

Farmers promise 'international incident'

MACON, Ga. (AP) — Georgia farmers plan to block a bridge on the United States-Mexican border and then return home to barricade state highways as they adopt a more militant policy to draw attention to their crusade for higher farm prices, strike leaders say. "We're going to have some disruptions now. We're going to make an international incident," state strike leader Tommy Kersey said Thursday. "We're going to hold the Mexican border as long as we can. We think we can hold it at least a day." Kersey said 50 farmers plan to be on a bridge over the Rio Grande March 1. A spokesman for striking Texas farmers said they had no plans to join in the border demonstration. When Georgia farmers return from Texas, they will begin demonstrations to block traffic on state highways. Kersey told 150 striking farmers who gathered in the lobby of the Georgia Farm Bureau building to demand the resignation of its president, Emmett Reynolds. The farm bureau board voted in a closed meeting not to ask Reynolds to resign and refused to call a special meeting of the bureau's voting members to consider ousting him. Strike leaders have accused Reynolds of being unsympathetic to the protesting farmers.

Talent show to be Saturday

The Breakers CB Radio Club will present an amateur talent show at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Pampa Junior High, 2401 Charles. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children less than age twelve. Proceeds will go to multiple sclerosis. Categories will be for those ten years or less, eleven to sixteen and seventeen or older. Trophies will be given. For information call 665-6628 or 665-5506.

Your money's worth Integration in pensions

Sylvia Porter
Buried so deeply in the Carter administration's tax reduction-reform package that not one word has yet been reported on it is a proposal which can greatly benefit millions of you who are workers covered by private pension plans. In fact, this single proposal could affect more of you than any other part of the program — for the simple reason that it would go a long way toward assuring that all of you who are participants in pension plans (not just higher paid executives) would receive retirement benefits. Under current law, employers can set up retirement plans which pay good benefits to relatively well-paid employees and little or nothing to those earning salaries equal to or less than the Social Security wage base. In '78, the wage base is \$17,700; by '81, it's slated to soar to \$29,700 (if today's law isn't changed). Employers may set up such plans by "integrating" or taking credit for certain Social Security taxes when computing the benefits their employees will draw from their pension plan. The way your pension benefits are "integrated" with SS is complicated and depends on the type and design of your plan. Because it's so technical, most of you do not even know if your plan is integrated. As retirement draws near, many workers read their summary pension plan booklets, compute the benefits to come, and only then do they discover that when they actually retire, integration means they will receive little or no more than their SS benefits. Integration is not uncommon, especially if you are a participant in a small plan covering fewer than 26 workers. As recently as 1974, the Congressional Research Service found that 60 per cent of all tax-qualified pension plans, involving 25 to 30 per cent of all participants in the private pension system, were integrated with Social Security. This figure is probably even higher today, authorities told my Washington associate, Brooke Shearer, because increases in SS taxes and the 1974 pension law's requirement that more workers be covered can make pension plans extremely costly. Congress recognized that a system which enables, even encourages, employers to pay retirement benefits to highly salaried workers while paying

nothing to lower-paid persons is unfair. It has placed severe limits on the use of integration in plan designs especially for rank-and-file workers, such as employ stock ownership plans. A temporary freeze was put on further integration during the debate over the '74 pension law, while Congress completed a two-year study of its effects. Last minute lobbying, though, persuaded Congress to rescind the freeze. The study is unfinished; integration goes on. Integration is defended by many employers on the basis that, without it, pension plan costs would be excessive, that benefits should reward executives who account for profits, that higher deferred benefits would reduce wages lower-paid people now receive. On this, Carter's White House disagrees, argues that, in effect, the tax laws have been designed to encourage firms to set up pension plans for all workers. Integration as of today undermines this goal. It rewards employers for giving benefits only to higher-salaried employees. Lower-paid workers not only get little or nothing from their plans but also subsidize their plans' favorable tax treatment to others with their own tax dollars. Only the worst aspects of the present system of integration would be eliminated by the Carter proposal, for it would substantially affect only plans which tend to discriminate heavily in favor of well-paid employees by virtually excluding the rank-and-file. But modest as this reform measure is, some plan consultants and actuaries are already working hard to gut or defeat it. Their view obviously is that those of you who would gain most from its passage, particularly lower-income workers, will find the proposal too obscure and complicated to pay much attention. They certainly shrug off the possibility of a letter-writing campaign which might stress to our Senators and Congressmen that the public cares and wants this reform in the law. Their cynicism may be justified. That puts the ball right in YOUR court. I'm doing my part by informing you. It's now up to YOU. The "integration" proposal, along with the entire tax package, is now before the House Ways and Means Committee, chaired by Rep. Al Ullman (D-Oregon). Do you — the millions of you so vitally involved in this — hear me? DO YOU CARE?

