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Can't stand the sight of it

It wasn't intentional that a poster showing West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt covering his eyes was set up behind a pile of rubble in downtown Munich. The billboard, promoting a magazine series on German politics, stood before the building before it was torn down. (AP Laserphoto)

Vote tally unchanged

Partial recheck completed

Results in the mayor's election are still the same so far — G. Thane Akins leads Martin Allday after the rechecking of 23 voting machines Tuesday by Midland City Council.

The recheck showed Allday to have 4,586 votes while Akins received 4,624. These figures don't reflect the absentee paper ballots that will be counted at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Including the absentee ballots, the Saturday figures showed Akins to have 4,639 votes while Allday captured 4,631.

In charge of counting the paper ballots will be a committee consisting of Darrell Smith, Bill Shaner and Elizabeth Adam. The ballots have been locked up by Police Chief Wayne Gideon. The recount will take place in a conference room at the Public Safety Building.

Members of the City Council, County Judge Bill Ahders, District Judge Barbara Culver and the media gathered in the County Barn at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday for the recheck. Appearing along with Allday was Harrell

Feldt.

The machines had been locked in the barn and guarded by Midland police officers since the results of the election Saturday.

As the numbers on each machine were read, they were checked with numbers on the vote tally sheets turned in by each voting poll clerk.

Only once did the listeners' ears perk up as Councilman Gordon Marcum II read out a number. He called 185 for Allday while the sheet showed 183. But it was Marcum who read it wrong on the machine.

Of 10,000 votes cast, the eight votes represent a difference of 1/10,000th of 1 percent, noted Allday.

At the conclusion of the rechecking, Allday commented, "I didn't expect an error to be made, but this was something I felt should be done. Those involved with the race will be more comfortable."

Results of Tuesday's rechecking and Thursday's recounting will be canvassed by the City Council during a special session at 9 a.m. Friday in City Hall Council Chambers.

City delays annexation of plot north of Midland

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

An ordinance for annexing 6.5 acres north of the current city limits was postponed Tuesday by Midland City Council until a special session Friday.

The council tentatively approved the annexation pending work on the details of the Green Tree Country Club golf course which will be excluded from annexation. The housing development will fall within city boundaries, however, if the ordinance makes it past two readings.

The special session will be at 9 a.m. Friday in City Hall Council Cham-

bers.

The city panel decided to move ahead with condemnation proceedings on a parcel of land needed for Loop 250 if the owner doesn't accept the city's offer for right of way.

City Attorney Joe Nuessle said the land was appraised at \$9,150 which works out to be 47.5 cents per square foot. The owner wanted 75 cents per square foot. Nuessle said the owner compromised at 52 cents, but recently changed his mind and upped the figure about another 10 cents.

"This has been going on for 18 months," Nuessle said of the problem the city is up against in trying to purchase rights of way for Loop 250. Landowners have been raising their

asking price on the land, despite what appraisers have said, and the city is running out of money.

The south half of Ohio Avenue between N and Garfield streets will be closed. The council approved the action and will make the north half of that street one-way going west. The south half is being purchased by Midland Memorial Hospital to make room for parking at the Allison Permian Basin Cancer Therapy Center.

The request from Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church for street closings and a beer license for the family fair was approved only after more police officers were required by the council.

Despite an unfavorable recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission, the council approved on first reading a zone change to local retail district on Lamesa Road between Cuthbert Avenue and Cherry Lane.

Eddie Garza said his client, Joe Hernandez, planned to put in a small restaurant in the location. But the planning body denied the request on the basis spot zoning for retail wouldn't fit in the area.

Garza pointed out the land in that area has been vacant for many years and home builders wouldn't want such a location.

The council authorized Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. to design two open air hangars at a cost of \$11,400. Col. Wilson Banks, director of aviation, noted there is a need for more hangars. One will go at Midland Air Park, the other at Midland Regional Air Terminal, and each will hold 25 planes.

In other action the council approved:

—Closing an alley on the Hill property on West Illinois Avenue upon request of Midland Independent School District;

—An agreement between American Sign and Indicator Co. and the city for a baggage area sign at Midland Regional Airport;

—Continuing issuing free parking passes for conventions and meetings.

New tornadoes strike Appalachian states

By the Associated Press

New tornadoes swirled through the Ohio Valley and pummeled the Appalachian states after a family of twisters roared up from the legendary Tornado Alley of the Southwest, bringing destruction and death during its two-day rampage across 14 states.

The twisters — "part of a family of storms," according to meteorologists — killed four persons and left nearly 200 injured and hundreds more homeless. The National Severe Storms Forecast Center in Kansas City reported 75 tornadoes on Monday and Tuesday.

Damage was estimated at more than \$14 million in the five states where estimates were available — Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

A line of thunderstorms spawning hail, funnel clouds and twisters extended from Texas to Wisconsin, ranging eastward through Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Mississippi,

Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia.

Tornado watches in most states were lifted as fair weather returned today.

A woman and a baby girl died Tuesday when a tornado hit a Kentucky trailer park. Earlier, a man in central Texas was killed when his home collapsed around him, and a boy in Oklahoma drowned when his boat capsized.

In Michigan, 80 mph winds were reported, three tornadoes touched down late Tuesday, and a Kingsley woman was struck by lightning as she talked on her telephone. Kathryn Brooks was hospitalized in good condition today with burns on her chest and back after the freak accident.

In Ohio, 15 persons were injured as violent storms flipped over dozens of mobile homes, tore roofs from houses, flattened barns and downed trees and utility lines.

"We were lucky, if you can call it that," said Cheryl Meneely as she

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Militants threaten to 'burn' hostages if U.S. acts militarily

By The Associated Press

The Moslem militants occupying the U.S. Embassy in Tehran today threatened to kill their 50 American hostages — "burn them into ashes" — if the Carter administration takes any military action against Iran.

Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh, meanwhile, declared Iran has "decided to overthrow" the regime in neighboring Iraq.

The militants' grim threat came as U.S. officials were hinting at a naval blockade or mining of Iran's ports if President Carter's new economic and diplomatic sanctions fail to free the hostages, who were in their 158th day in captivity today.

"In the name of God the avenger we plainly warn the criminal government of the United States that if it undertakes even the smallest military intervention in Iran we will kill all the spies-hostages together and we emphatically warn the respected U.S. nation that the criminals of the U.S. administration will be directly responsible for such an event," said the militants' statement, carried by Tehran Radio.

A Western reporter who called the embassy for clarification of what was meant by "spies-hostages" was told the militants meant all the hostages would be killed, and that they were not making any distinction between alleged spies and the other captives.

In the early days of the crisis the militants said they would kill the hostages if the United States made a military attempt to rescue them. They said they had rigged the embassy compound with explosives.

Later today, Iran's official news agency Pars carried another militant statement declaring, "We will burn into ashes the spy hostages and the building they are living in if we see any suspicious military move or the least military attack by the U.S. against the territory of Iran."

Ghotbzadeh, interviewed by American television networks this morning, said he doubted that the Iranian government could stop the embassy militants if they decided to carry out their threat, "but I hope we never go to that end."

In Washington, Carter administration officials declined to make immediate comment on the threat. In the past, Carter has warned of severe retaliation if any hostages are harmed.

Ghotbzadeh's announcement on Iraq was carried by Tehran Radio, which quoted him as saying, "We have decided to overthrow the Baathist regime of Iraq." There were no further details.

Hostility between Iran and the pro-Moscow government of the socialist Baathist Party in neighboring Iraq has been growing in recent days.

Tehran Radio reported an artillery exchange across the border Monday night and Tuesday and said the Iraqi positions were "smashed." Iran,

which withdrew its diplomats from Baghdad on Monday, announced that it closed the offices of the Iraqi diplomatic representative in Tehran and the Iraqi news agency.

In another development today, the deposed Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi left a Cairo military hospital and moved to the Kubbeh Palace in the Egyptian capital. He reportedly will stay there for a few days.

His doctors said the exiled Pahlavi, whose cancerous spleen was removed in surgery two weeks ago, was recuperating well. He is suffering from cancer of the lymph system and of the liver, which the doctors say will be treated with drugs.

Carter has appealed to America's European allies to join the United States in cutting off exports to Iran, but so far none has showed any signs of giving more than vocal support to

the reprisals.

The foreign ministers of the nine European Common Market nations are to meet in Lisbon, Portugal, tonight to begin consultations on the Iran crisis.

Iran ships 550,000 barrels of oil a day to Japan, 250,000 to Britain and 400,000 to other Western European nations. The Tehran regime has threatened to deny its oil to any who join the United States in cutting off shipments of food or other necessities.

Ghotbzadeh said European support of American economic sanctions would not have a serious impact on Iran. He also said the Algerian Embassy in Washington would handle Iran's affairs now that Carter has broken diplomatic relations with Tehran. U.S. interests in Iran will be handled by the Swiss.

Oil may be cut, U.S. warns allies

WASHINGTON (AP) — With Iran's diplomats ushered out of the United States amid cries they were treated like hostages themselves, the Carter administration is warning U.S. allies that it, too, can shut off the Iranian oil tap.

Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance asked about two dozen ambassadors to come to the State Department this afternoon to hear what this nation wants their governments to do in support of U.S. economic sanctions against Iran.

The administration reportedly is considering a naval blockade of Iran's sea routes or the mining of its oil ports, which would block Iranian exports and cut off the oil revenues that sustain the Persian Gulf country.

White House spokesman Mark Henderson refused to comment immediately on the militants' threat. He said he did not know which options Carter might be considering for what he called a "show of force."

Iranian diplomats in the United States hurriedly packed their bags and left the country Tuesday night on flights from Washington, New York and Los Angeles. FBI spokesman Roger Young said only one of the 35 diplomats affected by the expulsion order was known to have stayed behind, and he was expected to leave after being released from a suburban Washington hospital where he was admitted after complaining of chest pains.

A State Department official identified the ailing diplomat as Abdol-Azim Biabani, financial affairs director for the Iranian Embassy. The

official said Biabani "has no plans to seek asylum here, and if he did, none would be granted."

FBI spokesman Young said an Iranian caretaker was left behind to look after the embassy until another country agrees to assume responsibility for the building and other Iranian interests in the United States.

"I was like a hostage in our embassy for 156 days," Ali Agah, the Iranian charge d'affaires, told reporters. "I'm glad I'm going home."

An embassy secretary, who identified herself as Mrs. Mehrmah Hodal, complained of the short notice given the Iranians to get out of the country — less than 48 hours — and the FBI surveillance placed on them to make sure they left. "They deal with us worse than hostages," she said.

U.S. officials showed no sympathy. They rejected last-minute appeals by at least six Iranian officials who asked to stay in the country for humanitarian reasons. One Iranian reportedly sought political asylum, but that, too, was turned down.

