldn't run and their education was interrupted. Etc.

If the government is smart it'll fight that airline's suit with everything it's got, and in the meantime bond its forecasters against other damage suits. Some of them I figure would have to put up bonds of at least a billion dollars apiece.

Actually of course the suit may fail on the grounds that weather forecasting is guessing, and when the guess turns out wrong it wasn't the forecaster's fault, it was the weather's. It changed. Sue it.

You see, there's as much difference between what a forecaster says tonight and the weather does tomorrow as there is between what a candidate says in the campaign and does in the office. I have long contended that many weather forecasters got their training as sports writers predicting football scores.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Richard Leshar, US Chamber of Commerce:

Losing Confidence

WASHINGTON — The Carter Administration has good reason to be worried about business confidence. Pessimism reigns in 75% of the nation's executive suites, according to a new Business Confidence Survey jointly conducted by the National Chamber and the Gallup Organization. And one of the biggest reasons for the gloom is that over half of the respondents expect the government to do a "poor job" of fighting inflation and unemployment, while only 2% expect government to do a "good job."

Why should anybody care how "confident" business people are? Because when business decision-makers fear trouble ahead, it can become a self-fulfilling prophecy. Job-creating investment gets postponed. The many transactions that would take place in the course of building new factories, houses, and widgets do not take place. It all translates into a depressed level of economic activity; into stagnation rather than growth.

There is a wealth of interesting detail in the survey, which I will save for a future column (in case I don't get around to it, a full report will appear in the January issue of our monthly magazine, *Nation's Business*). For now, I think it is more important to dig into this confidence problem: Why does the Carter Administration make business nervous? Here is how I see it, based on what I hear from business people around the country.

So far, this Administration's bark has been consistently worse than its bite. But "confidence" being two parts tangible and three parts psychological, it isn't necessary for the President to bite anybody to cause economic trouble. The President and his key aides have a way of making statements and gestures that confuse the business community and cause great concern. Often, nothing comes of the unsettling proposals, but by that time much of the damage has already been done.

Some concrete examples:

TAX "REFORM." Nothing the President has done or proposed to do has upset business people as much as the early Administration tax reform ideas. To managers who are already seeing their capital steadily eaten away by the combination of inflation and present tax rules, the prospect of taxing capital gains as ordinary income looks like the end of the ballgame. On top of that, the President's much-publicized attacks on the "three martini" lunch seem to signal that tax reform is being shaped

more by political than economic considerations. This impression is reinforced by his proposal to make employers pay a higher share of the Social Security tax than employees.

Lately, Administration spokesmen have been backing away from complicated tax reform in favor of simple tax reduction. That's a move which would please business people and help the economy. But the Administration blunts the psychologically beneficial impact of this change by proclaiming that the controversial reforms will come late, which leaves executives fearfully waiting for the other shoe to fall.

REGULATORY REFORM. The President came to office on a promise of making the Federal Government less powerful and less intrusive. But with the possible exception of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, there has been more talk than action toward streamlining the bureaucracy. In fact, there has been significant movement in the opposition direction. There was an attempt (fortunately unsuccessful) to add a Consumer Protection Agency to all of the other consumer protection activities in Washington. And there is Mr. Carter's complex, inefficient and costly "energy program," which is still hung-up in Congress.

LABOR RELATIONS. The President gave tacit support to the Common Situs picketing bill, which was defeated anyway — a defeat that was beneficial to consumers and business. He pushed (unsuccessfully) the Cargo Preference Act, a costly subsidy to the maritime unions. And he is still trying hard to secure enactment of a package of labor law changes favored by the AFL-CIO. These changes would make union organizing easier, to the detriment of businesses, consumers, and workers who would prefer to remain independent.

INFLATION AND THE BUDGET. The President still speaks of balancing the budget, which would help to reduce inflation. However, he still entertains talks of costly new government programs, such as public service jobs and national health insurance. This talk calls into question the sincerity of his interest in budget-balancing.

IN SUMMARY: When you put it all together, you see an Administration whose sincere good intentions could be doomed to failure by vacillation due to a lack of clear priorities. And inconsistency is the most difficult condition for business to cope with.

Jack McGuire:

Talk of Texas

FOOTNOTE TO HISTORY—Christmas was first celebrated 294 years ago in what now is Texas.

A detachment of Spanish soldiers "going to the discovery of the East and the kingdom of Texas" camped on a hilltop along the Rio Grande near the present town of Presidio. It was Christmas Eve, 1683.

The next morning, Juan Dominguez de Mendoza, the commandant, ordered a special mass to celebrate the birth of Christ. This was the first record observance of Christmas in Texas.

Three years later, the French explorer, La Salle, and his men observed the holiday at Fort St. Louis. The location of the fort is still disputed by historians, but it almost certainly was near the coast in what now is Victoria County. Henri Joutel, who traveled with the expedition as La Salle's "confidential subordinate," recorded the occasion in his journal.

"Monsieur de La Salle, being recovered from his indisposition, preparations were made for his Journey," he wrote, "but we first kept the Christmas Holy-Days. The Midnight Mass was sung, and on Twelve-day, we cry'd, 'the King drinks' (according to the custom of France) tho' we had only water."

It was the German colonists, however, who brought most of today's Christmas traditions to Texas in the early 1800's. In 1846, when 300 German immigrants arrived with Prince Solms Braunfels, they were shocked that Americans didn't observe the Yule with lighted trees. They celebrated their first Texas Christmas by decorating the native juniper trees and the custom caught on.

HOLIDAY FARE—in 1903, Texas railroads offered travelers excursion rates unheard of today.

For the cost of one regular one-way ticket plus \$2, one could buy a round-trip to any point in the state.

TRADITIONS THAT LIVE—This year, as they have since 1885, ranch hands from a large area of West Texas will gather in Anson, Jones County, for their famous "Cowboys' Christmas Ball."

It was started 92 years ago purely as a business venture. An Anson innkeeper, M.H. Rhodes, needed to increase patronage at his Morning Star Hotel and hit on the dance as a way of getting it. He invited lonely cowhands from the area to come to the hotel for a holiday dance. The ball was such a financial success that Rhodes decided to make it an annual event.

In 1890, William Lawrence Chittenden, who ranched near Anson, wrote his famous poem, "The Cowboy's Christmas Ball." It was first published in the Anson newspaper, *The Texas Western*, on June 19, 1890, as a kind of obituary for the Star Hotel after the old wooden inn burned to the ground.

Later the poem appeared in Chittenden's book, "Ranch Verses," which went into 16 editions. The poem made the annual dance at Anson a part of the nation's folklore.

HOLIDAY GOODY—More than 1,000 tons of Christmas cheer were mailed around the world this year from the only bakery in the U.S. which produces nothing but fruitcake. Corsican's Collin Street Bakery has used the same recipe since 1896!

Thumbing Back

ONE YEAR AGO

Bartley Dowell, was honored at a meeting Wednesday of the Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Hereford as its outgoing president. The plaque was presented by Ed Line, outgoing vice president....The Hereford Independent School District may be getting more courtroom experience than it is presently enduring as the result of a U.S. Department of Justice investigation into the school district method of electing board trustees...Six months to the day after a plane loaded with over 800 pounds of marijuana crash-landed in a pasture northeast of Hereford, the pilot of the craft has surrendered to authorities. Hubert Putnam, accompanied by his attorney, surrendered to authorities in Austin, Friday after an intense effort to locate him by numerous law enforcement officials following the June 10 crash....

TEN YEARS AGO

The annual Lions Club Christmas party, held Thursday night in the Hereford High School Cafeteria, was highlighted by a visit from Santa Claus and the antics of "Stuttering Sam." Santa not only made such gifts as wigs to several maneless Lions, but also visited with the foreign exchange student Katie Laine, who said it was the first real Santa she had seen. "Stuttering Sam" had been planted in the audience and was persuaded to talk about his hometown until the "speaker" arrived. The crowd at first sympathized as he stumbled over words, then roared with laughter as they caught onto the hoax.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

1953 Cheerleaders were announced at the Pep Club Banquet which was centered around a blue heaven theme. Re-elected for 1953 was Gayle Gault. New members are Melrose Whitefield, Sue Barnard and Nan Lookingbill. Workmen Saturday were clearing away old service station site at the corner of Main Street and Highway 60, as the first step toward erection of a modern, super service station on the location. This building will be the first of a series of three major improvements planned in Hereford by Phillips Petroleum Company. Jimmie Allred, jobber, announced.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

"You say 348?"
"No, no, I say it's too blamed late!"
"What did you say my combination was again?"
The new Hereford post office opened this morning in a blaze of excitement and good-natured confusion. Lines ten feet long were crowded into the new building located in the former location of the Vogele Millinery Parlor, waiting their turns to receive their respective combinations.
Further discussion of the Amarillo Board of City Development's plan to advertise the Panhandle of Texas and its products, occupied the major portion of the time allotted to business at the regular session of the Chamber of Commerce held Monday noon at the Stockman's Cafe.

Exposed Soldiers Sought by Feds

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government is trying to find thousands of soldiers and others present at a 1957 nuclear test in Nevada to determine whether they have contracted leukemia as a result of radiation exposure.

The National Research Council, a quasi-governmental agency that is part of the National Academy of Sciences, has been assigned the job of conducting a study "to identify, locate and obtain necessary follow-up medical data" on thousands of soldiers and others who were present at the test, named "Smoky," on Aug. 31, 1957.

The researchers will work from a list of 3,413 persons the Army believes were present at the test. The names were compiled from various rosters and from registers of badges issued at the time of the test.

Defense officials said they expect researchers to concentrate on available medical records of known participants and that those participants may not necessarily be physically examined.

The study is expected to take about two years, officials said.

Although the study will focus on the Smokey test's participants, officials indicated the project could be expanded to consider the effects on those who attended some other above-ground atomic tests, including one on Nov. 1, 1951, called "DOG Event," and a 1953 test at Desert Rock.

The possible magnitude of the problem, if the government should undertake a widespread study of the possible effects of past nuclear tests, is underscored by an estimate that about 200,000 persons participated in such tests between 1946 and 1963, when they ended.

Attention was drawn to the situation last spring when some former servicemen who said they were present at the 1957 Smokey shot at Yucca Flats, Nev., reported having contracted leukemia and blamed that test for their illness.

Sofar, the Army says it knows of six men who have been positively identified as having leukemia after participating in the Smokey test. But the Army says "there has been no confirmed link" between the incidence of leukemia in test participants and their presence at the test site at the time of the blast.

However, the national Center for Disease Control says two cases of leukemia have been "definitely" linked to the Smokey test.

Dr. Glyn G. Caldwell, deputy chief of the CDC cancer branch, said four other cases "probably" are associated with the test.

The Defense Department has made no effort to contact those on the list of 3,413 persons who witnessed the Smokey test. The Army reported about 40 persons had contacted it after reports of the possible leukemia link with the test appeared.

After months of seeming indecision, a committee was formally established to consider ways of dealing with the problem. That committee represents several agencies, including the Defense Department, the Public Health Service, the Veterans Administration and the Department of Energy, which assumed the responsibilities of the old Atomic Energy Commission.

That committee decided Dec. 1 to commission a study by the National Research Council.

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SANTA and the PIGWIDGEN

By LUCRECE BEALE

Synopsis: The pygmies carry Claus and Tweedleknobs off to meet their king, the Pigwidgen. The elf boasts that Claus is more powerful than the king.

CHAPTER FOURTEEN THE EATING CONTEST THE PIGWIDGEN WAS A mite, a darling, a peewee, a runt of a pygmy.

He marched up to Claus. "What are you doing here?" he demanded in a high squeaky voice.

Claus told himself he could not possibly be afraid of a creature so small. "You have put a curse on all the children of the land," he said sharply. "I have come to ask you to lift it."

"You promised not to open the black purse that was left in your keeping," said the Pigwidgen. "I myself left the purse there to test you. The promise was broken and now the children sleep."

"It was no fault of the children," cried Claus. "You must wake them."

"Yes," blurted Patrick Tweedleknobs. "And lift the curse you laid on the elves so that they must live underground forevermore."

"And who is going to make me do these things?" inquired the Pigwidgen icily.

There was a moment's silence. Then Tweedleknobs cleared his throat and said calmly, "Claus is..."

The Pigwidgen sputtered. He fell to the floor. He rolled over and over squealing and holding his sides. He very nearly turned inside out with laughter. The other pygmies howled too. It seemed the roof of the castle would blow off in so much laughter.

At last the Pigwidgen got to his feet. He wiped the tears from his eyes and blew his nose with a wisp of a handkerchief. Then he said, "You think yourself more powerful than I?"

"More clever," murmured Claus. "It comes to the same thing."

The Pigwidgen threw back his head and blew a cloud of smoke from his mouth. He vanished in the cloud. An instant later the cloud was gone and the Pigwidgen appeared again. "Can you do that?" he demanded.

"I - I do not wish to disappear," stammered Claus. "I am here to make you lift the curse."

"Well," said the Pigwidgen indulgently. "Let us have a contest. If you win perhaps I shall lift the curse. The elf said you like roast pig. Very well. Let us see who can eat the most."

He took Claus into the kitchen and shut the door. There was a table before a roaring fire. On the table were 10 succulent roast pigs.

The Pigwidgen sat down and sank his teeth into a roast. In five minutes all that was left was bones and a tail. He ate a second roast and



"Do you think yourself more powerful than I?"

a third and a fourth and a fifth.

The pigs the Pigwidgen ate had been secretly stripped of most of their meat and covered back over with skin. Nevertheless the meat that remained had so stuffed the tiny Pigwidgen that he now collapsed in a stupor behind an enormous pile of bones and five curly tails.

Claus sat before the five remaining pigs. He nibbled on the choice bits of each roast and licked his fingers and stared ravenly at the fire. At last he knew what he must do.

When the Pigwidgen woke he raised his bloated head. "Well, what have you eaten?" he demanded.

"All," said Claus. "But the bones? The tails? Where are they?"

"All eaten," replied Claus calmly.

And so they were for, while the Pigwidgen slept, Claus had thrown the unfinished pigs into the fire which had eaten them up skin, bones, tails and all.

Aside from keeping all doors locked one of the best defenses against the burglar is a barking dog," Johns said in a statement. "A barking dog will make an intruder aware some foreign noise is around the premises."

He said another excellent defense was to leave a radio or TV playing while away from home.

Johns said a survey in 1972 of 2,000 burglaries showed that 60 percent of the burglars came through the front doors of homes and five percent of those doors were unlocked.

During the Christmas holiday period the probability of residential burglaries increases because people spend more time away from their homes enjoying the festive season," said Jerry Johns, president of the Southwestern Insurance Information Service.

Johns said a survey in 1972 of

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) - Now is the time to practice a few simple safety rules and prevent the heartbreak of a Christmas burglary, an insurance spokesman says.

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Executives Criticized For Freebie Lifestyles

By JOHN CUNIFF AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) - It requires no great insight to discern why many people are dissatisfied with business.

Some executives of large corporations are seen, even by investors, as part of a management ripoff mentality, enjoying a lifestyle in which the company pays for everything from free lunches to luxurious retirement.

Courtney Brown, a corporate director and business educator, claims that many emoluments are "utterly essential." Executives, he said, are the hardest working group he knows and sometimes need cars and company jets.

But, he adds, the extremely large salaries and bonuses, sometimes paid even though anticipated dividend increases are skipped, "create an extremely bad impression and are quite uncalled for."

A low opinion of corporate ethics, especially following revelations of foreign bribery and illegal domestic political payoffs, has added to the belief of some people that anything that works is acceptable to business.

Not enough jobs is a perennial criticism, more serious in that it is seen as a general condition rather than the weakness of specific businesses. Seven percent unemployment is unacceptable to all.

It does little good to point out that in the 12 months through November some 3.9 million jobs were created, that there were more people at work than ever before, both numerically and as a percentage of population.

Defective products and insensitivity and unresponsiveness to consumer complaints plays a large role in the anger of many.

Industrial pollution, and often a reluctance to clean it up, thus endangering not just the quality of life but life itself, has badly

tarnished the image of business, even though the corrective process is well under way.

But exploitation of consumers or investors, corruption, poor products, indifference and pollution, say students of business, are often inevitable consequences of human frailty and the disorder, disruption and discordance of change.

Something should, can and will be done about them, they say, but what can be done about the millions of people who feel they have no stake in the system, a condition that underlies much industrial unrest and lowers productivity?

The Advertising Council and the Business Roundtable, the latter made up of chairmen and presidents of the nation's giant corporations, have sought to ameliorate these feelings through education and advertising.

Louis O. Kelso, a San Francisco attorney, a practical man with a vision of people's capitalism, has had notable success with his origination, the Employee Stock Ownership Plan, and similar financing techniques.

Under an ESOP, a company creates an employee stock-ownership trust, borrows capital from a bank to buy company stock for it, uses the money to modernize and grow, repays the loan, and leaves the stock in the hands of employees.

Since tax benefits are attached, the company obtains low-cost growth capital and remains technologically competitive, and the employees accumulate large amounts of stock, especially for their retirements.

John H. Perry Jr., an inventor, businessman and former publisher, also feels we must reduce estrangement. He claims his plan would also eliminate much welfare, shrink federal deficits, promote economic understanding, improve voter participation and lessen

inflation.

Under his National Dividend Plan, funds earned by corporations and paid by them in federal income taxes would be designated for distribution through local banks to each registered voter on a per capita basis.

The dividends, coming probably to \$750 a year per voter, would be tax-free. Corporate income taxes would be capped at 50 percent. A moratorium would be declared on any major new federal spending during a five-year phase-in. And any federal deficit would be deducted from the annual dividend.

Others too are working on alternatives, for specific companies and for the system in general.

The Exploratory Project for Economic Alternatives, set up by a consortium of foundations, is currently working to establish community ownership of a closed steel mill in Youngstown, Ohio.

The Work in America Institute, another non-profit organization, seeks to convey information on the various experiments toward raising productivity, mainly through worker participation in decisions.

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Woman's Screams Heard

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Neighbors say they heard bloodcurdling screams ring out in a Hollywood apartment house where the latest victim of the Hillside Strangler apparently was lured to her death.

"It was a very frightening scream ... It was definitely the worst scream I've ever heard," said one man.

Two other residents also reported hearing the screams at about the time Tuesday night that Kimberly Diane Martin, a prostitute, arrived to meet a man.

But no one reported the screams at the time.

"I didn't pay any attention because it (the screaming) went on out in the lobby," the man told radio station KFVB on Thursday.

Miss Martin, who worked for a prostitution service, was sent to the apartment after a man telephoned the service, said his wife was out of town and asked for a young, attractive model.

Miss Martin's car was found in front of the apartment Wednesday morning. Her nude body was found dumped on a hillside 10 miles away.

Eleven girls and young women have been found slain in similar settings over nine weeks.

Police later determined the telephone call was made from a pay phone at a Hollywood library and that the apartment where Ms. Martin was to meet him was vacant. Its last tenant, also a prostitute, was evicted in August, the apartment manager said.

Lois Lee, a spokeswoman for the California Association for Trollops, an organization formed to help prostitutes, said the prostitution service told her the man "sounded like ... just an ordinary guy out for a good time."

Library employees described a man who used the phone Tuesday night for police, but Lt. Dan Cooke said the description was not being released.

However, an attendant at a parking lot across from the library said police had asked him if he had seen a limping man with a moustache.

Four of the Strangler's victims were prostitutes, police said.

Today In History

Today is Sunday, Dec. 18, the 352nd day of 1977. There are 13 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1865, the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was adopted, abolishing slavery.

On this date:

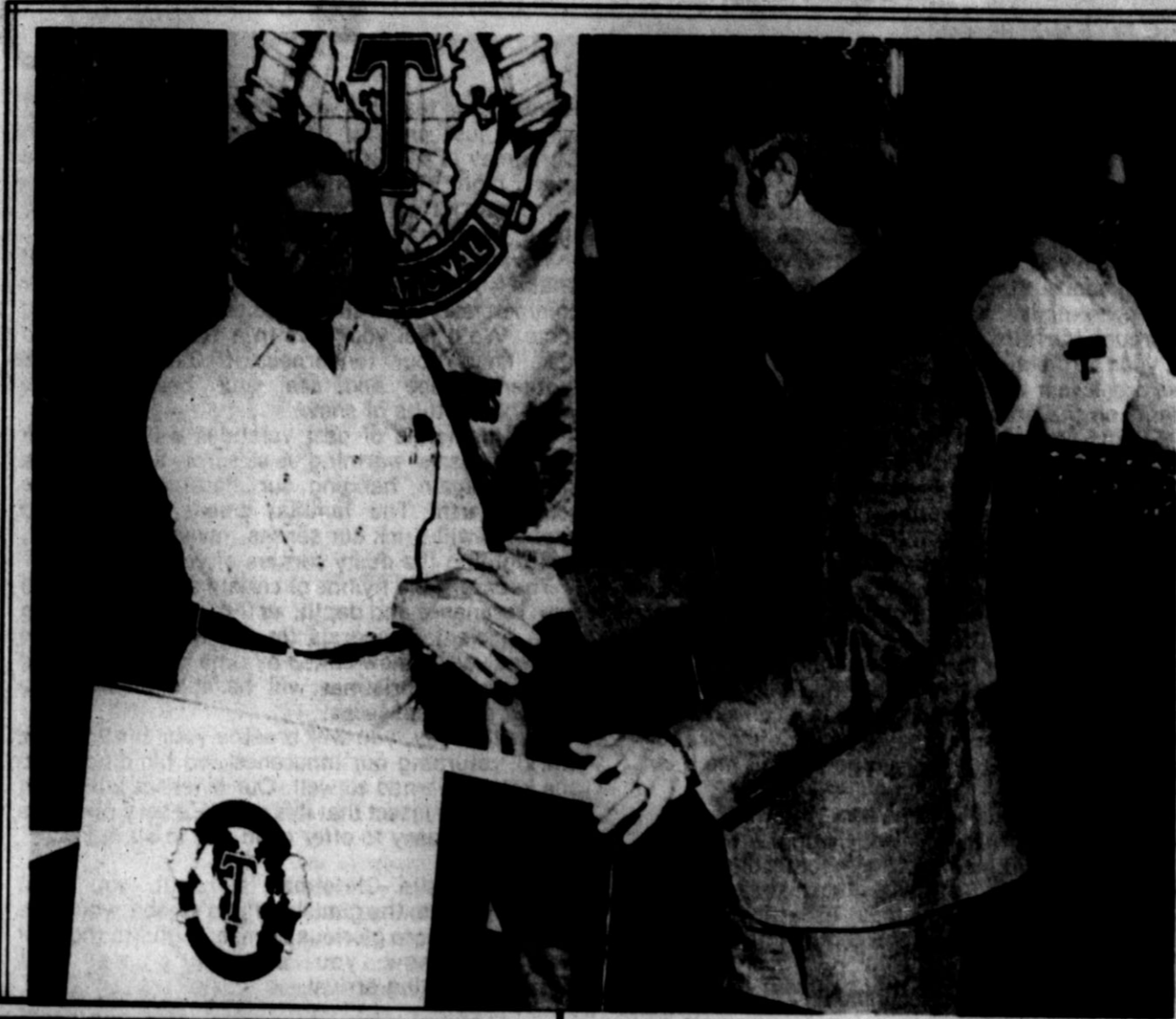
- In 1777, George Washington's army went into winter quarters at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania.
- In 1787, New Jersey became the third state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.
- In 1799, George Washington was buried at Mount Vernon.
- In 1915, President Woodrow Wilson married a widow, Edith Bolling Galt, at the bride's Washington home.
- In 1961, Indian troops invaded Goa and two other Portuguese enclaves on India's west coast.
- In 1970, a law permitting divorce went into effect in Italy despite opposition by the Roman Catholic Church.
- Ten years ago: Small craft began dragging operations along 14 miles of the Ohio River in a search for people missing after collapse of a bridge at Point Pleasant, West Virginia.
- Five years ago: The U.S. Supreme Court ended compulsory attendance at chapel at government military academies by refusing to hear an appeal from a lower court ruling that such attendance was unconstitutional.
- One year ago: President-elect Carter picked Gov. Cecil Andrus of Idaho as the next Secretary of the Interior.
- Today's birthday: Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark is 50 years old.
- Thought for today: Educate men without religion and you make them but clever devils - attributed to the British general, the Duke of Wellington, 1769-1852.

