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Lady Bird's Family Paid \$94,000 By Dairy Group

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's largest dairy cooperative, focus of Watergate investigations, pays Lady Bird Johnson's family corporation \$94,000 a year for use of an airplane hangared at the LBJ Ranch. The Associated Press has learned.

BARGAIN?

A spokesman for the Johnson interests said the arrangement is a bargain for the dairy group, Associated Milk Producers Inc. However, the cooperative's board of directors had tried to end the lease arrange-

ment, which is scheduled to run until April 5, 1976.

The lease arrangement was initiated by the co-op's former general manager, Harold S. Nelson, before he was ousted by the board for mismanagement.

Nelson originally agreed to pay \$73,500 per year to lease a smaller, less expensive aircraft from the Texas Broadcasting Co., President Johnson's family corporation. That agreement was signed July 1, 1970, a year and a half after Johnson left office.

Details of the transactions between the milk producers and the Johnson interests are revealed in a report obtained from court records and confirmed independently by The Associated Press.

FIRST CALL

Donald S. Thomas, lawyer for the Johnson corporations, said in a telephone interview that he had negotiated both the original agreement and the present one with Nelson.

Thomas said the present agreement calls for one of the Johnson family corporations,

Western Wildflower Corp., to pay for a pilot and hangar space for the \$765,000 Beechcraft King Air model 100, a 13-passenger turboprop aircraft.

He said two other Johnson corporations, Karnack Corp. and LBJ Co., also purchase flight time. But he said the milk producers' co-op has first call on the airplane and in practice has had "virtually sole use of the aircraft."

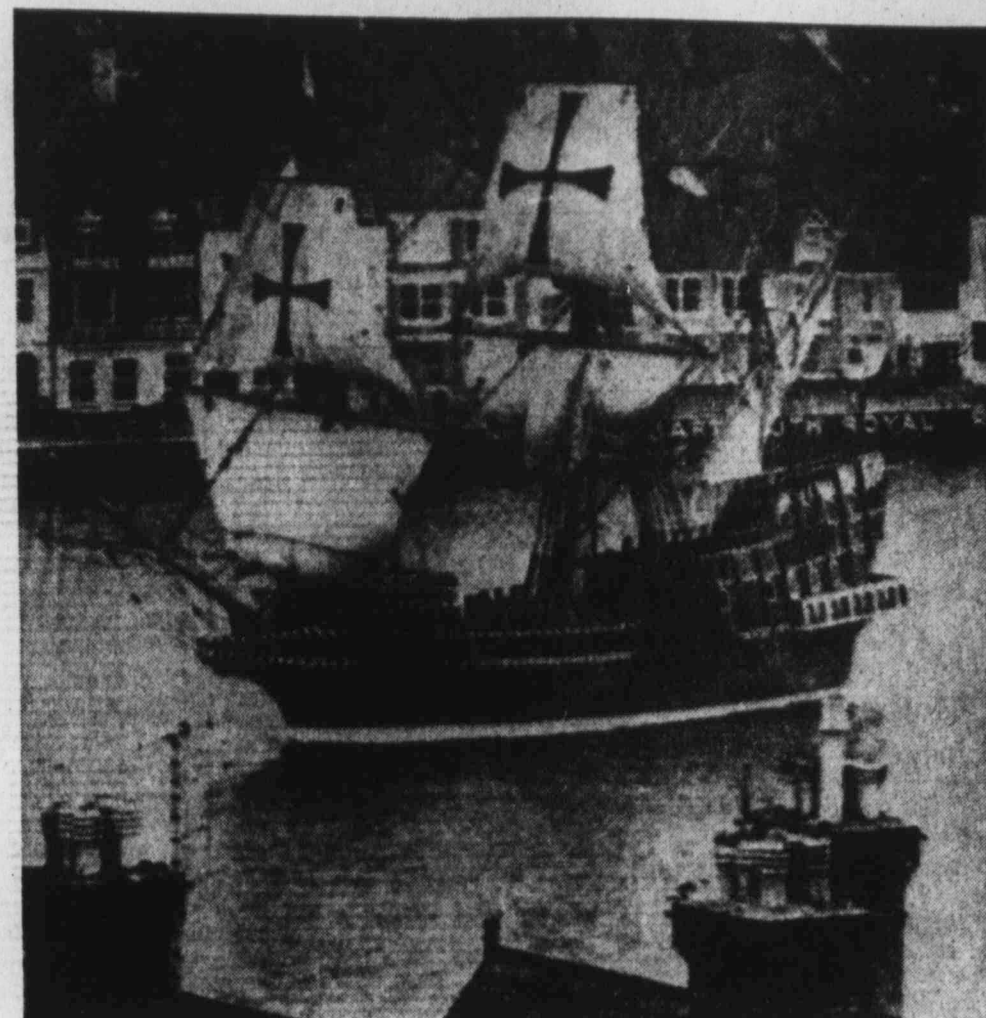
AIRPLANE DEAL

He said that Mrs. Johnson had traveled personally on the

aircraft on occasion.