It was the first time the United States severed diplomatic relations since cutting ties with Cuba after Fidel Castro installed a communist regime in 1961.

White House press secretary Jody Powell said Tuesday that Carter has run out of patience with Iran and will take additional action unless the 53 American hostages in Tehran are released.

He refused to specify what action is contemplated, saying to do so would not be productive. But he emphasized that whatever Carter decides would not have to have unanimous support of U.S. allies, who have resisted cooperating with trade sanctions first imposed against Iran months ago.

"To the extent that they support us in these efforts, the crisis is more likely to be resolved without the necessity of additional actions which could involve additional risks for all concerned," Powell said.

He said the reference to additional action was "a clear statement of policy" and advised European and Japanese allies heavily dependent on Iranian oil to consider carefully what the next move might be.

In addition to ending diplomatic relations, actions announced by Carter Monday included trade sanctions, allowing claims against Iran's frozen assets in the United States and invalidating visas for future entry into the country by Iranians.

Iran says it will 'overthrow' Iraq

By The Associated Press

Iranian Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh said today "we have decided to overthrow the Baathist regime of Iraq." The statement, carried by Tehran Radio, quoted Ghotbzadeh as saying Iran would defend itself against Iraqi military attacks and sabotage.

Ghotbzadeh accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of being "America's agent," adding: "Any country supporting America in practice must face action similar to that (which) Iran has taken against America," the radio quoted Ghotbzadeh as saying. Hussein's pro-Moscow government generally is considered one of the most anti-American in the Middle East.

Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, spiritual leader and power behind Iran's revolution, declared in another London-monitored broadcast that Moslems of Iran and Iraq would remove the "evil Baathist leaders" of Iraq's ruling Arab socialist party and "consign them to the dustbin of history."

Neither broadcast made clear how Iran expected to overthrow the government of its neighbor.

Diplomats in Beirut, Lebanon said that Khomeini, leader of the Shiite Moslem sect, could easily arouse Iraq's Shiite majority against Hus-

sein. But they said the Iraqi army is firmly behind the mostly Sunni Moslem leaders in Baghdad.

Hostility between Iran and Iraq has been growing, and Tehran Radio said fighting broke out today in the Qasr-e-Shirin area of Iran's southwestern Kermanshah Province on the Iraqi border. According to the report, Iraqi forces attacked with light and heavy weapons, but an Iraqi border post was destroyed.

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GOP's Bush criticizes Reagan's 'wishy-washy stance' on boycott

By LEE BYRD
Associated Press Writer

Ronald Reagan's flip-flopping on whether the United States should boycott the Moscow Olympics has earned him a score of zero on George Bush's scale of political sportsmanship. "I'm appalled," said Bush, "that my principal opponent for the Republican presidential nomination, Gov. Ronald Reagan, has taken a wishy-washy position on this issue." Reagan, who espouses a generally hard line on foreign policy, including stronger threats against Iran and sending U.S. arms to Afghan rebels, said Tuesday that American athletes should be free to go to Moscow if they choose that course. Bush, campaigning in Pennsylvania, told the World Affairs Council in Philadelphia that he fully supports President Carter's call for a total boycott of the Summer Games and "I find it outrageous that this nation has not rallied behind our president." "Today," said Bush, "I am urging

the president not only to stand firm but to take additional action that will ensure the finality of his decision and put an end to the public debate over the participation of our athletes." Reagan, who has changed his mind several times on the issue, told the American Society of Newspaper Editors in Washington that "I would rather see the athletes and, of course, the Olympics Committee — they're prudent men — I would rather see them persuaded and make a decision themselves not to go." "But I can't bring myself, I must confess, to say we're going to be the only country absent, that the president should be able to say to a group of Americans ... that you can't leave the country." Carter has appealed to the athletes and their parent organizations to boycott the games but has stopped short of declaring a flat prohibition on travel to Moscow. Reagan first supported a boycott, then withdrew his backing on ground that few other countries would join.

Early this month, he endorsed the boycott again. He said also that the Olympic Games should be moved back to their original home in Greece, but he dropped that position in his latest statement. Elsewhere Tuesday, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy acknowledged in Pennsylvania that he trails President Carter for that state's critical primary on April 22, but he insisted "It's still a long road. We're in it until the end. I'm not in it to lose, and I'm very hopeful we'll gain the nomination." Kennedy denied a report in the Washington Post that he and Rep. Morris Udall, D-Ariz., last month discussed, and then rejected, the idea of having Udall supplant Kennedy as Carter's principal challenger. Kennedy said the report "has no basis in fact whatsoever." In California, Rep. John B. Anderson, R-Ill., called for "dramatic new means" to solve the Iranian hostage crisis by enlisting the support of Japan and Western Europe in the exercise of economic sanctions.



GOP presidential hopeful George Bush gestures as he talks to newsmen during a Tuesday walking tour of downtown Philadelphia. Bush is campaigning in Pennsylvania seeking support in that state's upcoming April 22 primary election. (AP Laser-photo)

Reagan reveals his support for Olympics boycott

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ronald Reagan, dogged by questions about whether he supports boycotting the Moscow Olympics, stands accused by Republican rival George Bush of taking a "wishy-washy position." Reagan, who in fact has changed his mind several times about a boycott, said Tuesday he supports staying away from the games to protest the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. "But he said U.S. athletes should be free to go to Moscow if they choose." Bush, on the other hand, urged Carter to stand firm and take steps "that will ensure the finality of his decision and put an end to the public

debate over the participation of our athletes." "I find it outrageous that this nation has not rallied behind our president," Bush said in Philadelphia. "I'm appalled that my principal opponent for the Republican presidential nomination ... has taken a wishy-washy position on this issue." "President Carter," said Bush, "made the right decision in calling for a boycott of the Olympics. When the president makes a firm commitment, he is entitled to the support of the nation. The only way the Russian people will learn of the tragedy in Afghanistan is if we stay with the

president's decision." Reagan, questioned at a meeting here of the American Society of Newspaper Editors, said "I would rather see the athletes and, of course, the Olympic Committee — they're prudent men — I would rather see them persuaded and make a decision themselves not to go." "But I can't bring myself, I must confess, to say we're going to be the only country absent, that the president should be able to say to a group of Americans, to set that precedent, that you can't leave the country," Reagan said. Carter is appealing to the athletes

and Olympic Committee to boycott the games but has not said he would forbid contestants from leaving the United States. Reagan first supported a boycott, but then withdrew his backing on grounds that few other countries would join the United States in staying away. Early this month, Reagan endorsed the boycott again but said it would be wrong for Carter to use coercive means to block athletes from going to Moscow.

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Bush barnstorms in Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Locked in a struggle for survival, Republican presidential candidate George Bush launched a 10-day barnstorming sweep through delegate-rich Pennsylvania by saying "we can turn it around here." The former U.N. ambassador and CIA director, sorely needing a victory to blunt front-runner Ronald Reagan, told a state legislative gathering Tuesday night that it's premature to write him off. "I believe in the adage of Washington's famous basketball coach (Dick Motta) that 'the opera's not over 'til the fat lady sings.' And believe me, the Pennsylvania primary is the key to this nomination," said Bush. "It's frustrating ... when you have to sit and listen to your obituary when you haven't stopped breathing. I haven't even begun to fight yet. I just got to Pennsylvania and we can turn it around here," he added. Bush spoke at the World Affairs Council in Philadelphia before coming to the state capital in his bid to woo support for the state's 83 delegates, the fourth largest bloc at the Republican nominating convention. Today's schedule included a visit to Allentown, a steel mill in Bethlehem and an appearance in Pittsburgh. In Philadelphia and again at a \$100-a-plate fun-

draiser for Republican state Senate candidates here, Bush staunchly backed President Carter's call for an Olympic boycott to protest the Russian invasion of Afghanistan.

"At some point, when the president makes a firm commitment, he is entitled to the support of the nation. And I hope he makes it stick," Bush said. "The only way the Russian people will learn of their own government's brutality is through cancellation of the Games. ... We are not going to turn our back on naked, brutal aggression," he added.

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Kennedy summarizes campaigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ask Sen. Edward M. Kennedy about the race for the Republican presidential nomination and he says "it would be extremely difficult" for anyone to catch Ronald Reagan. But ask him about his own race, against a front-running President Carter, and the answer is different: "I think Mr. Carter's got a lead in the delegates, and we've got an uphill battle," he said Tuesday as he wrapped up a two-day campaign tour of Pennsylvania. Kennedy concluded his swing through Pennsylvania conceding that he still trails the president in the state with the Democratic primary less than two weeks away. The Massachusetts senator arranged to spend part of today at home in suburban Washington before making an afternoon campaign trip to Baltimore. Nationally, Kennedy trails the president in Democratic convention delegates, 892.3 to 439.1, with 1,666 delegates needed to nominate. By contrast, Reagan is farther ahead of his rivals, but not as close to the GOP nomination as the president is to the Democratic prize. Reagan has 372 delegates, compared with 72 for George Bush and 57 for Rep. John Anderson, R-Ill. It takes 998 delegates to nominate. At one point on Tuesday, Kennedy seemed to say he could win the nomination even if the president goes to the convention holding enough delegates for victory.

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Mary Agnes Cahall, 5, is reunited with her father, Lee, in San Bernardino Tuesday on her return from Red Bluff in northern California where she was found four days after her abduction. John William Dickey, 41, is charged with kidnapping in a San Bernardino County Municipal Court warrant. (AP Laserphoto)

Girl allegedly sold to sex offender

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) — Five-year-old Mary Agnes Cahall, allegedly sold by her cousin to a convicted sex offender for \$230, is back with her parents today after a four-day abduction that apparently left her physically unharmed, officials say.

"I'm so excited I can't think straight," said her mother, Angela, as the child was reunited with her family on Tuesday.

Miss Cahall was rescued by police in Red Bluff, 450 miles to the north, earlier in the day after she was found asleep in a camper parked behind a restaurant.

A 41-year-old convicted sex offender, John William Dickey of Riverside, was arrested and charged with kidnapping in a San Bernardino County Municipal Court warrant.

Also in custody for investigation of kidnapping was the girl's 16-year-old cousin and his 15-year-old girlfriend, said Sgt. Gary Eisenbeisz.

Dickey, who pleaded guilty in 1976 to lewd and lascivious acts with a child, was placed on three years probation in March 1979 after treatment as a mentally disordered sex offender.

Initial reports indicated no apparent injury or trauma to the child, authorities said.

Miss Cahall was taken from her bed Saturday at the San Bernardino County home her family shared with Gene and Helen Raymond, who were known to the girl as "grandma and grandpa" although they are unrelated, according to Eisenbeisz. The couple often cared for the girl when her mother was not home, authorities said.

