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Midlanders might not need a fireproof suit to handle their fireworks, but proper safety precautions are necessary for a happy Independence Day celebration. (Staff Photo by Edward McCain)

## Fireworks sales here are 'hot'

But police promise to enforce city limits ban

By SUSAN BAKER  
Staff Writer

"1976 was an excellent year," said veteran fireworks salesman Leroy Jones. "We sold piles of fireworks that year."

However, 1979 was not a good year for the fireworks industry. "Business was really pitiful last year," according to Jones, "but this season promises to be much better. We've already done pretty good at this stand, and some people I know who run other stands say they haven't done bad either."

Jones attributed last year's drop in business to inflation and the threat of recession. "Maybe people were just beginning to realize that they needed to cut back on their spending," he said.

Things are different this year, though. "I don't know; it just seems like no matter how bad things are, people always seem to have an extra \$10 to buy fireworks with," said Jones.

JONES, WHO HAS worked for the past five years selling fireworks in a stand west of town, can testify to the fact that Americans' obsession with fireworks and pageantry on the Fourth of July is no stranger to the Midland area.

Customers at Jones' stand can choose from a wide variety of shells, poppers, buzzers and missiles, with a price range to suit any taste. For extravagant fireworks enthusiasts, Jones' most expensive item is a \$10 shell which features "three really high-flying displays in three different colors." He explained that these types of fireworks are most often used in big public displays.

Those with more limited budgets can spend as little as 25 cents for small smoke bombs, or 50 cents for a package of 50 firecrackers. Jones' most popular item is the bottle rocket, which is available in bundles of 100 or so for \$3.50. "We also sell an awful lot of sparklers," he said.

FIRECRACKERS ARE another "hot" item, and are available in assorted amounts ranging from the 50-cent package to a \$20 package of 1600. "We sell an awful lot of the \$20 packages to people from out of state, where fireworks are illegal," said Jones, who added that Texas is one of only a few states where fireworks can be sold.

"One of these \$20 packages can sell for as much as \$100 in another state," he said.

Although fireworks are legal in Texas, laws restricting their sale and

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## Carter in 'Reagan country'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter, beginning a two-week trip mixing politics, relaxation and diplomacy, headed into Ronald Reagan's California backyard today to meet the staunchest pro-Carter labor group in the nation.

The president was to speak before the National Education Association, whose recent political activism has resulted in a powerful role for itself — and Carter — at the upcoming Democratic National Convention.

Though Carter's journey was conceived as an "Energy Independence Day" celebration, it was recast after last week's congressional defeat of a key energy bill. The trip now is being billed as an official presidential visit with some time out for campaign fundraising.

The political nature of the fast-paced tour of former Gov. Reagan's home state is inescapable. California is the first leg of a trip that will keep Carter away from the White House for two weeks. Other stops on the trip include Florida, Georgia, Tokyo, Alaska and Georgia again.

Carter's relationship with the teachers' union goes back to 1976 when he became the first candidate ever to win the NEA's endorsement. That endorsement came about largely because Carter promised to create a separate, Cabinet-level Department of Education. The department was established this year.

Having done that, over strenuous

objections from those who claimed the department would become a tool of the NEA and other education lobbying groups, the president expects a warm reception at the convention. He already has received considerable NEA help in his re-election campaign and is counting on more should he win the Democratic nomination, as expected.

The 8,000 NEA members meeting in Los Angeles are certain to endorse the President once more on Friday. "He promised us five things, and in the last four years he has delivered on all five," including the new education department and increased federal aid to schools said William McGuire, president of the union.

The NEA will have more than 400 delegates and alternates at the Democratic National Convention. Thanks to the strong embrace of the Carter campaign, nearly one in every seven Carter delegates is a member of the union.

Carter was scheduled to fly from Los Angeles to Oakland this afternoon to tour the city's port and attend a reception for community leaders hosted by Mayor Lionel Wilson, Oakland's mayor and a strong Carter supporter.

This evening, Carter is to fly by helicopter to northern California's lush Portola Valley for a \$500-a-plate Democratic fundraiser at the home of real estate developer Walter Shorenstein, a major contributor to the 1976

Carter campaign. The Shorensteins reportedly expect about 300 paying guests for dinner.

The White House said Carter will return to Oakland to spend the night at Mayor Wilson's home, then fly Friday morning to Merced in the heart of the produce-rich San Joaquin Valley, about 130 miles east of San Francisco. He will answer area residents' questions at a "town hall meeting" at Merced College, then fly to Modesto for a fund-raising brunch.