The milk producers pay \$10,000 per year for the insurance and other intangible expenses, plus \$7,000 per month for a minimum 40 flying hours, at \$175 an hour. The dairy cooperative pays another \$175 for each flying hour over 40 hours per month, plus fuel and any extra expenses incurred by the pilot.

Thomas said the same aircraft under comparable conditions normally rents for \$275 per flying hour.



SIR FRANCIS DRAKE'S GOLDEN WIND — A full-scale replica of Sir Francis Drake's ship, the Golden Wind, is shown in Dartmouth, England today as it set sail for London where it will be on display until September. The ship, built for American owners at a cost of over \$1 million, is due to sail in October for her permanent berth in San Francisco.

BIG SPRING HERALD

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U.S. To Buy Meat Worth \$45 Million

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government will move to aid the distressed cattle industry by buying \$45 million worth of beef, farm state senators were told at a White House meeting today.

Sen. Milton Young, R-N.D., said that information was given by Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz after President Nixon convened a conference of federal officials, members of Congress and agricultural organization representatives.

Young and Butz reported that an order he is issuing will allow the Commodity Credit Corp., to purchase \$45 million worth of red meat. He said the Defense Department also is being urged to purchase more beef.

Gov. J. James Exon of Nebraska, chairman of the Midwest Governors' Conference, hailed Butz's disclosure as "good news."

Exon said he told Nixon and others at the meeting that scores of beef and cattle producers in the Midwest were going out of business because of sagging farm prices and high production costs.

The governor said he asked Nixon to consider a temporary suspension of beef imports to help ease the domestic price pinch.

Streakers Must Pay For Uniform

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A judge has ordered three Brigham Young University streakers to pay for clothing someone else was wearing when they made a nude dash across campus.

Judge Patrick McGuire placed Richard Weist, Randall Pike and Allyn Goodrich, all 18-year-old freshmen, on a year's probation and told them Monday they must pay one-third each for the cost of a policeman's uniform.

The officer tore his uniform when he scrambled over a fence after the youths. They were wearing only ski masks and neckties.



CLAIM ARMY IS TRYING TO BREAK UP ROMANCE — Pfc. James C. Johnson, 20, and 2nd Lt. Mary Lou Follett, 22, are shown in the apartment they share in Nussloch, Germany. The couple have filed a petition charging the Army with systematic harassment, of trying to break up their romance because he is an enlisted man and she is an officer.

Still Living Together Despite Army Attack

NUSSLOCH, Germany (AP) — Pfc. James C. Johnson and 2nd Lt. Mary Lou Follett are still living together even though he has to spend two hours a day commuting to share an apartment with her.

The Army transferred the 20-year-old enlisted man last month from his hospital at Heidelberg to a dispensary 20 miles away in Worms. But he's still sharing an apartment in Nussloch, near Heidelberg, with the 22-year-old nurse he worked for at the Heidelberg hospital.

SHARING
The Army has also cut off Johnson's monthly off-post housing allowance and is pressuring him to live in the barracks at Worms.

Miss Follett says the Army is using a "double standard" to break up her romance with the

enlisted man.

"I know married male officers who are dating or living with enlisted women, but the command doesn't do anything about them," she declared.

The couple — she from Ft. Wharton, N.J., and he from Alta Loma, Calif. — set up housekeeping last October. Lt. Follett was warned she was violating Army regulations against fraternization between officers and enlisted personnel.

NONSENSE

After Johnson's transfer, the couple got a lawyer and filed a 14-page petition accusing the Army of systematic harassment.

Gen. Michael S. Davison, the commander-in-chief in Europe, replied last week: "I have conducted an informal inquiry into

your complaint. Upon review, I am satisfied that your reassignment was not punitive and was based on proper military considerations."

"Nonsense," Johnson retorted in an interview at the couple's three-room, \$180-a-month apartment.