Rangers bid cohort sad farewell

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — "He was proud of what he was doing," 16-year-old Buster Doherty said of his Texas Ranger father, who was buried Thursday in a wind-swept, country cemetery, surrounded by his saddened colleagues. Scores of law enforcement officers from across Texas and some from neighboring Oklahoma descended on an overflowing Baptist church here to pay their final respects to Ranger Bob Doherty, 41, slain Monday night during a drug raid. Gregory Arthur Ott, 27, a North Texas State University graduate student, has been charged with capital murder after the shooting outside his house in the North Texas town of Argyle. Doherty was the first member of the fabled, elite group of officers since 1931 to be killed in the line of duty. In July 1918 a Ranger was killed near San Augustine and in July 1931 another fell near Gladewater. "He has given so much," the Rev. Jesse Leonard, the family pastor, told the Ranger's family and friends. "Because of the way he has lived, all of us leave here determined to do more." From the church, a motorcycle escort and scores of state police cars and other official units caused horses to skitter in nearby pastures as they rolled through the woodlands northwest of town to a secluded country cemetery. There, two Rangers removed the red-white-and-blue Texas flag from the coffin, folded it neatly and presented it to Doherty's wife, Carolyn. She appeared near tears. At her side were Buster and the couple's daughter, Kelly, 18. Doherty's mother sat quietly staring at the closed coffin. Among those attending were Texas Attorney General John Hill and Col. Wilson Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety. Doherty had been with the DPS for 20 years, and was promoted to the Rangers about a year and a half ago. Mrs. Doherty said her husband always wanted to be a Texas Ranger. "When Bob first started in law enforcement, he figured the Rangers were top in the field," she said. "When he became a Ranger, he didn't change." Mrs. Doherty said there were many times she suspected her husband might be in danger but that she was reluctant to ask questions. "Sometimes you didn't want to ask the question because you didn't want to know the answer," she said. When her husband left home Monday night she said he told her, "I'll see you as soon as I can."

Doherty was killed after he accompanied undercover agents and deputies on the raid that netted 40 pounds of marijuana. He was shot in the head with a .38-caliber revolver. Denton County Sheriff Kenneth George said Doherty, three of his deputies and two undercover agents had gone to Ott's home after receiving a tip that he and a roommate were selling marijuana. The officers purchased a quantity of marijuana. George said, but Ott and the roommate attempted to flee through a back door. Ott allegedly fired a shot through the door, hitting Doherty.

Knorpp returns to work

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Suspended Potter County Attorney Kerry Knorpp, who faces felony theft charges, has returned to work while the location of his upcoming trial remains uncertain. State District Judge Arthur Tipps of Wichita Falls recessed a change of venue hearing Wednesday and said he hoped to hear today from State District Judge John McFall of Lubbock on whether the trial could be held there. Knorpp was reinstated in his job Thursday following a four-month suspension with pay. The reinstatement came after Tipps denied a motion here Wednesday for a new trial of a civil suit to remove Knorpp. A civil jury here cleared Knorpp in January of 24 allegations of misapplication of county money. But he still faces criminal trial in connection with similar allegations. The prosecution has been attempting to get the trial moved to another town. Tipps said he would resume the hearing here if no Lubbock judge would agree to hold the trial. Knorpp does not want a change of venue, but his lawyers, who live in Lubbock, said they would not oppose a move if it is to Lubbock.