Carter leaves California at noon Friday to fly to Miami, where he will

address the annual convention of the NAACP before flying home to Plains, Ga., before midnight. It will be Carter's first trip to his home in more than ten months.

He expects to stay until Tuesday morning, then take off for a quick trip to Japan to attend a memorial service for the late Prime Minister Ohira, do a little trout fishing in Alaska on the way back and go to the resort island of Sapelo off the Georgia coast to sit out the Republican National Convention.

## Ma Bell may try for big rate hike

AUSTIN (AP) — Ma Bell is keeping her mouth closed, but a Public Utility Commission lawyer says the phone company might try to "sock it to" some customers when it files its rate hike request.

In the next few days Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. will ask for a statewide rate increase of about \$300 million, spokesman Dale Johnson said Wednesday.

Johnson would not divulge specifics of the rate request, but PUC lawyer Allen King speculated Wednesday on the nature of the request.

"I have a feeling the rate design (who pays the increase and how much) is going to be unusually significant to the business community in this case," King said.

He predicted Bell would "sock it to" customers of private line service, which includes burglar and fire alarm services.

He said Bell "always asks for" an increase in ordinary residential telephone rates and this case should be no exception.

"My information is they will not ask for any long distance increase, but we probably will because it hasn't been increased since 1976," King said.

Southwestern Bell serves about 4 million customers in Texas.

The request would be Bell's fourth to the commission. The phone company's last rate increase, totaling \$138.7 million, went into effect last Nov. 21.

Bell needed \$243 million at that time, Johnson said, but held the request to \$145 million to comply with President Carter's anti-inflation guidelines.

Those guidelines are due to expire at the end of September. But Johnson said Bell will comply with any new ones.

Johnson blamed the need for more revenue on inflation and growth.

"We're looking at continued increased costs, just like everybody else," he said. "We try to generate revenues within the framework that we have, but inflation just eats it away."

King said, "I think (Bell) probably would have stayed out longer except the capital markets went completely bonkers in the winter."

Johnson added that Texas is growing, so the phone company must spend money to expand service.

## Bank deposits set another record here

By SUE FAHLGREN  
Staff Writer

Midland bank deposits reached an all-time high during the last quarter from April 1 to June 30, with a total of \$1,139,965,027. The figure represents a 9.5 percent increase over last quarter's figure of \$1,031,158,301 and a 30 percent increase from last year's figure from the same time.

Loans and discount figures for the same period were up 8 percent from last quarter, totaling \$772,838,322. That figure represents an overall increase of 25 percent since the 1979 figure for the same period.

Nearly all of the six Midland banks showed an increase in both deposits and loans, whereas last quarter only one, Midland National Bank, showed an increase. Commercial Bank and Trust, however, decreased its total deposits and loans this past quarter, with a drop in deposits by 3 percent and in loans by 5 percent. The only other decrease from this period came in Western State Bank's loan figure, which dropped 5 percent.

ALL OTHER BANKS showed increases in both deposits and loans.

The First National Bank, Midland's largest bank, again had the largest amount of deposits and loans. With a figure of \$744,513,569 in deposits, First National showed a 12 percent increase over last quarter's figure of \$652,127,149. The increased deposits represented a 34 percent increase since the second quarter of 1979.

Loans and discounts at First National increased 11 percent since last quarter with a figure of \$549,788,453. The first quarter figure on loans at First National was \$488,875,493. Loans and discounts increased 32 percent there since 1979's second quarter figures.

Midland National Bank, which re-

corded almost 7 percent increase in deposits during the first quarter of this year, had one of the lowest increases this quarter, with 3.8 percent and a figure of \$269,678,782. Last quarter, the bank recorded a figure of \$259,444,001 in deposits. This quarter's figure represents an increase since the second quarter of 1979 of 23 percent.

THE LOANS AND discounts figure at Midland National climbed 4.5 percent since last quarter, totaling \$154,301,161. Last quarter, loan figures totaled \$147,284,211 at Midland National. This quarter's figure was 9 percent higher than the same time last year.

Tony Martin, president at Midland National Bank, said the bank's figures for this quarter represented "the continued growth of the bank." Further, he said, "the economic times in Midland are good."

Martin said the increase was "what I expected. I expected this growth to continue through 1980," he said Wednesday.

Because of the oil and gas industries here, Martin said, "Midland is a unique island out here" in that it is growing while other cities are in an economic slump.