Better Listening, Thinking and Speaking

Toastmasters "Learn By Doing"

A group of about twenty Hereford men and women meet at the early hour of 6:30 a.m. Mondays at the Calson Steak House. They are involved in a unique program designed to help them improve listening, thinking and speaking skills. It is called Toastmasters, part of an international organization with the above goals in mind. Club 275 is the second Toastmasters club in Hereford, a revival of a club formed here in the early 1950's. Bob Wear and Dr. Milton Adams, now active in the newer club, were members of that first club.

Speaking and leadership skills of members are improved through participation by each member at some level in every meeting. Persons interested in joining this group are asked to contact president Bill Allen or attend a Toastmaster's meeting.

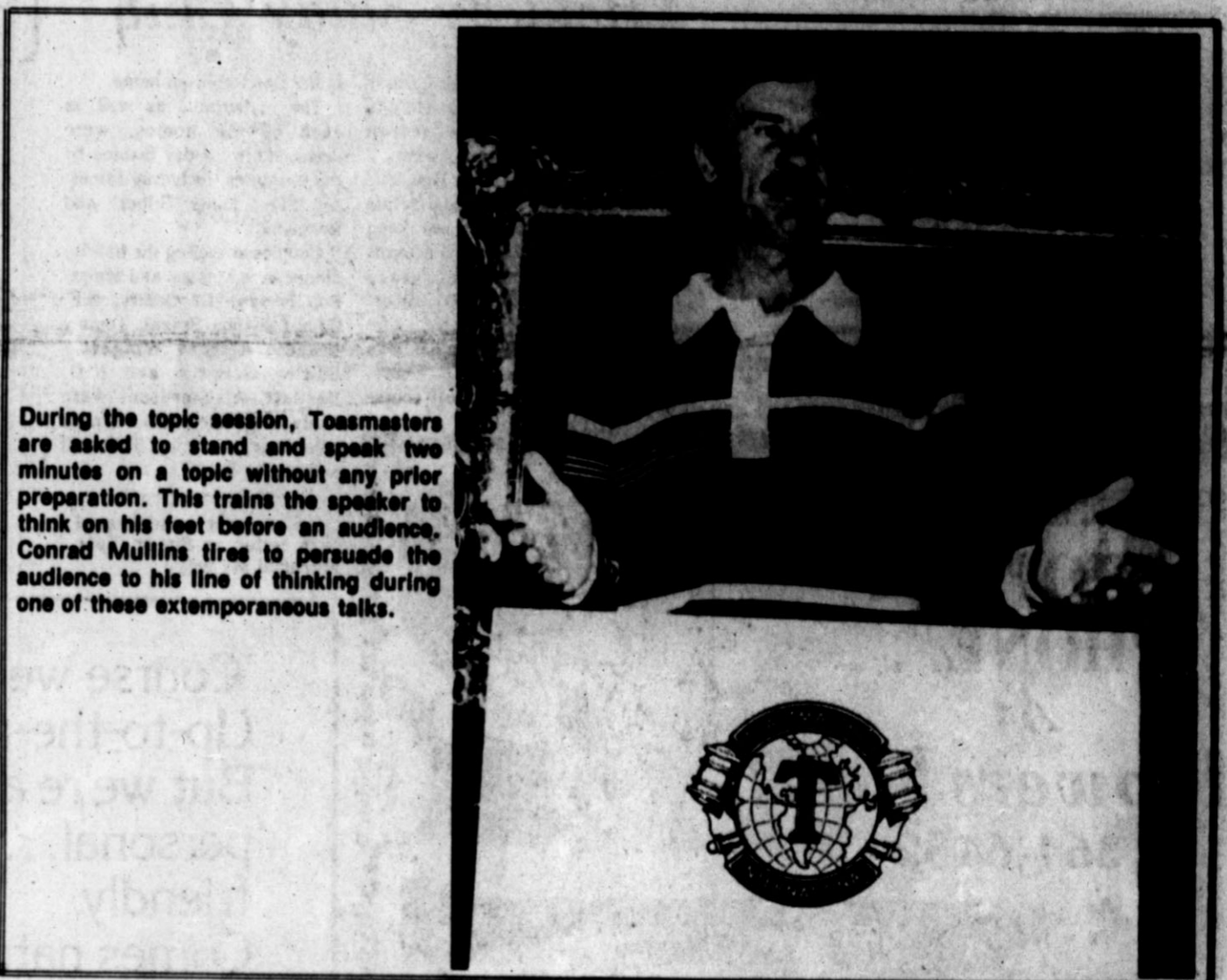


Toastmaster president Bill Allen introduces Toastmaster for the Day Rex Lee following a short business session at the beginning of the meeting. It will be Rex's job as Toastmaster to guide the program through the course of the meeting, introducing the speakers and evaluators.



Each Toastmasters meeting has two parts: the formal part in which the Topic session and prepared speeches are presented; and the informal part during which evaluations are made of the formal part of the

program. Clyde Bonner here emphasizes a point during a seven-minute speech on the plight of the farmer as other Toastmasters look on.



During the topic session, Toastmasters are asked to stand and speak two minutes on a topic without any prior preparation. This trains the speaker to think on his feet before an audience. Conrad Mullins tires to persuade the audience to his line of thinking during one of these extemporaneous talks.



Raymond Artho uses the speech manual of Toastmasters to constructively evaluate the speaking abilities of a Toastmaster. The key to the Toastmaster educational experience is evaluation by other Toastmasters so that mistakes and distracting mannerisms can be avoided.

Toastmaster membership provides:

- Affiliation with an international education association.
- Professionally prepared materials and program resources concerning listening, speaking, audio-visual techniques, discussion, parliamentary procedure and meeting-conference staging.
- Leadership development through experience as an elected or appointed official.
- Experience in communication through participation in the "Learning By Doing" program.
- Opportunities for personal and occupational recognition based on improved abilities and expanded experience.

Text and Photos By Dan Welty

The Hereford Brand

Sunday, December 18, 1977.

Mrs. Hodges Continues HD Christmas Tradition

For the 15th year, Mrs. Aubyn Hodges was hostess in her home for the Christmas meeting of North Hereford Home Demonstration Club.

Mrs. Craig Fuller of Dalhart, daughter of the hostess, presented a holiday program, asking members to list individual blessings of the past year. Members also were invited to share family traditions observed at Christmastime.

Christmas quizzes were conducted for recreation by Mrs. T.E. Brisendine and Mrs. Roger Williams. The legend of why the berries on holly are red was presented by Mrs. Williams.

Martha Lueb, club president, acted as Santa Claus and refreshments were served. Members joined voices to sing "Silent Night" at the meeting's close.

Guests present for the party

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were Amy and Brett Fuller of Dalhart, Aubyn Hodges, Jason Lueb, Toni Campbell, Lisa and Kim Williams and Jana Johnson.

Members attending were Mmes. J.A. Crofford, A.G. May, Tony Hoffman, Cliff Johnson, Al Smithers, Neal Lemons, John Reid, Bob Campbell, Paul Hoff, Virginia Cruz, Lilah Grubb and Roberta Campbell.

Invitation Extended To 'Messiah'

In a unique presentation of "The Messiah," First Baptist Church will stage a "sing-along" program at 4 p.m. today. The Rev. Doug Manning, pastor, extends an invitation to all interested citizens to attend this afternoon's cantata, feeling welcome to join in singing familiar stanzas of "The Messiah."

Today's program is being held "for the sheer enjoyment of the participants and is not a performance," according to Rev. Manning. "You don't have to be a great vocalist. All you need is the desire to sing."

Scribbles AND Scratches

By **KERRIE STEIERT**
Women's Editor



Poor old Christmas.

We drag you out before halloween and you blink and stare at us like a child who has been pulled from bed before dawn. We commercialize, capulize, cannibalize and capitalize on you until it's a wonder that you're still around on December 25.

We stretch you, twist you and flatten you with our kneading hands, hungry for the bread you bring to our hollow tummies. We grip you by the neck, drag you through the mire of our money and wring silver from your tormented spirit.

We break your fragile heart and spill the precious contents on the ground so that we may fill it with tinsel-tied promises that grow brittle with age. Your face is careworn with disappointment from the many times you've come, only to be besmirched and disguised as a sales promotion.

After such treatment, it's not surprising that many have not recognized you for your true self. We still search for you under mountains of wrapped packages, listen for a herald of your arrival and feel for your presence in the cold glass ornaments on a tree. But you are not to be found there.

Dear Christmas, is it possible that you did not mend from last year's exploitation? Is it conceivable that you threw back your great head in defiance and declared, "I've had it. Let them go without me this year?"

And who among us could blame you? And yet, for all these cynical thoughts, there is not a mite of doubt that you will come this year, retaining all your majesty and untarnished by our avarice. You will touch each heart in turn with your benevolent spirit, stopping our complaints of "not feeling Christmas."

We won't try to turn the calendar back to

November in fear that when December 25 arrives, it will be just another day. Because our faith in Christmas is as pure and steadfast as in the winter night's stars. The clouds may veil them from our eyes, but we know nevertheless that they are there, glinting forever above.

We know that, during the coming week, you will shake off the shameful shackles of our commercialism and stride into our souls with loving force. We'll feel your love in a baby's unabashed kiss, know your tenderness in the sound of a mother's voice and see your beauty in the wind-blown tufts of snow.

The memories of past yuletides will flood back into our hearts, warming us as surely as if we were children again, hanging our stockings about the sooty hearth. The familiar smells of pine and bayberry will prick our senses, reviving our youth, and lighting the dusty corners of yesteryear.

The carols and hymns of christmastime will swell with resonance and depth, as if they were sounding from ancient cathedrals for the first time. Some beloved voices, now stilled by time, will be recalled and briefly, Christmas will be able to ease the sorrow of absent faces.

Next Sunday, you will breathe your life into the world, returning our innocence and blinding us to the hatred learned so well. Our triteness will crawl away like the insect that it is and your very presence will make it easy to offer good will to all men.

So, exquisite Christmas, although you must briefly relent to the gimmicks of this season, you have never been more glorious or meaningful to those of us who know you and anticipate your all-encompassing arrival.

Recital Features Christmas Music

Music students of Joe Ella Casler performed several Christmas selections Saturday afternoon in their teacher's home.

The recitalists were adults, college, high school and elementary students. The afternoon program consisted of vocal solos and duets, piano solos and duets with some students accompanying while others directed.

After the recital, refreshments were served from a Santa Claus table decorated with holly, berries and candles. Hot

cider, candies and several traditional Christmas treats prepared by Mrs. Casler were served.

Performing in the recital were Jennifer Casler, Jenifer Banks-ton, Christy Blasko, Brendon Wylie, Whitney Paris, Shelley Gentry, Karen Jones, Debbie Rogers, Laura Rogers and Lynn Garret.

Also, Leslie Metz, Denise Cotten, Kyla Potocet, Debbie Goree, Barbara Townsend and three Canyon residents, Jeanna Fulton, Sharon Lindeman and Lilly Lyons.



MR. AND MRS. RENN GOODIN
...celebrating 50th wedding anniversary

Open House Planned For Goodin Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Renn Goodin will be honored at an open house from 4-9 p.m. Friday in celebration of their 50th golden wedding anniversary. Friends of the couple are invited to the reception, which will be held in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Newton, 907 S. Main.

The couple, who were married December 25, 1927 near Hobart, Okla., have another daughter, Mrs. Leo Barry of Denham Springs, La. They reside on S. Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodin have four grandchildren. He is a retired monument worker. Mrs.

Goodin was Thelma Carpenter before her marriage 50 years ago.

Extension Club Brunch Held Friday

The Westway Extension Club met for a Christmas brunch Friday in the home of Mrs. Leta Kaul. There was a large selection of Christmas foods.

A short series of games were led by Sharon Grover who also read some Christmas poems. She ended with the first Christmas story taken from the second chapter of Luke. Mrs. Kaul played "Silent Night" on the piano while everyone sang.

A gift exchange followed. Those in attendance were Joan Bookout, Terri Johnson, Gail Richardson, Sharon Grover, Wilma Bryan, Grace Covington and Leta Kaul.

The British poet John Keats was born in 1795.

Progressive Dinner Held by Study Club

Members of Hereford Study Club and their husbands celebrated the yule season Thursday evening with a progressive Christmas dinner.

The evening's festivities commenced in the Sam Long home, where hors d'oeuvres were served. The group progressed to the J.D. Gilbert Jr. home for salads. The evening's main course was served at The Caison home, followed by the dessert course

in the Don Robinson home.

The restaurant, as well as each of the homes, were decorated in holiday fashion by the hostesses, including Mmes. Art Stoy, Long, Gilbert and Robinson.

Couples attending the holiday dinner were Mesars. and Mmes. Bob Posten, Bill Gentry, B.F. Cain, Carthon Bryant, Tommy Braddy, Richard Wingest, Shirley Garrison and N.D. Bartlett. Also present were study club members, Mmes. Joe Stoy, Maurice Tannahill and Merlin Kaul.

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Society

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KERRIE STEIERT,

Woman's Editor

Cantata Performance Scheduled Tonight

The Christmas cantata entitled "A Song Was Born" will be presented at 6:30 p.m. today at Avenue Baptist Church by the church choir.

With biblical narration, the cantata is the story of the song born on the night of Jesus' birth. Featured soloists will be Mrs. Don Davison, Mrs. Bill Frazier and Gene Streun.

Tonight's cantata is under the direction of Douglas Morris. Musical accompaniment will be provided by Mrs. Bill Wall and Mrs. Gene Streun.

The public is invited to attend tonight's Christmas program.

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They say ours is the fastest moving civilization that ever was. We're always on the go, always hurrying to make the next flight, to catch the next bus or train, to beat the clock. Considering this, it seems all the more remarkable how, each Christmas season, our world stops to turn back the clock, to remember the birth of a Child in Bethlehem, and, remembering, to feel a renewal of faith, a fresh new spirit of giving, a warmth of good will toward man.

Some people say that Christmas has become too "commercial." But it seems to us, seeing the faces of Christmas shoppers, and thinking of the wide-eyed faces of children on Christmas morning, that the spirit of Christmas is genuine. The trees and the glitter, gay ribbons and colored lights and ornaments, are an outward expression of an inner glow we all feel. And perhaps, being human, we need these things to brighten the light that shines in us each Christmas.

We hope that yours will be a joyous Christmas, and that the spirit of "peace on Earth" will come into your home and your heart. To all our friends we wish a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Candlelight Ceremony Unites Amarillo Couple

Spiral candelabra lighted the altar of Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo Saturday morning for the marriage of Miss Sharron Adeline Gallegly and Mark Howard McClarty. The nuptial ceremony was read by the Rev. C.N. Rue, pastor.

The candelabra flanked a kneeling bench at the altar, where greenery and poinsettia plants accented the Unity candle, which was lighted by the couple during the service. Candlesticks garnished with greenery and burgandy streamers marked the pews in the sanctuary.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale D. Gallegly of Amarillo and the bridegroom, who resided in Amarillo at the time of his marriage, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Bill G. McClarty, 145 Pecan St.

Mrs. C.M. Struck and Mrs. Mark Mosley served their sister as honor attendants. Miss Laura Hethcock and Miss Linda Owen were chosen as bridesmaids.

Dr. McClarty acted as his son's best man. Other groomsmen were Earl Mills of Amarillo and the bridegroom's grandfathers, Lester Howard of Wichita Falls and George McClarty of Burkburnett.

Guests were ushered to their seats by Ben Wright and Randy Folsom, both of Amarillo, and the bride's cousin, David Wright of Paducah.

Prior to the processional, tapers in the church chancel were lighted by the bride's cousins, Laura Ann Gallegly and Emily Susan Gallegly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gibson performed several wedding hymns, including "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us," "Whither Thou Goest," "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" and "The New 23rd Psalm." Organ accompaniment was offered by Steve Thompson.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Victorian-theme gown of candlelight satin with self-banded waistline. Double ruffles of lace formed a rounded yoke on the bodice while a single ruffle encircled the Victorian collar.

Her long, bishop sleeves of satin gathered at the wrist in deep cuffs. Double rows of Chantilly lace served as a flounce at the floor-length hemline of her full skirt. Matching lace bordered her mantilla veil.

The bride's trousseau also included an antique locket which belonged to her great-grandmother.

In seasonal colors, the bridal attendants wore velvet jumpers, designed with empire waistlines, over silk blouses. The brides' sisters wore burgandy jumpers over pink blouses while the bridesmaids were attired in emerald green velvet over mint green.

The wedding party received guests afterwards in the church fellowship hall. The multi-tiered wedding cake, which was decorated with fresh flowers, was served by Lori Gernau, Lori Scott and Shelly Stevens. Punch was ladled by Karen McClarty. Kelley McClarty and Kim Falter.



MRS. MARK McCLARTY ...nee Adeline Gallegly

Serving as centerpiece on the serving table was a silver candelabrum accented with pink and burgandy carnations and white sweetheart roses. Complementing the epergne were a silver punch bowl and coffee service.

The bridegroom's sister, Mrs. Kim Gillette, invited guests to sign the registry.

After a honeymoon trip to

Colorado Springs, Colo., the couple will be at home at 2047 S. Hughes St. in Amarillo. A graduate of Tascosa High School, the bride is employed by Santa Fe Credit Union. McClarty attended West Texas State University and Amarillo College after graduation from Tascosa. He is currently employed by Amarillo Lumber Co.

Guests Welcomed In Walser Home

Guests Day was observed by members of Summerfield Study Club Thursday afternoon with a Christmas programing the home of Mrs. Guy Walser.

A number of guests were introduced, including Zella Mae Crump, Lupe Alamanza, and Mmes. Jim Clark, Frank Huckert, James Dobbs, Charles Atchley and Bob Balden.

Mrs. Thurman Atchley was presiding officer during the meeting and the primary order of business was the packaging of ten Christmas boxes for shut-ins in the community. Mrs. R.B. Baker presented the topic for meditation.

A review of Fredrich Forsyth's book, "The Shepherd," was presented by Mrs. Mack Noland. This is the story of a young RAF pilot flying home for Christmas and his miraculous landing in darkness

and fog after failure of his plane's electrical system. Other members present were Mmes. Lee Curry, Ray Johnson, Earl Lance Jr., Earl Lance Sr. and Clayton Sanders.

Try, Try Again

Most people change occupations at least once in their working lives. The Conference Board notes. In fact, between 1965 and 1970 alone, almost one-third of the work force switched fields or job categories. The desire for increased earnings, better working conditions or more interesting work and the lack of opportunity in a particular field are key reasons for the change. Due to less-specialized skills and lower pay, younger workers are the most mobile. Two out of three persons switching occupations are under 35.

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Calendar of Events

MONDAY

El Llano Study Club, holiday dinner at 7:30 p.m.
Hereford Toastmasters Club, Caison's Steak House, 6:30 a.m.
Odd Fellows Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
Evening Lions, K-Bob's Steak House, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Alpha Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, Christmas party for husbands in the Jim Cramer house, 7 p.m.
Baptist Women of Summerfield Baptist Church, to meet at the church, 9 a.m.
Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, First National Bank, 7:30 p.m.
Rebekah Lodge, IOOF Hall, 8 p.m.
Planned Parenthood Clinic open at 101 Ave. E from 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Hereford TOPS Club 576, Community Center, 9 a.m.

Club Party Takes Place In Hall Home

Ten members of Farm and Ranch Club met Thursday in the home of Mrs. G.V. Hall for their annual Christmas party. Vesta Mae Nunley conducted the routine business session.

Mrs. Dan Hall and her children were welcomed as guests.

It was announced that the club's next meeting will be held Jan. 19 at K-Bob's Steak House with Mrs. Phillip Miller acting as hostess.

Others present include Dorothy Weaver, Fanny Rudd and Mmes. Miller, Elmer Combs, J.B. Odom, L.B. Worthan, Elmer Sorrells, W.W. Thomas.

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Home Decorating News

By Imogene McGee

CHRISTMAS CHAIRS are a popular gift selection for the man of the house....one of those roomy, comfortable chairs he can relax in for reading or watching his favorite team on television.

But in these days of Women's Liberation, it seems that the woman of the house should have her chair, too.....a suggestion which isn't as facetious as it might sound at first.

A woman's chair doesn't need to be as large as the average man's....but she will find just as much pleasure in it. The fact is that today's woman needs her hours of relaxation, often in the evenings when the day's work is done, for reading, sewing, watching TV or simply talking over the day's events. A favorite chair in a favorite place should be part of her decorative scheme.... just for herself.

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Laura Jones Hostess For Church Class

Members of Dorcas Sunday School Class, Temple Baptist Church, attended a Christmas party this week in the home of Laura Jones.

Class president Dolly Hathaway was in charge of the program. Mrs. Jones delivered the opening prayer, followed by a devotional presented by class teacher Corine Gandy and Virgie Duncan.

A humorous Christmas reading read by Roberta Blackburn

entertained the members. Lilly Pearl Townsend listed "The Ten Commandments of Christmas." Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served, including candies, cookies and coffee. In attendance were Grace Hester, Pauline Paul, Claudia Rountree, Myrtle Allmon and a guest, Evelyn Bozeman.

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HD Club Celebrate Yuletide

Members of Bippus Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Jimmie Bradley for their annual Christmas party.

Mrs. J.V. Perrin read a Christmas poem entitled "Cow-boys Christmas Prayer." Carols were sung and gift exchanging followed.

Refreshments were served with each member bringing her favorite yuletide dish.

Members present were Mmes. J.V. Perrin, C.F. Homfeld, Jerry Homfeld,

Cecil Blassingame, Jimmie Bradley and a special guest Mrs. Stone was welcomed.

Special Music To Precede Mass

The processional signaling the start of Midnight Mass will begin at the strike of midnight Saturday in St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

The high mass, to be celebrated by the Rev. Bernard McGorry, pastor, will be preceded by a musical program, scheduled to start at 11:15

The HD club will meet Jan. 11, in the home of Mrs. Charles Myer.

Saturday evening. Carmen Flood will direct the performance of Christmas hymns by the parish choir and selected soloists.

Donna Meyer will offer violin accompaniment with organists including Sharon Cramer, Carolyn Evers and Cheryl Betzen.

In addition to Midnight Mass, the Mass will be celebrated at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve and at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Christmas Day.

Deadly Wind

The cyclone that hit Darwin, Australia, on Christmas Day, 1974, reached wind speeds of up to 160 miles per hour. The storm killed 50 people and destroyed 90 percent of the city on Australia's remote north coast. An airlift evacuated half the 45,000 population. The code adopted for Darwin's rebuilding now bars structures incapable of withstanding cyclone-force winds.

DEAR ANN: I am the wife of a fire captain who has had it up to my scalp line with the ignorant, rude comments about his profession.

A typical remark came last night from a neighbor who sneered, "How much does the city pay your husband to park that fire car in front of his house all evening?" May I respond through your column?