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Brother seeks death damages

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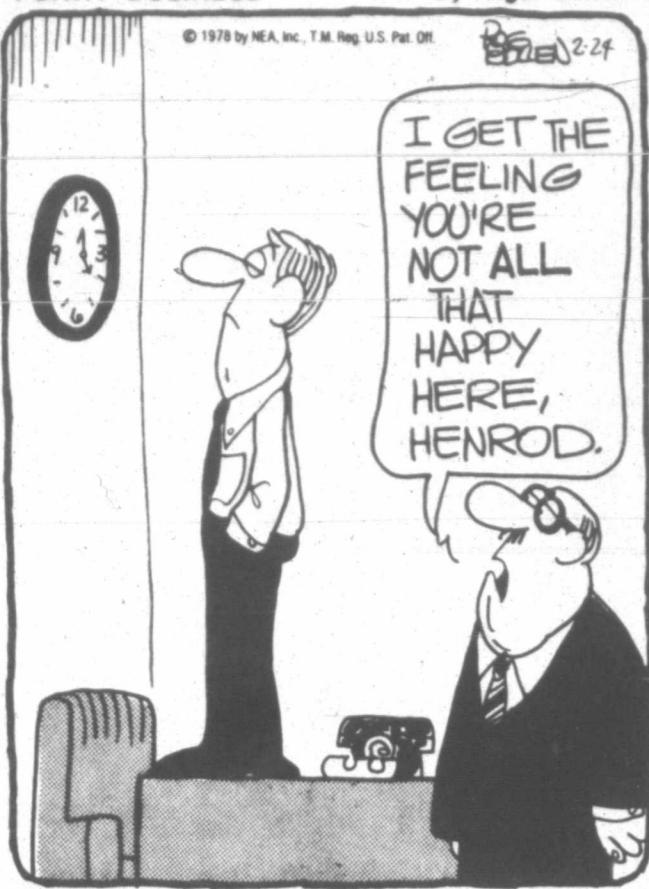
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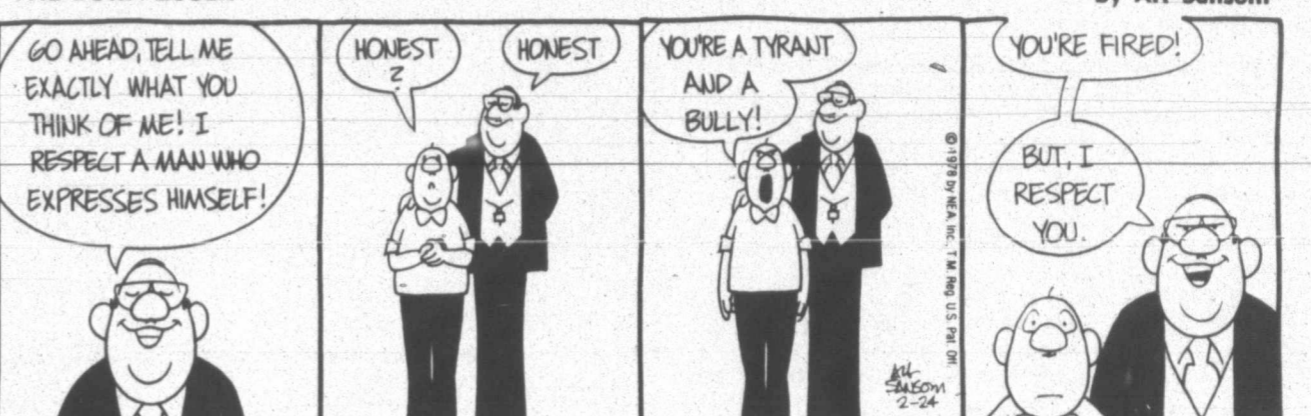