Martin said he expected loan interest rates to decline during the coming months and construction and loans to increase. Currently, he said most loans have been going to the gas and oil industries for construction and drilling. Later, he predicted, more loans will be going to other commercial industries as well as individuals.

FIGURES FROM Commercial Bank and Trust decreased last quarter. Deposits decreased 3 percent, totaling \$75,863,578, while last quarter's figures totaled \$78,294,339. How-

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## TMI plant's owners blame government

HARRISBURG, Pa (AP) — A new federal report says the Three Mile Island nuclear plant is getting more dangerous by the hour, but the plant's owners say that's partly because of too much federal interference.

"The longer it takes to remove the radioactivity from inside the plant, the more likely it is that further accidental releases of radioactivity will occur," said the report, released Wednesday by the Senate's Environment and Public Works subcommittee.

The study concluded that the chance of radiation releases — or even a reheating of the reactor core — is increasing because of cleanup complications.

The committee, which is monitoring the Three Mile Island cleanup, said the accident should not be considered over. "The likelihood of further accidents increases with time," the report said.

"At present, the plant's condition is not fully known...further deterioration can be assumed. Damaged and unmaintained equipment may fail and there is the potential for human error," it added.

Ken McKee of General Public Utilities, parent company of plant operator Metropolitan Edison, said some of the delay in the cleanup is inevitable because the operation is "unprecedented in scope and application of state-of-the-art cleanup technology."

But he said vague guidelines and step-by-step Nuclear Regulatory Commission approval procedures also contributed to the problem.

"We need some firm guidelines under which we can operate," he said, as well as advance NRC approval of

entire cleanup methods. Latest estimates indicate the cleanup will cost significantly more than the initial \$400 million estimated and may take until 1985.

The first step in decontaminating the reactor containment building, the release of 57,000 curies of radioactive krypton gas, has been under way since the weekend.

Plant spokesman Sandy Polon said 21 percent of the krypton trapped in the containment building since the accident 15 months ago had been released into the atmosphere by Wednesday evening.

Monitoring programs are reporting occasional radiation readings slightly above normal levels. But the accumulated exposure at each location is less than 1 percent of the limits set by the government, says the Environmental Protection Agency.

Meanwhile, the governor's office came to the defense of Pennsylvania officials criticized in the report for relying too much on "incomplete and often inaccurate information supplied by the utility."

Because of that reliance, the committee said, officials failed to consider seriously the possibility of acting to protect residents.

"There seems to be a deja vu lack of understanding in Washington of what went on here a year ago and even what's going on today," said Roland Page, an aide to Gov. Dick Thornburgh.

"The governor never relied on the utility as the basis for his decisions during the accident. Nor did he fail to consider the need for evacuation, should that have become necessary," said Page. "He tried to gather information from all sources."

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### Reporter-Telegram to observe Independence Day holiday

To allow employees to spend the Fourth of July holiday with families and friends, The Midland Reporter-Telegram will publish a morning edition only Friday. All advertising departments will be closed all day Friday and Saturday and will reopen at 8 a.m. Monday. Should you miss your paper Friday, circulation department personnel will be available by calling 682-5311 from 7 to 10 a.m. Also, the news department will be closed Friday morning, but will reopen at 4 p.m. Friday. The Reporter-Telegram will resume its normal publication schedule with its Saturday morning edition.

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Dina Davis, 8, plugs her ears as she absorbs the coolness of spraying water Tuesday while she and neighbor Angela Beasley, 10, sought relief from the heat by taking turns under a water hose. Temperatures climbed in excess of 100 degrees in the Topeka, Kansas area again Wednesday. (AP Laserphoto)

Floods, twisters damage six states

Associated Press Writer
Vicious thunderstorms and tornadoes ripped through a half-dozen states, causing flash flooding that swept several children to their deaths, while the south-central states sweltered in hellish temperatures and parched farmland cracked in the northern Plains.

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30-day outlook for Texas: HOT

DALLAS (AP) — Texans who already have endured weeks of blistering temperatures will find little solace in the latest bleak prediction from the National Weather Service.

Jobless rate slips slightly

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate slipped slightly in June to 7.7 percent, the government reported today, but many economists cautioned that joblessness will continue to rise in coming months.

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# Pope gives his gold ring to Brazilian slum

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — Pope John Paul II again defended priestly celibacy and rebuffed Roman Catholic leaders who contend that such restrictions must be relaxed because of the decline in the numbers joining the priesthood.