DEAR NEIGHBOR: When you see the emergency vehicle in front of our home, it means my husband is on stand-by on his day off WITHOUT PAY. In case an idiot like you gets into some sort of trouble, he and his men are ready to give immediate help. While you were out bowling and drinking beer yesterday, my husband was fighting a blistering hot brush fire and making life and death decisions, not only for the people whose homes were endangered, but for the firemen who were fighting the fire. Now about all that "time

off": When he's off duty he comes home just long enough to shower and then leaves for school so he can keep current on the latest life-saving techniques. If, after that, he isn't attending a conference or a captain's meeting, he is giving classes (for free) for the Red Cross or the Heart Association. The rare night he's at home he tries to make it up to me and our little girl for being away on her birthday, last Christmas and Thanksgiving. THAT, neighbor, is what the city pays him for. — Just Burned Up

DEAR J.B.U.: Thank you for an excellent letter. I'm sure it opened a lot of eyes. Let's hope it shuts a few mouths.

DEAR ANN: I come to you with a sadness in my heart. Maybe you can help me live with it.

I've discovered my 20-year-old daughter is a tramp. Maybe in this liberated day and age she is not called that, but in my eyes, that's what she is.



Ann Landers Fire Breathing Wife

Should I tell my husband? Should I tell my daughter I know or should I keep silent? I wrote to you because I had to share my heartache with someone.

In enjoy your column and you've helped many others. Maybe you can help me. — Overburdened In Smithtown, New York.

DEAR OVERBURDENED: I'm not so sure your daughter is a tramp. Not every girl who loses her virginity deserves to be called by that name. You gave me no details. Is she going with one young man? If so, how long have they been seeing one another? Do they plan to marry?

I see no point in telling your husband what you've told me. Do discuss the situation with your clergyman, however. You might gain a better understanding of your daughter and feel vastly relieved.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Will you please tell me how often the wife's parents should come and stay with their married children and for how long? We both respect your opinion and would like a reply in the paper. — Him And Me

DEAR H. AND M.: Some in-laws shouldn't visit at all while others would be welcome whenever they wanted to come, for as long as they wanted to stay. Funny how the ones in the latter category never come too often nor stay long enough. Maybe that's why they're in that category!



January Bride-Elect

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Truby of Davenport, Iowa, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karla to George Diller of Houston, son of Mrs. Frances Diller, Route 1, and the late Marvin Diller. The couple plans to be wed January 21 in Bettendorf, Iowa. A graduate of West High School in Davenport, Miss Truby is employed by the Coca Cola Bottling Co. in Houston. Diller, who graduated from Hereford High School in 1973, received his associate degree from Texas State Technical Institute in Amarillo. He is employed by Corporate Aviation in Houston.

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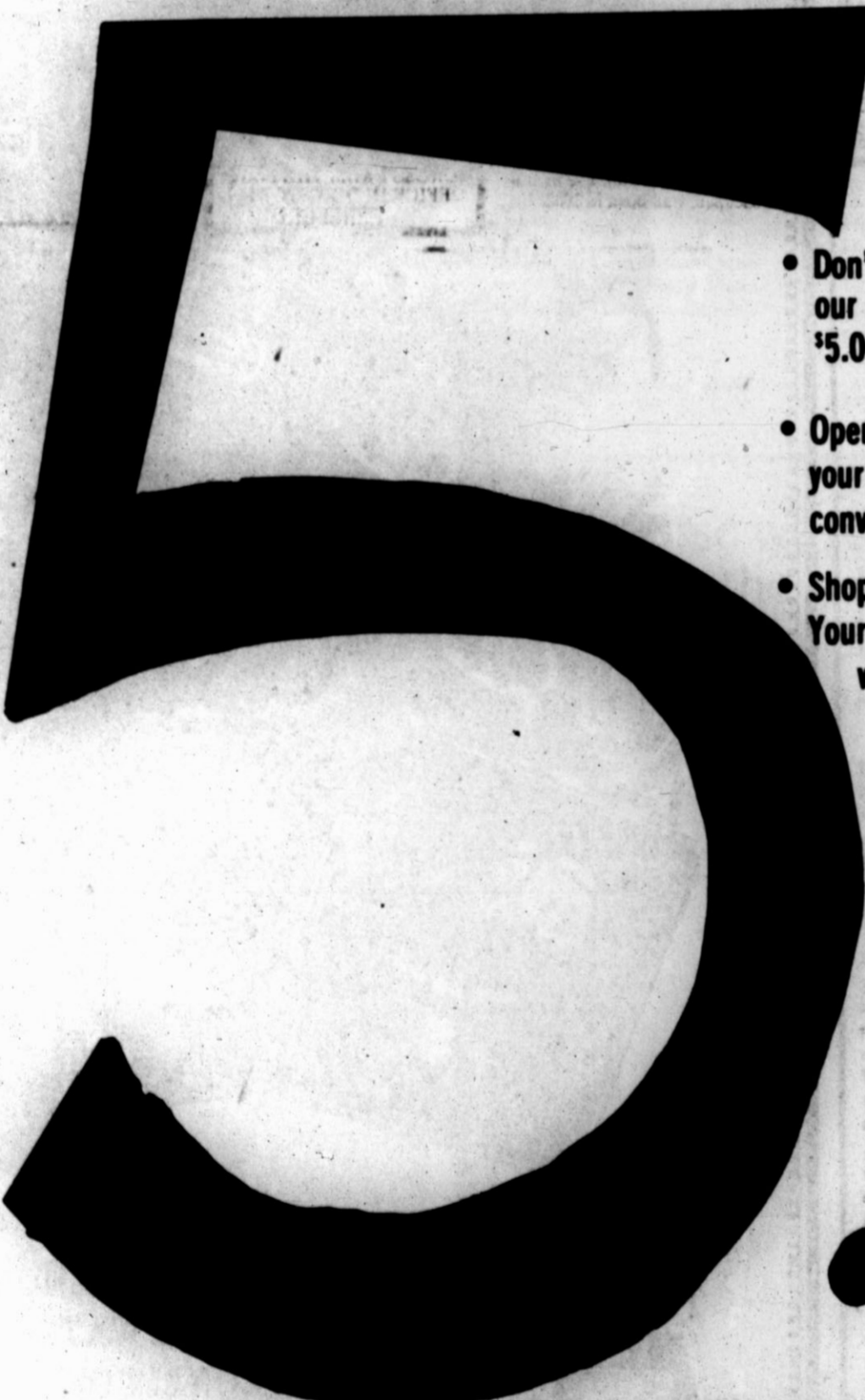


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Pageant To Begin Tonight

Hereford residents are invited to attend the Sixth Annual Nazareth Christmas Pageant, to be presented this evening, Wednesday and Friday in Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

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Red Cross Update

By BETTY HENSON



The Good Neighbor.

Local: Jim Simon and Max Brummett of Canyon have completed a class in First Aid for 16 students all of whom completed the class successfully.

National has reminded all of the chapters that Christmas could be a dangerous time for adults and children. A Christmas tree can burn a house down and toys can cut, choke maim or electrocute children. We hope by issuing reminders to keep the accidents at a minimum.

When shopping for a Christmas tree make sure it is fresh by making a diagonal cut in the trunk about two inches from the bottom and placing the tree in a stand with a water filled container. Replace the water as it evaporates. This will help make the tree more fire-resistant.

Set the tree up well away from

heat sources and use non-flammable decorations on the tree and throughout the house. Check all electrical decorations for frayed, cracked, or worn insulation, and inspect the plug for possible damage. Be sure not to overload electrical circuits. Disconnect tree lights before leaving the house or retiring at night.

The live Christmas decorations can cause serious illness if chewed or swallowed. Toys should be chosen carefully. Toys should match the age, ability and interest of the child. Although consumer groups have sought to bring dangerous toys to the attention of the public, the parents still have the primary responsibility for assuring that they are safe.

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DAR Good Citizens Honored as Guests

Los Ciboleros Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution convened Thursday with the regent, Mrs. C.F. Newsom, presiding.

Mrs. Charles Bell introduced the DAR Good Citizens, who were honored guests. Miss Kyla Poteet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Poteet, was cited as Hereford's Good Citizen. Miss Alayne Slover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slover, was the DAR Good Citizen from Springlake-Earth.

Sue James presented Mrs. Ira Ott as a special guest.

Mrs. Austin Rose Jr. gave an introduction to the history of American needle art. This was followed by a presentation by Mary Ann Carroll, who displayed and discussed examples of the various types of needle art. Among those samples shown by Mrs. Carroll were pulled work, needlepoint, crochet, shadow embroidery, cross stitch, candlewicking, patchwork, crewel embroidery, knitting, tatting and blackwork. The National Defense report

was given by Mrs. Rose, who discussed the Equal Rights Amendments and DAR's opposition to it, moral issues in the Panama Canal Treaty and "the face of evil" in Castro's Cuba.

Mrs. Arthur Clark reported that Lazbuddie students have submitted 59 entries. Springlake-Earth has 40 and Hereford had 204 essays in the American History Essay Contest. This year's essay topic is "Growing Up in Colonial Times."

Mrs. Jess Robinson reported the revisions in the DAR constitution and by-laws.

Hostesses at Thursday's meeting were Mmes. A. Clark, T.J. Carter, J.J. Durham and Miss Mildred Elliott.

Other DAR members present were Mmes. Curtis Traweck, LeRoy K. Williamson, J.R. Johnson, Michael Carr, Merlin Kaul, Alfred Smith, Clifford L. Brown, L.W. Norvell, Staa Knox, E.S. Brainard and Miss Bea Barrett. A guest was Miss Beth Clark.



DAR CHAPTER REGENT MRS. C.F. NEWSOM ...with Good Citizens Kyla Poteet and Alayne Slover

MARY ANN CARROLL ...presents needle art program to DAR

Kings Manor News

Seasons greetings from the residents and staff members of Westgate nursing unit of King's Manor Methodist Home.

Our December birthday party was a festive affair with the birthday cake decorated with each honoree's name, also a Santa with his sack done as part of the icing. The birthday table and the serving table were done in Christmas red with a miniature tree with twinkling lights as the center piece. Our honorees for December were as following Sarah Willoughby, Edna Doak, Glennie Hill, Sallie Turner and G.C. Davis. Each honoree was given a Christmas corsage.

Sallie Turner is the oldest member of the home she is ninety-seven.

The following people representing the Red Cross Chapter of Hereford were hostess for the party. Mrs. Ora Cockrell, Mrs. Isabel Claudio, Mrs. Gladys Braly, Mrs. Wilma Bryant, Mrs. Betty Henson, Mrs. Nell Culpepper and Ora Morgan.

After cake and ice cream was served to all of the residents, a program of Christmas carols was led by Ray Owens, music and youth director of the First Christian Church with Mrs. Nell Culpepper at the piano.

The Wakan Ki Lo Horizon have been active to the home this month as they made center pieces for the dining tables, decorated the Christmas tree, sang Christmas carols and will help with the Christmas Party for the residents.

The Palo Duro Home demonstration group made and brought Santa's for each resident. These are small and each Santa takes on a new personality when moved. These are tricky little fellows and we also appreciated the hanging of the door decorations that the members of this club did.

The word Palo Duro is very important or at least the people from the Palo Duro Baptist Church have made 12 sock dolls

to help the ladies in the sewing group and they also made 30 double knit lap spreads for the residents.

The Susanna Wesley Class from the Polk Street Methodist Church of Amarillo made twenty-two lap spreads that the members crocheted and presented to the home in honor of Rev. and Mrs. H.L. Thurston.

Many groups of young people have been out bringing cheer with Christmas greetings, singing Christmas carols and just visiting with the residents.

The Craft Ladies have been Mrs. Jean Holden, Mrs. Nancy Duncan, Mrs. Jean Trowbridge and Mrs. Ester Thuet.

Mrs. Margarita Cole has been faithful to come and help each Monday with sewing and what the residents have most enjoyed are her pumpkin bread and cookies. This has been a refreshment hour as well as sewing.

We have many volunteers to thank for the help with the Activity program and we just could not do it all without each of you.

Our Minister for the month has been Rev. McCarter of the First Christian Church. His young son David was welcomed by the residents.

Larry Howie came and led the singing the first Tuesday in December. He was helping Rev. Don Larkin. It is great when a Volunteer replaces his hour with another volunteer. Thanks to both of these fellows. We also have had Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boyer, Mrs. Nina Frances McMeans, Mrs. Ruth Long giving their time and talent, with the music.

We welcome Jeanette Perkins and Helen Kirkeby as part time workers to the staff of Westgate in the Activity Department.

Our Auxiliary ladies will be

furnishing refreshments for the Christmas Party which will be Friday December 23rd. at 3 o'clock. We invite you to come be with your family for Santa, the tree, the program and the refreshment time.

Our blessing on each of you that are helping to make this Christmas Party an hour to show we care.

Little Big Horn

On June 25, 1876, during the Second Sioux War, 36-year-old Col. George A. Custer and more than 200 soldiers of the 7th Cavalry were massacred at the Battle of Little Big Horn, Montana, by 3,500 Sioux and Cheyenne braves led by Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. President Grant had sent Custer to search out and destroy the local Sioux, who were finally defeated and forced to surrender on Oct. 31, 1876.

Anton Von Leeuwenhoek, Dutch pioneer in the use of microscopes, was born in 1632.

Somalia

The Somalia Democratic Republic is composed of the former protectorate of British Somaliland and the former Italian UN trusteeship of Somalia in eastern Africa. It is bordered by the Gulf of Aden, the Indian Ocean, Kenya, Ethiopia, and the French territory of Afars and Issas. It is about the size of Texas. The population is 99 percent Moslem.

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By JOYCE SHIPP
Deaf Smith County Extension Agent

SELF-BASTING TURKEY OFFERS CONVENIENCE
Self-basting turkeys are a convenient holiday cooking idea that does away with the time-involved task of basting, and they are available as whole birds or as turkey breast.

produce a more moist, tender bird when the dry-roast (uncovered) cooking method is used. Self-basting birds are injected with basting products that account for up to three percent of the bird's total weight.

Basting's purpose is to Butter, vegetable oil and

poultry broth are products commonly used for self-basting, and seasoning such as salt is sometimes included.
Since different processors use different basting products, consumers should check the label for products that best fit individual needs.
To cook a self-basting turkey, place it on a rack in a roasting pan. If poultry browns early in roasting period, lightly cover breast and drumsticks with aluminum foil or moisten a thin cloth with fat and place over

breast and legs to prevent overbrowning.
Follow package instructions for cooking time and temperature. Generally, for dry-roasting, turkeys are roasted at 325 degrees F. for about one hour per every two pounds for smaller turkeys -- and about one hour per every three pounds for larger turkeys.
Boneless turkey roasts from three to ten pounds require from three to four hours of cooking.

WOOL-A SUPER FASHION 'NATURAL'

Wool, today's "super fiber," offers fashion versatility, comfort, easy care, flame retardancy and long life--naturally.
Wool is a fashion favorite, woven or knitted into light-weight fabrics for summer or heavy coating fabrics for winter. It also blends with other fibers to create unlimited fashions.
In today's fashions, wool joins the fun-filled mood of Fall and Winter, 1977.
Tailored three-piece vested suits in wool-and-polyester blends add versatility to any wardrobe, while flowing capes and coats provide fashionable warmth.

Wool is warm and cool. Air trapped between wool layers becomes an insulating warmth. At the same time, wool traps moisture that can be cooling when air passes through to the skin.

Wools also are easy care. Many are now available as wash-and-wear, permanently pressed, permanently pleated and moth proofed fabrics. Also, wool doesn't soil or stain as easily as some fabrics.

In buying wool, always check the label for the recommended care instructions.

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Receiving Guests

Miss Rhonda Stephan, bride-elect of Gerald G. Payne Jr., is shown here during a bridal shower Thursday in the Armon Lauderback home. Shown

from left are Mrs. Gerald Payne Sr., Miss Stephan and her mother, Mrs. Weldon Stephan, and Mrs. Lauderback. [Brand photo by Lavon Nieman]

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Morning Coffee Fetes Miss Stephan Friday

A morning coffee and bridal shower honored Miss Rhonda Stephan, bride-elect of Gerald G. Payne Jr., Friday morning in the home of Mrs. Floyd Cole.

The couple are to be married December 29 in Frio Baptist Church.

Special guests included the honoree's mother, Mrs. Weldon Stephan, her fiancée's mother, Mrs. Gerald Payne Sr., and her grandmother, Mrs. Moody Stephen.

Guests were offered sausage

balls, egg-cheese fondu and pastries from a table laid with an antique lace cloth. Hot spiced tea and coffee were served from the home of Mrs. Floyd Cole.

In addition to Mrs. Cole, hostesses for the recent courtesy included Mmes. Earl Harkins, Eugene Baldwin, T.L. Sparkman Jr., Kenneth Fry, Andy Axe, Clark Andrews and Robert Dobbins.

Miss Stephan Honored In Lauderback Home

Miss Rhonda Stephan, bride-elect of Gerald G. Payne Jr., was honored Thursday afternoon with a pre-nuptial shower in the home of Mrs. Armon Lauderback, 113 Hickory St.

The marriage is scheduled Dec. 29 in Frio Baptist Church.

During the shower, Miss Stephan received guests with her mother, Mrs. Weldon Stephan, her fiancée's mother, Mrs. Gerald Payne, and the hostess.

The honoree's sister, Jill Morrison, invited guests to sign the registry. Mrs. Bill Car-

rothers served refreshments from a table centered with a multi-tiered arrangement of flowers and votive lights. The bride-elect's chosen colors of pink and burgandy were conveyed in decorations.

In addition to Mrs. Lauderback, hostesses were Mmes. Frank Barrett, Virgil Marsh, Gene King, Rudy Metz, M.W. Nobles, Walter London, Jeff Smart, Wayne Thomas, Kenny Gearn, H.A. Cavness, Harlan VanderZee, S.L. Garrison and Charles Balden.

TOGETHERNESS VIA JOB SHARING

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — The Minnesota governor's office is looking at the idea of allowing two employees to share a single state job, in certain cases.

Gov. Rudy Perpich says the aim is to reverse government policies which he feels are unsound because they tear families apart rather than promote family togetherness.

In some cases, he said, a hus-

band and wife might share a state job, each working half a day and each spending half a day with their children.

The first reaction of one state employees' union was cool, although neither the concept nor the response has been fully worked out.

The population of the Republic of the Philippines is estimated at 43,750,000.

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At Wits End

BY ERMA BOMBECK

A woman in the neighborhood who has chosen to remain childless announced the other day that she and her husband had found a solution to their empty nest. "Since children are so expensive and make such demands on your time, we've decided to adopt a doll. After all, they do everything a baby does and you don't have all the fuss and responsibility."

We stared at her in disbelief. Is it possible someone could be so naive?

"Look, Kay," I said, "I don't know how to tell you but dolls today are not your dimpled, soft rubber, huggable cuties that you take off all their clothes and sling under the bed. Dolls today move, and demand, and nag and nag and nag. There's Baby Comeback. When you turn her arms down, she walks away, but when the arms start going up she returns to you with arms outstretched and cries.

There's Baby Telefoam who yells, "Ma!" until you squeeze her to shut her up. There's Baby Won't-Let-Go that grabs tablecloths, fingers, walls, toys, people...anything, until her batteries go. And do you want to fall over Crater Crunchers and drive over Ultrasonic Scooters in the driveway?

"Baby Alive eats and fills her diapers all day long. Her brother comes with all the parts and you'll have to worry about their playing doctor.

"There's also Baby Heartbeat, who comes equipped with stethoscope and a thermometer and is sick all the time, and there's the baby who blows bubbles, slobbers all over you and another called Baby Pretend that hangs on the phone all day.

"Wait until you see Tippy Tumbles who stands on her hands to get your attention — and the Mashatron which when you reach out to strike it, the arms, legs and head fall off."

Kay thought for a moment. "So, I'll get an older child."

"You want a foot the bill for Cher's wardrobe and her dressing room with an American Indian motif? Or Suntan Tuesday who tans but comes with three homes? Or Pick up the tab for Barbie's interchangeable heads? Or Donnie and Marie Osmond's own TV studio?

"How are you going to run a home with a Bionic man and woman running around with their bionic ear, bionic eye and bionic arm? Not to mention the Micronaut Biotron who converts to a tank. Believe me, Kay, you're asking for trouble when you adopt Super Joe Commander. Press his back and he delivers a quick left or right uppercut."

"My husband wants a Farrah Fawcett-Majors doll."

Frankly, I didn't know Kay's marriage was that stable.

PCC Gets \$4,000

Project Christmas Card has passed the \$4,000 mark in this year's campaign by the Medical and Dental Auxiliary, but tardy donations will be accepted through Dec. 28.

The deadline has already passed for getting one's name included in The Brand's special Christmas edition, but late donations will be listed in the newspaper's Jan. 1st issue.

All proceeds are used to improve Hereford's health care system with this year's contributions to be spent on a second anesthesia machine for the hospital's surgery wing.

Late donations may be made at several city locations, including both banks.



The Wa-Ca-Tawasi Camp Fire group met Wednesday at the Community Center for their weekly meeting.

The girls then went to Westgate Nursing Home where they took Christmas gifts to their adopted grandmothers, Marie Huntley. The group also sang yuletide carols for members of the nursing home.

Members present were Rosie Garza, Trizie Sisk, Shirley Morrison, Sandra Rodriguez, Teresa Carr, Lauri High, Holly McNeese, and Tanya Jones.

Adult leaders are Betty Jones and Shirley Carr. The sponsor for the group is Panciera Tire Company.



MR. AND MRS. E.D. WATSON ...to be honored today at reception

Reception Today For E.D. Watsons

The 50th golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E.D. Watson will be celebrated from 2-5 p.m. today during a reception in the Medallion Room of the Rural Electric Cooperative.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend. Hosting today's reception will be the couple's children,

including Dorothy Atkinson of Amarillo and Martha Finch and Dean Watson, both of Hereford.

Thelma Flanagan and Dink Watson were married Dec. 18, 1927 in Marlow, Okla. They moved to Hereford in 1948 from Leonard. They are members of Pentecostal Church and have 12 grandchildren. He is a retired farmer and rancher.

Chapter Selects Service Project

Selection of a service project for the coming year was made Thursday night by members of Alpha Iota Mu Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, during a meeting at Hereford State Bank.

Brenda Thomas announced that the chapter would support the local campaign of the American Lung Association this spring. In other business, members voted on plans for spring rush.

Kathy Nixon presented the program on informal education.

Chapter members and their husbands held a progressive dinner Dec. 11 with the main meal being served at Hereford State Bank and progressing to the Gayle Cotten home for dessert. Couples attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Bob Nigh, Les Nixon, Bud Thomas, Eldon Howell, Larry Goree, Ray Meller, Jim Bower, Bobbie Decker, Terrell Hodges, Terry King and Joe Wallace. Also present were Carla Jones, Elaine Koch and Allene Mason.

Members present at Thursday evening's business session were the hostess Lynn Sciambato, Cathy King, Ginger

Wallace, chapter advisor Sharon Cramer, and Mmes. Thomas, Nigh, Jones, Goree, Nixon and Meller.

A WISE RECRUITER
NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Linebacker Oble Moore of Oklahoma bears his recruiter for the Sooners as a 10 on a scale of 10.

"I felt that he was not just interested in me as a football player," Moore said. "He also was concerned about me as a student, an individual and a friend. I can't say that I saw qualities like that in recruiters from other schools."

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Honey Offers "Sweet Deal" And Nutrition for Consumers

AUSTIN—Because of its high nutrient value and usefulness, one of the "sweetest deals" in Texas supermarkets today is honey, according to Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown.

"The rising per capita consumption of honey in Texas bears out its increasing popularity," says Brown. "Texas beekeepers are experiencing an increasing demand for honey by consumers who are becoming more interested in natural foods."