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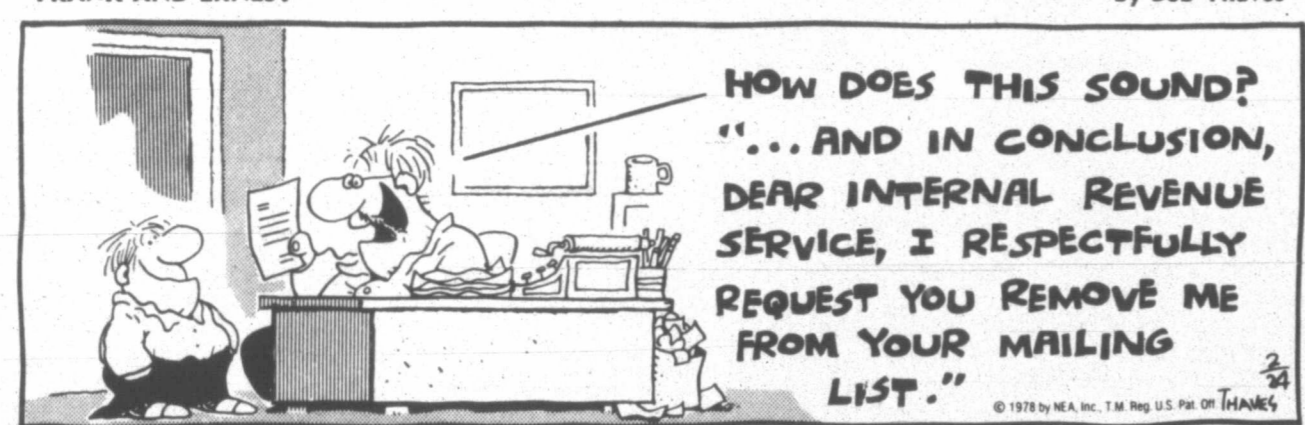
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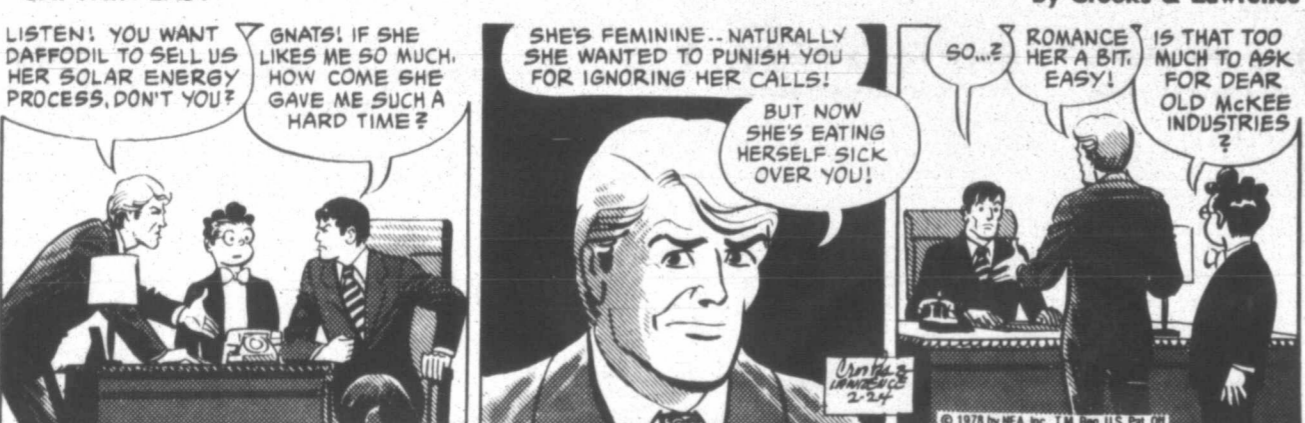