**ORDAINING A GROUP OF DEACONS** before a throng of nearly 200,000 in the world's largest soccer stadium, the pontiff warned them that their church has not changed its requirement that priests remain celibate and its opposition to marriage for priests.

"Do not delude yourselves," the pope said, "that a priesthood less austere in its demands for sacrifice and renunciation — as, for example, in the discipline of celibacy — will attract more people to follow Christ. Quite the contrary...daily sacrifice keeps alive the evangelical ideal."

It was John Paul's second address Wednesday restating a conservative guideline for the church. He reiterated his opposition to political action by the clergy in a speech to the Latin American Episcopal Committee, telling the international council of bishops that their church is above "economic and political systems...and ideologies." He said political parties and public office are reserved for the laity while priests should stick to their

spiritual mission.

**THE POVERTY-STRICKEN CATHOLICS** of one of Rio de Janeiro's teeming shantytowns were richer today by one gold ring — stripped by the pope from his finger and presented to their parish priest after he visited their slum chapel.

The crowd applauded politely as the ring was passed to the parish priest, known as Brother Benjamin, outside the Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi. An official of the parish said the slum dwellers would meet to decide what to do with the ring.

A Vatican spokesman said the simple gold band decorated with a square Greek cross was given to John Paul by his predecessor, the late Pope Paul VI, in 1967 when he made him a cardinal in 1967.

**THE GESTURE WAS REMINISCENT** of Pope Paul's presentation of his jeweled papal tiara to the United Nations when he visited its headquarters in New York in 1965. The tiara was exhibited on tour to raise money to aid the hungry. The ring was valued at about \$1,000 but could bring a great deal more if sold at auction.

"In the whole world, the church wants to be the church of the poor," the pontiff said as he walked the mean streets of Vidigal. "Remember that the value of man is not measured by what he has, but what he is."

He assailed the rich, "whose idol is profit and pleasure...May the truth disturb them."

**A VISIT TO THE THREE-ROOM SHACK** of Elvira Almeida Lima left her in tears.

"We've been working for 13 years, and now we have a pope in our favela and a pope in our house," said Mrs. Lima's son Armando, the leader of the Vidigal Slum Dwellers Association.

Today, the fourth day of the pope's 12-day tour of Brazil, he was flying south to Sao Paulo, South America's biggest city and Brazil's industrial center. It is also a center of the progressive wing of the Brazilian Catholic church, and religious leaders there have often opposed the right-wing military government on issues of human rights.

## Protestants, Catholics reject key points of new peace plan

LONDON (AP) — Northern Ireland's Protestant majority and its Roman Catholic minority rejected the key planks in Britain's new peace plan for the war-torn province, apparently dooming the latest effort to end the 11 years of sectarian bloodshed.

The largely-Catholic Irish Republic Army, which has vowed to run the British out of Northern Ireland, also appeared to veto an end to the fighting with a bomb blast early today that destroyed a country police station northwest of Belfast. Authorities said a police officer and his family were injured.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government announced two alternatives Wednesday for an 80-seat provincial assembly and government that would resume some of the regional governing powers taken over by Britain when it dissolved the Protestant-dominated Northern Ireland Parliament and began running the country from London eight years ago.

The two biggest Protestant parties, the Official Unionists and the Rev. Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionists, balked at the first proposal, a form of the power-sharing with the Catholic minority which they have rejected twice fore.

It would guarantee the Catholic's representation in the provincial cabinet in proportion to the number of seats they won in the assembly.

"We're not going to discuss it," said Official Unionist leader James Molyneux. "It would be a waste of everybody's time. Rigged executives... are a recipe for disaster."

The Protestants said there was hope of progress in the second option: sole control by the Protestants of the executive but "an effective voice in decision taking" for the Catholics on an upper parliamentary house to be known as the Council of the Assembly.

This, however, was rejected by the biggest Catholic party.

"An executive in which we would have no power is a futile exercise," said a spokesman for the Social Democratic and Labor Party. "At present there is no likelihood of the Unionists moving back from their intransigence against any form of power-sharing."

## Decision gives state, defendant same appeal rights

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals' decision to allow the state to appeal a capital murder case to the U.S. Supreme Court gives the state the same rights as defendants, according to the district attorney who prosecuted the case.

However, dissenting judges on the appeals court chided their colleagues and called the decision "wrong, dead wrong."