Brown explained that commercial honey is an unrefined substance composed mainly of two simple sugars which are easily assimilated by the body, and which require

little digestion. In addition, he said, honey is rich in Vitamins B and C, dextrins, amino acids, calcium and potassium.

Texas is one of the largest producers of honey in the United States, said Brown, and last year beekeepers harvested some 6,077,000 pounds. Production this year is expected to total 7,420,000 pounds. In addition, Texas beekeepers increased their apiaries by 3,000 colonies in 1977, bringing the total to 106,000.

"Although this has not been a particularly good year for beekeepers due to the hot, dry weather," Brown said, "total production is expected to be up."

Brown added that another of the important functions of bees, besides producing honey, is in pollinating vital agricultural crops, from alfalfa to watermelons.

The Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C., was dedicated April 13, 1943, the 200th anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birth.

The median income of full-time workers in the U.S. is expected to rise from \$9,945 in 1970 to about \$15,000 by 1985, according to a Conference Board study.

The ivory horn of the narwhal, or "sea-unicorn," is actually an elongated tooth that sometimes includes a rudimentary second tooth at its base. A 20-foot whale may have a tusk up to nine feet long.

At Today's Prices, It Pays To Know Facts on Firewood

AUSTIN—If you think the price of heating oil is high, have you looked at firewood recently?

America's Kids Need Proven Food Program

AUSTIN—The children of America deserve better than the trial and error approach being taken to formulate a national child nutrition program, says Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown.

Brown, in written comments to the Food and Nutrition Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), urged the development of a new sense of direction in dealing with the nutritional needs of U.S. children. Brown's remarks were submitted during a recent USDA public hearing on child nutrition.

Fadism in the language of nutrition was blamed for much of the misinformation being spread throughout the nation. Brown cited as examples the recent bad publicity about eggs and milk, which he termed, "two of our most respected sources of pre-packaged protein, vitamins and minerals."

A single female wasp produces enough venom to kill, 227,175 caterpillars, or approximately 50 pounds of insects.

Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown says that wood logs for the home fireplace are fast becoming a luxury fuel because of cost. Selling at an average of \$30 to \$35 a cord two years ago, mixed loads of green and dry firewood are now ranging from \$60 to \$95 over the state, with some quotes as high as \$120 a cord, he said.

Brown, whose department regulates weights and measures in the state, advised consumers to be aware of how much wood makes up a legal cord, and avoid buying by the pickup load or rick. "A rick can be a rip-off since there is no legal definition of that measurement," Brown warned. "And how many logs are in a pickup load?"

A legal cord of wood is defined as a reasonably tight stack of logs measuring four feet wide, four feet high and eight feet long, or 128 cubic feet.

Hospital Notes

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Steve Batenhorst, Iva Cocanougher, Marlene Daugherty, Lidia Deltora, Inf. Boy Deltora, Rupert Dowel, Rena Duckworth, Ezra Engliant, Delores Frerich, Valentin Garcia, Ruben Gutierrez, Ercilia Lafuente, Rafael M. Lopez.

Ramon Mireles, George Muse, Inf. Girl Panky, Ethel Belle Patterson, Rene Perez, Alois Schumacker, Zelma Warren, Ina B. Woods, Maria Villegas, Maria Ramos.

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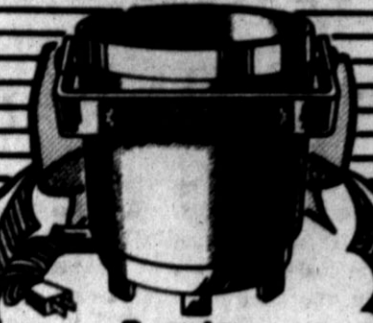
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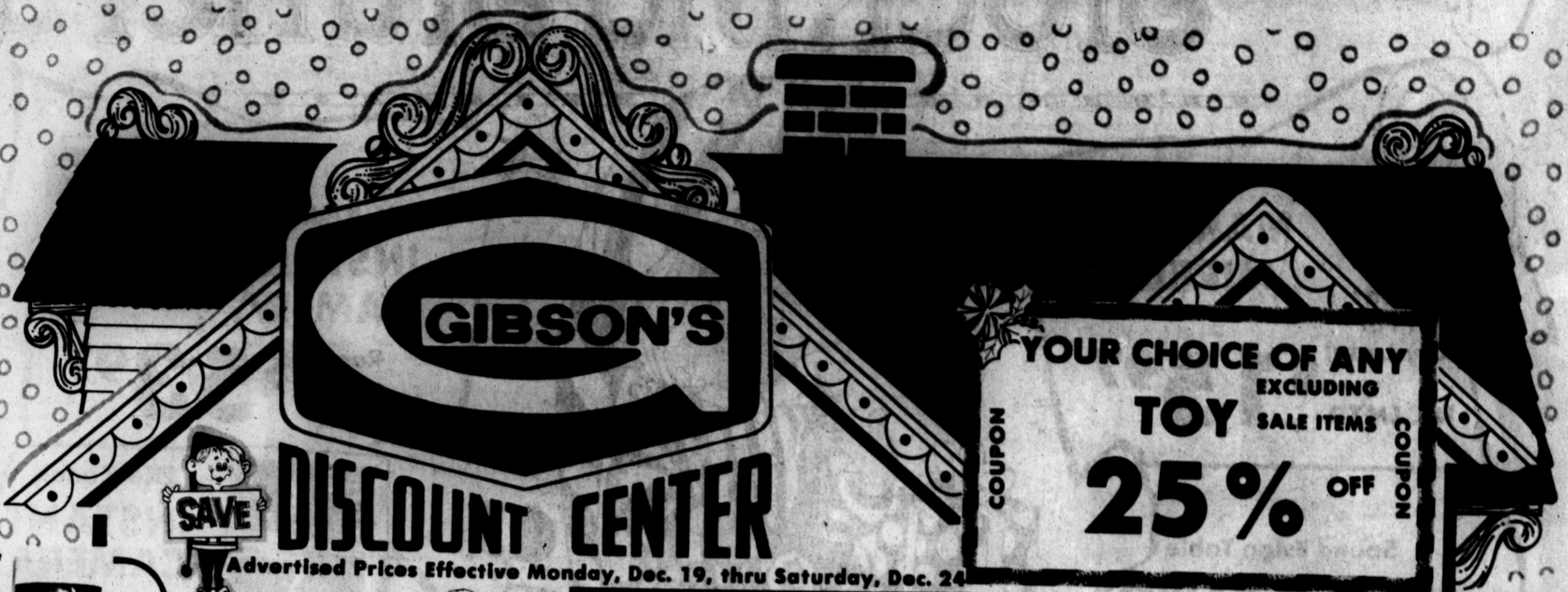
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In Farm Strike Picketing

Negotiation Key To Initial Successes

By THE HEREFORD BRAND Staff

Area supporters of the American Aggregators farm strike movement, called the strike a non-violent and peaceful negotiation through the courts prior to the start of the strike on Dec. 14.

The strike supporters found that they have well their "peaceful, walk-off" attitude was the first three days of the picketing during the year when they succeeded in securing a restraining order against the plant in Plainview after a month-long negotiation, and a number of food distribution firms in Amarillo.

The negotiation of a 24-hour shutdown on the part of the MBPKL Corp. packing plant at Plainview on Friday marked the first successful success of the strike supporters called "Phase I" of the farm strike movement in Plainview.

MBPKL officials from Wichita Falls, Texas, to Plainview, Texas, to meet with area farmers, after officials at the Plainview plant obtained a court order against picketing on Tuesday afternoon.

The strike came as a number of area farmers were wrapping up successful pickets in Amarillo, and virtually sounded the alarm for reinforcement of the strike on the picket line at Plainview.

When the court order came up to 125 strong, rolling into Plainview on Friday, MBPKL officials agreed to ask that the

court order be lifted, and after a lengthy period of negotiation, agreed to shut down their plant for 48 hours, retroactive to Thursday afternoon.

That agreement allowed the plant to resume operations on Saturday afternoon.

In addition, MBPKL officials promised to write letters to government officials expressing their support for the plight of the farmer.

In a statement made late Friday, corporation officials said, "It is regrettable that a request for a restraining order was made, but the company felt such action was necessary due to the perishable nature of the fresh meat and until formal negotiations could take place for disposition of the perishable product."

In exchange, farmers agreed to allow selected loads of meat to leave the plant, and only a token picket force was left at the scene following the post-negotiation announcements.

Greg Rystad, a Hereford farmer, expressed the satisfaction of area strike supporters over their first session of picketing activities when he stated, "We're tired, we're happy, and we won."

The farm strike movement got underway in the Panhandle shortly after midnight Wednesday when area farmers set up pickets at the warehouses of Affiliated Foods and Safeway, in addition to Tender Crust Bakery.

Later in the day, pickets were also established at the Borden Dairy in Amarillo.

All of the firms agreed to 24-hour shutdowns, and the only

incident in the first session of picketing occurred at the Affiliated Foods warehouse, where a truck drove through a group of picketers.

On Wednesday night, the pickets were shifted to Amarillo Packing Co., Plains Creamery Inc., Mrs. Baird's Bakery, Mead's Bakery, Panhandle Fruit Co., Nest Fresh Eggs and Freshe Bread.

Again, strikers met with quick response from the food distribution firms, each of which agreed to shut down for a 24-hour period.

Rystad reported that negotiation and avoiding violence helped striking farmers attain some of their goals during their first effort at picketing.

"We're rookies at this, but we accomplished something in our first effort. I think we have attracted a lot of attention to the bad situation that exists in farming today, and that is part of what we are after. And we attained our goals without violence, which I feel is a point in our favor," he stated.

Farmer negotiators obtained a pledge from one of the chief executives of the MBPKL Corp to personally convey a message to Washington D.C. that the firm supports the farm's plight.

"It was an impressive thing to see," said Rystad. "When there were only 20 to 30 farmers at the Plainview plant, there wasn't much effort at negotiation. But when farmers starting moving in from outlying areas and there got to be 125 tractors lined up on the road in front of the place, MBPKL began to take us seriously," he stated.

Rystad reported that at the height of the Plainview picketing, some 37 Panhandle and South Plains communities were represented at the picket line.

We split up into 16 groups representing our areas, and elected a leader from each group to take part in the negotiation," the Hereford farmer explained. "All of the farmers there felt like they had a part in the thing," he added.

Although some criticism was leveled at the picketing farmers in Amarillo when city residents felt their children's milk supply at school had been shut off, pickets did allow milk to be taken to hospitals, schools and rest homes, and the criticism was apparently unfounded.

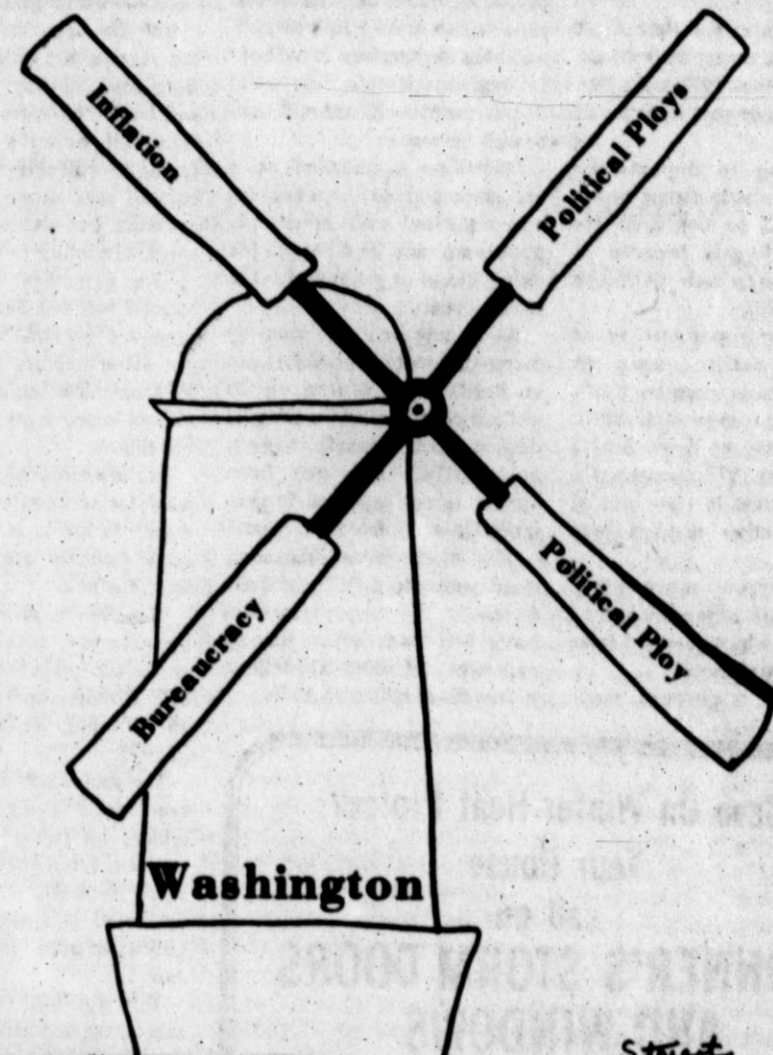
Ag movement spokesmen advised picketers to abide by the court order in Plainview on Thursday, and no incidents occurred, although Plainview police had expected trouble.

Numerous weary farmers made their way home for the weekend after the whirlwind tour of pickets, and Rystad credited those who made the trip from the Amarillo picket lines to Plainview with the success of the Plainview negotiations.

Now, strike movement supporters are looking to regroup and rest before launching what they have dubbed "Phase II" of the strike effort.

Ag movement spokesmen have stated that the second phase will be more active and of longer duration, but have declined to elaborate on activities.

And so, after their first round of demonstrations, ag strike supporters agree that they may have figuratively beaten their plowshares into swords, but negotiation is by far their mightiest weapon to date.



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Farm Machinery Sales Decline

WASHINGTON (AP) - Sales of farm machinery are declining, according to government statistics.

Types of tractors were down 3.5 percent from a year ago.

Moreover, sales of the big four-wheel-drive tractors - the most expensive kind - were down 24 percent.

If some farmers do decide to buy new tractors, they might find terms somewhat more favorable than in the past, the department's Economic Research Service said in a new outlook report.

The service said dealers "will be under heavy pressure to move this equipment out of their lots. To do so, some may raise trade-in allowances on used machines and grant more lenient terms of payment."

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Farm Income Not Expected To Improve

WASHINGTON (AP) - Despite attempts by American Agriculture to boost commodity prices by encouraging a nationwide strike, the odds favor another year of spectacular farm production and a tighter rein on farm income.

The Agriculture Department says that by the end of 1978, farmers will be even more deeply in debt and that land prices, after soaring for years, will have cooled off substantially.

Barring bad weather next spring and summer, department experts say that 1978 looks like another banner year in terms of farm output.

According to department economists, the livestock sector is expected to continue its expansion, largely because of relatively cheap corn and other feed, including:

- Four to 6 percent more grain-fed cattle going to slaughter plants, compared with this year. However total cattle slaughter may be down 5 to 7 percent from 1977 because of a large reduction in slaughter of cows and other non-fed beef animals.

- Ten percent more pork, continuing an expansion in hog production which resulted from cheaper grain prices.

- Four to 6 percent more

broiler and turkey production.

- Another rise in milk output of 1 to 2 percent from this year.

The outlook for 1978 crop production is much more uncertain. Wheat farmers are faced with a 20 percent acreage setaside program in order to qualify for 1978 federal price support benefits, and a 10 percent program has tentatively been announced for corn.

"While acreage may be cut in 1978, production inputs such as pesticides and fertilizer are expected to be in ample supply and should therefore contribute to large crop output," says the department's Economic Research Service.

"Fertilizer application rates are expected to increase on acres planted and no supply problems are indicated for either diesel or gasoline for the coming year."

As in any year, because so many different commodities are involved, not all farmers will do well or poorly in 1978. But the department experts agree, apparently, that net farm income is not expected to gain much, if at all, from this year.

The most recent measurement points to a 1977 net farm income - the amount farmers have left over after paying expenses - of about \$20 billion. It was \$21.9 billion in 1976.

It is this point with which the group calling itself American Agriculture is mostly concerned. The cash flow of farmers has been hurt the most by depressed market prices, mainly of grain, it says.

If farmers refuse to sell crops and not buy anything but essential products, market prices will go up, or else the government will have to step in with a better plan to help improve their incomes, the Colorado-based group says.

But the department, including Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland, assumes the strike will not be effective. Thus, the financial balance sheet for farmers collectively in the coming year shows some grim statistics but also a few bright spots, according to the experts.

The grimmest figure, of course, has not been officially projected by the department, but some experts believe that 1978 net farm income probably will not improve from this year's \$20 billion.

Meanwhile, on paper, at least, farmers continue to amass wealth in the form of land and other property associated with their business.

This Jan. 1, according to the department, total U.S. farm assets are expected to be worth \$729.6 billion, up 9 percent from \$670.9 billion at the beginning of 1977.

The assets are dominated by real estate valued at \$546.9 billion, up from \$497.2 billion last Jan. 1, but they also include bank deposits and currency estimated at a record of \$16.4 billion, up from \$15.9 billion last Jan. 1.

But against those record assets, the department says that this Jan. 1 farmers will owe a record of \$118.7 billion, up from \$102.7 billion last Jan. 1, a record climb at a single year of \$16 billion.

When total debt is deducted from assets, farmers now have an equity in their holdings of a record \$610.9 billion, compared with \$568.2 billion last Jan. 1, according to the report. That was a gain during the year of \$42.7 billion.

Thus, despite the record climb in farm debt this year of \$16 billion, the equity of farmers

what they would have left if they settled their bills - rose much more rapidly. The kicker is, however, that this is a paper indicator and does not tell much about the financial well-being of individuals.

Still, department experts say it is one of many valid indicators used in judging how farmers are doing. Another one is the "debt-to-equity" ratio which measures how much farmers owe against what they own outright.

Thus, as of Jan. 1 the ratio is expected to be 19.4, the highest since it was 19.6 on Jan. 1, 1973, the start of the best year farmers have ever had in terms of net farm income - some \$29.9 billion.

Looking more than a year ahead, the agency said total farm assets are expected to climb further next year and that by Jan. 1, 1979, should total \$782.4 billion, a 7 percent increase against a 9 percent climb this year.

"Real estate values are projected to increase by 6 percent during 1978," the report said. "This would be substantially less than the 10 percent increase now expected for 1977."

But farm debt is expected to gain a further 12 percent to \$133 billion by Jan. 1, 1979, from the \$118.7 billion estimated this Jan. 1.

The equity held by farmers in their land and other investments is expected to climb \$38.5 billion to \$649.4 billion a year from now. That would put the debt-to-equity ratio at 20.4 by Jan. 1, 1979.

The American League of Physical Culture, founded Dec. 5, 1929, in New York City, was America's first nudist organization.

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Farm News



Cement Dust May Become Feed

WASHINGTON (AP) - Experiments by Agriculture Department scientists show that cattle can gain weight faster and more economically if they are fed about a pound of cement dust each day.

Officials said that the tests were begun after three Georgia farmers fed cement dust to cattle last year and found the animals gained more weight than they would have otherwise.

The farmers were identified as Lee Barr, Carrollton; Deil Barnett, Collard Valley, and Sam Floyd, Pine Knot. They reported the findings to the department's Agricultural Research Service last January.

Consequently, William E. Wheeler and Robert R. Otjen of the agency's experimental staff in Beltsville, Md., set up a

controlled experiment involving 14 steers which were fed for 112 days.

Seven of the steers, which averaged 750 pounds, were fed a normal daily ration of 13.2 pounds of hay, 8.5 of corn and 3.2 of supplemental protein, minerals and salt.

The other seven received 13.3 pounds of hay, 10.9 pounds of corn and nine-tenths of a pound of cement dust. They did not get any supplements.

The dust-fed steers gained an average of about 3 pounds a day, compared with 2.3 pounds gained by those on the regular diet.

Officials said that although the tests are promising, no one is sure why cement dust causes cattle to gain weight faster and cautioned producers against

feeding the dust on their own until more research is done. Further, it has not been approved by the government as an additive for animal feed.

The dust results at kilns during the manufacture of Portland cement. During the process, about 12 percent of the cement mixture is filtered out of the air as dust, about 33,000 tons annually nationwide. Only a small amount is recycled for making cement or used for agricultural lime.

Wheeler said the dust is "high in minerals, particularly calcium - 27 percent" but that he is not sure just what it imparts to an animal's growth rate.

"Tremendous amounts of cement kiln dust are produced, not only in this country but in many of the developing countries," he said. "This opens up new avenues of research that could lead to low-cost production of quality beef."

Wheeler and Otjen, who is now director of the department's Meat Animal Research Center at Clay Center, Neb., examined the livers and other organs of the slaughtered dust-fed animals and found no abnormalities.

Further, carcasses of the dust-fed steers graded an average of top choice, compared with top good for the animals fed regular diets.

Unemployment Insurance To Begin in Agriculture Cotton Reserve Buildup Is Seen

COLLEGE STATION - Some agricultural employers will have to start paying unemployment insurance on their employees beginning next January 1, says a sociologist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. David C. Ruesink explains the two principle means of coverage for agricultural employers who hire 10 or more workers at least one day a week in each of 20 weeks in a calendar year or who have a total payroll equal to or greater than \$20,000 in any calendar quarter will be required to provide unemployment insurance coverage on their workers.

Premiums will be 3.4 percent on the first \$6,000 of each employee's wages during the first year-and-a-half to two years, explains Ruesink. Then an experience rating will be applied under which the premium under the present law would be .8 percent

and the maximum would be 4.7 percent, depending on the number of claims against the employer's unemployment insurance account.

There are two situations where work may be performed but employees are not counted as part of the agricultural employer's work force: (1) Agricultural workers who have a crew leader who holds a valid certificate of registration under the Farm Labor Contractor Registration Act of 1963 will be considered as employees of the crew; (2) Workers who are part of a crew doing custom work because they are considered as working for the custom operator.

Any agriculture employer who has questions about unemployment insurance may contact the nearest Texas Employment Commission office, suggests Ruesink.

A hurricane that swept through Florida in September 1935 resulted in the deaths of 409 persons.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A sharp increase in cotton production this year will mean the largest buildup of U.S. cotton reserves in nine years by the time the 1978-79 marketing year begins next Aug. 1.

The Agriculture Department said Monday that by then, the cotton stockpile may be about 6.3 million bales compared with 2.9 million left over last Aug. 1 when the 1977 crop was ready for harvest.

Last week, the department estimated 1977 cotton production at 14.4 million bales, up 4 percent from indications a month ago and 36 percent more than the 1976 crop of 10.6 million bales.

Officials said Monday that domestic textile mill use of cotton will be about 6.8 million bales, only slightly more than 6.7 million used in 1976-77.

Cotton exports were projected at 4.5 million bales, down from 4.8 million last season.

Thus, total "disappearance" in 1977-78 is expected to be about 11.3 million bales out of a total supply - counting the Aug.

1 reserve imports of one million bales and the new crop - of 17.4 million bales.

The report said also that corn exports are expected to be 50 million bushels more than had been projected earlier because of a larger demand in Europe for U.S. feed grains.

As a result, total corn exports in the current marketing year, which ends next Sept. 30, are now projected at a record of 1.75 billion bushels compared with about 1.68 billion last season.

Even so, corn stockpiles next Oct. 1 are expected to be more than 1.19 billion bushels, compared with 879 million this Oct. 1 at the beginning of the record 1977 corn harvest.

What figures were virtually unchanged from an earlier analysis a month ago. Exports are expected to be 1.1 billion bushels against 950 million in 1976-77. The wheat carryover next June 1 when the 1978 harvest is ready was projected, at nearly 1.19 billion bushels, up from 1.1 billion last June 1.