Assistant Sheriff Floyd Tidwell said Dickey "wanted the young girl to live with him."

"Your assumption is the same as ours," he added. "He told the cousin he

wanted to teach the young girl things." Sheriff Frank Bland said Dickey and the cousin settled on \$230 for the girl, adding that the 16-year-old told police he'd spent \$150 playing pinball machines.

Officials alleged the cousin and his girlfriend took the girl a few blocks to where Dickey's pickup truck was parked. Authorities said Dickey then picked up his son at a nearby foster home, telling the foster parents he would return Monday but telling the cousin he was heading for Oregon.

Dickey and his 9-year-old son also were found asleep inside the camper, officials said.

"Daddy, Daddy," Miss Cahall yelled as she was reunited with her family. Her father, Lee Cahall, talked to his daughter about the new T-shirt and pants she was wearing before turning to reporters.

"I know what I want to say," said Cahall. "I'm very proud of all the help I got from everyone. If I can do anything to repay anyone, don't even call, just come on over."

Central Texas town closed for two hours

HOLLAND, Texas (AP) — Highways leading into this Central Texas town were barricaded for two hours Monday night after a hose transferring anhydrous ammonia from a railroad tank car ruptured. Several families were evacuated, but no one was injured, Bell County

sheriff's deputies said.

Fertilizer plant employees were transferring the toxic liquid when the hose broke about 7:30 p.m., said Sgt. Jackie Howell.

He said high winds blew the fumes away from town.

Scouts ready annual Roundup

Buffalo Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America announced Tuesday plans for the Third Annual Roundup to be held Saturday and Sunday in Chaparral Center on the Midland College campus.

Essentially an art show and sale, the Roundup is being held to

raise funds for operating the Buffalo Trail Boy Scout Ranch in the Davis Mountains.

Featured will be Southwestern art, according to Carol Swain who has worked on organizing the artists for the event. Artists — not counting those from Texas — are coming from states such

as California, Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Among the 50 featured artists will be Stefan Kramar, Pat Durgin, Sue Lynn, Andy Claire, F. Delaney Ward, Lorenzo Castaneda, Tod Richardson and Bill Craig.

"Hundreds of paintings are coming" in for

the show and sale, said Mrs. Swain. Also included will be bronze artists.

The Roundup will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$1 per person.

For the past two years, the Roundups were held on area ranches. The change to Chaparral Center was made this year to attract a majority of the people and to allow them to attend at their convenience, said Mrs. Swain.

Last year, 500 area persons showed up for the event on a local ranch. This year, she hopes to get 10,000 people in to the Roundup.

Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch is located on 6,300 acres and provides summer camping for Boy Scouts from this area and other parts of the country. Included is wilderness ranching, four week summer camps, horseback treks and a mountain man trek.

The Roundup helps to keep costs for each participant down to about \$50 for each week at camp.

TVA stops spending on Tellico Dam project

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — After spending money that had not yet been appropriated, the Tennessee Valley Authority has halted all but essential outlays on Tellico Dam to await money from Congress.

The setback is the latest for the often-stalled Tellico project, delayed for a decade by court battles over the protection of the snail darter fish.

TVA spokesman Louis Gwin said Tuesday that the utility has already spent on Tellico about \$2 million of a \$20.7 million supplemental appropriation it believed Congress was about to approve.

Congressional subcommittees assured TVA in February that the money to complete the dam was on the way, he said.

TVA board members spoke last week with congressional staff members about the Tellico funding, Gwin said, but he added there was no indication when Congress might approve the outlay.

TVA's three board members said on Tuesday that if Congress doesn't provide the money, TVA may have to cover its Tellico spending with money earmarked for its Columbia Dam project.

"If we do not get the supplemental appropriation, Tellico will be in the position of borrowing

from Columbia. But that is something that we just do not want to do," said board chairman S. David Freeman.

Gwin said no money is in TVA's 1980 budget for Tellico because its future was uncertain when TVA requested budget appropriations. The utility has already spent \$120 million on the Little Tennessee River project, southwest of Knoxville.

Earlier Tuesday, Freeman said in a speech that TVA's commitment to keeping nuclear power generation safe means customers can expect annual electric rate increases.

"Low risk nuclear power is quite expensive, as compared to today's rates," Freeman told a

joint meeting of the American Nuclear Society and European Nuclear Society in Knoxville. "Anybody who favors safe nuclear power must favor rate increases. The two are Siamese twins, and anyone who says otherwise is either uninformed or deliberately misleading the public."

He said TVA's nuclear expansion program, the nation's largest, makes increases inevitable. The utility, which now operates the Browns Ferry nuclear plant near Athens, Ala., hopes to get its Sequoyah plant near Chattanooga operating at full power this summer. It is building five other atomic generating plants.

Andrews to have child welfare

ANDREWS — A child welfare department will be set up by Andrews County, county commissioners decided Monday.

The commissioners approved a lease agreement with Jack Kantor, county health physician, for operating space at Permian General Hospital.

In other business, the commissioners approved payment for aggregate surface of county roads and city streets with Rose Gravel Co. The payment came to more than \$37,000.

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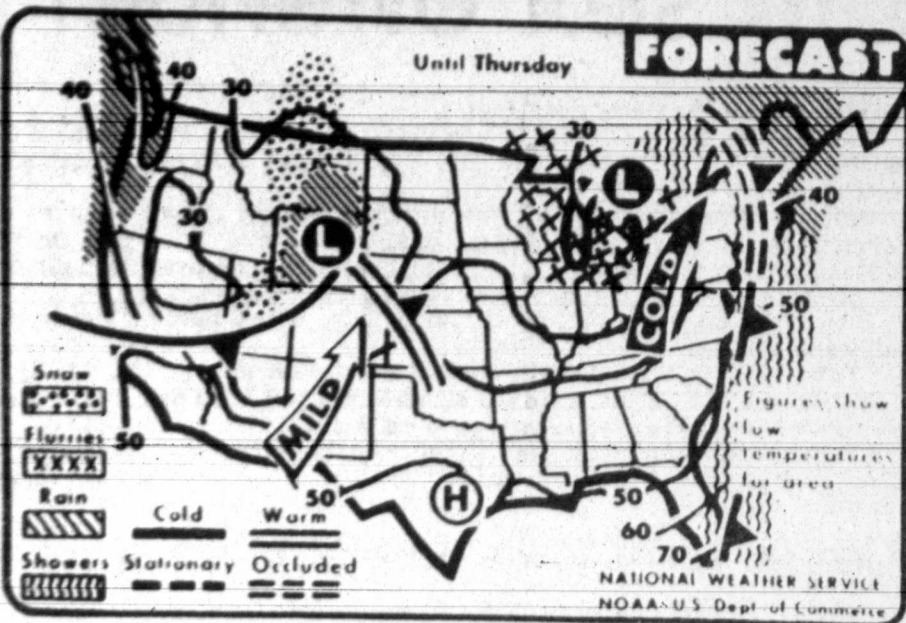


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Shows are forecast today through Thursday along the Atlantic Coast. Snow flurries are expected for the upper Midwest and Great Lakes...

Tornadoes strike East, killing four

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surveyed her overturned mobile home near Middletown, Ohio, where 25 trailer homes were scattered. "I just don't believe it. I've never seen anything like it in my life," she said.



Widespread damage

Family members and friends of Steve Schenwerk, Florissant, Mo., salvage what they can from his home, above, demolished by a tornado late Monday night.



Widespread damage

Midland statistics

Table with weather forecast and statistics for Midland, including high/low temperatures and precipitation.

The weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities across the country, including Albany, Albuquerque, and Atlanta.

Texas temperatures

Table showing current and forecast temperatures for various Texas cities like Abilene, Amarillo, and Austin.

Texas area forecasts

West Texas: Fair and warmer except becoming partly cloudy north tonight. Partly cloudy and warmer Thursday...

Quake rocks Andes

MENDOZA, Argentina (AP) — A mild earthquake was felt today in this Andean city 700 miles west of Buenos Aires...

New force added to traffic jams

NEW YORK (AP) — With traffic already near the saturation point, more than 1 million public school students and teachers today are joining New York's commuter jam.

thority Chairman Richard Ravitch was to meet today with the local executive boards of the TWU and the ATU to explain why management wants to negotiate work rule changes.

have warned that they will strike again if negotiations do not proceed at a satisfactory pace.

Station, at midtown, and the World Trade Center at the end of Manhattan island were resuming today.

Extended forecasts

Friday Through Sunday: West Texas: Partly cloudy Friday becoming generally fair Saturday and Sunday.

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Slight warming trend, more wind forecast for Thursday

Thursday should be a beautiful day in the Permian Basin — if you can ignore the wind. The forecast, issued by the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport...

to 15-25 mph on Thursday and become gusty, the weather service said. Around the Permian Basin area this morning, communities were reporting fair skies and cool temperatures.

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Police reported major crime was down 28 percent in Manhattan for the first week of the strike and all other boroughs reported decreases except Staten Island.

Richard Turner, a member of the SCLC board

Richard Turner, a member of the SCLC board from adjoining Washington County, said he knew of four demonstrators injured.

Insurance Board gives firms 90 days to cancel fire policies

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The State Insurance Board has handed insurance companies a new tool to avoid selling fire insurance policies to people who plan to burn their houses down.

to cancel a policy after an agent has written it. A Texas Advisory Council on Arson (ATAC on Arson) had recommended the rule at the board's property insurance hearing in February.

Brooklyn state Supreme Court Justice John Monteleone

Brooklyn state Supreme Court Justice John Monteleone, saying the "devastating effect of a strike" has New Yorkers "hanging on the brink of despair," on Tuesday found the unions and their leaders in contempt of court and fined them a total of \$1 million.

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and a group of whites, many of whom had nothing to do with law enforcement, said Ozell Sutton, regional director of the U.S. Justice Department's Community Relations Service.

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Acting probation officer named

BIG SPRING — Jeanette Nichols will be acting chief probation officer until 118th District Court Judge James Gregg of Big Spring appoints a replacement for Guy Talbot, the district's adult probation officer who resigned Monday.

Board member Durwood Manford

Board member Durwood Manford said arson causes insurance rates to be higher than they should be, and "I see no tragedy in giving them (the companies) 90 days."

Howard College schedules four-day class sessions during summer months

BIG SPRING — Howard College will adopt the cost-savings ways of Midland College by reducing weekday class days to four days per week instead of five in June, July and August.

Electricity costs could be cut by more than \$5,000 during the summer

Electricity costs could be cut by more than \$5,000 during the summer, he said. The summer work-week will consist of four 10-hour days for administrators, secretaries and clerical personnel.

HOME DELIVERY

Table showing home delivery rates for the Midland Reporter-Telegram, including paid-in-advance and monthly rates.