"At Heidelberg Hospital, which already is understaffed, I was specially trained to work in the intensive care unit. At Worms dispensary, this skill is wasted. I clean ears, hand out pills and give shots."

Like many young GIs, Johnson sympathizes with the peace movement and youth counter-culture and that has not helped his standing with the army. He parts his hair in the middle and off duty wears granny glasses, flowered shirts and jewelry.

Jury's Report On President Sent To Panel

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee today received the federal grand jury's report on President Nixon's alleged role in Watergate.

After giving the report and a satchel filled with evidence to lawyers from the House Judiciary Committee, U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica told newsmen, "They've got everything the grand jury turned over to me."

Sirica also read a brief statement which concluded "so far as the court is concerned the transaction is concluded."

John Doar, chief counsel for the impeachment inquiry and Albert Jenner, minority counsel, spent more than two hours in Sirica's office going over each item in the satchel.

Also present was Peter Kriender of the special prosecutor's office.

Lawyers for two defendants in the Watergate cover-up case gave up their attempts to block transmission of the report to the House after the U.S. Court of Appeals turned them down last Thursday.

The grand jury gave Sirica a sealed envelope and the satchel March 1, the same day it indicted seven former administration or campaign aides for allegedly trying to block the investigation of the Watergate break-in.

Lawyers for two of the defendants, H. R. Haldeman and Gordon C. Strachan, tried to have Sirica's order reversed on the grounds that once given to a congressional committee, the contents of the report would leak out and possibly prejudice the cover-up trial.

WARM DAYS

Warm days and cold tonight. High today and Wednesday, near 80. Low tonight, mid 40s. Southwesterly winds 10 to 20 m.p.h. this afternoon and tonight.

Is There A Ford In Your Future?

NEW YORK (AP) — Public confidence in Vice President Gerald R. Ford's qualifications for the presidency remains high, pollster Louis Harris says.

But the former House Republican leader who was sworn in as Vice President Dec. 6 fares less impressively on the question of his vice presidential performance, the pollster said Monday.

The survey of 1,407 households between March 3 and March 7 showed that Americans believed, 52 per cent to 22 per cent, that Ford would be qualified to succeed to the presidency if President Nixon were impeached.

The same question had produced a 50-19 vote of confidence for Ford last November and a 47-17 positive response last October.

But when asked to rate Ford on his Vice Presidential performance, only 37 per cent gave him positive marks, with 32 per cent disapproving and 31 per cent unsure.

Those who liked Ford's performance said he was doing well in spite of Watergate and used such phrases as "tries hard" and "has the confidence of the Congress," the survey said.

Those disapproving described him as too much of a "yes man" to Nixon, making such comments as "he has not done anything" and "he seems weak."

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\$266 A GALLON

No Fuel Like An Old Fuel

CHICAGO (AP) — Illinois Gov. Daniel Walker took a car for a spin in downtown Chicago using gasoline refined from coal. He said the fuel process is a partial answer to the energy crisis.

SPIN COST \$66

"No stall, no sputter, no ping," Walker said after the drive with the experimental fuel Monday. "If we are to solve the energy problem, working toward a self-sufficient nation; if we are to protect our air, keeping it safe, then we will have to develop the technology and build plants to convert coal to oil and natural gas and gasoline," he said.

The gasoline Walker used cost \$266 a gallon to produce and his brief spin in heavy traffic used about \$66 worth.

It was 92 octane—the equivalent of premium gasoline.

The demonstration kicked off a conference on developing Illinois' estimated 148 billion tons of unmined coal.

The governor said he learned recently that gasoline could be derived from coal, so he ordered 15 gallons for demonstrations.

Oil officials estimated that it would take 7 to 10 years to build a refinery in Illinois that would produce 100,000 barrels of fuel a day from coal. They said a potential 120 gallons of gasoline could be refined from one ton of coal.

They estimated the cost of setting up such a project would be about \$500 million, with a gallon of coal-gasoline selling for about 70 cents.

Cuffed Nudes Story Hard To Swallow

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Police rushed to a suburban home to find a man and his wife handcuffed together in the nude.

Patrolman Fred Hansen said the embarrassed couple told him they were "fooling around" with a pair of handcuffs Sunday and locked each other to a ceiling-high bookcase.

The husband said he accidentally dropped the key and his dog promptly swallowed it.

The couple managed to dial the telephone operator to request assistance. Hansen said he freed them with his own handcuff key.