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By Jim Steiert

Brand Farm Editor



The little man can't afford to strike, the banker is going to want his money regardless, and it is nigh-onto impossible to legislate a major change in the economy overnight.

These are all factors in the farm strike movement, which saw its first sessions of picketing during the past week.

No one seems to have any answers, but a man whom I regard as an extremely wise country philosopher offered some observations on the strike last weekend.

"It looks like the seven lean cows are starting to eat up the seven fat ones," he commented.

"Things are going the full circle once more, and those who didn't prepare for the famine are in trouble," the philosopher continued.

"It seems like people are going to have to remember what their knees are for and bend those prayerbones a little bit before we get out of this

one. About the only time we ever remember The Man Upstairs is when we get in a tight. As long as things are rocking along pretty good, or we are still managing to scratch our way through, we don't seem to take much notice of Him. It's when things down here are at their worst that He enjoys His finest hour. Things have to get bad before they can get good, and when they get bad enough to get folks on their prayerbones, we'll probably make it out of this tight spot too," he stated quietly.

We are coming upon the most joyous occasion of the year, and in this Yule season, perhaps it is time to rededicate ourselves to the things which nourish the spirit, and trust that the Boss up there will help us to find a way to maintain our all-too-often selfish bodies, and lead us out of another time of trial.

TURN

There's never a better time to be on the farm than at Christmas.

A spirit emanates from the whole place as the Yule season draws near.

There's the family project of putting up a towering tree, which must be at least six feet tall to attain any air of respectability.

Today, there are only a few of the glass ornaments my folks used during Christmases when they were starting out.

But the decades have given them their own charm and tradition, and they are hung carefully from branches that give that honest-to-God Christmas smell to the place that stiff plastic can never impart.

Everything from the stand at the base of the tree to the ornament at the very top has some bit of Christmas past about it, and I guess that just adds to the feeling for the upcoming holiday.

There's the bustling of sneaking in gifts, getting them wrapped and slipped into place under the tree, to sparkle in the glow of colorful holiday lights.

The farm takes on a whole new air of hospitality at Christmas as she decks out in her best and adds an aura of tranquility to the landscape on a crisp December evening.

You can look out over the countryside beneath a cold and incredibly starlit sky, feel Christmas descend, and sense a renewal of faith and good will within.

Maybe the farm kitchen says it best at Christmas.

It is a warm haven from the cold when the round of evening chores is completed, and the cheeriness of the season must surely rise from that room where there is so much togetherness.

You know it's Christmas when you smell holiday magic in the form of the breads, cookies and candies that are made there by loving hands.

But mostly, you know it, because you can feel it as you gather in the only true "family room" there is.

Maybe the man who was born on this special day nearly 2,000 years ago was a shepherd, while you run pigs, cattle, and till the soil for grain.

But somehow you feel that He could come through the door, sit down in this room filled with warmth, break bread and know that He was more than welcome.

Texas Crops Report

Agricultural Activity Shows Signs of Slowdown

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - Agricultural activity is rapidly slowing down across Texas. A few farmers are still doing some harvesting while others are getting land in shape for spring crops. Ranchers are actively feeding livestock.

The major activity is cotton harvesting, and that is rapidly winding down, said Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Less than 5 percent of the crop remains to be harvested in the South Plains. Scattered harvesting continues in the Panhandle, Rolling Plains, Far West and West Central Texas.

Harvesting of citrus, sugar cane and fall vegetables is in full swing in the Rio Grande Valley. Some vegetables and citrus are also moving to market in the San Antonio-Winter Garden area.

Much of the state's cattle herd is going into the winter season in less than optimum condition, so feeding will be heavy, especially if adverse weather sets in. Green forage is limited over most of Texas, with small grains and winter pastures making little growth due to lack of moisture and cold temperatures. However, recent rains over eastern and some central sections should help.

Reports from district extension agents showed the following conditions.

PANHANDLE: Cotton has generally good yields. Irrigated wheat is doing well but that on dryland is suffering from lack of rain. Some dryland stands are dying. Cattle are grazing some wheat and stalk fields but supplemental feeding is increasing. Ranges are below average.

SOUTH PLAINS: Only about 5 percent of the cotton is left, this being north of Lubbock. This year's crop has been excellent. Ginning will continue for some time. Irrigated wheat is progressing well but that on

dryland is in poor shape. All ranges are below average.

ROLLING PLAINS: The cotton harvest is near completion; yields and quality have been good to excellent. Small grain planting is about complete, but rain is needed. Some stands are dying due to lack of rain. Greenbugs are also heavy in some early fields. Supplemental feeding is heavy.

NORTH CENTRAL: A few fields of peanuts and soybeans are still being harvested. About 15 percent of the pecan crop remains out. Small grains are making fair growth but grazing is limited. Livestock feeding and marketing is active.

NORTHEAST: Small grains are making excellent growth. All crops are in except for pecans. Grain yields were below average. The peanut crop was about average. The pecan crop is fair. Livestock are in fair to good shape.

FAR WEST: Farmers are wrapping up the good cotton harvest. Chili harvesting is near completion in El Paso County. Livestock feeding is active. Feeder calves are moving to market at much lighter weights.

WEST CENTRAL: Wheat and oats are making little growth. Ranges are deteriorating in most counties so that supplemental feeding is becoming necessary. Livestock are in fair shape.

CENTRAL: Cold weather and lack of rain are keeping small grain growth at a minimum, and pastures and ranges have little forage. This is putting pressure on stockmen to provide supplemental feeding. The pecan harvest is about complete, with shows being held in several locations.

EAST: Good rains should continue to boost small grain growth and improve the winter pasture situation. However, cold weather has hampered

growing conditions. The pecan harvest is about complete; the crop was light. Livestock are in fair to good shape but are showing some shrinkage. Lice are active in some swine herds.

SOUTHEAST AND UPPER GULF COAST: Flax planting in Jackson County is at the halfway point. Pecan harvesting is active, with the crop ranging from excellent to poor. Oats and ryegrass are providing grazing. Most cattle are in good shape.

SOUTH CENTRAL: A few peanuts and pecans are still being harvested; yields and quality of both crops vary widely. Pasture and range conditions are below average, making livestock feeding necessary. Cattle are in fair to poor shape. Some land is being prepared for spring crops.

SOUTHWEST: Harvesting of citrus and such fall vegetables as bell peppers, tomatoes, spinach and carrots is active. Stockmen are busy with supplemental feeding and culling of herds. Wheat and oats are starting to provide some grazing.

COASTAL BEND: Flax planting is complete, with rain needed in some locations. Wheat and oats also need moisture. Some pecan harvesting continues. Livestock are in fair shape, with supplemental feeding active. Farmers are busy with land preparation.

SOUTH: Some soybeans are

being harvested in Cameron County; yields and quality are varied. Citrus and sugar cane harvesting is in full swing. Harvesting of bell peppers is active along with squash and peas. Carrots and cabbage are in light supply. Cattle are receiving supplemental feed due to declining range conditions.

Potato Inventory Up

WASHINGTON (AP) - The inventory of potatoes in storage as of Dec. 1 totaled 205.3 million hundredweight, 2 percent more than a year ago, according to the Agriculture Department.

The largest part of U.S. potato production is in the fall crop. As of Dec. 1, the eastern potato producing states had about 34.9 million hundredweight in storage, up 7 percent from a year ago. The supply in Maine was 23.3 million hundredweight, compared with 20.6 million last year.

Stocks in the central states totaled about 45.4 million hundredweight, a gain of 26 percent from Dec. 1 of last year.

The inventory of potatoes in the West totaled about 125.1 million hundredweight, a decline of 6 percent from 1976 "due to significant reductions in Oregon and Washington."

Coeds Active In Making Agriculture Woman's World

LUBBOCK -- Ask any farm or ranch wife from yesteryear, and she'll tell you agriculture is a woman's world-tending chickens, milking a cow, and even helping in the fields.

Agriculture still is a woman's world, but in a way grandma never dreamed possible.

Coeds are studying everything from agricultural engineering to animal science and, what's more, they're landing good jobs.

In Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences 270 undergraduate women are enrolled in nine departments, and another 27 are in graduate programs. The number represents 18 percent of the 1,505 undergraduate total and 15 percent of the 180 graduate students.

The largest numbers are studying animal science, plant and soil sciences, and park administration or landscape architecture.

Dr. William F. Bennett, associate dean of the Texas Tech College of Agricultural Sciences, said that nationally more than 30 percent of the agricultural sciences students at higher education are women.

The high percentage, he said, is accounted for primarily in that natural resource management and environmental sciences are areas included in colleges of agriculture in many schools. These are particularly attractive to women, he said, and in some eastern schools more than half the students enrolled are female.

The first person to earn the doctor of philosophy degree in agricultural sciences at Texas Tech was a woman, Dr. Margaret Briley. Her primary interest was animal nutrition. She received the degree in 1973 and then joined the Texas Christian University faculty.

Helen Howe, KDAV radio farm director, is a graduate in animal science, and she was the

first woman radio farm director in Texas. She was awarded her degree in '73.

"The enrollment of women in agricultural sciences began increasing significantly about a decade ago," Dr. Bennett said. "We have found that industry welcomes women, and as graduates they compete well with men for jobs and salaries."

Some who come from farm and ranch families return home in management roles, he said. A few enter veterinary medicine. Some go into government service, particularly from the areas of park administration and range and wildlife management.

Nursery management and nursery marketing employ graduates who have majored in horticulture. Some graduates teach vocational agriculture. Others join industry. For instance, one woman graduate is now a marketing representative for an agricultural chemical firm. Another works in market development for the same company.

From food technology, graduates work in areas of quality control and regulation in the food industry.

Of the 270 undergraduate women students in Texas Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences, 12 are in agricultural economics, four in agricultural education, one in agricultural engineering, 59 in animal science, eight in entomology, seven in food technology, 59 in park administration and landscape architecture, 76 in plant and soil sciences, 32 in range and wildlife management, and 12 have not declared majors.

Of those in plant and soil sciences, Bennett said, most are majoring in horticulture.

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ICA Promoting Use Of American Beef

AUSTIN — National attention has been focused on a unique new project initiated by the Independent Cattlemen's Association which promotes the use of American produced beef in consumer food products, according to T.A. Cunningham, ICA president.

The project includes the distribution of red, white and blue window decals proclaiming the exclusive use of domestic beef in food products and food preparation to restaurant and retail store merchants. Decal promoters say they hope to see the decals displayed in food establishments throughout Texas and the rest of the country in the months to come.

The decals read, "This Establishment Serves Only American Produced Beef." The beef promotion campaign is a cooperative effort of the cattlemen's association and the Independent Food and Energy Producers, Inc., a national

group also headed by Cunningham.

Details of the project were unveiled before a congressional committee holding hearings in Scottsbluff, Neb. on a bill requiring labeling and tighter inspection of imported meat and dairy products. During his testimony, Cunningham told the Congressmen that the strong popularity of the decals proves that there is a deep, grass-roots support in America for domestic beef products over foreign products.

"The cattle ranchers in this

country are by nature a very independent breed," the Goliad rancher told the congressional committee, which included Charles Thone of Nebraska, Keith Sebelius of Kansas and Bob Poage and Jack Hightower of Texas. "Over the years as the need for promotion of our products grew, we adapt our cattle production to match the quality and variety asked for by the American public. This effort to adapt to consumer needs kept the rancher on his ranch and he was not able to look for new markets and support of his

products."

However, Cunningham said, "The members of the Independent Cattlemen's Association and the Independent Food and Energy Producers, Inc., feel that it is our responsibility to promote our domestically produced meat products. In living up to this responsibility, we are starting a nationwide campaign to encourage restaurants and retail food outlets to use our meat products."

The decals are available from officers or the staff of both groups headquarters in Austin.

Meeting Scheduled On Drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has officially announced that a public meeting will be held Jan. 16 "to seek more efficient means" of reducing illegal quantities of sulfa drugs which have been showing up in the nation's pork supply.

Sources indicated that the government was about ready to talk over the problem with the swine industry and that a meeting was in the works for mid-January. The department announced the meeting Monday.

In addition to department officials, the Food and Drug Administration also will be represented, Assistant Secretary Carol Tucker Foreman said.

The FDA has the responsibility of enforcing regulations to keep additives from exceeding specified limits, while the department is supposed to monitor meat supplies for the chemicals during meat and poultry inspection.

In the case of sulfa drugs, which are used by farmers to boost swine growth and to prevent certain types of diseases, FDA allows up to one-tenth of 1 part per million sulfa in pork.

Tests for the third quarter of this year showed that of 4,426 samples checked, 614 contained sulfa in excess of the FDA

maximum, a violation rate of 13.8 percent. Most of the drug shows up in pork livers but some also occurs in the red meat tissue.

Farmers are supposed to withdraw feed containing sulfa drugs from animals in enough time before they are sold to slaughter plants so that the chemical is dissipated naturally.

Vaccinations Needed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department says that farmers, particularly in the South, need to pay more attention to vaccinating calves against brucellosis.

"The practice of routinely vaccinating heifer calves is especially desirable for herds in the relatively high-risk areas of the South," according to Frank J. Mulhern, head of the department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. "But it's also desirable for northern dairy herds that

produce many of the replacement heifers for Florida and other southern states."

Mulhern's recommendation was included in a background paper this week on the brucellosis problem. Also called Bang's Disease, brucellosis has been the target of federal and state eradication efforts for many years but still costs farmers an estimated \$30 million annually.

Eleven states currently account for more than 90 percent of the nation's cattle herds with brucellosis problems.



Beef Decal Displayed

Congressman Charles Thone of Nebraska, Texas Congressman Bob Poage, T.A. Cunningham and Congressman Keith Sebelius of Kansas show off the new window decal which will be used to proclaim exclusive use of domestic beef in food products and food preparation by restaurant and retail store merchants. The decals are part of a beef promotion campaign which is a joint effort of the Independent Cattlemen's Association and the Independent Food and Energy Producers, Inc.

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Russians Won't Purchase Over 15 Million Tons

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soviet Union has virtually closed the door to buying more U.S. wheat and corn this year than officials here already have been saying it will purchase.

For at least two months, the Agriculture Department has been counting on the Soviets to buy 15 million metric tons of grain for delivery in 1977-78 year which will end next Sept. 30.

The United States earlier this fall gave Moscow permission to buy up to 15 million tons without further discussions. Under a five-year agreement, the Soviet Union is committed to buy at

least 6 million tons annually and can have up to 8 million tons if it chooses without further talks.

After giving approval for up to 15 million tons, department officials have said repeatedly that they expect the Soviet Union will take the full amount, probably 10 million tons of corn and 5 million of wheat.

After a meeting with Soviet officials, Assistant Agriculture Secretary Dale E. Hathaway said in Moscow this week that he was informed that Russia will buy "substantially more" than 8 million tons of grain, but not more than 15 million tons.

During the agreement's first

year, which ended Sept. 30, the Soviet Union bought about the minimum of 6 million tons of wheat and corn. So far for the 1977-78 year, sales to the Soviets of about 6.4 million tons have been reported to the department by private exporters. That includes about 4.1 million tons of corn and 2.3 million tons of wheat.

A metric ton is 2,205 pounds and is equal to 36.7 bushels of wheat or 39.4 bushels of corn.

Another related development reported in Moscow at a meeting of the Supreme Soviet, was that this year's grain harvest turned out to be 195.5

million tons. Although sharply less than last year's record harvest of 223.8 million tons and about 8.3 percent below Moscow's initial goal of 213.3 million tons for 1977 production, the new figure is slightly more than had been estimated.

On Nov. 2, Moscow issued its first 1977 harvest estimate of 194 million tons, about 10 percent less than the 215 million U.S. experts had forecast.

There had been rumors in the private grain trade that the 194 million tons might be substantially more than the actual Soviet harvest and that Moscow would seek much more U.S. grain than had been indicated.

But with this week's new estimate now slightly higher than 194 million tons and the indication Moscow will not seek more than 15 million tons of U.S. grain, those speculations appear incorrect.

Thus, barring a dramatic change in the current outlook, the Soviet Union will not buy more than 15 million tons of U.S. grain this year.

This means that market prices already have been adjusted to those prospective purchases and probably will not react much further unless Russia pulls a surprise and decides to ask the United States for permission to exceed 15 million tons this year.

Holly Promotes Lind

COLORADO SPRINGS. — Robert O. Lind has been promoted to eastern district engineer for Holly Sugar Corporation, replacing J. Kelly Vandel who retired Dec. 1 after 41 years of service.

Lind has been assistant to Vandel since Jan. 1, 1977 in preparation for his new position. Prior to that he had been master mechanic at Holly's Hamilton City, Calif. plant for six years and the Brawley, Calif. plant for seven.

He joined Holly 30 years ago in Colorado Springs and was transferred to the Worland, Wyo. plant as an electrician. A year later, he was transferred to Brawley as an electrician and remained there four years at which time he was promoted to assistant master mechanic of Holly Alvarado, Calif. plant.

Ten years later, he was transferred back to Brawley as assistant master mechanic. He is a graduate of Aitkin, Minn. high school and Colorado Springs vocational evening school. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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Ag Can Aid Energy Squeeze

The combination of increasing fuel prices and sagging crop prices has created concern about the economic effects of energy shortages on individual farmers, rural communities, specific regions, and the State.

The influence of energy availability and cost has received increasing emphasis in the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and related agencies. Drs. Wayne A. LePori, agricultural engineer, and Ronald D. Lacewell, agricultural economist, are two of the scientists working in this area.

In 1974, an assessment was made of energy consumption, conservation, and needs in Texas agriculture. Pumping irrigation water was found to consume more energy than any other individual practice on the farm. From two to three times more energy is used for pumping irrigation water than is used for tractor and other machinery operations.

However, this energy input is justified by the fact that more than 60 percent of the value of agricultural crops is produced on irrigation land. Another important factor in irrigation pumping is that most of the energy is obtained from natural gas for which de-

mand and price are high.

The large quantities of energy used for irrigation have prompted several studies directly concerned with energy availability and costs. Lacewell says, "A 1975 study showed that limiting fuel supplies to farmers would cause changes in crop production patterns."

"Natural gas curtailments in the High Plains would cause a reduction in irrigated acreage in proportion to the percentage reduction in amount of energy needed. Producer net returns would be lowered about one-half the percentage of gas curtailment. For example, a 10 percent reduction in energy availability will result in about a 10 percent reduction in irrigated acreage and a 5 percent reduction in net returns."

Break-even natural gas price relationships show that rising fuel prices will tend to reduce levels of irrigation, reduce value of irrigated land, shift cropping patterns, and shift location of production.

Fuel can be the major cost of owning and running pumping units. This places new emphasis on selecting equipment to achieve high pumping plant efficiency. More investments can now

be justified for equipment to obtain higher efficiency. It is extremely important to match pumps, engines, and wells to achieve high efficiency. This reduces cost per acre foot of water pumped.

Design tests by TAES engineer Bill Lyle at Lubbock, show that new irrigation wells can be engineered to achieve high productivity. Careful attention given to the method of drilling, logging, selecting and installing screens, and developing a well will result in lower energy costs for pumping water throughout the life of the well. This energy savings can easily offset the extra expense.

Other research by Lyle is underway on the High Plains on "mobile trickle" irrigation. This system uses a moving water conveyance unit similar to center-pivot machines except it operates at very low pressure. Small dams are placed in the furrow, and small distribution lines coming from the main water conveyance system place precise amounts of water in the small "reservoirs." This system not only will save significant amounts of energy, it will reduce the amount of water needed to obtain present yields.

"Entire new crop production systems have been developed which provide energy reductions," LePori says. "Cotton breeders have developed short-season varieties which permit new pro-

duction techniques.

Results of a system developed for the South Texas Region showed that yield was increased 43 percent, cost of production was reduced 43 percent, and energy use per pound of lint was reduced 56 percent. These systems are being used; however, more research is needed to optimize all of the pest management, irrigation, fertilization, and cultural practices to obtain maximum output per unit of energy used.

"The practice of analyzing soil for traces of previous fertilizer applications and applying only needed fertilizers makes maximum use of the applied fertilizer."

Small-scale, low-technology methods are being developed for making energy on the farm. Agricultural residues, forestry residues, and crops are all potential sources of energy. These renewable resources offer opportunities for entire new farming enterprises centered on energy production.

The potential energy from residues is about the same as on-farm fuel purchases. Forestry residue also contains a significant amount of energy which could be used to decrease dependence on fossil fuels.

Several residue sources have been identified as unique with good possibilities for energy conversion. An interdisciplinary research group formed at Texas A&M University is studying alter-

native methods for scale, on-farm energy production from agricultural biomass (residues).

Determining the best use of agricultural biomass will help agriculture overcome some of its present problems of dependence on fossil fuels. Even mesquite, which has long been a nuisance to ranchers, may be viewed as an important energy resource in the future.

"If research and development of new technologies of energy production in agriculture and other industries are given top priority, and conversion of energy in all areas encouraged, agriculture will be able to meet the energy challenge," Lacewell concludes.

Editor's Note—Any questions regarding this column should be addressed to Science Writer, Dept. of Agricultural Communications, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.

Tarpon Attempting Coastal Comeback

AUSTIN—In the fall of 1975, a rare event occurred along the upper Texas coast — for the first time in many years evidence of a tarpon spawn was discovered in Galveston Bay.

The initial discovery was made in September of 1975 by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department coastal fisheries biologists who, while seining a drainage ditch at Seabrook, netted several young-of-the-year tarpon.

The significance of this find was underscored a month later when an employee of the Houston Power and Lighting Company discovered a large school of tarpon, some no longer than four inches, milling near the company's Pasadena Deep Water Power Plant's thermal discharge in the junction of the Houston Ship Channel and Vince's Bayou.

According to P&WD biologists, the tarpon that appeared in the Seabrook ditch and Houston Ship Channel probably were born in the shallow Gulf during the summer of 1975

during which time a number of large tarpon were spotted off the upper coast.

Throughout the winter and spring of 1976, the young tarpon remained in the channel near the plant's thermal discharge where the water temperature remained 10 to 16 degrees warmer than average Galveston Bay temperatures.

Within the past couple of months the small tarpon, now grown to 30 inches, have reappeared, indicating they are surviving well and scattering throughout the coastal waters of the upper coast.

In late summer, a 30-inch tarpon was caught by an angler fishing in Lake Sabine, marking the first time in 35 years a tarpon has been caught in that bay.

Then in October several approximately the same size as the Lake Sabine fish were netted by P&WD fisheries biologists in the course of routine fish samplings along the upper and middle Texas coast.

In addition to those caught in

the Galveston Bay system, one tarpon was netted in Matagorda Bay, while two were netted in Aransas Bay.

Considering that capture of tarpon in nets is rare even in areas where the fish are abundant, the recent nettings of small tarpon were encouraging P&WD biologists.

This sudden appearance of young tarpon in coastal Texas waters does not conclusively mean they are back to stay, but certainly this species is trying to make a comeback.

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PESTICIDES NOT YET RESTRICTED—Until a final list of restricted use pesticide ingredients is released by the Environmental Protection Agency, Texas farmers and ranchers are free to use any pesticides currently on the market without obtaining certification, says Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown. The inset in the above photo shows the warning which restricted pesticides will have to bear in the future.

Pesticides Not Restricted Until EPA List Released

AUSTIN—Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown reminds Texans that until an official final list of restricted use pesticide ingredients is released, all proposed ingredients can still be sold throughout the state.

Brown noted that the first proposed list of ingredients was released by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on Sept. 1, but has not yet been revised or made final.