MAIL RATES IN TEXAS

Table showing mail rates for the Midland Reporter-Telegram, including rates for Texas and outside Texas.



Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, left, laughs with President Jimmy Carter at the White House Tuesday. Sadat is in Washington at Carter's invitation, hoping to

make a breakthrough in stalled peace talks with Israel. Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin is scheduled to meet with Carter next week. (AP Laserphoto)

Promise of autonomy for Palestinians remembered as Carter toasts Sadat

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter has publicly reminded Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin of his Camp David pledge to grant "full autonomy" to the more than 1 million Palestinians living in Israeli-occupied territories.

"It would be inconceivable that we would let this promise (of the Camp David accords) slip through our grasp," Carter said in toasting President Anwar Sadat of Egypt at a White House dinner Tuesday night after the first of two days of talks between the two leaders.

Carter and Sadat were to resume their discussions today. Sadat also planned to meet with various administration officials and congressional leaders and have a brief evening session with former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger.

Sadat responded to Carter's toast Tuesday evening with effusive praise for the U.S. president and a firm commitment "to pursue our mission until a comprehensive settlement is achieved."

While never mentioning the official May 26 target date for conclusion of the stalled negotiations between Israel and Egypt over the Palestinian question, Sadat insisted: "A real transfer of authority must take place, and a new era of reconciliation should begin."

About 1.2 million Palestinian Arabs live on the West Bank of the Jordan River and in Gaza under Israeli control.

Begin, due here next week for talks with Carter, has offered to relinquish control over some day-to-day affairs but would maintain Israel's hold on the territories, won from Jordan and

Egypt in the 1967 Six-Day War.

Carter, however, in what he called "a toast to peace," recalled that the Camp David accords of September 1978 call for "the organization of a self-governing authority in the West Bank and Gaza derived through free elections held by the people who live in those two troubled areas."

Israel, Carter said, "has agreed to withdraw the military government and civilian administration associated with it and then to withdraw all her troops from the occupied territories (with the remainder of those troops to be located in specified security locations.)"

"The people of those two territories are granted autonomy," Carter said, "and as Prime Minister Begin said many times in the presence of President Sadat and me, not just autonomy — full autonomy. 'Full autonomy,' he said many, many times."

Referring again to the document the three men signed after their 13-day Camp David summit, Carter told his dinner guests: "Prime Minister Begin, President Sadat and I are pledged to carry out all these agreements on our word of honor and on the honor of the nations that we represent. It is a solemn commitment which cannot be lightly ignored or violated."

Begin has maintained that Israel's autonomy proposal fulfills the "framework" he built with Carter and Sadat. Israel fears that establishing a legislative council like that proposed by Sadat would be a step toward a Palestinian state that could threaten Israel's existence.

Bomb material found in FALN hideout

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The FBI found weapons and bomb-making materials in a quiet white dwelling whose peaceful appearance concealed what authorities say was a hideout for associates of a Puerto Rican terrorist group.

FBI spokesmen said agents, armed with a search warrant, searched the two-story frame house on Tuesday and found disguises, propaganda, weapons, wiring and other items that might be used to manufacture bombs.

John D. Glover, special agent in charge of the FBI Milwaukee office, said authorities did not locate the owner of the home, identified as Oscar Lopez-Rivera.

Lopez, 34, has been wanted since 1977 on charges dealing with possession and storage of explosives. The FBI described Lopez as armed and dangerous.

Spokesmen said they doubt, however, that the house was a bomb factory operated by members of the FALN, or Fuerzas Armadas de Liberacion Nacional (Armed Forces of National Liberation), as was rumored.

Eleven FALN suspects, arrested Friday in Evanston, Ill., are being held in Cook County Jail in Chicago on \$2 million bail each after a raucous hearing Monday on weapons charges.

Among those arrested was Carlos Alberto Torres, 27, who had headed the FBI's list of most-wanted fugitives and who police identify as an FALN ringleader.

The FALN is blamed for about 100 terrorist bombings since 1974 in Chicago, New York and other cities. Glover said there has been little FALN activity in the Milwaukee area although Lopez apparently had lived in the north-side house for more than a year.

2-year-old boy dies in house fire

ODESSA — A 2-year-old child, who would have been 3 this Friday, died as the result of burns and smoke inhalation suffered in a Tuesday morning house fire here.

The house, at 2008 W. County Road in Ector County, was occupied by Pete and Rosa Trevino and their son, David Anthony.

According to Ector County fire officials, Rosa Trevino said she was in the bathroom when she heard a fire. She left the bathroom and went outside, walking past the child on her way through the house, officials said.

David Anthony was found by firemen in the middle of the bed in the combination living room-bedroom.

The fire apparently started near the front door to the living room and bedroom, and the house was heavily damaged.

Firemen spent approximately an hour and a half battling the blaze, finally extinguishing it with 1,250 gallons of water.

It was the second tragedy in the last year for the Trevinos. Their 4-month-old child died a year ago of apparent crib death.

Doctors try to reattach hand

DALLAS (AP) — Surgeons worked early today to reattach the nearly severed left hand of a North Texas State University coed injured in an accident during an art class.

The surgery for Christie Legg, 21, of Longview, began about 3 p.m. Tuesday at Baylor Medical Center and was still under way early today.

The girl was cutting wood with a band saw in class at nearby Denton Tuesday morning when the saw slipped and cut into her arm, nearly severing the left hand just above the wrist.

Late Tuesday surgeons told her parents, George and Dorothy Legg no complications had developed. At that time, the surgeons had worked for five hours, painstakingly using microsurgery to reattach nerves, ligaments and veins.

Legg said he was told the surgeons expressed "cautious optimism," adding they said her prognosis was good "because she never went into shock and she always had a pretty good blood supply to her hand."

The girl's father, a Longview dentist, said he understood better than the ordinary layman what the doctors were attempting.

The parents drove about 120 miles to Dallas after learning that their daughter was taken there after initial treatment at a Denton hospital.

"Dean White from the school called me at my office and told me there had been an accident in the art department. He said Christi had lost an arm," Legg recalled as he and wife kept a vigil in the waiting room outside the operating room.

He said he believes his daughter's chances for recovery are good. "She's a healthy girl. She's a very

physical girl. She rides. She swims," he said. "And if it had to be any hand, I'm glad it was the left one. She's right-handed."

Mrs. Legg pointed out that their daughter had been a member of ballet companies at Fort Worth and Longview for several years and once wanted to be a professional ballet dancer.

Both parents said they believe everything will turn out for the best. "We've always depended on the Lord and he's never let us down," Legg said.

"She was alert in the emergency room. They told me she said she wanted to talk to a Christian to pray with her. She also joked that she'd always wanted to see the inside of a hospital, but not this way," Legg added.

Christie first attended Texas Christian University at Fort Worth where she studied dance. She later transferred to North Texas first to pursue art and then became a journalism major.

Ron Kick, youth minister for Grace Temple Baptist Church of Denton, waited in the hospital waiting room with the parents Tuesday night. He said Christie was active in the church.

"You know what's ironic is she got up this morning and told her pastor she felt God had a test for her today," Legg said.

"She went back to her room and read her Bible. She didn't know what was coming."

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Cuba's stark lesson

For some months now we've been hearing reports that Cuba's economic position was deteriorating. In light of the most recent news event, those reports would appear to be on target.

According to the Peruvian government, more than 10,000 Cubans overwhelmed that country's embassy in Havana, Cuba, seeking to escape the communist rule of Fidel Castro.

The thousands of Cubans reportedly began pouring into the Peruvian embassy compound on Friday after the Cuban government removed its police guard outside the embassy.

Cuban officials said they removed the guards because one of them was killed in a gunfight last week when six Cubans rammed a bus through the embassy gate to seek asylum.

The flood of Cubans into the Peruvian embassy is a testimonial to the horrors of a communistic state. A government which has to restrain its people from leaving surely cannot be pleasant and productive.

Fidel Castro has for years maintained his repressive regime in his island state just 90 miles from the tip of Florida. All the while he has maintained close ties to the Soviet Union and made a nuisance of himself throughout the world.

Cuban troops, if you recall, have been involved in the Soviet Union's "proxy wars" in Africa and elsewhere. And Soviet combat troops, it has been reported, are present even now in Cuba.

But things apparently are not as rosy in Havana as Castro would have us believe. Castro accused Peru of giving refuge to "common criminals and anti-socialist elements" after two dozen Cubans had sought refuge in the Peruvian embassy.

What's Castro's response now? Does he call the 10,000 Cubans who flooded the Peruvian embassy "common criminals and anti-social elements"?

The incident truly is a human tragedy. Those thousands of Cubans apparently represent only the tip of the iceberg of the human suffering in Cuba.

Here in the United States, too often we take our freedom all too lightly, too much for granted.

When we witness an outpouring of human grief and despair like that reported in Cuba, we are reminded that our freedom and our democratic form of government is a rarity among nations. We must forever strive to keep it safe because there are far too many nations that would end our way of life if our guard ever drops.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, April 9, the 100th day of 1980. There are 267 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On April 9, 1968, thousands attended funeral services for slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., in Atlanta.

On this date: In 1865, Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered to Union Gen. Ulysses Grant to end the Civil War. In 1882, the French Explorer La Salle reached the Gulf of Mexico after traveling down the Mississippi River.

In 1939, 75,000 people crowded around the Lincoln Memorial to hear black singer Marian Anderson after she had been barred from Constitution Hall.

In 1940, German forces invaded Norway and Denmark in World War II.

Ten years ago, a gas explosion and fire at a subway construction site in Osaka, Japan killed 73 people.

Five years ago, the White House said President Nixon had given South Vietnam private assurances in 1973 that the United States would react vigorously to any communist violation of the Vietnam peace treaty.

Last year, making his first public appearance since cancer surgery three months earlier, John Wayne presented the "best picture" Oscar at the Academy Awards.

Thought for today: Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality which guarantees all the others. —Sir Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

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WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Carter's inflation strategy hasn't worked

WASHINGTON — For three years, President Carter has fought inflation with more inflation. All that this has produced, unfortunately, has been more inflation.

Repeatedly, he has readjusted his economic sights. At first, he sought an economic slowdown so gradual that it would avert a recession. Then he was willing to accept a mild recession. Now he would settle for a common-place, down-at-the-heel slump. But some of his economic experts fear that the fall from the dizzying, inflationary heights could now cause a severe recession.

The president, meanwhile, has pushed up interest rates and encouraged higher gasoline prices, hoping this would cause people to spend less money and force prices back down. The strategy unfortunately hasn't worked, because most of the leading American industries are price-proof.

Prices are set by a few giant corporations, which dominate each industry. The lesser companies quickly fall into step. They have learned to communicate with one another like rare tropical birds — with imperceptible movements and signals.