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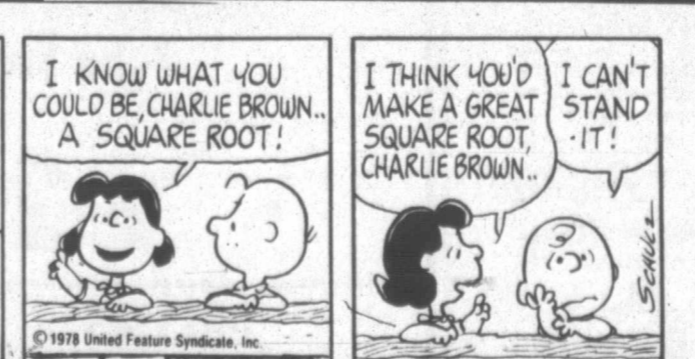
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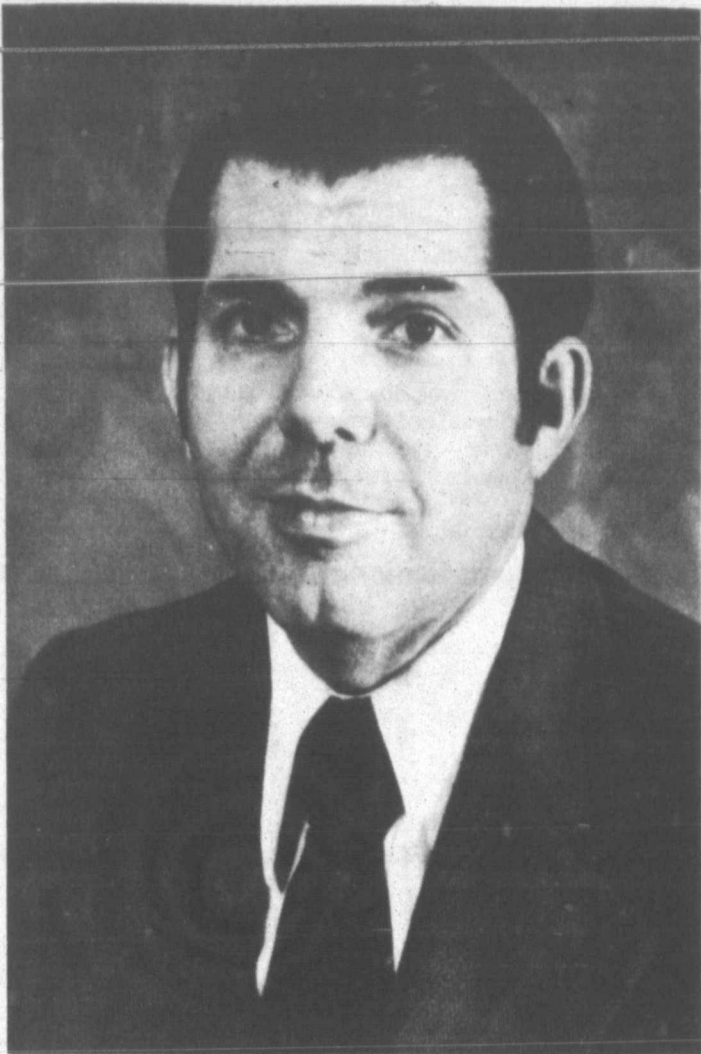
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Guest in Miami Church