A dissent by Judge Truman Roberts said, "The court has effectively rewritten our constitution, without the approval of the voters, by accumulating two inadequate reasons and one misunderstanding of constitutional law."

The court ruled 5-4 Wednesday that Gregg County District Attorney Odis Hill could have 30 days to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to review the case against Joseph Faulder, sentenced to die in the July 8, 1975, beating and stabbing murder of Inez Phillips at the 75-year-old widow's Gladewater home.

Faulder was arrested two years after the slaying.

The Court of Criminal Appeals threw out the conviction, saying Faulder's confession was illegally obtained. On Wednesday, the court refused to grant a writ of prohibition to keep Hill from pursuing the case to Washington.

The dissenters said the new ruling violated a Texas Constitution article barring the state from appealing criminal cases.

"This is not a bright day in the history of this court," said Roberts.

However, Hill said the ruling gives "the citizens the same right for review as defendants."

"If the defendant has a right to appeal from our highest court to the Supreme Court, the state should likewise, on constitutional questions of law, have that right also," Hill said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

The Texas Constitution says, "The state shall have no right of appeal in criminal cases."

"Basically we argued that the state constitution only applies from one state court to another state court," Hill said.

A concurring opinion by Judge Leon Douglas said, "The dissenting opinion in the present case would have sounded more reasonable after Texas had seceded from the United States and before the questions were settled in the War Between the States, but that war has been over for quite a few years and we are now a part of the United States. The Constitution of the United States applies to all states," said Douglas.

Judge John Onion said the ruling opens a "Pandora's box."

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**DEATHS**

**William Fuquay**

STANTON — Services for William Edward Fuquay, 72, of Stanton were to be at 4 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church here with the Rev. Ed Carson, pastor, officiating. Interment was to be in Valhalla Mausoleum in Midland, directed by Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Fuquay died Wednesday in a Stanton hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born April 3, 1908, in Franklin County. He had lived in Stanton for 44 years. He was married to Myrtle Elizabeth White Nov. 28, 1930, in Franklin County. He was service manager for White Motor Co. in Stanton. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge and the First Baptist Church in Stanton.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Martha Lynn Cummings of Big Spring, Elizabeth Ann Butler of Stanton and Gerry Dell Anderson of Mission; two sisters, Gertrude Zimmerman of Mt. Vernon and Fredlissa Miller of Fort Worth; a brother, Harold Fuquay of Plano; eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

**Miguel Castellon**

Graveside services for Miguel Angel Castellon, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin D. Castellon of Midland, were to be at 10 a.m. today in Fairview Cemetery in Midland, directed by Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

The child died Tuesday in a Stanton hospital.

He was born June 21, 1980, at Stanton.

Other survivors include two sisters, Sandra Castellon and Susan Castellon, both of Midland; a twin brother, Martin Castellon of Midland; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Garcia of Midland; and his paternal grandfather, Romolo Castellon of California.

**William S. Frank**

HOUSTON — Services for William S. Frank, 35, a Houston lawyer who formerly lived in Midland, were Tuesday in the Geo. H. Lewis & Sons Funeral Home Chapel in Houston with Charles Rathgeber, a Lutheran pastor, officiating. Burial was in Forest Park Cemetery here.

Frank died Sunday near Rosharon in Brazoria County in an automobile accident.

He was born June 12, 1945, in Houston and was a graduate of Midland High School and of the University of Houston School of Law. He was a member of the Houston Bar Association, the Harris County Bar Association and the Texas State Bar Association. Frank was a member of St. Andrews Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his parents, Wallace and Lorena Frank of Houston and formerly of Midland; a daughter, Che Frank of Houston; and two brothers, Jerry Frank of Baton Rouge, La., and Sterling Frank of Houston.

The family has requested that memorials be sent to the Good Samaritan Lutheran Home in Cypress.

**J. Delma Roberts**

CISCO — Services for J. Delma Roberts, 71, of Cisco, brother of Velma Comer and Maxine Miller, both of Midland, were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Cisco Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Armo Bentley, minister of the East Cisco Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery, with Masonic graveside rites.

Roberts died Monday at a Cisco hospital.

He was born Aug. 9, 1908, in Loraine and was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Loraine. He was a retired road construction worker. He was married Feb. 12, 1930, to Fresha Gary in Hermleigh.