Entomologists with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) estimated that it will be December before the first revised list is released by EPA. The federal agency, which is in charge of the national pesticide program, had changed its earlier plans to release a complete list of all restricted use ingredients by Oct. 21.

Commissioner Brown said that TDA entomologists will continue their testing programs throughout Texas to certify commercial pesticide applicators in order to be ready when the first restricted products become available in labeled form.

After final publication of the first list, manufacturers and formulators will have up to 90 days to label as restricted those products under their control. An additional 90 days will also be allowed for changing those labels which are already in trade channels.

All restricted products will bear a warning label: "Restricted Use Pesticide—For retail sale to and application only by certified applicators or persons under their direct supervision."

Department Captures Deer For Mexico

AUSTIN—Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists and technicians were out in the field this week trapping a shipment of white-tailed deer for stocking in Mexico — the latest in a long series of cooperative efforts between the two wildlife agencies.

About 100 deer will be provided to officials of the Mexican wildlife agency for stocking in fenced parks and preserves in the Mexico City area, according to Ted Clark, wildlife division director.

"We've had a tremendous amount of cooperation on wildlife matters through the years with Mexico, and we feel both Texas and Mexico can profit by this kind of relationship," Clark said.

The whitetail project began last year when the department rounded up approximately 200 animals and Mexico transported them to their new homes.

Clark said the deer shipment is not considered a direct trade with Mexico, but Texas has received the benefit of Mexico's wildlife resources in recent years — most notably in bighorn sheep transplanting from Mexico's Baja California area to the Big Bend area of Texas.

The Texas deer were trapped from several sites — including some private ranches — where there are surplus populations. Mexican wildlife specialists have frequently observed department techniques in wildlife capture and transport, Clark said, and this week the personal photographer for Mexican President Lopez-Portillo was to be recording the deer capture on film.

Clark said the white-tailed deer population is low over most of Mexico, and the authorities there plan to use the Texas deer as brood stock for eventual stocking in depleted areas.

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Comic strip panel: 'WELL, NO WONDER YOU GOT CAUGHT, ERNIE... YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO WEAR A MASK WHEN YOU SHOPLIFT.'

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by Art Selson

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by Howie Schneider

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HOMES FOR AMERICANS

Here's How Brighten a Shut-in's Room With Holiday Cheer

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

Is there such a thing as an all-purpose adhesive?

Not if you mean an adhesive that does the best possible job in every instance regardless of the type of material on which it is being used. While there are some adhesives for almost anything, you will find them excellent only in some cases, so-so in others and poor in still others.

The much-publicized cyanoacrylates, for example, hold some materials — such as metals and glass — in an incredible bond, but aren't at their best with porous materials such as wood and leather. When used, only a drop is needed and, as the labels are required to state, must be used with great care so that none gets on the skin.

A strong contender for the "almost" all-purpose adhesive is epoxy, but it isn't the best seller because it is fairly expensive. It comes in two parts, one of which is the adhesive itself, one a hardening agent.

They must be mixed just before use. While a strong, durable bond is produced within minutes after application, a wait of an hour or so is required for the bond to become fully cured. The proper temperature for this union to reach maximum strength in so short a period of time is about 75 degrees Fahrenheit.

Mixing of the two parts should be done on a clean surface or in a paper cup which is free of wax. I have found that the simplest way to handle this is to squeeze some of the adhesive onto a piece of clean paper with no print on it, then

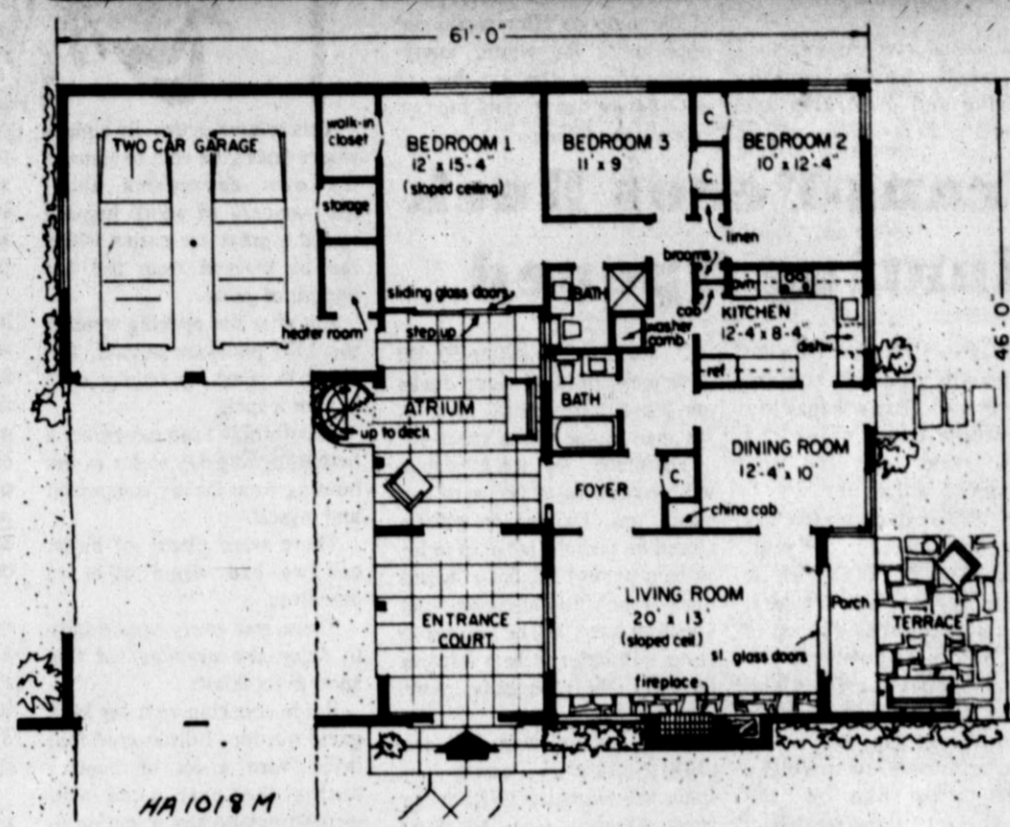
squeeze out an equal amount of the hardener right next to it (if you run one into the other immediately, it is difficult to judge when the amounts are equal). I then use a wooden toothpick to mix the two, wait half a minute and then apply the mixture to both of the surfaces to be joined. Only a thin layer is required, after which the surfaces are put together at once. Most of the time I find the toothpick an excellent spreader.

The first time you use an epoxy, you will have a tendency to squeeze out more of the adhesive and the hardener than you need for a single application. Try not to do so, because the mixture cannot be saved.

Epoxy adhesives handle such materials as metals, glass, plastics, ceramics and wood, among others, and can be used to repair china, ovenware and anything that comes into contact with water and heat, since it is both waterproof and heat-proof. Another good feature is that it has excellent void-filling properties for joining parts with uneven mating surfaces.

There are numerous other quality adhesives, including the white glues, the clear plastic cements, the rubber or neoprene-based mastics, the contact cements, the metal bonders, the many wood bonders and dozens of specialty adhesives.

While the multiplicity of adhesives on the market is likely to be confusing, make it a point to read the label before you buy to see if the product fits your need. Be certain the label specifically mentions the material you will be working on. The absence of such mention can be significant.



INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR walls of this one-story Spanish-style home are of concrete block and the roof shingles are of clay tile. Rudolph Matern's Plan HA1018M provides three bedrooms and two bathrooms and is built on a concrete slab. Total size is 1,324 square feet, not including the garage, atrium and entrance court. For more information, write to the architect—enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope—at 89 East Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, N.Y. 11501.

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures

Christmas is the ideal time to pamper the bedridden.

A room occupied by an ill person is often the dreariest room in the house whereas it should be made the cheeriest.

Looking at the idea from the vantage point of the sick bed, what would please the ailing one?

How about a remote control unit so that the TV dial might be controlled more easily by the captive viewer? And how about that reading matter that is absently removed from the bed area or falls to the floor? A useful item is a long-handled pincers that serves as an extra hand in picking up anything from a small coin to a book.

A reading stand that folds flat to be used as an eating tray is another convenience item. A subscription to the local newspaper is a good companion gift. Attach a copy of the paper to the stand when you gift wrap it.

Or how about one of the new designer series telephones — Mickey Mouse is one idea. He has certainly had a lot of experience in dispensing cheer.

Contour bed pillows offer comfort and ear-muffs are useful in shutting out annoying noises. A number of other items may be used as pain relievers — moist-heat padded collars and body covers that operate without water or chemicals.

A sheepskin pad can be used under bedsheets to relieve soreness. These can be found in some medical supply stores and through some sheep grower groups.

Lamb's wool-lined heel protectors can be good stocking stuffers. So, too, loose lamb's wool which can be taken out of small packages and formed into little beribboned rolls of fluff for the Christmas stocking. These can be used to relieve corns by wrapping bits of it about toes.

As for grooming, instant curlers release a fine mist for longer lasting curls and are designed to keep hair looking good between washings.

In bringing cheer into the sick room, trim a plant with little ornaments, ribbons or even little fluffs of the lamb's wool.

There are other ways to provide cheer — very little effort

is required to turn ordinary drinking glasses and punch cups into handsome bedtray accessories.

Acquire ball point paint tubes, wash each piece of glass or pottery to be decorated with baking soda and water, rinse and dry with tissue paper to avoid finger marks. Tape a little design (holly, wreath, Santa Claus, tree) inside a clear glass and prepare to paint the design on the outside, following these instructions suggested by the Vogart Crafts people who advise that these paints may be used also on fabric, leather, metal and other surfaces.

In working with a paint tube hold it vertically, press down lightly so the paint will flow easily through the ball point tip. Following taped designs, blend the paint to achieve attractive shadings. Apply dark colors first, blend the lighter shades over them before the first application dries. Wait at least 48 hours before washing the glass and do not paint-ed glass in the dishwasher. For maximum durability after painting, bake the glassware in a 275 degree oven for about 25 minutes, and cool slowly. Never bake plastic.

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Here's the Answer

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Q. — We put down asphalt tile on the concrete floor of our basement, which has never been damp in the eight years we have lived in the house. Now some of the black cement we used is seeping up between the tiles. Is this due to floor dampness? What can we do to correct the condition? Can we use kerosene to rub off the black marks?

A. — That last question first. By no means should you use kerosene. It will damage the asphalt tile, not to mention that it is dangerous to use indoors. The condition does not appear to be caused by floor dampness. It is almost certain that you put down too much adhesive or failed to follow the manufacturer's directions in some other fashion. Unfortunately, the condition may continue for quite a while. What you will have to do is to scrape up every bit of cement every time you spot some of it, then rub the area with a mild soap and water. Rinse thoroughly with a clean rag saturated with cold water, then dry with another cloth.

Q. — Why do insulation blankets have vapor barriers?

A. — With a vapor barrier, insulation is prevented from absorbing moisture. If there were no barrier, the insulation would get wet and lose much of its effectiveness. That's why it is important, when installing insulation, not to tear the plastic, metal foil, brown paper or whatever is being used as a barrier. Even the tiniest tear can permit the entry of moisture and, in time, have the same disastrous effect as if no vapor barrier were used. When the barrier has been punctured or ripped accidentally, it should be immediately patched.

Q. — I thought your readers would be interested in an old trick I learned many years ago when I was a professional painter. When you pour paint from one can into another can or container, it can get kind of messy if you aren't using a funnel. I discovered that if you hold a clean wooden stick across the opening of the can with the paint in it, the paint will flow freely and easily into the second can. Grasp the can with three fingers and a thumb, using the index finger to hold the stick vertically in place as you pour.

A. — I tried it and it works well with a small can. With a large can, both hands must be used as you pour.

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Winter Recreation Requires Extra Preparation In Texas

COLLEGE STATION — Even though Texas has a reputation for mild winters, recreationists should be aware that variances are significant enough to warrant special preparation.

"There are two myths concerning winter recreation in Texas," according to Pat Taylor and Bob Evans. "One is that winters are mild enough to not require special preparation for outdoor recreation activities; the other is that there is not opportunity for 'snowbelt' recreation."

Taylor is a recreation and parks specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Evans is a trail and waterway planner with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

River recreationists, for example, should not assume that the same casual dress and behavior used on a canoe trip in July can be applied in January, note Taylor and Evans. Water levels on Texas' rivers often are

higher in the winter while water temperatures are considerably lower. The results of a spill could be more disastrous if one has not taken the precaution of packing extra clothes and matches in a sealed container (a double plastic trash bag will do). The risk of hypothermia (severe lowering of body temperature) is much greater in winter, particularly in the spring-fed streams and rivers of Central and West Texas. This risk becomes quite serious when water temperature nears 50 degrees F. or lower.

As far as the snowbelt myth is concerned, Texas winters do offer opportunities for hiking, snow-shoeing, ice skating or cross country skiing, point out the two recreation specialists. While long-lasting or severe cold is not dependable, it is not uncommon either, particularly west of a line from Wichita Falls to Del Rio. Ice skating is the most risky activity, of course, and should not be done unless one has the knowledge and equipment for measuring thickness and strength of the ice.

Recreationists in the mountain country and in the Panhandle-South Plains region of the state normally have several opportunities each winter to ski tour, even if they never leave a city park or the neighborhood. "With a little more commitment, coupled with at least a three-inch base, some interesting back country may be explored on snowshoes or cross country skis. Even if the country isn't interesting or new, the skiing is fun," say Taylor and Evans. "Obviously, the deeper the base, the better the traveling."

As for cold weather camping, they both agree that the same basic equipment utilized in the summer will suffice, with the possible exception of a slightly heavier sleeping bag. Recreationists west of the Wichita Falls-Del Rio line, however, should be prepared for the severe cold which is typical of winter in the desert, mountains

and plains. "In that region campers and day-use visitors alike should make preparations similar to a trip to the Rockies. In fact, with the fast movement of the Arctic cold fronts, coupled with the extreme variances normally found in desert settings, daily temperature ranges may be greater than those of the higher mountains," point out Taylor and Evans.

Traditional recreation activities, such as swimming, canoeing and picnicking are seasonal in Texas. However, as

social patterns change, such as year-round schools and the subsequent spreading of family vacation periods from summer to a twelve-month basis, more Texas recreationists will discover that many summer activities can be carried into the cooler months. They will also discover that while Texas has little potential to develop a significant winter recreation industry, parts of the state do offer occasional opportunity for winter enjoyment without the expense of out-of-state travel, note the two recreation officials.

Trans-Pecos Duck Hunting Opened

AUSTIN — Hunters have hit their favorite waterfowl hotspots in the Permian Basin thanks to a last-minute court order and Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission action.

The 1977-78 duck season was to have been closed in this year, by order of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, but a federal court suit brought by a group of duck hunters thwarted the federal agency's efforts and allowed the state to reopen the season Dec. 11-Jan. 22.

The controversy revolves around protection of the Mexican duck, a species which is not considered endangered in Mexico but is on the U.S. agency's rare and endangered list.

Meanwhile, late word from the Fish & Wildlife Service indicates the status of the Mexican duck is being reviewed by the agency. A news release said the duck may be reclassified from "endangered" to "threatened" or removed from the list altogether.

The release cited a New Mexico Game and Fish Department study that reports almost 90 percent of all Mexican-like ducks saved as museum specimens from the United States were actually Mexican-mallard hybrids.

It said about 15,000 to 50,000 genetically pure Mexican ducks are present in Central Mexico, the main range of the species.

Therefore, the duck season will proceed as usual, with two exceptions: The season will be closed on mallard hens, in order to help protect Mexican/hybrid ducks which they resemble; and shooting hours will be sunrise to sunset, in order to help hunters identify their targets more effectively.

The area involved includes eight counties south of Interstate Highway 10 from the New Mexico line to Fort Stockton, from there south along U.S. Highway 385 to Big Bend National Park and along the western edge of Big Bend to the Rio Grande.

Local DU Chapter Possible

Want to get involved with the Ducks Unlimited program on the local scale?

If you're interested in forming a Ducks Unlimited chapter in the Magic Triangle Area of Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties, write to Jim Steiert, Outdoors Writer, The Hereford Brand, Box 673, Hereford, Texas, 79045, or call 364-2030.

Representatives of the DU organization are available to assist in getting such a program going here, if sufficient interest is shown.

Maryland is named after British Queen Henrietta Maria, wife of Charles I.



This column is usually a place where I can give vent to some of my own daydreams about the wonders of sport hunting and the great memories which can be derived from the fair pursuit of game.

But after the opening week of the 1977 pheasant season, I'm about to climb up on my soap box for a spell.

I don't think I can remember a better opening day so far as the hunting went for my companion and myself.

There were plenty of birds, and we had virgin cover to ourselves.

There was every opportunity to enjoy the grandeur of this sport at its finest.

But in checking with our local game warden, I discovered that there were a lot of hunters during the past week who weren't paying any attention to the game laws dictating that only cockbirds may be bagged, and there were a few who couldn't have cared less about "fair chase" or the "sport" in the term sport hunting.

Hereford Game Warden Chuck Cosper, who covers Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties reported that he filed more cases for illegal shooting of hens during the first week of the 1977 pheasant season than he can ever remember filing in this area before.

You'd think with fewer hunters out this year, that so-called hunters wouldn't have to resort to shooting hens and endangering the population of one of our area's most important gamebirds.

The Magic Triangle has borne up amazingly well under some incredible hunting pressure over the past few pheasant seasons.

But, for the most part, those who have taken to the fields in search of ringnecks have confined their shots to legal cockbirds, and the pheasant

population can withstand a lot of pressure when this practice is adhered to. In fact, we have a surplus of roosters every year, and harvesting them is a wise procedure.

But even if we see fewer hunters in our area on opening weekend, we can't expect to have such an excellent population of these highly-sought-after gamebirds for very long if hen shooting becomes commonplace. The basis for the production of these gamebirds could be decimated in short order.

Hen shooting accomplishes nothing more than endangering a valuable wildlife resource and a valuable recreational opportunity for our part of the world. True sportsmen cannot tolerate it, and should not.

One of my other gripes about pheasant hunting concerns a practice which has become common with a few individuals who are apparently set on slaughtering every bird around.

The whole idea of sport hunting is the "fair chase" principle, in which the hunter must work for his game and earn the right to put it in the gamebag. The game has a sporting chance, in other words.

There are a few among us who tarnish the term sportsman, because they are too lazy to get out, work the bird covers in the traditional way, and take their ringnecks in a one-on-one situation.

These people stretch cables between two vehicles and drag them through fields, followed by pickup loads of gunmen who mow down whatever is forced to fly up by the oncoming cable.

These gunmen sit back and ride, and have to do nothing more strenuous than load their guns, aim and fire.

Great sport, huh? The crying shame in this matter is that it is perfectly legal. Although area game

wardens have nothing kind to say about this practice, they are powerless to do anything about it, because the gunmen aren't breaking any laws unless they kill hens or shoot over their limit.

But there are a few unwritten laws among dedicated sportsmen and those who care for our wildlife, and this practice is a flagrant violation of such standards.

I know our local game law enforcers would like to see this "dragging" practice outlawed, and I don't believe there's a caring sportsman who doesn't agree.

Hunting from a vehicle is for those who have no other way to do it. I would have no word of criticism for a handicapped individual who had no other way of bagging a pheasant, and managed to bring down a ringneck by firing out of the pickup. Such a person would get my respect for his dedication to the sport.

But there is no respect to be given to the able-bodied individuals who want a machine to do everything for them. Why don't they just rig up a computer to do the actual shooting as well and stay home? Looks like there wouldn't be a whole lot of difference in that and what they're doing now.

I don't feel we can allow such unsportsmanlike conduct on our area's upland covers. We can stop it by speaking out against "dragging" at the county wildlife regulations hearing to be conducted here sometime early next year.

And we should take every opportunity to see to it that such slaughter is terminated.

Sport hunters stay busy enough defending themselves these days. Let's police our own ranks and get rid of this slobbish practice.

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Pheasant Hunting Report

Opening Weekend Success Is High; Hen Shooting Takes Alarming Jump

By JIM STEIERT
Brand Outdoors Writer
Pheasant season in the Texas Panhandle has entered its second week, and although the large concentrations of hunters that were prevalent on opening

weekend probably won't be present for the final week, plenty of good hunting opportunities still await those who venture afield.
Chuck Cosper, Hereford-based game warden with the Texas

Parks & Wildlife Dept. reports that hunters in the Magic Triangle area of Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties enjoyed success similar to last year on opening weekend.
"I feel like most of the

pheasant hunters did pretty good. We pulled a few road checks and most of the sportsmen I checked had bagged at least one rooster. We figured that hunters probably averaged about 1.5 birds each again this year on opening

day," said Cosper.

The personable warden explained that he didn't feel there were as many opening day hunters in the area as has been the case in recent years.

"I think we had more hunters going south of us this year. The Plainview, Tulia, Silvertown area drew some hunter attention. Opening day was a little chilly, but I don't think the weather was much of a deterrent. I've seen a whole lot worse weather on opening day and the fields were full of hunters," he stated.

Cosper noted one disturbing trend during this year's opening weekend. A large number of those hunting were illegally bagging hens.

"I've filed a lot more cases on shooting hens this year than I have in the past," said Cosper.

A case in point was a hunting party south of the Hart Community.

The party included one Hart resident and several men from Lubbock and Abilene.

A check by a game warden revealed that the group of 12 men had 16 pheasant hens in its possession.

Cases were filed on five of the men in the party and those individuals were fined \$120 each before the Castro County Justice of the Peace.

The maximum fine could have run \$200 per bird, or a whopping \$3,200.

The minimum fine for shooting hens is \$25, and the Castro County J.P. set a figure of \$37.50 per bird in fines for the five offenders.

Cosper reported that he also encountered some hunters who were firing numerous shots at hens in the Oklahoma Lane vicinity in Parmer County during the past week.

"If those guys had killed every hen they shot at, I would have been out there writing citations on them all day," he

commented.

Cosper emphasized that the shooting of hens constitutes not only a violation of state game laws, but represents a breakdown in the observance of safe gun handling rules.

In addition, shooting hens deprives law-abiding sportsmen and landowners of the potential for good pheasant populations during the next year.

"When a hunter fires at a hen, he has failed to properly identify his target. One of the cardinal rules of gun handling safety is to always be sure of your target before you pull the trigger," Cosper explained.

"Every pheasant hen represents the potential for at least eight more pheasants for the next year," he continued. "The season is set up with the idea of harvesting the surplus cocks, because a ratio of one cock to four or five hens is extremely workable, and in fact, desirable. But when you kill a hen, you have beaten yourself out of that many more pheasants for the next year. And when we take into account the natural mortality rate among upland gamebirds we need those hens in order to keep our population at a healthy and highly-huntable level," the game warden added.

According to Cosper, first-time pheasant hunters will often shoot at hens by mistake, until they learn to properly identify them. He pointed out that there are some typical characteristics that help identify hens in the field.

"An old rooster will usually squawk when he comes up, while a hen will simply jump up and fly without making any noise. The hen's wingbeats have sort of a high, whistling pitch, while the wingbeats of the cocks are heavier. And of course, the hens are dull colored and have short tailfeathers, while the cocks are multi-color-

ed and have long tailfeathers," he explained.

Pheasant season continues through Christmas day, with the bag limit two cockbirds per day and a possession limit of four.

Shooting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30

minutes after sunset daily. Hunters should find less competition for the available birds as the season winds down, and areas that large parties have not hunted should provide good opportunities for bagging ringnecks.



EXCITING TO SEE ON THE RISE, BUT DON'T SHOOT

PHOTO BY JIM STEIERT

... Pheasant hens aren't fair game

Bighorns Are Moved

AUSTIN — Texas' beleaguered desert bighorn sheep are facing new trials in their struggle for survival.