The First Christian Church of Miami will present Dr. Gilbert D. Davis of Fort Worth as guest speaker March 5 to 8 for a spiritual enrichment program. Sunday services start at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday services start at 7:30 p.m. Davis is director of church relations at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. He conducted a similar program with the First Christian Church in Pampa four years ago.

Resuing 'boat people'

NEW YORK (AP)—The group of Americans had gone to Southeast Asian countries to try to help out in what they saw as a widely ignored modern tragedy, but they ran into an obstacle because one of them is Jewish.

It seemed a case of the ill of one part of the world throttling efforts to deal with ill in another, but the efforts go on. Concern of the 14 members of a fact-finding commission of the International Rescue Committee was the "boat people"—those thousands fleeing southern Vietnam in small crafts, desperately seeking some shore where they're allowed to land.

"Of all the horror stories in today's world, the story of the

Vietnamese 'boat people' is probably the most horrible," writes Rutgers University sociologist Peter Berger in the New York Times.

In many cases, they've been turned away from coasts of neighboring countries and forced back to sea, generally ignored by passing ships, with uncounted numbers reported perishing.

But the U. S. commission itself ran into a barrier when it tried to enter Malaysia because one member, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, is Jewish. The Malaysian government denied him entry on grounds he was a "supporter of Israel."

Malaysia's foreign minister reportedly claimed admission of Tanenbaum would be exploited by political opponents of the Pan-Malasian Islamic Moarty in March 18 local elections in a population 55 per cent Moslem.

Presbyterians set communion

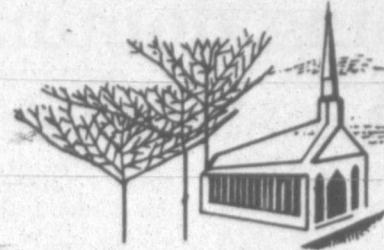
The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed during the 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 525 North Gray St. The Rev. Joseph L. Turner will be in the pulpit and has chosen "Understanding and Transformation" for the title of his sermon.

His text is from John 4:24-42. Ruling Elder David Rife will assist in the pulpit. The sacrament will be served by the pastor and the elders of the church.

The confirmation class will meet at 4:30 p.m. in the pastor's study. Youth Fellowships will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the church. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. the prayer group will meet at the church in the West Room and the choir will rehearse at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

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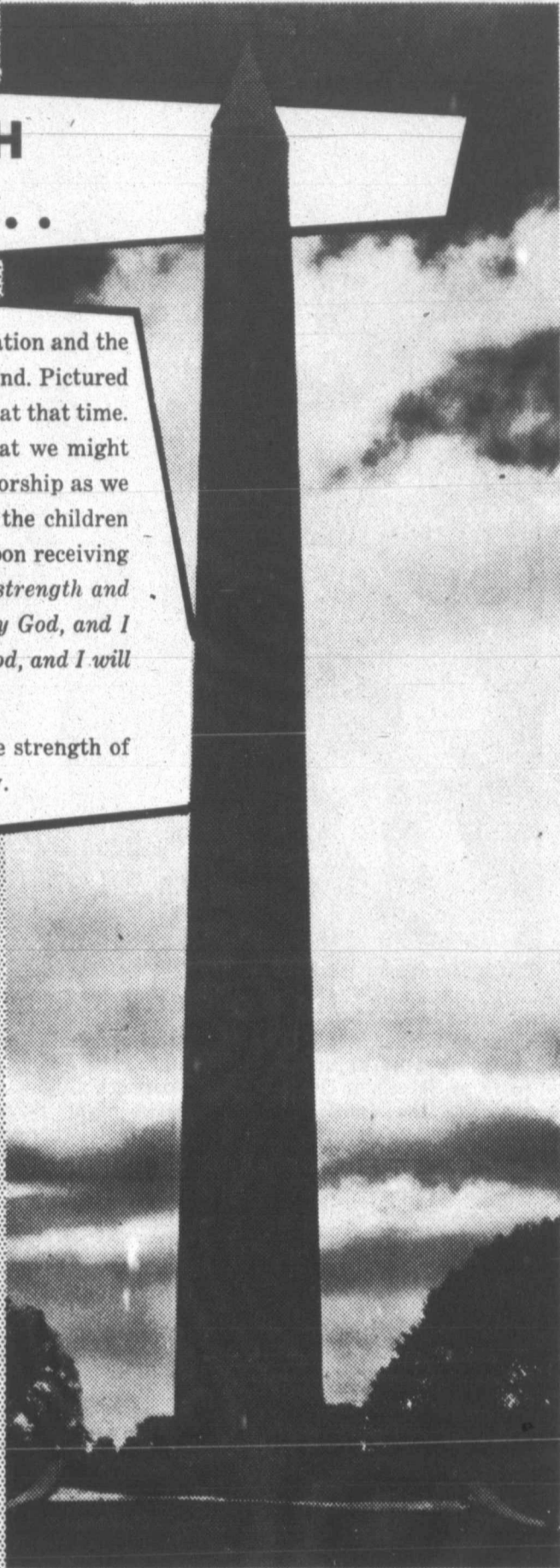
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'Find replacement for fossile fuels'

TYLER, Texas (AP) — The federal government's newest conservation watchdog has some energy-minded Texans concerned that lignite coal mining operations might be hamstrung by bureaucratic guidelines.