Other survivors include his wife, three sons, three brothers, another sister, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**Michael Wilson**

Services for Michael L. Wilson, 27, of Temple and formerly of Midland, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Primitive Baptist Church with the Rev. Jody Mayes of Fort Worth officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Wilson died Tuesday in a Temple hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born March 29, 1953, in Midland, where he was also reared and attended school. He entered the Air Force in December of 1971 and was discharged in August of 1974. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn; a son, Buddy Wilson of Temple; a daughter, Kelley Wilson of Temple; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.H. Wilson of Midland; three brothers, Eddie D. Wilson of Anchorage, Alaska, Edward E. Wilson of Midland and Terry L. Wilson of Haines City, Fla.; a sister, Mrs. Morris (Caroll) Coats of Temple; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.G. Farris of Midland; several aunts and uncles, and several nieces and nephews.

**Stephen Roberson**

BIG SPRING — Graveside services for Stephen Ellis Roberson, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Roberson Jr. of Big Spring, were to be at 4 p.m. today in Trinity Memorial Park directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday in a Big Spring

hospital. Survivors other than his parents include his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Roberson Sr. of Fort Worth; his maternal grandmother, Barbara McWhorter of Big Spring; and his maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Collins of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McWhorter of Olney.

**Janell Zachary**

Services for Janell Zachary, 19, 717 Spraberry Drive, were at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with Frank Davis of the Jehovah Witness Church officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Miss Zachary died Sunday at her home.

Pallbearers were Gordon Chamberlain, Roy Chamberlain, Mark Chamberlain, Johnny Elrod, Joe Castleberry, David McCartney.

**Pryor's doctors pleased after second surgery**

SHERMAN OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Richard Pryor's doctors are waiting for the end of the week to see if the comedian's latest skin grafts take hold and whether another operation will be necessary.

"They accomplished exactly what they were planning and they were very happy," said Gary Swaye, assistant executive director of the Sherman Oaks Community Hospital, after the 39-year-old Pryor underwent a second skin graft operation Wednesday.

**Wallet containing \$1,300 is found**

Sometimes it pays to keep your head down when walking.

Two Midland Reporter-Telegram employees out for a relaxing lunch at the Granada Club, 3312 W. Wall St., on Wednesday happened to look down at the parking lot and spied a wallet next to their vehicle. Bennita Mitchell and Linda Rodriguez opened the wallet and found it stuffed with \$301 in cash and numerous credit cards. What they didn't know is that another \$1,100 was hidden in another pocket.

They called the man listed on the driver's license — Jimmy Sims of Odessa — and returned the wallet to a relieved owner.

"He said he had lost it about 2 a.m. and just thought someone had found it and taken it," recalled Ms. Mitchell. But she figured that cars had parked over the wallet and people couldn't see it until she and Ms. Rodriguez walked by it.

"He was proud to get it back," Ms. Mitchell said. "Said he's never believed in banks before, but he did now. He was going to go put the money in the bank."

For their honest efforts, the two women each received \$50 from Sims.

"It pays to be honest," said Ms. Mitchell who added with a laugh, "I'm going to walk with my head down all the time now."

**Jordan's chief prime minister dead at age 41**

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Prime Minister Abdul Hamid Sharaf died of a heart attack in Amman before dawn today, King Hussein announced in a communique. He was 41, a former ambassador to the United States and the king's chief pipeline to the Palestinian guerrillas.

Sharaf became prime minister last Dec. 19. During his six months in office, there was a steady mending of relations between Hussein's government and Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization. He maintained a warm relationship with the PLO despite Hussein's bloody crackdown in 1970 that drove the Palestinian guerrillas out of Jordan.

During his college days in the late 1950s at the American University of Beirut, Sharaf joined Dr. George Habash's Arab Nationalist Movement, which sired several radical factions including the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Sharaf quit the ANM after it lost a power struggle in Syria to Baath Socialist Party in 1963 but remained on friendly terms with Habash and later developed friendships with other Palestinian guerrilla leaders.

Born in Baghdad, Iraq, in 1939, Sharaf was educated in Amman until he went to college in Beirut. He entered government service in Jordan in 1962, becoming director-general of the state radio.

Sharaf was recalled from Washington in 1976 to head Hussein's royal cabinet.