The bighorns, harassed by predators and other challenges from a rugged environment, will say goodbye to the brood pasture on the Black Gap Wildlife Management Area which has been primary home in the state since their introduction in the late 1950s.

The herd suffered the loss of all four lambs born last spring, as well as four adults — and mountain lion predation was suspected in several of the cases.

Eight of the animals will be moved to a brood pasture on the Chilicothe Ranch in Presidio

County, and two rams will be released this spring in the Sierra Diablo Mountains area in Culberson County where there currently are five penned animals and 10 in the wild.

Better control and protection of the remaining herd is the reason behind the latest moves, according to Charles Winkler, big game program director for the department.

The desert bighorn sheep was once common in the mountainous areas of West Texas, but the herds were extirpated by the turn of the century — because of disease and perhaps excessive hunting by mining crews.

The department has been attempting for the past 24 years to get new herds reestablished

in the rugged Big Bend area, but with limited success so far. Bighorns were initially brought in from Arizona to reestablish the species in Texas. Last January six animals from

Mexico were released at the Black Gap Wildlife Management Area.

Currently the total bighorn population in Texas stands at approximately 35 animals.

Record Fish Certified

AUSTIN — If there ever was any doubt about the tailrace at Denison Dam below Lake Texoma being a striped bass hotspot, it's forever laid to rest. Back in December of 1974, John M. Smith of Pottsboro

hailed out a state record striped there weighing 27 pounds, 5 ounces. Then, on October 30 of this year, Robert Haas of Sherman caught a 28-pound, 4-ounce beauty out of the same area to establish a new state record.

Haas' fish measured 39 1/2 inches in length and 24 inches in girth and was caught on live bait.

The fish was certified by the Texas State Fish Records Committee of the Parks and Wildlife Department.

The department also recently certified a new saltwater state record barracuda, caught by Henry Ed Foerster of Universal City on July 24. The fish weighed 46 1/2 pounds and was caught 26 miles southeast of Port Aransas. The former record was held by Mark E. Johnson of Houston with a 45-pounder.

"The Star Spangled Banner" was adopted as the U.S. National Anthem by act of Congress March 3, 1831.

View From The Plains

BY J. D. PEER
TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPT.

OUTDOOR HAZARDS
LUBBOCK — Outdoor adventures in Texas are meant to be enjoyable and if the hunter or fisherman is successful, an added bonus of wild fish or game only adds to the trip, but only those outdoor travelers prepared for natural hazards of a times encountered in the "wild" will come home without a scratch.

Preparing for the trip to the field should include a first-aid/snakebite kit; insect repellent, protective clothing (hunter-blast orange and thorn and snake proof leggings or boots), soap and chlorine (laundry-bleach).

After arriving at the campsite, avoid setting your tent near rodent burrows or in cabins with rodents. A display of food for the trip might bring out the rats and mice during the night and contaminate the supplies.

Make sure you observe good sanitary management for garbage and sewage disposal and purify all drinking water by boiling or chlorination. To use the laundry bleach for purifying drinking water, mix one tablespoon of bleach for each gallon of water. To sanitize utensils and gloves with the bleach, mix one cup of bleach per gallon of water.

Beware of bold "tame"/friendly wild animals. The

animal might have a disease or be a carrier of rabies as "friendly" animals are not normally found afield.

Protect hands while dressing wild game by wearing rubber gloves. Some wild animals might transmit a skin disease if your hands have open cuts or a sore.

Cool all bagged game as quickly as possible and refrigerate the carcass upon arrival at your residence or locker. Keep the meat covered from flies while in camp and cook all game meat thoroughly.

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East Texas Deer Stocking Breaks With Traditions

AUSTIN — Sometimes increasing the dosage is all that's needed to make a medicine work.

That's the basic premise on which Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists are approaching deer stocking programs for East Texas.

They're in the midst of a three-year program designed to boost deer populations in Henderson and Nacogdoches Counties. The program is based on a cooperative effort between department biologists and landowners to infuse local deer

habitat with a large deer release — about 100 animals per year — for three consecutive years.

"In the past, about 25 deer were all we ever released in one area," said Charles Winkler, program director for big game. "For a number of reasons, it seems that this kind of stocking just was not enough to overcome losses and significantly increase the herd."

Instead, Winkler explained, the present plan is proceeding thus: Several hundred landowners have been contacted and asked for their assurance that

deer will be protected on their property for the three years of the stocking program, and for five years thereafter, if necessary; the deer are being trapped and rapidly transported to release sites to minimize losses; each shipment is approximately 50 animals and they are released at different locations within the restoration area.

Winkler said there are a number of possible reasons why smaller-scale releases in the past have achieved little success. One is that the East Texas deer range contains a large number of small, privately owned acreages which make protection and monitoring of release programs more difficult.

The habitat in these release areas appears to be sufficient to support increased deer populations, Winkler said, so the department is not wasting the animals. "It appears that the population has declined to the point that normal reproduction just is not enough to replace losses suffered by the herd each year. Hopefully, this addition of 300 healthy animals over a three-year period will push them over the hump and allow the herd to expand."

Department biologists are watching the project closely, because they believe that if successful this new technique will represent a significant advancement in deer restoration.

Survey Shows Goose Count Down

By JIM STEERT
Brand Outdoors Writer

If you've suspected that goose numbers in the Panhandle aren't what they were at this time last year, you're correct.

Max Traweck, waterfowl biologist with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. completed the major portion of an aerial waterfowl survey during the past week, and reported that goose numbers are down substantially.

"The wind was too high to fly on Friday, but we did complete our survey to the east, west and south to Amarillo, and have only the area to the north of the Canadian River to go," said Traweck.

"The goose numbers are down everywhere, with a count of approximately 40,000 geese registered," he added.

Traweck's figures compared with a population of some 60,000 geese counted during the December survey in 1976.

Traweck conducts waterfowl surveys annually during Dec-

ember and January, the months of peaks in the populations of ducks and geese in the local area.

Drought served as a factor in the decline in this year's December goose count.

"Lack of water is one of the main factors in the low count," said Traweck. "From the plane, it was unbelievable how many dry playa lakes we saw in this part of the country. I don't think things can get any dryer," he added.

The biologist pointed out that weather is also a factor. "We haven't had the cold weather we encountered prior to the first count last year. We had quite a bit of cold weather and several snows early in 1976, and we just haven't had any of that this year," he said.

Traweck singled out the goose concentrations he spotted in the local area, reporting that groups of geese were noted

between Hereford and Vega near the Ford and Farmers Corner communities, while a small concentration was also spotted southwest of Dimmitt.

The majority of the geese spotted were lesser Canadas, according to Traweck, while approximately 400 snow geese were observed.

He added that a few geese were also seen between Canyon and Umbarger, but the dry Buffalo Lake refuge was holding no geese.

While goose numbers were down, Traweck reported that an unusually high number of sandhill cranes are still lingering in the area.

"There were a lot more cranes than normal for this time of the year, and this far north," said Traweck. "We saw quite a few between Amarillo and Vega and a good concentration east of Amarillo in the White Deer and Panhandle area. The cranes are still migrating through and taking their time, because the weather hasn't been a big factor

in pushing them on through to their winter grounds. They prefer shallow lakes, and since most of the plays in the area are almost dry, there are a lot of them around," he explained.

The Canyon biologist will conduct another waterfowl survey in the area in late January, and reports that "another good bunch of geese" could make their way into the area by that time.

"If we have some cold weather up in Colorado and the feeding fields up there get covered up, there will probably be more geese down this way. But if the weather stays the same, we may maintain our present numbers or see our count drop off some," he concluded.

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Bald Eagle Recuperates

AUSTIN — A young bald eagle is recuperating in a raptor center in Round Rock after being shot near the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Searift laboratory in Calhoun County.

Department biologists caught the crippled yearling after two local high school youngsters reported seeing it on the ground.

The bird was rushed to the zoo at Victoria where it received emergency treatment and later was taken to the center maintained by the Raptor Preservation Fund organization in Round Rock.

Dr. Shawn Ogburn, who operates the center, said X-rays showed the eagle was hit with three shotgun pellets in the head and about a dozen in the body, but remarkably none was in a vital spot. The pellets appeared to be approximately size six — the type normally used for small game.

Ogburn said the bird probably will be released after Jan. 1 in some area of the Gulf Coast where there is a nesting

population of eagles. He said the bird was recovering well from the pellet wounds but still is underweight and has a broken back talon on one foot.

Ogburn believes this is a southern bald eagle which was hatched in Texas, judging from the time of year it was in the area. He said that unfortunately many "young of the year" eagles are not too wary of humans and are easy targets.

The southern bald eagle is classified as an "endangered" species by both federal and state statutes, and there are stiff penalties for shooting or molesting them, department officials said.

Unfortunately, the trigger-happy person who shot this young eagle may never be brought to justice.

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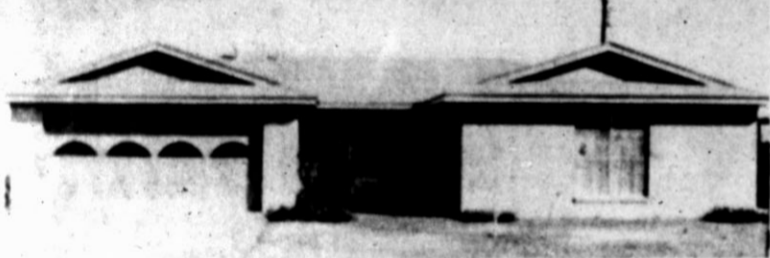


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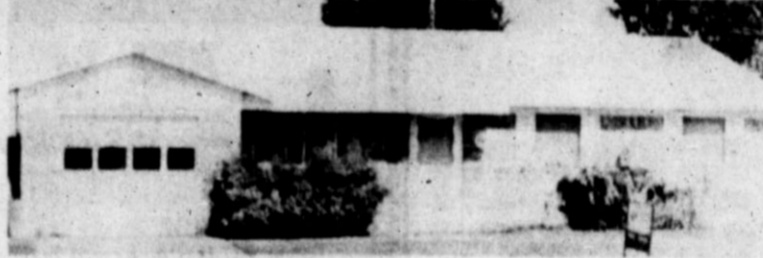
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Seattle Air Museum To Feature Early Planes

SEATTLE (AP) — Carl Gustafson worked on some of the first airplanes that rolled out of the Boeing Co.'s "Red Barn" almost 50 years ago. Now, he's helping restore the Red Barn as part of a \$10-million aircraft museum.

The bespectacled, fair-haired Gustafson still dons his work clothes to create an airplane display or build a model control tower for the museum. He helped dismantle portions of the Red Barn for moving.

The Pacific Northwest Aviation Historical Foundation is planning the Red Barn Air Park for the southwest corner of Boeing Field, site of the first powered flight in the Puget Sound area by Charles Hamilton in 1910. Opening is set for

early 1979. Howard Lovering, project manager for the foundation, said King County was negotiating to buy the Boeing Field parcel for \$700,000. The 5 1/2 acres are occupied by a topless bar and a manufacturing firm.

"For the aviation buff, we hope to have just about everything," Lovering said. Museum plans include a 70,000-square-foot modular building attached to the 20,000-square-foot Red Barn. It would include an observation deck and restaurant.

King County is supporting the project as part of an airport improvement program. The museum is being funded by private donations and public mon-

The foundation now operates the Museum of Flight at Seattle Center. The group has been collecting aviation artifacts for the museum and now maintains a collection of about 20 aircraft in various stages of restoration.

One plane was retrieved from a garbage dump in 1960 at Anchorage, Alaska. The 1928 Boeing 80-A Trimotor biplane led to the birth of the foundation. Harl Brackin, director of the Seattle Center Museum of Flight, said the group was formed as a non-profit organization to raise funds for the project, begun by two Alaskans.

Brackin said the 80-A, with engines in the nose and on each wing, introduced stewardess



AIR PARK—Standing before Boeing's original building being restored for new aircraft museum at Seattle's Boeing Field, company retiree and project volunteer Carl Gustafson, left, discusses plans with project manager Howard Lovering.



At right, Orville Tosch, aircraft mechanic and former Alaska bush pilot, works on Boeing Model 100, oldest Boeing aircraft in flightworthy condition. The 1928 biplane is being refurbished for display in the museum.

service to commercial air travel.

"The number 80 played a magic tune with this plane," Brackin said. "It was called the 80; it cost \$80,000; and the wingspan is 80 feet." Cost for restoring the plane to airworthiness is \$800,000.

The 80-A is a major restoration job, Brackin says. "We'll pretty much have to start from scratch. It was in good shape with fabric still on the wings, but moving and time have

caused deterioration." The foundation still flies its 1933 Boeing 247D. That plane introduced multi-engine, all-metal airplanes to air travel.

Not all of the museum's planes are antiques. The Northrop YF-5A Freedom Fighter is still in use by the United States Air Force and NATO forces. The foundation has the prototype. A missile and several sailplanes, including one that traveled both ways across the Atlantic, are now museum exhibits. Boeing's space shuttle mock-up is a sit-in exhibit for children at the Seattle Center Museum.

Brackin said most of the exhibits would be moved to the Red Barn museum.

The two-story, red-and-white building, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was barged two miles up the Duwamish River to Boeing Field in 1975, after it was threatened by the expansion at its original location.

The building is now on county land next to the proposed museum site.

A recent tour of the old Red Barn, birthplace of the Boeing Company, brought back memories for Gustafson, who worked 41 years for Boeing.

"Over there used to be the production room. There used to be a wall here," he remembered. The building interior changed with new projects. Pointing to a picture on the wall, Gustafson said, "A bunch of women used to sit around a wing and sew on the fabric."

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Tips On Safer Winter Driving Are Offered

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Not even the best drivers can escape the hazards of winter driving, a Purdue University safety expert cautions, but stalling, sliding and even accidents can be cut down with some preventive measures, adds Alan McDonald.

The mechanical engineering professor suggests that every driver should keep a scraper in the car, along with a snow brush. He also recommends that those living in snowy regions carry chains in the trunk.

Among good driving habits to develop, he advises, is, first, to judge the conditions. "Remember, just because the road crews are out doesn't mean all the roads are clear and dry. Don't forget," he adds, "that main thoroughfares are cleared first; residential streets require more caution."

If conditions are bad, stay home if at all possible, but if you must go out, McDonald recommends staking along warm clothing, just in case you're left stranded on a lonely road. And if you haven't looked at your driving manual lately, do so, especially the section on starting the car, he advises.

"Always let the car warm up three to five minutes before

driving away," he says. "You're less likely to stall when the car is warm, and it prevents the vehicle from sputtering and stopping in traffic, giving the driver more control."

Once you get moving, drive "super-defensively, and plan ahead. That is, begin to slow the car long before you come to a stop signal — adjust your speed to the conditions and give yourself a lot of leeway."

"Bad road conditions," McDonald warns, "are not always obvious. One of the worst possible conditions for a road is during the first rain or snow when it has not rained or snowed for a long time. Then all the oil and rubber that's collected on the surface suddenly floats to the top, forming a slick surface."

One of the more common dangers on such surfaces is skidding, explains McDonald, who notes that one way to prepare for this frightening experience is to practice before actually driving in heavy traffic.

"I hesitate to tell people to go out and practice skidding, but it's really the best way. You won't know how to react until you experience the sensation,"

he says. To practice, he suggests finding a deserted area where you can try steering the car quickly from side to side — and then applying the brakes.

How should you respond in a skid? The answer, he says, is to steer into the direction of the skid — and don't slam on the brakes. Pump them gently but firmly, "because slamming the brakes will lock the wheels in one position — you won't be able to steer and will lose control of the car's direction."

When driving in heavy snow or rain, the engineer advises using low headlight beams so as not to get as much glare reflection.

"When driving up slippery hills, maintain a steady speed and make any changes as gently as possible. But there probably will be situations in which you just can't make it," he adds.

McDonald points out that bridges, even on the Interstates, are among the most dangerous places, since bridge surfaces tend to freeze much faster than other parts of the road.

"And there's nothing magic about a heavy car," he emphasizes.

Old Trimotor Planes Still In Active Use

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — They missed starring in the movie about "those magnificent men" but at the age of 39, the oldest flying machines of the Swiss Air Force do have their share of international stardom on screens and at shows. And as a new economy drive is starting, officers and plane buffs are rallying against possible plans to scrap the venerable trimotor Junkers "JU-52" or sell them to collectors.

The three "aunts," as they are nicknamed, have been on active Swiss Air Force duty since 1939 and are believed to be the last surviving original machines of many thousands of transports produced by the German Junkers company before and during World War II.

With an average of 6,000 flight hours and a maximum speed of 180 miles per hour, they have covered a distance far shorter than their jet-age successors. But as multi-purpose craft, they are unmatched, according to their air force admirers.

They are still moving men and material, they are flying schools for would-be paratroopers, and they serve as commuting craft for Mirage jet fighter pilots. They have carried hay to starving Alpine deer during hard winters, they have performed in several war films, and they continue to be top attractions at international air shows.

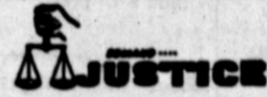
"The Germans are just crazily sentimental about them but there are many others who are enthusiastic, too, when we fly them," said Major Hans Rudolf Haerberli, of the Swiss Air Force Command, who is an occasional co-pilot aboard an "aunt."

Every part has to be manufactured individually at the air force work shops, as stocks ran out decades ago. "But every mechanic feels specially honored if he gets an order," Haerberli explained.

Swiss purists are proud of the fact that all three JU's, easily recognizable because of their corrugated, metal-covered

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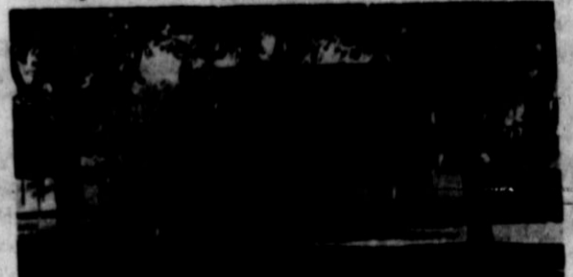


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Building for rent, one block off Main Street. For information call 364-3211. 5-S-Th-87-tfc

6. WANTED

WANTED: Roto-tilling yards and gardens. Odd jobs. Call Harvey Manion, 364-8413. 6-117-tfc

WANTED: 2 or 3 bedroom country home by dependable couple to rent on long term basis. Both work with no children, no pets. Please call Gordon Gearn 364-2702 days; 258-7344 evenings. 6-116-tfc

WANTED: 12x50 or 12x60 ft. mobile home in good condition. 357-2552. James or Doris Dobbs, Summerfield. 6-197-tfc

WANT TO BUY: Old gold rings, watches, old class rings, etc.
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Sugarland Mall
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8. HELP WANTED
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10. NOTICE

Hereford Lions Club
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meets 1st & 3rd Mondays
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Hereford Lodge 849
7:30 P.M.
STATED MEETING SECOND MONDAY
L.V. Watts WM
W.A. (Bill) Phipps, Sec.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Judy Kay Thomas is now responsible for her own debts. I, Scott Thomas, DSG, U.S. Army will not be accountable for any debts other than my own. Scott C. Thomas 10-93-44c

ALCOHOLISM INFORMATION
For information on alcoholism referrals for help, counseling, on programs on the subject of the disease of alcoholism, call 364-4540 from 8 a.m. 'till 12:00 1:00 p.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
A UNITED FUND AGENCY
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12. LIVESTOCK
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C & H Mobile Home service. All types of repairs and servicing. Blocking, anchoring, skirting and all types repairs. Call 372-5591 or 373-6767, Amarillo. 11-99-tfc

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13. LOST & FOUND
FOUND small Beagle puppy. Call 364-4476. 13-121-3c

FOUND: Set of keys with American Duxing key ring. Claim at Hereford Brand. 13-100-tfc

White male poodle lost in Northwest Hereford, name "Snowball" Had tags. Reward. Phone 364-1448. 13-120-3c

14. CARD OF THANKS

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all those who helped us and showed kindness and sympathy in the recent passing of our loved one. The family of Mr. Gilberto Agüero

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE
The Commissioners Court of Deaf Smith County will open bids for a new car for the sheriff's department at 10 a.m. on December 27th, 1977 in the Court House. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids. Specifications may be picked up at 242 E. 3rd St., Hereford, Texas. 120-5c

Registered Owner:
Mr. Bill Wall
Rt. 1
Dora, New Mexico 88115
And to Unknown Lein Holder and all other Interested Parties
Re: 1965 Mercury
Lic. No: 1976 New Mexico BPZ898
Vin. No.: S262Z553300
Dear Sir:

This department has taken into custody the above described vehicle under authority of the Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act. The Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act requires that we notify the last known registered owner, along with all lien holders of record, that the vehicle is in custody.

The above vehicle is being held at One Stop Auto Repair N. 385 Hereford, Texas from whom we have received application to dispose of said vehicle in accordance with the act.

Notice is hereby given you, as Reg. Owner/Lein Holder or Interested party of said vehicle, of your right to reclaim vehicle within twenty (20) days after the date of this notice, upon payment of all towing, preservation, and storage charges, as well as repair charges if applicable.

TEXAS CATTLE FEEDERS
(As of 4 p.m. 12-18-77)
Trends: Moderately Active
Volumes: 48,000
Soybeans-4.90-5.75
Hedgers-40.00-41.00
LOCAL CASH GRAIN
(As of 4 p.m. 12-18-77)
Corn-2.80 cont.
Wheat-2.80 bu.
Milo-2.30 cont.
Soybeans-5.28 bu.
DRESSED BEEF AND PORK
BEEF-Trade slow to moderate with demand light to moderate. Steer and heifer beef was steady. All prices choice yield grade 3 unless otherwise noted.
EAST COAST- No report.
MIDWEST-Trade slow to moderate with demand light to moderate. Steer beef steady at 67.25 for 600-800 lbs. and heifer beef steady at 65.75 for 500-700 lbs.
AMARILLO- Steer beef was steady at 67.25 for 600-800 lbs. and heifer beef was steady at 65.75 for 500-700 lbs.
PORK-MIDWEST-Trade fairly active to slow with demand moderate to good. Lots 29 lbs. and up were steady at 72.50, 14-17 lbs. were at 84.75. Ponder 2.25-3.25 higher at 55.00 for 6-8 lbs. and 49.75 for 8 lb. and up.
Hams were steady to 1.50 higher with 14-17 lb. ranging 97.00-98.00 and 17-20 lb. at 95.00. Bellows 80-2.00 higher ranging 48.00-49.00 for 10-12 10-12 lbs. and at 49.00 for 12-14 lbs.

Failure to reclaim the vehicle within the time provided shall be deemed a waiver by each of you of all right, title, and interest in the vehicle, and your consent to the sale of the above vehicle at a public auction.
Sincerely,
Travis McPherson, Sheriff
by A.C. Burton, Chief Deputy
121-1c

Registered Owner:
Jaime Aragonex
5553 W. Glenn
Glendale, Arizona 85301
Unknown Lein Holders or other Interested Party
Re: 1963 Ford 2dr
Lic. No.: 1977 Colo. XU 1992
Vin. No.: 3P66Z202401
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Travis McPherson, Sheriff
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121-1c

Travis McPherson, sheriff of Deaf Smith County will hold a sale of the following unclaimed Property at 10:00 A.M. on December 29, 1977 at the courthouse in Hereford, Texas.