Power company representatives and state political figures gathered here today for the second round of discussions dealing with new energy developments and how they will affect Texas communities.

Thursday's opening session was highlighted by some rousing rhetoric from Mack Wallace, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission, and a warning of sorts from Roger

Heine, director of the new federal Office of Surface Mining (OSM).

Wallace capsulized Texas' contributions to the nation's energy scene and charged his audience with meeting new challenges in the search to find replacements for fossil fuels.

Heine's remarks followed with a brief overview of OSM and what it promises to do.

"The need for a federally coordinated surface mining reclamation effort had become obvious by the time the remedial legislation passed Congress," he said. "Many groups were practicing reclamation, others planned to, but too many were still debating it."

Most reclamation programs were not sufficiently broad in scope. Furthermore, until recent years only a few states directly regulated surface mining and no guidelines existed to balance reclamation with mining.

Regulatory activity, Heine said, will be carried out by the states under programs approved by the Secretary of the Interior. A full federal program will be implemented in a state only after that state has failed to submit an acceptable program of its own.

Heine said Texas should be among the states with the lowest reclamation costs because of its generally flat topography.

Of special interest to the audience was the federal definition of "prime farmlands" and what measures must be taken to reclaim the land after mining operations are suspended.

"The prime farmlands provisions have caused special concern in Texas," said Heine. "Some state people have esti-

imated that 70 percent to 80 percent of the Texas coal resource may lie under prime farm lands, as defined by the regulations.

"This probably is not true, as many of these lands are used for grazing purposes and would not qualify under OSM's definition of prime farm lands, which we adapted from the Department of Agriculture."

Austin nursing home restrained

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — State District Judge Charles Mathews issued a restraining order Thursday against an Austin nursing home from which several residents wandered off, including one who later reportedly died of heat exhaustion.

Another resident was found tangled in barbed wire, said Attorney General John Hill, who sought the temporary restraining order.

Mathews issued the order against Pendergras & Hood, Inc., doing business as South-

west Medplex, administrator Joan Marie M. O'Connor, assistant administrator Priscilla Hammer, and Nancy Herzog, director of nursing.

The judge set a hearing for next Wednesday on the restraining order.

He authorized Austin lawyer Philip Maxwell to make unannounced visits and inspections of the nursing home and to report to the court.

farmlands," he said. "Some of the topsoil on this land is only two inches thick and replacing it (according to OSM regulations) would be difficult if not impossible."

However, Chesley Blevins, a legal examiner with the Texas Railroad Commission, said the state plans to submit its recovery program to OSM "very soon." He said he doubts he state plan already in existence will require much modification.

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OSHA deals fines

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Farmers Export Company of Galveston, Texas, was issued citations and proposed penalties totaling \$116,000 today by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) for alleged violations of job safety and health standards in connection with a grain elevator explosion that killed 18 workers and injured 21 others.

The \$116,000 total is the second-largest proposed penalty in OSHA history ranking second to the \$215,900 penalty assessed to U.S. Steel in Chicago on Wednesday.

Today's action followed OSHA's investigation of the Dec. 27, 1977, blast.

Farmers Export Company has 15 working days to contest OSHA's findings, said OSHA spokesman James Foster. "If they don't contest it, then it's fact," added Foster.

The firm was cited for six "serious violations" calling for automatic \$1,000 fines and 11 "willful violations" calling for fines of up to \$10,000 each. OSHA fined the firm the maximum \$10,000.

The OSHA law also prescribes criminal sanctions for a willful violation of a standard

resulting in the death of an employee. OSHA noted today in a written release that added the Department of Labor is "determining whether to recommend criminal action to the Department of Justice in this case."