"I feel like kicking the hell out of that dog," the nude man said.

'Dashing Danielle' Delays Commuters

NEW YORK (AP) — The nickname for a Long Island Rail Road commuter is "Dashing Dan" but the riders on the 8:01 out of Huntington were treated to a streaking "Dashing Danielle."

The naked young woman flashed down the aisle of the Manhattan bound train Monday then ran out the rear door where a man waited for her with a coat and automobile.

It was the first time the railroad reported a delay due to streaking.

Candidates Facing April 3 Deadline

Opposed candidates for county and precinct offices must file campaign financial statements with the county clerk's office between March 25 and April 3, Mrs. Margaret Ray, chief deputy district clerk, reminded.

In district level races, candidates should file statements with the Texas Secretary of State.

This morning, the county clerk's office counted 32 absentee votes cast in the Big Spring school trustee election, 30 in the Howard College board race and 12 in the county school trustee election.

April 2 is the deadline for absentee voting.

FREE MEDICAL SERVICE QUESTIONED

'Grocery Stores Don't Provide Free Food For The Hungry'

By MARJ CARPENTER

"We don't expect a privately-owned grocery store to provide free food for the hungry, so why do we expect a private hospital to provide free medical service for the sick?" Norman Knox, administrator of Medical Center Hospital stated this morning in a lengthy presentation to the city council.

He also elaborated on the need for more public responsibility of governmental units in providing medical care for the needy, in rebuttal to statements made by other doctors in the city, as reported from a county commissioners' meeting "last week."

He began his presentation

with a chart showing 16 area hospitals and the fact that they all receive some ad valorem tax support and some help with indigent care. The chart did not list actual amounts of the care.

A second chart listed figures showing that the county welfare office during 1971 only paid out \$3,905.05 for indigent patient care; \$3,135.08 in 1972 and \$1,088.60 during 1973. This was from a \$5,000 budget.

Knox pointed out that during those three years, Medical Center charity care totaled \$26,928.98; \$32,600 in 1972; and \$18,394 for the first eight months in 1973. He added that this was not bad debts or Medicare items but pure charity.

He did point out, however,

that private hospitals have no responsibility to act as lending institutions and that they do not accept patients that can't pay on some occasions unless it appears to be a life-and-death matter.

"The responsibility by law goes to counties, but many communities also help with this matter. This responsibility has long been shirked here."

SECOND SPOKESMAN

Dr. Nell Sanders from Medical Arts then spoke in behalf of that hospital and explained that "Our doctors can offer free service where they think it is necessary, but we cannot afford to put indigent people into the hospital, and underwrite hospital care."

She added, "It is not economically feasible and we cannot do it without help. There is no way we can properly care for our heavy patient load and take care of Saturday night specialists as well."

Dr. Clyde Thomas of Hall Bennett then added, "Basically, we agree with Dr. Nell. Room-care costs in hospitals have jumped from \$6 a day years ago to \$75-\$100 today. I think we need to check with surrounding counties and see how much they help and study and work out a solution for this area. We need proper research and a group to get together in the matter."

Mayor Wade Choate agreed (See FREE, Page 2, Col. 6)

Police Believe Boy Killed Parents, Sister, Himself

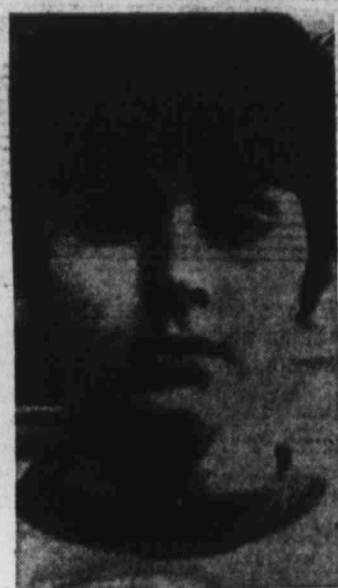
RICHARDSON, Tex. (AP) — An 11-year-old boy, described by neighbors as "highly intelligent," killed his mother, father and sister and then turned a revolver on himself to die, police believe today.

The four persons killed were Robert L. Nickols, 47, editor of a trade publication; his wife, Jeannie Nickols, 51; their daughter, Debra Nickols, 12, and the son, Kevin Nickols, 11.

REALLY STRANGE
"It's really strange," said a police sergeant. "We don't have a motive of any kind. Neighbors all say the boy was highly intelligent."