1 pocket RCA radio
1 Saber saw, Black & Decker
3 parking meters
1 two wheeled golf bag cart
6 gallons Delo Chevron 100 motor oil
4 five gallon cans Treflan
1 chrome car rim
1 portable record player
1 lot 45 rpm records
1 lot 33 rpm record and albums
1 lot assorted tools of all kinds
1 GE clock radio
1 shotgun boot (case)
1 jewelry case with assorted costume jewelry
1 small jewelry case
1 Delco Bemy alternator
1 postage scale
1 drenching gun for cattle

1 Chevy hub cap
1 kerosene glass lamp
1 Norelco Electric razor
1 lot eight track tapes
1 motor cycle helmet
1 tackometer
1 five gallon Igloo water can
1 16" Texas Rangerette bicycle
1 16" bicycle with speedometer
1 16" bicycle MX Free spirit
1 26" 10 speed bicycle
1 26" 10 speed bicycle (yellow)
1 blue wall phone with dial
1 large hydraulic jack
1 RCA Victory TV set - 19" on casters
1 Philco portable TV 9"
1 GE Adventurer portable TV 15"
1 RCA Victor portable TV 17"
1 carpet shampoo machine-Bissell
1 set small bar bells
1 large set bar bells
3 hub caps assorted
1 mounted tire
1 5 hub auto wheel white
121-3c

The Deaf Smith County Sheriff will sell at public sale on January 3, 1978 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Door the following property:
1. 1973 Mercury VIN No. 3J04H607851
2. Minneapolis-Moline Tractor Model #2838-4 Ser. #06101778
Said property being personal property levied upon November 29th, 1977 at 12:00 Noon to satisfy Judgment in cause #DC 8296 in the 22nd District Court of Deaf Smith Co., entitled The Automotive Inc. vs. Bill Kirby. S-116-3c

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LIVESTOCK FUTURES
CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Fri. day:
LIVE BEEF CATTLE (48,000 lbs)
Jan 42.25 42.25 42.25 42.25 + 25
Feb 42.00 42.00 42.00 42.00 + 25
Mar 41.75 41.75 41.75 41.75 + 25
Apr 41.50 41.50 41.50 41.50 + 25
May 41.25 41.25 41.25 41.25 + 25
Jun 41.00 41.00 41.00 41.00 + 25
Jul 40.75 40.75 40.75 40.75 + 25
Aug 40.50 40.50 40.50 40.50 + 25
Sep 40.25 40.25 40.25 40.25 + 25
Oct 40.00 40.00 40.00 40.00 + 25
Nov 39.75 39.75 39.75 39.75 + 25
Dec 39.50 39.50 39.50 39.50 + 25
Sales: Jan 27, March 15, April 12, May 7, Aug 4, Sep 1, Oct 1, Nov 1
Open Interest: Jan 200, Feb 200, March 200, April 125, May 175, June 175, July 175, Aug 175, Sep 175, Oct 175, Nov 175
CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange Fri. day:
LIVE HOGS (38,000 lbs)
Jan 44.50 44.50 44.50 44.50 + 25
Feb 44.25 44.25 44.25 44.25 + 25
Mar 44.00 44.00 44.00 44.00 + 25
Apr 43.75 43.75 43.75 43.75 + 25
May 43.50 43.50 43.50 43.50 + 25
Jun 43.25 43.25 43.25 43.25 + 25
Jul 43.00 43.00 43.00 43.00 + 25
Aug 42.75 42.75 42.75 42.75 + 25
Sep 42.50 42.50 42.50 42.50 + 25
Oct 42.25 42.25 42.25 42.25 + 25
Nov 42.00 42.00 42.00 42.00 + 25
Dec 41.75 41.75 41.75 41.75 + 25
Sales: Jan 27, March 15, April 12, May 7, Aug 4, Sep 1, Oct 1, Nov 1
Open Interest: Jan 200, Feb 200, March 200, April 125, May 175, June 175, July 175, Aug 175, Sep 175, Oct 175, Nov 175

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KAHN'S HAM SLICES LB. **\$2.39**

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LEAN FRESH SEMI-BONELESS BUTT

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PEANUTS
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I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

Dear Santa Claus,
I saw a picture of you in the paper today. You sure are getting fat.

You look like you just ate all your reindeer.

You're going to be sorry next summer when you can't get into your swim trunks.

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Get out of Scarf City before it is too late. I am enclosing a special diet for you. Stick to it!!!!!!

HE'LL PROBABLY HATE ME, BUT IT'S FOR HIS OWN GOOD

THE REST OF US, WHO ALSO LOVE HIM, THANK YOU!

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Schulz

beebiee
by mort walker

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO HAVE FOR DINNER TONIGHT?

BUNCHA WISE GUYS!

THEY KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO HAVE

SAME THING I'VE HAD EVERY TUESDAY FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS

I'VE MADE THIS STEW SO OFTEN I'LL BET I CAN DO IT WITH MY EYES CLOSED

FIRST, OPEN A LARGE CAN OF TOMATOES

POUR IN A BOTTLE OF BEEF STOCK

SOME DRIED VEGETABLES

WASH 'EM!

SOME BREAD CRUMBS FOR BODY

A TOUCH OF SUGAR IS THE SECRET

GREAT DESSERT, COOKIE

BUT WHERE'S THE MAIN COURSE?

COUPLE OF WISE GUYS, HUH?

MORT WALKER

BORN LOSER

by Art Sansom

HE LOVES ME... LOVES ME NOT... LOVES ME...

LOVES ME NOT... LOVES ME... LOVES ME NOT!

ALL RIGHT, WHO IS SHE?!

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ALLEY OOP

by Dave Graue



ANDY CAPP

by Smythe



CARNIVAL

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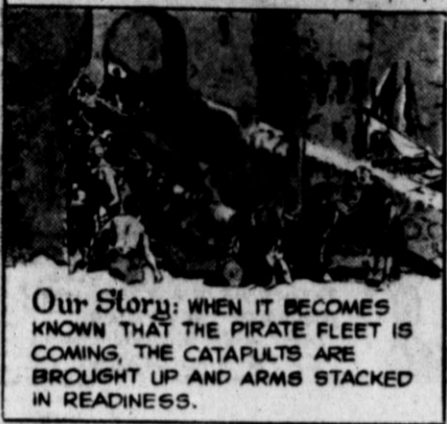


"THE FIRST THING TO REMEMBER IS THAT THE HUMAN BODY CONTAINS 200 BONES!"



Prince Valiant

IN THE DAYS OF KING ARTHUR
by JAL FOSTER



Our Story: WHEN IT BECOMES KNOWN THAT THE PIRATE FLEET IS COMING, THE CATAPULTS ARE BROUGHT UP AND ARMS STACKED IN READINESS.

THE TWINS, KAREN AND VALETA, HAD BEEN HECTOR'S CONSTANT COMPANIONS AND NOW THEY TELL OF THE MANY QUESTIONS HE HAD ASKED ABOUT THE ISLAND'S OUTPOSTS.



"HE SEEMED MOST INTERESTED IN THE FORTRESS ON NORTH CAPE, AS IF HE KNEW IT TO BE THE WEAK SPOT IN OUR DEFENSES." "SO," SAYS VAL, "THEN WE WILL STRENGTHEN IT."



NOW KAREN DONS HER AMAZON ARMOR AND JOINS A PATROL. AS THEY TRUDGE ALONG THE BEACH ONE GUARD POINTS: "LOOK, A MIBAGE." A SHIP APPEARS, UPSIDE DOWN, THEN ANOTHER, UNTIL THE HORIZON IS FILLED WITH COLORED SAILS.



"IT IS THE PIRATE FLEET AND IT WILL BE ON THE HORIZON IN AN HOUR. I AM THE SWIFTEST, I WILL CARRY THE ALARM!" AND BEFORE ANYONE CAN STOP HER, KAREN UNBUCKLES HER ARMOR AND IS AWAY.



SHE RUNS LIGHTLY ON THE FIRM SAND AND IS EVEN ENJOYING IT. THEN SHE REMEMBERS HER MOTHER'S ANGER OVER HER SCANTY ATTIRE.



AS SHE RACES THROUGH THE PALACE SHE BORROWS THE FIRST CLOAK THAT COMES HER WAY.

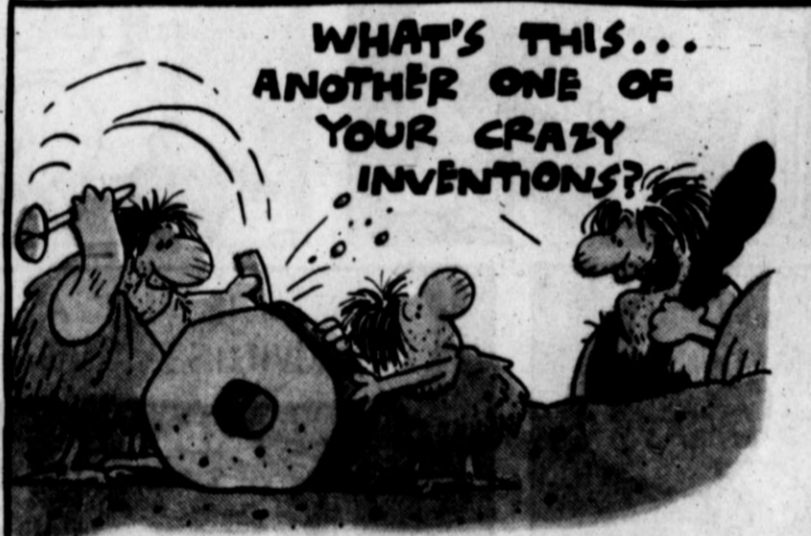


IN HER MOST OFFICIAL VOICE SHE ANNOUNCES: "MADAM THE QUEEN! THE ENEMY HAS BEEN SIGHTED COMING FROM THE NORTHWEST. THE WIND IS FROM THE NORTH, THEY WILL HAVE TO LAND ON A LEE SHORE!"

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NEXT WEEK - The Attack

WIZARD OF IDZUM



WHAT'S THIS... ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR CRAZY INVENTIONS?



OF COURSE IT ISN'T GOOD FOR ANYTHING...



A ROUND THING WITH A HOLE THROUGH IT.

...THAT'S WHY WE'LL NEED TO INVENT SALESMEN!

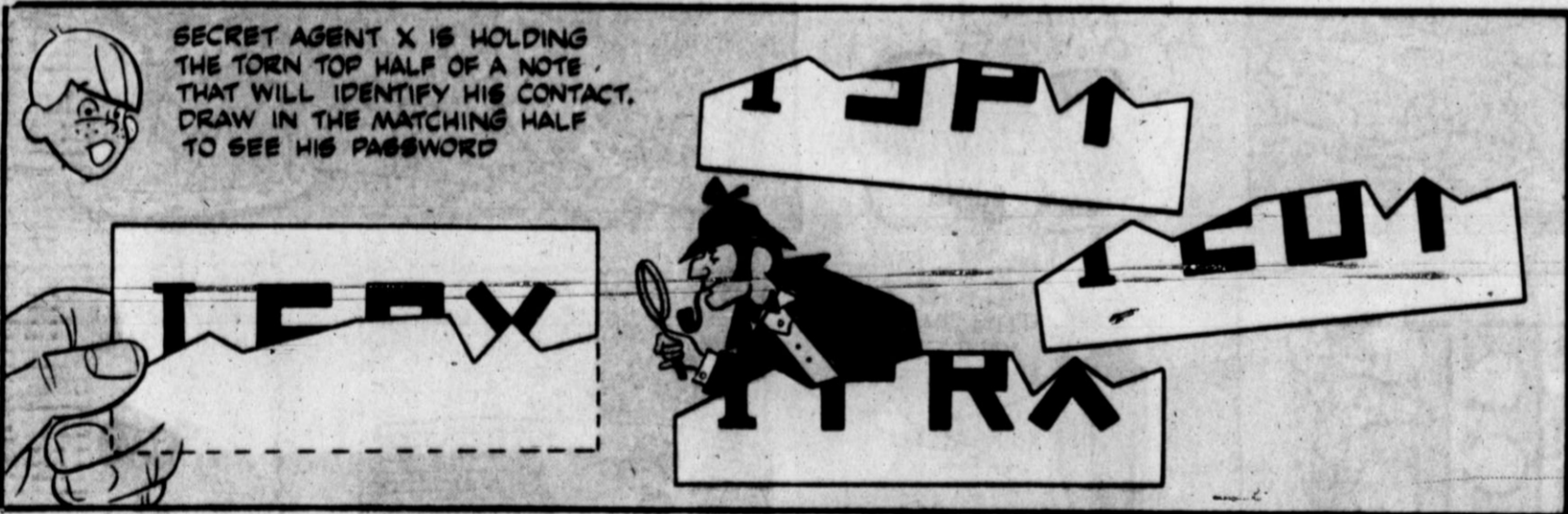


THAT'S NOT GOOD FOR ANYTHING!

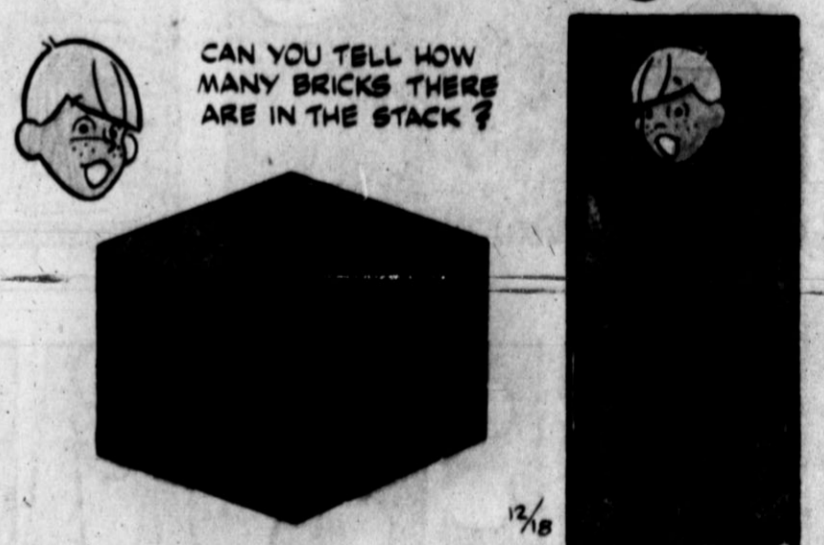


JOHNNY WONDER

by Dick Rogers



SECRET AGENT X IS HOLDING THE TORN TOP HALF OF A NOTE THAT WILL IDENTIFY HIS CONTACT. DRAW IN THE MATCHING HALF TO SEE HIS PASSWORD



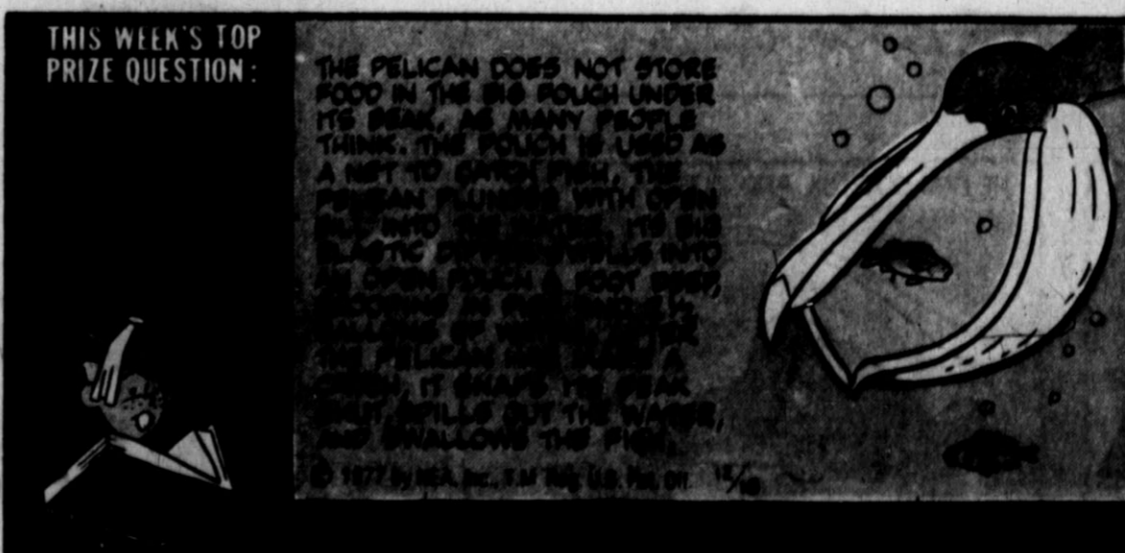
CAN YOU TELL HOW MANY BRICKS THERE ARE IN THE STACK?



MILLI THE METRIC MOUSE SAYS...

"ONE OUNCE OF CHEESE WEIGHS ABOUT 28 GRAMS, YOU SEE. AND THAT'S A REAL SNACK FOR ME."

(1 GRAM = .04 OZ.)



THIS WEEK'S TOP PRIZE QUESTION:

THE PELICAN DOES NOT STORE FOOD IN THE BIG POUCH UNDER ITS BEAK. AS MANY PEOPLE THINK, THE POUCH IS USED AS A NET TO CATCH FISH. THE POUCH PLINGS WITH OPEN ENDS AND IS USED TO HOLD AND HOLD IT TOGETHER TO MAKE A BASKET. IT HAS TO BE MADE OF FIBER THAT CAN HOLD THE FISH.



Boys and Girls, Win one of these valuable prizes for the question answered here each week. Send your age and question to: Johnny Wonder (c/o this newspaper) P. O. Box 1335 (SUNDY) Santa Cruz, Calif. 95061

MARMADUKE

by Brad Anderson



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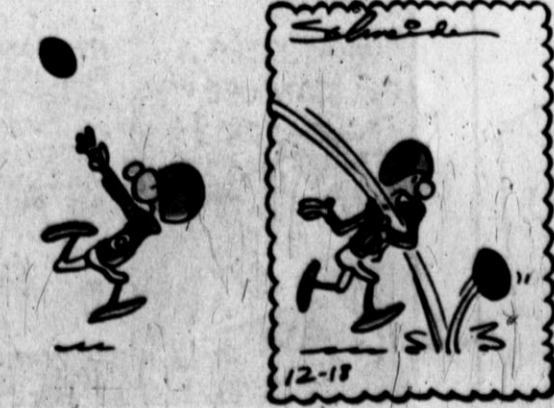


SHORT RIBS



EEK & MEER

by Howie Schneider



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You'll find this "two-piece" a favorite of your wardrobe. No. 8313 with Photo-Guide is in Sizes 8 to 18. Size 10, 32 and one-half bust. Top, one and one-eighth yards 60-inch skirt, seven-eighth yards scarf, five-eighth yard 45-inch.

8267

For A Darling
Stitch a pretty layette for the darling. No. 8267 with Photo-Guide is in Newborn or 6 months Sizes. For 6 Months Size: coat and bonnet, one and three-fourths yards 45-inch; long dress, one and one-half yards; bunting, one and one-eighth yards.

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Polly's Pointers

DEAR POLLY --- When filling a muffin pan with batter use a canning funnel and the batter will go right into each hole with less mess. Also, muffins will be nearer the same size --- VIRGINIA



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DEAR POLLY---So as not to over-water my house plants and to avoid root rot, I carefully notice how slowly or quickly the water is absorbed when I water them. When it takes a while and the water stands on top a bit I know a plant has had enough water.--- BEATRICE

Send your helpful hints to Polly's Pointers in care of this newspaper.

DEAR POLLY---My Pointer is for those who start house plants from slips or leaves. When your young plants need some support, cut an openwork strawberry or tomato basket (plastic) down each corner to the bottom of the box and then across, and have a small trellis that works just great ---MARCEL-LA.

DEAR POLLY---When my arm was in a cast that looked dirty, I was invited to a dressy party. I wanted to wear a long, rose-colored dress that was sleeveless so I wrapped a rose-colored chiffon scarf over the cast and then tied it to the wrist part of the cast. I had many compliments on this.---MARGIE

DEAR POLLY --- When cooking a meat loaf or fish I put stalks of celery on the bottom of the pan and then lay the fish or meat loaf on top of them and neither will stick to the pan. --- LENA



DEAR POLLY --- I wear a pair of cotton footlets under my panty hose and nylons so my toenails do not cut holes in the toes --- ALICE



DEAR POLLY---The secret for a long life for rugs is to move them around and to turn larger ones from one end to the other, so that traffic is not concentrated on just one part of the rug. Do this frequently and they will wear more evenly.---VIOLET.

DEAR POLLY---My husband is a long-haul truck driver and my Pointer comes from him. Both drivers and passengers in trucks and autos know how annoying it is to stop in a restaurant for a drink "to go" and then have it spill as they proceed on their way. His solution: leave the lid on the cup and punch a hole in the outer edge of the lid with a pencil or pen, to enjoy a drink with no mess.---ANNA.



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FROM THERE SHE MIGHT EVEN GO ON TO BE MISS DOG UNIVERSE!

THEN INTO A CAREER IN MOVIES... A FEMALE BENJI!

AND I CAN SEE HER FACE ON TV DOING DOG FOOD COMMERCIALS!

IT SOUNDS FANTASTIC! WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?!

ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! AFTER YOU PAY ME THE \$200 ENTRY FEE, I HANDLE EVERYTHING!

BOOM

OH, STOP SULKING! DON'T YOU REALIZE THAT GUY WAS A PHONEY CON ARTIST?!

SHE WOULDN'T HAVE LOOKED GOOD IN A BATHING SUIT ANYWAY!

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BARNEY GOOGLER and SNEEZY SMITH
by FRED LASSWELL

PAW--HOW IN THUNDER CAN I GIT OL' BULLET OUT FROM UNDER TH' HOUSE?

ALL YE GOT TO DO IS GO OUT IN TH' FRONT YARD AN' HOLLER---

"--HERE COMES TH' MAILMAN"

YOU GO FETCH OL' BULLET, JUGHAID-- I GOT HIS BATH WATER ALL DRAWED AN' HET UP

YES, MA'AM -- HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S IN FER-- SEE HIM ALL HUNKERED UP UNDER TH' HOUSE?

COME ON, OL' FELLER--- AUNT LOWEEZY WON'T HURT YE NONE

I HAD HIM THAR FER A SECONT BUT HE OUTWRASLED ME

OUCH! AUNT LOWEEZY!! YO'RE SCRUBBIN' MY EARS PLUMB OFF!!

Nancy
by ERNIE BUSCHMILLER

HEY--- WHAT'S GOING ON HERE, ANYWAY?

OKAY--- NOW YOU CAN TRY MY NEW BICYCLE

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Dennis the Menace
by HENRY KETCHUM
Ordeal by Santa

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH JOEY?

I'M TAKIN' HIM TO SEE SANTA CLAUS.

HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S ENJOYIN' IT MUCH.

HE WILL WHEN HE GETS THERE.

IF HE DON'T FAINT FIRST!

I'M SCARED DENNIS!

NOBODY HAS TO BE SCARED OF SANTA CLAUS, JOEY.

MAYBE I SHOULD CALL HIM MISTER CLAUS.

NAW... EV'RYBODY CALLS HIM SANTA.

HE LOOKS AWFUL BIG... AND AWFUL RED!

NOW THAT'S DUMB!

IF HE WAS LITTLE AND GREEN HE WOULDN'T BE SANTA CLAUS.

DON'T EVEN SAY THAT, DENNIS!

OKAY, YOU'RE NEXT. JUST PLOP RIGHT IN HIS LAP AND TELL HIM WHAT YOU WANT.

I DON'T WANT TO.

I DIDN'T THINK HE WAS GONNA MAKE IT.

HE'S A GOOD KID, BUT HE'S AWFUL SCAREY.

SEE... THERE'S NOTHING TO IT.

YEAH... IT WAS FUN ONCE I GOT STARTED!

HEY! WHERE DID HE GO?

HE SAID SOMETHIN' ABOUT IT BEIN' A GOOD THING HE HAD ANOTHER UNIFORM.