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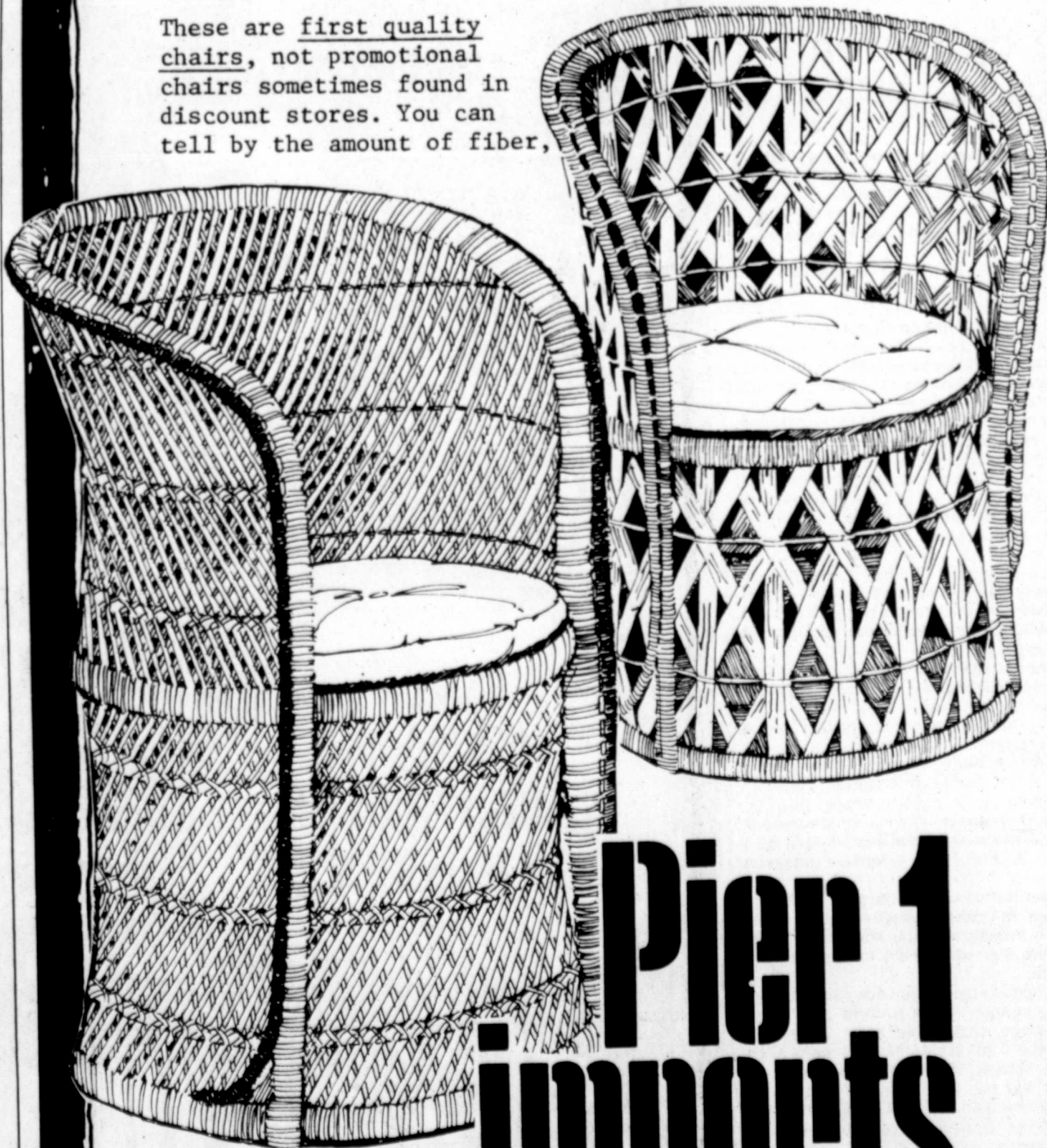
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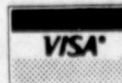
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All-time baseball name? Who else but Van Lingle Mungo

Los Angeles Times There have been lots of great names in baseball history. Napoleon Lajoie (pronounced "Lash-oh-way"), Grover Cleveland Alexander, the only guy in the game with either three first names or three last names, "Germany" Schaefer, "Dummy" Hoy, "Ping" Bodie, Sibby Sisti. And Cleatus Elwood Poffenberger and William Adolph Wambans weren't bad.

and I'm seated in the bleachers in Hartford, Conn. The mighty Hartford Senators are playing a July 4 double-header against the dreaded, despised treacherous New Haven Pros for the Eastern League first-half championship. Justice is triumphing because, on the mound for the home nine is the invincible Van Lingle Mungo, the best pitcher ever to throw in that league, the possessor of an unhittable fastball and a curve that swoops over the plate like a diving pelican. He strikes out 12 of the villainous New Havens that day, including their vaunted superstar from Yale, the football-turned-baseball player, Bruce Caldwell, three times. Hartford wins the pennant by 11 1/2 games. There is joy in Mudville and the sun is shining bright in Bulkeley Stadium.