The sergeant said the position of the bodies and the location of a .22 caliber revolver in the house indicated that the boy shot his parents and sister and then killed himself.

Condition of the bodies, the sergeant said, indicated all four persons had been dead three or four days. Officers were called



KEVIN NICKOLS

to the house Monday after members of the family had not been seen for several days.

Police described the weapon used as "an ordinary, seven-shot .22 revolver."

Nichols, who was regional editor of a farm magazine, lay on the den floor, clad in a jumpsuit. His wife, in night clothing, was on the bed in the master bedroom. Bodies of the children were on the floor in a back bedroom.

WORKER IN CHURCH
Police said the pistol was underneath the dead boy.

Pending completion of autopsies, medical examiners withheld verdicts. Officers said there was no sign that any outsider had entered or left the house.

Neighbors described Robert Nickols as an active worker in the Arapaho Methodist Church and a Boy Scout leader. His wife was a piano teacher.

Principal Bill Malcolm of Mohawk Elementary School said Kevin, a sixth grader, was a good pupil. He described the boy as well adjusted, slow to anger and popular with classmates.

Deborah was in the seventh grade at North Junior High School.

Auditions Set For Theater

Auditions will be held Wednesday 3:30 p.m. at Howard College auditorium for the Sul Ross State University summer theatre season.

Those chosen to be part of the company will receive stipends of \$300, plus university housing at Alpine and up to 15 hours of graduate or undergraduate credit.

The company will be made up largely of regular and visiting students, and will present a repertory season of four plays over eight weeks in the Sul Ross outdoor theatre, the Theatre of the Big Bend.

All audition materials will be provided by company directors. Those unable to make the audition here may submit a tape recording of their work to the chairman of the speech and drama department at Alpine. Deadline for this will be April 20.

Lease Is Granted On Old Hangar

Lt. Col. Donald L. Coleman was granted lease of the front part of the old T-41 hangar at Howard County Airport by County Commissioners Court Monday.

He will pay \$105 per month and is entitled to 30 days notice of cancellation. Utilities are excluded.

Linda Wilhelm offered \$150 per month for use of the facility until the Big Spring Aircraft contract as airport operator expires in June. She said she would not be competing with Big Spring Aircraft until possibly after June.

Clinic Slated For Horsemen

Horsemen of all ages and experience will get an opportunity to develop their skills in a horsemanship clinic in Lubbock March 29-30.

A three-man team of horse specialists, noted for their teaching skills and horsemanship abilities, will demonstrate everything from grooming and discipline to performance maneuvers and basic horsemanship, says County Agent Bruce Griffith.

The men are B. F. Yeates, Gary Potter and Doug Householder, all Extension specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at College Station.

The event gets under way in the Fair Park Coliseum at the Panhandle South Plains Fairgrounds at 4:30 p.m. Friday and will continue through the evening until about 9:30, continuing again on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. The clinic will last most of the day, adjourning at 4:30.

Registration for adults (18 and over) is \$7.50. For youths from ages 9 to 17, the fee is \$4.50, and for children under 8 years, \$2.75. These registrations fees include a bar-b-q luncheon.

The event, Bruce Griffith emphasizes, is open to people of all ages. People living in or outside a residential area who have horses will especially be interested in improving their horsemanship abilities, he adds.

Specific skills to be taught include grooming and discipline, basic western horsemanship such as control of feet, hands and legs and proper posture, performance maneuvers such as driving, stopping, turnabout and leading and skills in barrels, poles, reining and hunt seat.

The South Plains Development Program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is sponsoring the clinic. The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce is co-sponsor.

Free Medical Service

(Continued from Page 1)

to the study and named Harold Hall and Charles Tompkins to the committee. Truett Thomas said that County Judge A. G. Mitchell was also naming two county people to the study group which will meet with local hospital administrators to discuss the problems.

TRYING FOR CABS

George Russell told the council that "I am trying to get the new cabs." He explained that he is obtaining ten 1973 cabs from a New York City cab company and that he is having freight and delivery problems. When told by Councilman Eddie Aciri "We gave you a rate increase with a March 1 deadline for new cabs," Russell answered, "The raise in gas costs has eaten up the increase." Hall emphasized, "We are not trying to put anybody out of business."

Mayor Choate instructed Russell to keep the city informed as to the progress in obtaining the cabs.