The antitrust laws, therefore, no longer are an effective deterrent; the corporate giants are able to set prices without any overt acts that the Justice Department would need to make a case against them.

Under the circumstances, these corporations aren't inclined to slash prices and reduce profits just because their customers are cutting back purchases. Instead, the companies curtail production, close plants and lay off workers. All the while, prices continue to move irresistibly upward. It would take a major recession, some economists fear, to convince the corporate leaders to reduce prices.

So Carter's whole anti-inflation program has been based on wrong assumptions. Instead of lowering prices, his moves have merely creat-



Jack Anderson

ed unemployment.

By late 1978, prices were rocketing up at an alarming rate. Yet as late as Nov. 20, 1978, secret White House minutes reveal that Carter's goal was totally unrealistic — "to reduce the inflation rate to 6 and one-half percent or lower."

He hoped to talk prices down, relying on jawboning and voluntary guidelines. State the minutes: "The President observed that we have a long way to go but that he is satisfied we are putting a balanced anti-inflation program in place."

He pressed for higher interest rates and gas prices, thus pouring more inflation upon the fire. On Dec. 11, 1978, he vowed behind closed doors that "the fight against inflation is, and will remain, the top priority for the administration."

He continued to whip up the inflationary spiral that he was trying to halt. At the Jan. 15, 1979, Cabinet meeting, the president was still whistling in the dark. The secret minutes report: "The President indicated that the relatively poor inflation statistics over the coming months would not be indicative of failure of the anti-inflation program."

But the financial whiz who was then his secretary of the Treasury, Michael Blumenthal, was more realistic. He bluntly warned, according to the minutes, that "steady nerves will be required as the economy experiences (1) a rise in unemployment; (2)

ART BUCHWALD

'All-American' students are only cracking heads

LOS ANGELES — There is a lot of scandal going on in college athletic programs these days. The Pacific Athletic Conference, composed of the major West Coast schools, is under fire because evidence is building up that certain athletes were given credit for courses they never took, and also non-athletes took tests for college players who, for one reason or another, were unable to study for them.

I believe the schools are taking a bad rap. Every college coach I've talked to has assured me that each student on his team has a faculty adviser, who counsels the athlete on his education and makes sure he keeps up his grades.

I was even permitted to attend a session with an All-American running back and his adviser at Unbeaten State of Southern California.

The adviser said, "Lightning, I've been studying your transcripts and you're doing quite well."

"I should hope so. I run over 1,000 yards last season."

"I just received your grade for your debating class. You got a B minus."

"A B minus? Who the heck took that course for me?"

"A guy named Mark Kovey. We



Art Buchwald

were hoping he'd do better, but apparently he's having girl trouble and has developed a stutter."

"I don't know why I should take a B minus because some dope has personal problems. This could bring down my whole grade average. I was counting on at least a B plus in debating. It was one of my best subjects."

"Don't worry, Lightning. You got an A in Advanced Economics. We had a Rhodes scholar take the final for you."

"Now you're talking. I ain't going to bust my butt out there on the gridiron every Saturday if I can't get a good grade in economics."

"You had quite a bit of a problem this year with Shakespeare 1-B."

"I did?"

"Yes. Apparently the student we assigned to take the course for you was more interested in her own grades than she was in yours. I called her in at midterm and warned her that if she didn't shape up, you might be declared ineligible for next year. But she said she hates Shakespeare. You wound up with a D."

"Can't we protest to the professor?"

"He said it was too late. He didn't know the girl was taking the course for you."

"Well, you better do something about it. I ain't taking no D. The coach promised, when he recruited me, that I'd graduate summa cum laude, and ride away in a new yellow Cadillac."

"You will, Lightning, even if I have to take your nuclear physics exam myself."

THE BIBLE

CAN YOU QUOTE IT?

BY LAVINA ROSS FOWLER AND ELIZABETH ROSS WIERSEMA

1. The prophet Amos features God's justice. Hosea, who appeared about 20 years later, stressed God's love and forgiveness, which he compares to his own experience in dealing with the wife whom he loved deeply. Name her. Hosea 1:3
 2. How did the lame man whom Peter healed through God's mercy, aid Peter in preaching the Gospel to the group? Acts 3.
 3. Name the city, near the Dead Sea, which was populated by royalty. Joshua 16:1
 4. Name the woman, wife of Herod, who was responsible for John, the Baptist's death. Mark 6:17
 5. "Give unto the Lord — worship the Lord in the beauty of Psalm 29:2
- Four correct...excellent, three...good

BIBLE VERSE

Try your own selves, whether ye are in the faith; prove your own selves. Or know ye not as to your own selves, that Jesus Christ is in you? unless you be reprobate. II Cor. 13:5

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NICK THIMMESCH

Invasion of Arab oil fields would doom Israeli state

WASHINGTON — Israel is never dull. Equipped with a perpetually boiling political pot. And always mindful of menacing neighbors, Israel is easily agitated. Lately, despite the peace process, there have been signs that a sense of dangerous desperation may be welling in this volatile nation.

Recently, Dial Torgerson of the Los Angeles Times recounted a dialogue in a Jerusalem cafe in which a U.S. official, his Israeli counterpart, and some journalists, got into it hot and heavy over the possibility of Israel invading Arab oil nations.

The Israeli official argued that the U.S. and European nations were pushing Israel around just to please the Arabs, particularly the Saudis. He claimed that it was Israel, who lets Saudi oil flow and who could shut it off, thus turning the U.S. and Europe "into a pastoral society if we wanted to."

When the American objected, the Israeli reminded him that while Samson died in the process, he pulled down the temple, killing all inside. "Let the world remember that," the Israeli warned. "No one should think that we who went through the holocaust would see ourselves sold out for Europe's oil."

The bottom line in the dialogue was the Israeli's assurance that all would go well, presumably for the U.S. and the West, if Israel took over the oil fields, and ran them as they did Egypt's fields in the Sinai for years. I would have regarded Torgerson's



Nick Thimmesch

piece as just a nicely crafted vignette, were it not for an intense conversation I had a while back with Moshe Arens, Chairman of the Knesset's Committee on Defense and Foreign Relations. Arens, a right-winger, and a strong figure in the Israeli government, startled me that day by declaring that the U.S. would come to realize that it must join Israel in an invasion of Arab oilfields in order to save the West.

I reminded Arens that the oil belonged to those Arab nations, that to invade them would only bring great discredit to Israel and the U.S., and that Israel needed more trouble like a hole in the head. But Arens shook his head, and said that the U.S. should one day see the wisdom in such a military action.

The CBS correspondent also at the table must have felt as incredulous as I, for neither of us reported the conversation in the media. Perhaps we concluded that at that moment Israeli hawks were resentful with Carter Administration talk — and actions — concerning the use of Egypt and other

Arab nations for bases to protect U.S. interests in the region.

It is sad, but instructive, to realize that certain influential Israelis feel so desperate that they think war and not peace.

Certainly they do not represent the consensus thinking of Israeli leadership, political or intellectual. Certainly U.S. officials would reject any scenario involving a joint Israeli-U.S. military action against Arab nations.

But oil flows now, and despite the price, bourgeois Americans burn it liberally in furnaces and automobile engines, and the Republic goes on. If there was an oil doomsday, however, with no oil flowing from the Arabian Gulf, there would be panic in the U.S. and Arens' plan might sound feasible to anxious U.S. officials.

Such anxiety would not show the better sides of the American and Israeli character. Nor does the statement by one Israeli in Torgerson's dialogue who pointed out that Prime Minister Begin was "outrageous" for putting Jews in the Arab town of Hebron, knowing that "the Americans can't do anything to him because Carter is running for election."

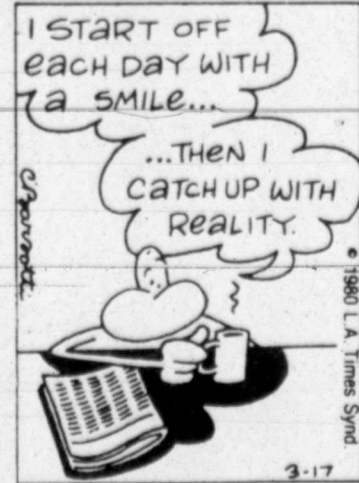
There are rueful conclusions. One is that Carter has lost the confidence of some Israeli officials and Jewish leaders in the U.S., therefore, the surfacing of dangerous scenarios. Another is that the \$10 billion the U.S. has given Israel in recent years allows them certain bravado. How brave would Israel be without these billions?

How sure is Israel of itself these days when its own press laments that only 20 percent of Soviet Jewish emigrants remain in Israel, and that thousands of other Israelis have left to live in Europe and the U.S., apparently abandoning the Zionist dream? Is a bunker mentality the destiny of the nation which Theodore Herzl and David Ben-Gurion envisioned?

I hope that the best heads in Israel, and in the American Jewish community, agree that invasion talk and consequent action would be a sure guarantee for the eventual destruction of Israel. Aggression against Arab oil nations on behalf of the prosperous societies of Europe and the U.S., in order to please them, would be abnegation of the worst sort for Israel.

Constructive minds in Israel surely have other courses to recommend.

BROADSIDES



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BRICKWORKS

DEATHS

Clarice Foster

Clarice Foster, 58, of rural Midland died Saturday in a Lubbock hospital. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, minister of West Kentucky Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Frank F. Clark

Frank F. Clark, 72, of rural Midland died Sunday in a Midland hospital after a short illness. Services were Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield of the West Kentucky Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

William Burns

LUBBOCK — Services for William Forrest Burns, 73, of Lubbock, father of Linda Bayne of Midland, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Cumberland Presbyterian Church here with the Rev. Sam Estes, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Resthaven Funeral Home.

Hun Sen denies knowing about newsmen killed

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Cambodian Foreign Minister Hun Sen said today his government had no information about 20 foreign newsmen believed killed while covering the fighting in Cambodia during the early 1970s.

Lula Belle Green

ODESSA — Services for Lula Belle Green, 64, of Odessa, were to be at 10 a.m. today in the Easterling-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel with burial at 3:30 p.m. in Albany Memorial Cemetery.

P. Lara Sr.

BIG LAKE — Services for Prudencio Lara Sr., 60, of Big Lake will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in St. Margaret's Catholic Church here with Father George Sheen officiating. Burial will be in Glen Rest Cemetery directed by Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

Elvin Bost

ABILENE — Services for Elvin Bost, 89, of Abilene, father of Wanda Sides of Midland, were Saturday in Fifth and Grape Street Church of Christ here with burial in an Abilene cemetery directed by Elliot-Hamil Funeral Home.

Afghan rebels kill 120 Soviets

KUWAIT (AP) — An Afghan rebel organization based in Iran claimed its forces killed 120 Soviet troops in a battle near the town of Herat close to the Iranian border, Tehran radio reported today.