The actions we are taking today as a result of our investigation area clear signal of our firm intention to get serious about serious hazards wherever we encounter them," said Dr. Eula Bingham, OSHA's director. "Hopefully, other grain elevator operators are making changes needed to prevent future tragic disasters such as these."

Daily News shuts down

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Daily News, noted for a history of excellence in writing and foreign reporting, will cease publication with its March 4 edition.

Publisher Marshall Field made the formal announcement Wednesday, less than three weeks after he said the board of directors was "contemplating" a shutdown of the city's last remaining afternoon newspaper.

The Daily News, with an accumulation of 15 Pulitzer Prizes during its 102-year history, reported losses of \$11 million in the last year and \$21.7 million since Sept. 30, 1977. Its average daily circulation declined from 397,598 in 1974 to 329,078 last September.

The Daily News' demise will leave two dailies in Chicago.

The Tribune Co. shut down Chicago Today, the Daily News' only afternoon competitor, in 1974 and extended the morning Chicago Tribune to "24-hour" publication including afternoon editions.

Field Enterprises canceled a Daily News promotion campaign early this month, giving notice to some 985 employees that the newspaper's long-rumored demise was near.

Jimmy Dean to close plant

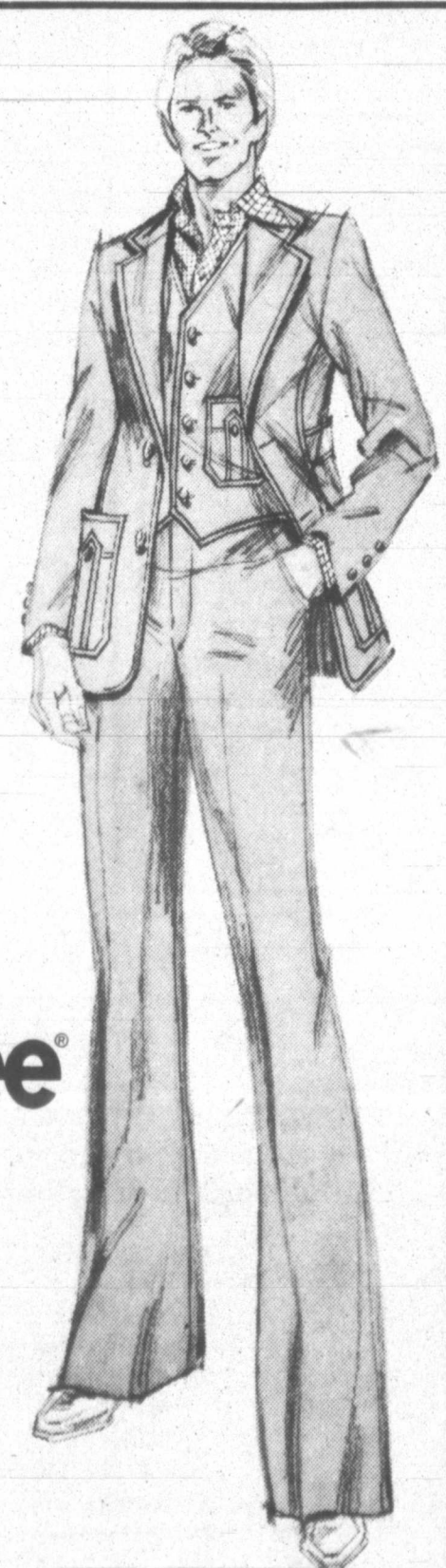
PLAINVIEW, Texas (AP) — The Jimmy Dean Sausage Co. plant is expected to close on or before March 10 due to declining plant production and increased labor costs, local sources say.

Dewayne Getty, a spokesman at the company's Dallas office, said Wednesday it was too early to comment and that the company would issue a statement "early next week."

The plant opened in 1969 and employs 80 persons affiliated with the Amalgamated Meatcutters Union. The closing apparently would not affect other plants in Iowa and Mississippi.

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