The council agreed to join the county in supporting the Council for the Aging with \$250 and \$50 a month for one year to help them set up a center. Aciri requested that they wait until the April meeting at the request of Marion Irland, who had also made requests for a center for the aged. The council voted 3-1 to back the Council for the Aged.

BID DISCUSSION

The council turned down all bids on property on Country Club Road and discussed negotiating with the bidders. They considered the bids too low. They granted Stephen R. Smith of Big Spring the boat concession on Cosden Lake.

Sailboats and paddleboats will be available for rental on weekends in April and May and

during the day during the summer with the operation to continue through Labor Day.

They tabled action on a bar screen bid for the sewage system at the request of Bill Brown, sewage superintendent.

They also tabled action on a request from Mrs. Ruby Martin for damage to plants last summer by a city-applied weed killer. They requested that the city check damage further. They approved Bill Estes, Lowell Jones and D. A. Brazel for

Texaco No. 1 BC Wildcat

Texaco No. 1 Sterling Williams will be a 7,400-ft. wildcat in Borden County, three miles southwest of Gail, 1 1/2 miles north of the recently completed reopener of the Aplark lower Spraberry field. It will be 660 from the north and west lines of section 45-31-5N, T&P.

Recently C&K Petroleum No. 1 Hull completed for 43 barrels of 41-gravity oil and 66 barrels of water through perforations 6,556-570. The original pool opener (Union No. 1 Clark) rated 135 barrels of oil and 51 barrels of water.

Also in Borden, James P. Dunigan No. 1, Miller Jones, a location west of the firm's No. 1-527 Miller, a wildcat half an mile east of the depleted Hood (Pennsylvania) field, has been located 1,800 feet from the north and 2,800 feet from the west lines of 527-96, H&T, four miles west of Fluvanna in northeastern Borden. The same operator has staked No. 2-528 Miller three-eighths of a mile north east of its No. 1-586 Miller, a Strawn prospect, 1,260 from the north and 467 from the east lines of section 58-97, H&T.

A North Sterling deep prospect, Ray A. Albaugh of Big Spring No. 1 Chappell drilled past 5,572 feet in lime. Fisher-Webb No. 1-94 Reed, also a North Sterling explorer, was past 7,279 feet in lime.

In northern Glasscock County, Blair & Metcalf No. 1 McDowell made hole below 8,180 in lime and shale.

Youth Found Dead In Collin Jail

MCKINNEY, Tex. (AP) — A Dallas youth accused in the death of a fellow pupil at St. Marks school here was found dead, hanged by his belt Monday in the Collin County Jail here.

Sheriff's officers said they found the body of Gordon Mac Hill Monday morning.

Young Hill was convicted in May 1972 of murder in the slaying of Bobby Fred Salmons. He had been free on appeal bond until last month when the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals upheld his conviction. Jailers said Hill had been a model prisoner and had been granted privileges and considerable freedom at the jail.

The youth's attorney, Byron Williams of Dallas, said he will ask for "an outside investigation" into the death.

Monthly Luncheon Is Set Thursday

The monthly luncheon meeting of the Big Spring Health and Welfare Group will be Thursday noon at the Downtown Tea Room, 510 Main. Mrs. Myrtle Tatum, follow-up alcoholism counselor in Howard County, will address the group on the problem of alcoholism.

She also will discuss the Firehouse Six detoxification center recently opened and where she conducts two classes a week in cooperation with center personnel. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

LEGAL NOTICE

Pork Referendum and Producer Board Election

Being certified by the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas for this purpose, the Texas Pork Producers Association, 2422 Tabo, Sherman, Texas 75000, proposes a referendum election on May 14, 1974 under provision of Article 55c, Vernon's Civil Statutes, on the proposition of whether or not the pork producers in the State of Texas shall assess themselves a maximum amount of 10 cents per head on all slaughter animals to be collected at the point of first processing or sale and to elect members of a 15 member commodity producers board to administer proceeds of such assessment to be used for research, predator control, disease and insect control, education, and promotion designed to encourage the production, marketing, and use of pork.

The referendum and election will be held by mail ballot which will be provided to all eligible voters not later than 15 days prior to the election. Ballots must be mailed to the polling place at Sherman, Texas before midnight on the date of the election.

Any person within this state engaged in the business of producing, or causing to be produced slaughter hogs for commercial purposes is eligible to vote, including owners of farms and their tenants and sharecroppers, if such person would be required to pay the assessment proposed.