Neighbors aid city with no water

GRAFORD, Texas (AP) — Although the town's water supply has dried up, assistance from other communities has begun to pour in abundantly for the 577 residents of this small Palo Pinto County community.

The town began pumping water from a creek below the dam after a small reservoir that supplies the community's drinking water dried up two weeks ago. Then the creek dried up, it hadn't rained since February, and the town was in its fourth day without water Tuesday when other people responded to reports of the community's desperation.

The Coca-Cola Co. donated 3,400 one-gallon jugs of water "to the elderly and other people who don't have a way to get water," said Arlene Howard, city secretary. The Southland Corp. of Dallas planned delivery today of 4,000 10-pound sacks of ice for residents to put in their freezers and melt as needed.

Guerrillas kill one wound three in Belfast

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — In a spectacular machine gun ambush, guerrillas killed a policeman and wounded three others today in the North Irish capital. The "Belfast Brigade" of the Irish Republican Army claimed responsibility for the killing and said it used a big M-60 American machine gun.

will be stopped up. We'll have a health hazard because people can't flush their commodes. If we have a fire, we don't have water to fight it," said Mrs. Howard. City officials thought school would have to close Tuesday, but they managed to hook up a well on the school grounds.

Although the people of Graford have had water rationing almost every summer, they had never run completely out of water before. It usually rains in the winter, but this winter, it didn't. We had no measurable rainfall in March. I'd say we're 12 to 15 inches short for the winter," Mrs. Howard said.

Two weeks ago, the town imposed rationing when its small reservoir dried up. The town began pumping water from Keech Creek below the dam until it went dry Saturday. On Sunday, residents borrowed farmers' milk trucks to haul water 12 miles from Mineral Wells.

Monday, however, the milk trucks had to return to the milk business, and the town decided it could not afford \$500 a day for the imported water. The 43-year-old water system constantly breaks down, Mrs. Howard added.

90 missing in Peru

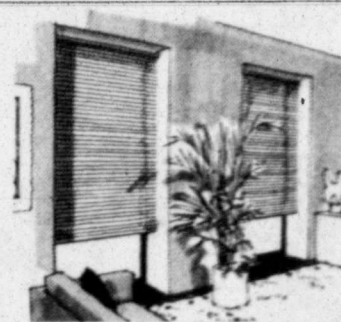
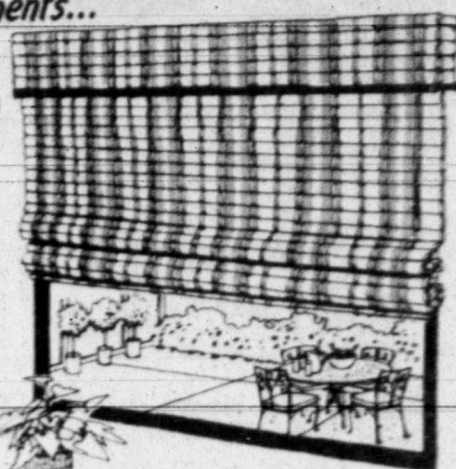
LIMA, Peru (AP) — Up to 90 persons were killed or missing after heavy rains triggered flooding and mud-and-rock slides in central Peru, officials said today. Another 400 persons were reported stranded. The military government declared a state of emergency in the predominantly agricultural area.



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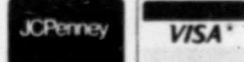
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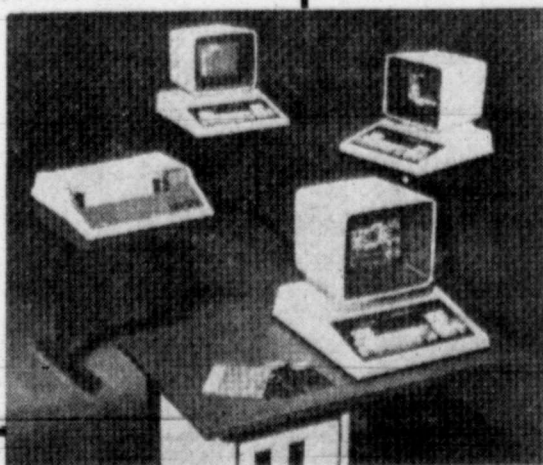
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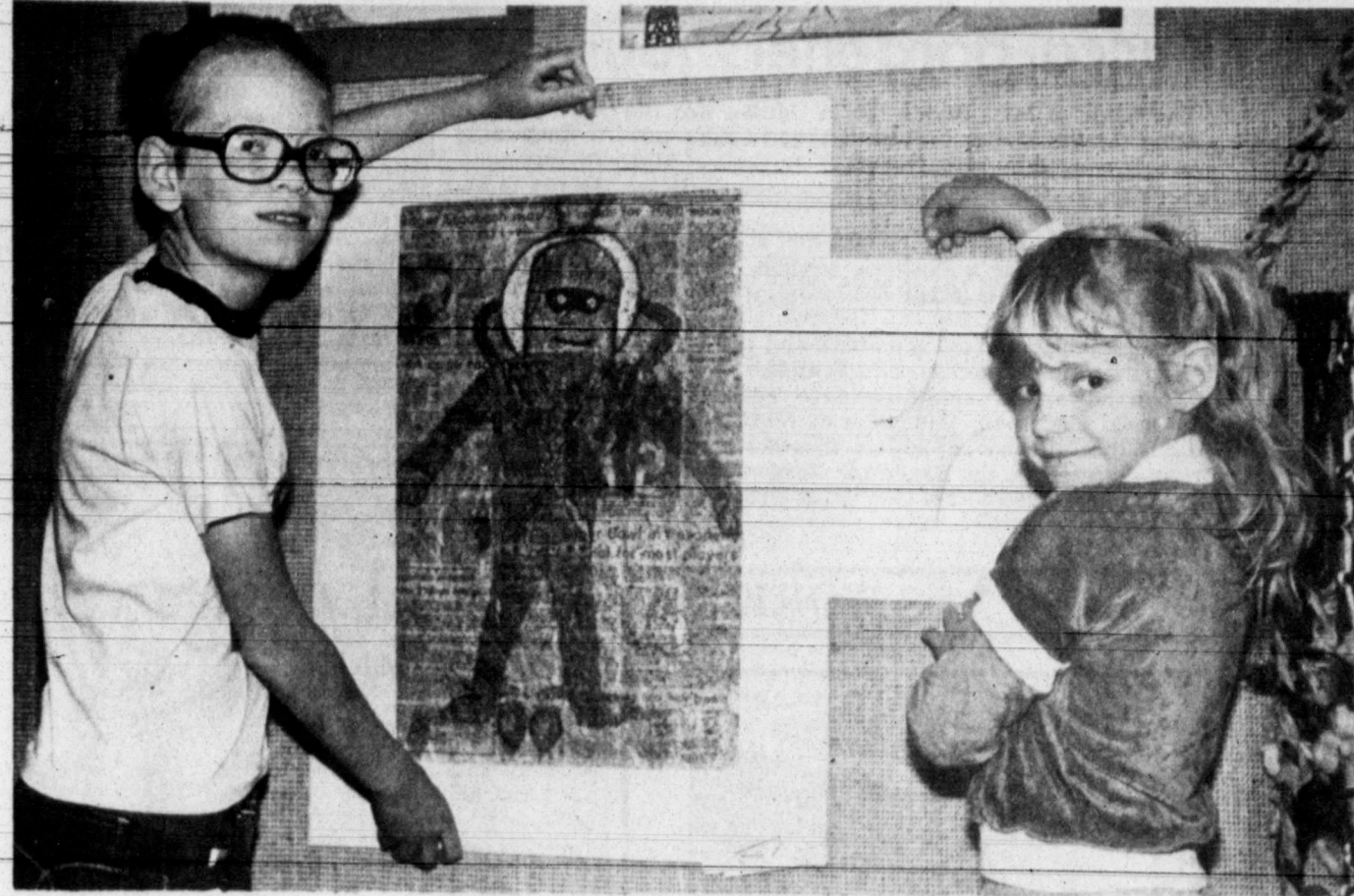


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Jason Kemp, left, a student at Travis Elementary School and Dana Divine of Sam Houston Elementary School hang their art work which will be displayed along with other art by Midland elementary and secondary students at the Museum of the Southwest. Elementary art work will be showcased through Sunday. Secondary division art

work will hang April 15-30. Jason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dannie Kemp. Dana's parents are Mr. and Mrs. David Divine. The 19th annual Student Art Festival is sponsored by the Junior League of Midland, the museum, City Council PTA and MISD. (Staff Photo)

Student Art Festival now at museum

The 19th annual Student Art Festival has opened at the Museum of the Southwest. On display are art works by both elementary and secondary school students. Elementary art work was selected by teachers and principals of that school, with each elementary school in Midland represented. The secondary division art work will hang from April 15 through April 30. Judging secondary winners will be Erma Underwood and Norma Diemer. Special awards will be given to eight junior high school students and to eight high school students. Judging for these special awards will be Lanier Densmore. All participants in the Student Art Festival will receive a certificate of merit. This event is sponsored jointly by the Junior League of Midland Inc., the museum, City Council PTA and Midland Independent School District. Purpose is to stimulate student interest in visual art, recognize outstanding accomplishments in art by students and provide the public with an opportunity to view the art work. Mrs. Loren Bryant is chairman of this year's festival.

Donkey shoes to be seen at game

Ever wonder what kind of shoes a donkey dons to play basketball? The Midland Jaycees are sponsoring a donkey basketball game at 8 p.m. April 18 at Chaparral Center. Proceeds will go to the Midland Jaycees general fund for their civic work and the Texas Jaycee Campus of Victoria College at Gonzales. Texas Jaycee Campus is a junior college for the severely handicapped. Junior Achievement is helping the Jaycees and Jaycee-ettes to sell tickets. JA will receive a portion of the proceeds. The Texas Jaycee Campus is limited to a capacity of 35 persons at the present time, with a waiting list of 100. The statewide goal for donation to the Texas Jaycee Campus is \$100,000. Funds are raised primarily through direct solicitation or by the basketball games. According to a spokesman, any Jaycee or Jaycee-ette "will be glad to take donations from an individual or a corporation." Gary Petersen is executive director of Junior Achievement. Jaycees Alan Barrett, Larry Neahusan and Jay Doss are chairmen for the donkey basketball game. Jaycee-ette Dalila Walker is program manager for the Texas Jaycee Campus. Tickets for the event are a \$3 donation. By the way, you'll have to go to the basketball game to find out how the donkey hoofs it on the basketball court.