until you understand Van Lingle took his fastball and smoking curve onto one of the most pathetic of major league rosters. The Brooklyn Dodgers of the '30s were known journalistically as "The Daffiness Boys," "The Flatbush Follies," and other riotous epithets. Mungo lost a no-hit game once with two outs in the ninth when the second baseman dropped a pop fly. "The scorer ruled it a hit because the sun got in his eyes," Mungo recalls.

phone down at his farm in Pageland, S.C., where he said he was sitting on his porch watching the bulldozers turn his old farm into condominiums. He remembered the old Hartford Senators well, he said, if not the kid in the bleachers. "We had a better team down there than the one I went to in Brooklyn," he recalls. "I always thought they called them 'Dodgers' in Brooklyn because of the way they dodged flyballs. Only, sometimes, they didn't. Sometimes the balls hit them in the head."

War-whooping Braves massacre Astros again, 14-0

By FRANK BROWN AP Sports Writer The Houston Astros left the red-hot weather in Texas — only to run into a red-hot team in Atlanta.

"I can't recall having ever pitched with a 14-run lead in the ninth inning before," said Niekro, who recorded his second shutout and eighth complete game of the season. The knuckleballer also struck out seven to raise his career total 2,488, and pass Don Drysdale for 16th place on the all-time strikeout list.

five-for-five performance by San Diego's Dave Winfield. Reds 6, Giants 2 Cincinnati right-hander Frank Pastore smothered San Francisco on six hits, dropped his earned run average to 3.04 and named himself a natural replacement for the Giants' Vida Blue on the all-star team.

Montreal's Steve Rogers helped himself with an RBI single in the second inning and the Expos got some unexpected help from the major leagues' winningest pitcher in beating the Phillies.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Table with columns for Top 10 hitters, Transactions, All-Star rosters, and various league scores (American League, National League, Hockey, Baseball, etc.).

KENNY REDIN'S Fin & Feather

Charter boat captain E.W. Frank said that kingfish and other gamefish had been slow in previous days. Weather changes, off-colored waters and lack of migratory ocean fish in Gulf of Mexico waters off Port Aransas were responsible.

Perlman

(Continued from 2C) last June and this year, with Chicago pitching coach Les Moss helping him add a changeup to his pitching repertoire, Perlman is 8-6 with six complete games.

Green Tree pairings

Here are the pairings for Friday's Two-Man Partnership Golf Tournament at Green Tree Country Club.

Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Summaries at the All England tennis championships Wednesday (numbers in brackets denote seedings): Men's Singles Fourth Round — Jimmy Connors, United States (3), def. Hank Pfister, United States, 6-4, 6-1, 7-4. Quarterfinals — Brian Gottfried, United States, def. Wojtek Fibak, Poland (13), 6-4, 7-6, 6-2. Bjorn Borg, Sweden (1), def. Gene Mayer, United States (6), 7-5, 6-3, 7-5. John McEnroe, United States (2), def. Peter Fleming, United States (7), 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

Odessa Speed Bowl

Results of recent races at the Odessa Speed Bowl: Modified Class Trophy Dash: Tommy Ham, Monahan; First Heat: Curtis Witt, Odessa; Dean Anthony, Midland; Doug Pyle, Midland; Second Heat: Pyle, Jay Watson, Midland; Frank Crawford, Midland; Shorty Alford, Odessa; Ham; Semi Main: L. Erwin, T. Erwin, Watson; Crawford; Alford; Main: Crawford, Watson; T. Erwin, Alford, Pyle.

Minor leagues

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE Wednesday's Games Rochester 4, Charleston 3; Columbus 14, Pawtucket 1-0; Toledo 8, Tidewater 7, 10 innings; Richmond 6-5, Syracuse 1-0.

Wednesday Stars

BATTING — Lay May, Orioles, collected three singles in four at-bats, two of them with the bases loaded, driving in four runs and leading Baltimore to a 4-2 triumph over Toronto for their 22nd victory in the last 24 meetings with the Blue Jays.

Ford slated for clinic

Don Ford of the Cleveland Cavaliers is one of four professional instructors for the Northwest Basketball Clinics to be held at Midland College July 7-11.



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