Any person qualified to vote at the referendum may place his name in nomination for membership on the proposed commodity producers board by application to the above organization signed by himself and at least ten other persons eligible to vote in the referendum. Such applications must be filed at least 30 days prior to the election date.

Any person qualified to vote who does not receive a ballot prior to April 30, 1974 may obtain one at his local County Agent's Office.

service on the board of equalization.

They studied Phase II paving and instructed James Campbell, utility director, to take the list and alternates and break it into a two-year program with priorities established.

The city granted permission to advertise for bids for hydrate lime and microfilm system for the police station. They approved the traffic commission minutes as presented by Susan Thomas, city traffic engineer.

They gave final reading to an ordinance amending the health certificate for food handlers. They also gave final reading to the ordinance accepting completed streets and final readings to resolutions opposing federal legislation for minimum wage and hour standards for cities and city employees and a resolution supporting the Permian Basin Regional Planning Council in the manpower program. Aciri abstained in the minimum wage resolution.

A request was granted that the city sponsor a ladies softball team and permission was granted for bids on a bank depository. Roy Anderson gave the city manager's report.

All councilmen were present including Mrs. Polly Mays, Hall, Aciri, Tompkins and Choate.

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LOWER BIRTH RATE

School Enrollment Drops 2.4 Per Cent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Enrollment in the nation's elementary schools dropped 2.4 per cent in the current school year, the third straight year of decline stemming from the nation's lower birth rate, the government reported Monday.

Public school enrollment was down to the 1966 level, but private enrollment also was off, the Census Bureau said in an annual report.

DOWN, DOWN

Total enrollment in elementary schools — grades 1 through 8 — was 31.5 million last fall, down from 32.2 million the previous year and the high of 34 million in 1970.

Public school enrollment was 28.2 million, down from 28.7

million a year earlier, and private enrollment was 3.3 million, down from 3.5 million.

The downward trend of elementary school enrollment will continue at least until 1980, and may have significant impact on both cost and quality of education, authorities say.

"It used to be we were worried about enough classrooms, enough teachers and enough books, and now we are faced with a declining population," said Dr. William Tharis, executive director of the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

HIGHER SALARIES

But he cautioned in an interview that potential savings from declining enrollment may

be offset by demand for higher teacher salaries.

He also said there is a move toward better qualified teachers and toward more specialized teachers, which would improve the quality of education generally. But he said there is no doubt the teacher shortage of the 1960s has ended.

The Census Bureau said the decline in school enrollment in the 1970s is a direct result of the decline in the birth rate in the 1960s. A spokesman estimated that enrollment would reach a low point of about 28 million in 1980, before increasing again.

FERTILITY RATE

The fertility rate — the average births per woman during her childbearing years — was estimated at 3.7 children in 1960. This was down to 1.9 in 1973.

The fertility rate last year was below the so-called zero population growth level of 2.1 births per woman, which is the rate needed to sustain the population at its current level. But there would not be a decline in population unless the minus-two rate continued for many years.

A census spokesman said the decline in the number of school children should hit bottom about 1980 or 1981 when children of women born during the 1950s baby boom begin reaching school age.

"People born during the baby boom are now at an age where they should be having children, but they are having fewer children and having children later in life than we originally had anticipated," said the spokesman.



MRS. E. MOORE
Mrs. Moore Speaks Here

Mrs. Earl K. Moore Jr., will speak at Christ's Fellowship Center located on FM 700 at E. 11th Place at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. There will be a luncheon served following the service, according to the Rev. Tommy D. Williams.

Mrs. Moore is presently instructor of the Fashion Merchandising course at Odessa College. She has attended Powers School of Modeling, Seventeen and attended McMurry College. She was also a professional model in New York. She is a well known book reviewer and fashion show commentator.

The wife of a Midland oil field production inventor and manufacturer, they have three children. Mrs. Moore travels extensively "teaching and ministering the Word of God."

Bridge Lesson Speech Topic

Most engineers believed the beautiful Golden Gate bridge couldn't be built. The currents of San Francisco Bay were too strong, the water too deep, the storms too severe. One man challenged these barriers. Through vision or a unique idea, careful planning and proper construction, this engineering marvel was built.

This is the springboard for a fine address 8 p.m. today at the Christian Science Church by Patricia Tuttle, C.S., San Francisco, Calif.

"But such barriers can be broken when we build an understanding of what God really is and of man in His likeness — man's source, his nature, his purpose," says Miss Tuttle. "Through spiritual understanding, impossible dreams can be fulfilled and bridges built where all seems hopeless."