Scholar may be most frightening women

Copley News Service
When scholar, writer and lecturer Mary Daly arises to speak, she often finds herself standing in the midst of a paradox. She teaches at the Jesuit-run Boston College, and on her speaking tours, the lecture hall frequently turns out to be a church. The pulpit is the last place one might expect to find Mary Daly. The fact that she finds herself in this situation says something about the turmoil within the American church today. Mary Daly, radical feminist and holder of seven degrees including three doctorates, may be the most frightening woman in America today. She causes anxiety in her Jesuit colleagues at Boston University because she renounces everything they teach and calls for a new order of religion for women. She frightens women because Daly digs deeper into culture, history, language, religion and philosophy than most feminist scholars, and she upends a rock that squirms with the most terrifying collection of worms and bugs imaginable. Daly is the author of three books. All of them did well in popular sales and all are used as textbooks at universities. Her first book, "The Church and the Second Sex," set her on her odyssey of radicalism, and put her at odds with the Catholic church and the traditional academic world. After a long siege of harassment, during which she lost her teaching position and then was reinstated at the insistence of the primarily male student body, Daly abandoned many of the ideas expressed in her first book. She came to feel that women seeking reformation of the church are "like blacks trying to reform the Ku Klux Klan." Her second book, "Beyond God the Father: Toward a Philosophy of Women's Liberation," firmly established her revolutionary stance and led to her third book, "Gyn-Ecology: The Metaethics of Radical Feminism." This book was published by Beacon Press of Boston in 1978 and is now available in paperback. Like any good preacher, Mary stands in the pulpit to speak, giving few clues as to how deeply she intends to shake her audience. She stands there, smiling and amicable. Then she begins to talk softly about her work, in general terms. She tells of the adaptation and trivialization of women's culture that has transpired over the centuries. Then she drives deeper and describes Gyn-Ecology, which takes the form of a journey through three passages.

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Woman jailed for sexual harassment

BONN, West Germany (AP) — In a bizarre case of sexual harassment in the U.S. Army, a woman private has been jailed for indecently assaulting a male soldier in West Germany, the Army disclosed today.

A special one-judge court martial in Nuremberg convicted Pvt. Cheryl Taylor, 20, of Kansas City, Mo., of having committed assault and battery against Spec. 4 Kevin Knox, 19, of Rock Hill, S.C., in a unit supply room at their artillery battery in Regensburg, a military spokesman said.

Pvt. Taylor, convicted March 31, was sentenced to 30 days at hard labor and fined \$298.

"I am not aware of another case of this type in Europe," Army spokesman Maj. David Russell said.

He said the Army began a crackdown on sexual harassment in the 200,000-strong European command last month by court-martialing two male soldiers for verbally abusing a female enlisted woman at their unit in Nuremberg.

In the latest incident, which occurred Jan. 29, the woman soldier was found guilty of "wrongly committing an indecent, lewd and lascivious act" against Knox by placing her hand in his groin area and squeezing, Russell said.

Knox had entered the unit supply room where Taylor was working as a clerk, and she abused him with indecent language, Army sources said.

After Knox reported her to the unit commander, Taylor approached him

and put her hand on his groin, the sources said.

The sources said Taylor had previously been given non-judicial punishment for similar behavior involving other male soldiers at the same unit, Battery B, 3rd Battalion, 60th Air Defense Artillery.

A military source who spoke with the jailed woman by telephone today said she angrily denied having touched Knox indecently, and she accused him of being a military police

informer.

She is currently being held in the Army stockade in Mannheim but will be transferred to the U.S. military prison at Fort Riley, Kan., Russell said.

After serving a 30-day sentence at hard labor, the woman soldier would be assigned to a new basic training program in the United States after which officers will decide whether she can remain in the Army or be discharged.

Horse shown

NEW YORK (AP) — One of the four gilt bronze horses from the facade of the Basilica di San Marco in Venice is being displayed at the Metropolitan Museum of Art through June 1.

The museum says it serves "as the focal point of the exhibition, 'The Horses of San Marco,' designed to explore the

history of these famous classical horses and their influence on subsequent artistic move-

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Jenny Zielsko, left, and Michelle Baker check out the property identification marker their Brownie Troop 10 has donated to the Midland Police Department. A similar marker also was given by Brownie Troop 377 and Junior Troop 45. (Staff Photo)

Brownies help Midland Police Department

First grade Brownie Troop 10 has purchased a property identification marker and presented it to the Midland Police Department.

Police Chief Wayne Gideon accepted the donation recently at the Girl Scout Program Center.

As chairman of the Crime Prevention Commission of Midland, Guy McCrary has expressed appreciation for the donation on behalf of all commission members. The Crime Prevention Commission recommends that all Midlanders take advantage of the property identification program offered by the MPD. Any citizen can check out the markers and mark all their household valuables with their drivers license number.

The leader of Troop 10 is LaNette Baker, assisted by Charlotte Young. Troop members are Michelle Baker, Shelley Bolen, Ashley Caffrey, Kelly Culbert, Michelle Hardin, Laura Hunter, Kathy Kendall, Sheila Lancaster, Destiny Law, Moyda Oranday, Amy Robbins, Angela Saltzman, Latisha Thomas, Carla Van Cleave, Christi Young and Jenny Zielsko.

Auxiliary reports service hours

Nine members of the Midland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Inc., recorded more than 20 hours each of volunteer work during the month of March it was reported during a recent meeting of the auxiliary's executive board and officers.

The volunteers and the number of hours they contributed are Vervetta Baxter, 21; Charlene Bridgeman, 30; Jerry Cappadonna, 20; Mary Cox, 24; Jimmie Hollis, 21; Floy Mayberry, 20; Harriet Reeves, 29; Betty Tull, 21 and Jane Wayant, 24.

A total of 148 women contributed 1,716 hours of volunteer work during March. The auxiliary has 164 active members, 102 contributing members and 6 honorary members.

The resignation of Ludean Peyton, director of volunteers, was announced at the meeting.

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Yucca gardeners journey to Odessa

The home of Mrs. Buddy Ice of Odessa was the setting for the Midland Yucca Garden Club's program, arranged by Mrs. Robert O. Burkett of Midland. Mrs. Ice was assisted by her houseguest, Reiko Yamamoto of Japan.

Before going to Odessa, the club met at Lancaster Garden Center for a business session. Hostesses were Mrs. Burkett, Mrs. J.D. Guidry and Mrs. A.J. Tisdale.

The president greeted members and two guests, Mrs. J.L. Relphs and Mrs. C.A. Semple.

When the various committees gave reports, plants and seeds chairman, Mrs. Charles Neuhardt, suggested that the seven Indian Hawthorne bushes originally given to the Lancaster Garden Center be moved to and given to the Girl Scout Program Center.

Hospitality chairman, Mrs. Billie Gilbert, and membership chairman, Mrs. Fred McMann, volunteered to be responsible for the centerpiece for the April birthday party at Trinity Towers.

While in Odessa, the group toured the bonsai garden at the Ice home. Afterwards, club members had luncheon at a cafeteria.

Yucca's May 1 meeting will be at Midland Woman's Club for installation of officers.

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PECOS GASSER Rankin Oil Co. No. 3 J. O. Smith has been completed as the sixth well in the T.C.I. (Grayburg gas) pool of Pecos County, two miles northeast of Imperial.

11 wildcat projects staked in six West Texas counties

Eleven wildcat operations have been announced in West Texas counties. Canyon Valley Oil Properties Inc. of Ralls will dig No. 1 E. W. Williams as a 4,000-foot explorer in Garza County, 10 miles north of Post.

Drillsite is 1,650 feet from south and 990 feet from west lines of section 21, block 20, H&TC survey. Ground elevation is 2,303 feet.

plans to re-enter and deepen two former producers in the Means, North (Queen oil) pool of Gaines County. If completed, they will be assigned to the Carm-Ann (San Andres oil) pool. They are 13 miles south of Seminole.

CONCHO STRIKE Leede Oil & Gas Inc. of Midland No. 3 J. R. Canning has been completed as a Goen oil discovery 10 miles southwest of Eden in Concho County.

ANDREWS RE-ENTRY Texaco Inc. will re-enter and plug back to 4,300 feet from completion attempt in the Yates gas pay of the Emma, North multipay pool of Andrews County.

STONEWALL WILDCATS Three wildcats were spotted in Stonewall County, all by W. H. Bagley of Abilene. Each of the tests will be drilled to 6,500 feet five miles southwest of Aspermont.

MCULLOCH PROJECT Coronado Exploration Co. of Lubbock will dig No. 3 B. H. Roddie as a 1,250-foot wildcat four miles southeast of Lohn in McCulloch County.

W&W No. 1 Catherine Lawrence "B" is 7/8 mile south and slightly east of production in the Carm-Ann field and 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 21, block A-22, psl survey, abstract 787. It will be deepened to 5,000 feet.

FISHER DISCOVERY Bedford Oil & Gas Inc. of Hurst No. 1 Aiken has been finished as an Ellenburger discovery in Fisher County. The well, drilled in the Claytonville townsite, finished from open hole at 6,903 feet, where 4.5-inch casing is cemented, and total depth of 8,318 feet.

GLASSCOCK PROJECTS Champlin Petroleum Co., operating from Midland, spotted a pair of projects in the four-well Conger, Southwest (Pennsylvanian oil) pool of Sterling County, 20 miles southwest of Sterling City.

Bagley No. 1 Oscar Dickerson will be dug 7/8 mile southwest of the Aspermont Lake, West area and 467 feet from north and west lines of the southwest half of section 164, block D, H&TC survey.

HOCKLEY TRY D. A. Metts of Midland No. 1 Post-Montgomery has been staked 7/8 mile southwest of one of the eight wells in the Levelland, Northeast (Strawn) field of Hockley County, 1/4 mile east of Levelland.

Shell Oil Co. No. 29 T. O. Stark will be drilled as a two and one-eighth-mile southeast outpost to the lone producer in the Robertson (Pennsylvanian) field of Gaines County, nine miles southwest of Seminole.

STERLING AREA Wagner & Brown of Midland spotted No. 1-17-B Bude as a 3/4-mile northeast stepout to the Sterling County portion of the Conger (Pennsylvanian oil and gas) field, 11 miles southwest of Sterling City.

Champlin No. 5 I. W. Terry will be drilled 1,000 feet from south and west lines of section 2, T. B. Wynn survey. Contract depth is 9,800 feet. The site is between two Pennsylvanian producers.

Bagley No. 1 Z. A. Greer is one and one-eighth miles southwest of the Aspermont Lake, West area and 2,213 feet from north and 467 feet from west lines of section 164, block D, H&TC survey.

GAINES WORK W&W Oil Co. of Midland announced

The project, scheduled on a 9,500-foot contract, is 467 feet from south and 2,310 feet from west lines of section 12, block A-24, psl survey.

Coal fired plants termed 'great risk'

DALLAS (AP) — A large scale return to coal fired electrical generating plants poses environmental risks too great to make the transition an acceptable alternative to gas and oil fueled generators, says the premier of the Canadian province of Ontario.

Ontario's exports to enter the United States duty-free. In that light, he proposed a review of state and federal programs that encourage "buying American."

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Poerner says no RRC rubber stamps

From Wire and Staff Reports Texas has a credible voice in the energy policy debate because the Texas Railroad Commission has refused to "rubberstamp" natural gas well classifications, Commission Chairman John Poerner said here Tuesday.

vinced that we are going to have a better break in the future: where at least the producing states will not be penalized as they have in the past.

duct. A hearing May 20 to consider the designation of Texas tight sand formations which would qualify for the incentive prices.

Cutoff would hit Japan hardest

NEW YORK (AP) — Japan, which obtains 10 percent of its oil needs from Iran, would be hit hardest by a cutoff of Iranian oil shipments to U.S. allies, industry and government sources say.

"would be the same answer we gave the Americans." Last November, after Iranian militants seized American citizens at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, President Carter announced a ban on purchases of Iranian oil by U.S. companies. Iran said it had decided previously to end shipments of oil to the United States.

resistance. The effective cost of Iran's basic grade of crude oil, after surcharges and other contract terms are included, is nearly \$38 a barrel, \$4.50 above the country's "official" price, the industry publication Petroleum Intelligence Weekly has estimated.

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY NRM Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Max. id 7952 feet, acidized new perforations from 7871 to 7952 feet with 1000 gallons, swabbing and recovered 118.3 barrels of oil.

And one U.S. government source, who asked not to be quoted by name, said an Iranian cutoff could put "some upward pressure" on world oil prices at a time when the past year's price spiral appeared to be slowing.

But even without a cutoff, said one industry observer, buyers may be thinking of reducing their purchases of Iranian oil because the country's prices are well above those charged by other exporters.

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Science fiction novelist interested in feelings

By PHIL THOMAS
AP Books Editor

NEW YORK (AP) — How did the princess feel when she kissed the frog?

"It may sound curious," says novelist Walter Tevis, "but I'd really like to know. Feelings interest me."

This interest, the 52-year-old Tevis says, may be seen in his new novel, "Mockingbird."

Although the book is a science-fiction tale on the surface, Tevis says he deliberately chose that literary form in order "to deal with spiritual growth. Much science fiction writing doesn't have any great interest in human beings, preferring ideas instead. But I try to deal with the emotional life, with the feelings of my

characters and not have the ideas run away with the book."
"Mockingbird" is set in the 25th century, but Tevis is quick to point out that "I'm not all that interested in the future. What I tried to do is write in a fairy tale kind of way about the present."

The book deals with a society run by robots in which humans have nothing to do but enjoy themselves — primarily by sedating themselves heavily with drugs. Paul Bentley, the protagonist, however, rebels against this way of life and, says Tevis, "what I'm trying to do is show the hero waking up out of his stupor and realizing his own feelings, of becoming aware that there is a world out there."
"When I first started Paul's story I

thought about doing a novel about an alcoholic. That didn't work, so I thought about using the science-fiction form as my vehicle, and, as it turned out, that worked."

"Mockingbird" is Tevis' third novel. The first two — both made into movies — were "The Hustler" and "The Man Who Fell To Earth."

"The Hustler," says Tevis, was "straightforward, and I can still write that way, but I don't want to. I want to make up the world I write about."

"That's why I use science fiction. I have a reformer's zeal toward science fiction. I feel it is a great potential medium that has never realized itself. When I read contemporary science fiction I so often find myself in the midst of sophomoric writing. I find

good ideas that tend to turn comic-book. I find characters who are stick figures. They have no feelings. I try to make my characters real. I'd like to see science fiction become a serious art form."

Tevis currently lives in New York City and writes full time. But for many years he taught and wrote in his spare time.

"I started teaching high school English in rural Kentucky when I was 21," he says, "and then I was a professor of English at Ohio University at Athens. I'm now on leave of absence. I had a full career as a teacher for some 30 years."

"I like teaching and I miss it. I have verbal energy and I use it when I'm teaching. I love to talk and spin ideas

with students. I suppose I spent a lot of my imagination in teaching, and I used it up that way instead of in writing."

"But now I feel that it is more important for me to write. I feel very guilty when I'm not writing. Unfortunately, I have difficulty doing so. I do work at high speed when I'm at the typewriter. I really turn it out when I'm hot, but I only get hot about every 20 days or so, and I hate to force it. I could write junk but I don't want to."

"Like a lot of novelists, I'm a failed poet so it's painful to squeeze the emotions every day. Unfortunately, it's also painful not to write."

Tevis, who says a book of his short stories, "Far From Home," will be published soon, currently is working

on a new novel.
"It's science fiction. It deals with a middle-aged tycoon whose life is so messed up that he buys a spaceship and goes off into space looking for uranium. I'm about halfway through, and I like it a lot. It's a more grown-up piece of work than "Mockingbird."

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Japan's birth rate drops as couples enjoy good life

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer
TOKYO (AP) — The birth rate is plunging in Japan, an apparent victim of an intensified desire to enjoy the good life.
About 1.54 million Japanese will be brought into the world in 1980, a drop of more than 20 percent since the oil crisis year of 1973, when 2.09 million were born, according to a report by the government's Institute of Population Problems.
If the trend continues, births will drop by 1987 to below 1.3 million, it said.
Moreover, the Japanese woman, who on average bore 2.1 children through the early 1970s, now bears only 1.75 children, and the figure is still falling, the report says.
Declining birth rates are common to the industrialized West. Japan's 14 births per 1,000 population is only slightly below the United States and is still no match for the West Ger-

mans, whose rate is now down to 9 births per 1,000.
"But demographic experts never expected the birth rate to decline so rapidly," said Kiichi Yamaguchi, chief of the Institute's population policy section.
"Japan has one of the highest marriage rates in the world, and unlike in some European countries, Japanese women are still strongly motivated to have children," Yamaguchi said.
He pointed to a survey by the mass circulation daily *Mainichi Shimbun* last year which found that 39.5 percent of women would like to have three children if possible, against only 5.5 percent who wanted none or just one.
An additional 43.8 percent said they would be satisfied with two children.
"The problem is not that women won't have children, but that modern society puts obstacles in their way," he said.
The Institute's report notes that it is

now normal for women to attend four-year universities and work several years before marriage. The average woman doesn't marry before age 25, and if the first child is put off because of economic or other reasons, there is a tendency to abandon plans for a second child, it said.
A hopelessly cramped housing situation, as more people crowd into urban areas, is another reason for limiting families, and the breakdown of the extended family has reduced the need for a stock of heirs, it said.
But the main reason for foregoing larger families is apparently economic — children are too much of a drain on hard-earned living standards now threatened by oil prices and inflation factors.
Public education is still cheap, but Japanese parents, pushing their children up the ladder of educational success, pay the equivalent of \$120 a month for private kindergartens and up to \$200 a month for private grade

schools. Parents must now pay an average of \$15,400 to put a son or daughter through a four-year private university. This is about \$1,250 below the average annual income of a single household unit in Japan.
"There is a direct relationship between the rise in the living standard and the drop in the fertility rate," Yamaguchi said. "Having become accustomed to the amenities in life, many people, if given a choice between buying a car and having a baby, would pick the car."
Yamaguchi said that in 1976 the Institute projected that the population, now at 115 million, would climb to a peak of 140 million in the early 21st century. They now guess the population will peak at 130 million and then drop steadily, returning to present levels around the year 2020.
In a nation as crowded as Japan, a lower population would seem to be welcome, but it's not that simple, Yamaguchi said.

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Paris afternoon fixing \$520.50, up \$5.07.

Frankfurt: \$520.00 bid, up \$22.00; \$525.00 asked. New York: Handy & Harman late morning \$520.00, up \$24.00.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Spot nonferrous metal prices Thursday.

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Stock market loses

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices rallied in late trading today after a prominent banker said he thought interest rates may have peaked.

The market, down in the morning in a continuation of Monday's slide, had recovered slightly before Walter Wriston, the chairman of Citicorp, said he expected interest rates to decline within six to nine months.

"My gut tells me if the prime interest rate isn't at the top, it is so close it's not going to make any difference," Wriston told a Houston conference. That rate, charged by banks on loans to their best corporate customers, now stands at 20 percent.

Charles Schultze, President Carter's chief economic advisor, said the administration's policies had the potential of reducing inflation "in the next three months or so."

Ups & downs

NEW YORK (AP) — The following list shows the New York Stock Exchange stocks and warrants that have gone up and down the most based on percent of change regardless of volume for Tuesday.

Table showing stock price changes (ups and downs) with columns for name, price, and change.

Livestock auction report

The Southwestern Livestock Auction Co. ran through 595 head of cattle Tuesday in a market that was \$4 to \$6 higher on all classes of feeder cattle and \$3 to \$4 higher on packer cows and bulls.

Table of livestock auction results including Heifers, Cows, and Bulls with columns for weight, price, and quality.

Electrical impulses stimulate healing

CHICAGO (AP) — The federal government has recognized what researchers have claimed for years — that electrical impulses can stimulate bone growth and cure fractures that won't heal otherwise.

Researchers won U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval for three devices that heal fractures with electric current, an article in the April 11 issue of JAMA says.

The treatment is an alternative to a bone graft. Both techniques have an 80 percent to 90 percent successful healing rate, the article says.

"To put it bluntly, electricity works," said Dr. Carl T. Brighton, professor and chairman of orthopedic surgery at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

However, the article said doctors are not certain why electricity works to stimulate bone growth, except that it appears to trigger certain chemical processes that normally take place during bone development.

About 100,000 people in the United States each year suffer a bone fracture that does not heal in three months with normal treatments, the article says.

Since 1970, when he began clinical trials, Brighton has used electricity on 210 patients whose fractures had been unhealed for an average of 2.6 years.

With the therapy, nearly 85 percent of the patients were healed in 12 weeks or less.

Brighton's device, one of the three approved, involves installing an electrical circuit beneath the patient's cast. A small battery in the plaster emits a steady electric signal to a cathode electrode surgically implanted near the fracture.

The current is applied 12 hours a day for up to 12 weeks, and the electrode is later removed.

Additional listings

The following New York and national stock exchange listings are not reported in The Reporter-Telegram's regular daily postings for the exchanges.

Table of additional stock listings including American Stocks, Baker International, Cabot Corp, etc.

Stocks in the spotlight

NEW YORK (AP) — Sales, 4 p.m. price and net change of the fifteen most active New York Stock Exchange issues, trading nationally at more than \$1 million.

Table of stocks in the spotlight including IBM, Texaco Inc, Exxon, etc.

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