'COWARDS! COWARDS!'

Angry Farmers Kick, Punch Prime Minister

PERTH, Australia (AP) — Angry farmers kicked and punched Prime Minister Gough Whitlam on Monday, and one hurled a soft drink can that struck the back of his head during an election rally here.

The 6-foot, 4-inch prime minister shouted back at the crowd: "Cowards! cowards!" The crowd of 7,000 booed, jeered and pelted him with debris.

'VICIOUS AND UGLY'

Whitlam, a 56-year-old attorney, called the attack "vicious and ugly" and the worst incident of his 22 years in politics. He was shaken but not seriously hurt. His microphone cord was cut at one point during the rally, and Whitlam could be heard only for a few moments of the 20 minutes he tried to speak.

He came to Perth to support Labor party candidates in Saturday's state election. John Tonkin, the state Labor prime minister, was also attacked, but was not hurt when he arrived to speak.

Farmers are unhappy about the government's recent removal of a \$12-per-ton subsidy on phosphates. At a mass meeting after the rally, farmers decided to withhold livestock from slaughter for a week next month. Whitlam had earlier declined to attend the meeting.

The scrappy Whitlam has criticized United States policy in Indochina where Australian troops once fought alongside American GIs.

TEMPER, TEMPER

He denounced the bombing of North Vietnam when it was resumed in 1972.

Regarded as even-tempered in public, Whitlam's anger does flare occasionally. He poured ice water over the head of the Australian foreign affairs minister eight years ago during an argument, and on another occasion called a chief justice "a bumptious bastard."

Whitlam led the Labor party back to power in December 1972 after 23 years as the opposition party.

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(Photos by Danny Voldes)

MARCY'S TOP SPELLERS — Liani Jean Parker, left, is the champion and Thelma Vasquez is the runnerup in the finals of the Spelling Bee at Marcy School. Liani is the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Daniel Parker, 19 Albrook, and is a fifth grader; Thelma is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vasquez, 2307 Mishler, and is in the sixth. Thelma stumped her spelling on the "plasma", which Liani fielded and went on to spell "poodle" and win the right to participate in the County Bee April 4.

Screening Program Will Determine School Needs

AUSTIN — Nearly 27,000 children who speak only Spanish in their homes will hear the same familiar sounds in school next September as they enter the first grade at the same time the state's new Bilingual Education Law goes into effect.

These 26,871 Spanish-speaking children are expected to enroll in 211 school districts located primarily in Central, South, and West Texas, according to Dr. Severo Gomez, Texas Education Agency assistant commissioner for international and bilingual education.

Under the new law passed by the 63rd Texas Legislature, Texas public schools with 20 or more children of limited English-speaking ability must offer bilingual teaching in the first grade beginning in September, 1974.

Lynn Hise, assistant superintendent of instruction, said today that "Even though no guidelines have been sent out to the individual schools to set up the new program, we are holding sessions this week to determine how many students we have involved."

"Elementary counselors will help us make this determination. We will also include work done by Headstart in determining how many students now actually enter first grades without an understanding of English."

Compulsory bilingual programs will expand to include the second grade in 1975-76 and the third grade in 1976-77.

Although other languages are included in the Bilingual Education Law, Texas public schools reported insufficient students with limited knowledge of English to qualify under the legislation, Gomez points out.

"We sent a questionnaire covering all languages to the 1,146 school districts in Texas. As a result of the figures returned to us by the district

Bridge Test

BY CHARLES H. GOREN
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Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♥ 7 5 4 3
♦ 7 6 5
♣ A Q 5 3
♠ 10 3

EAST
♥ A Q 6
♦ K J 9 4 2
♣ 7 6
♠ A Q J 9 8 7 6 5 4 2

SOUTH
♥ K J 10 9 8
♦ A K 8
♣ K J 4 2
♠ K

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ 3 ♣ Pass Pass
Dbl. Pass 4 ♣ Pass
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♠
Sometimes there is no way to avoid losing a particular trick. However, picking the moment when you lose the trick can be of crucial importance, as this hand from a recent team match vividly illustrates.

The bidding followed a similar pattern at both tables. West's jump overall is of the weak variety that is growing increasingly popular. North's hand was not good enough to act immediately over the interference, but when South showed extra values with his balancing double, North judged that his hand was worth a jump to four spades.

At both tables West led the ten of diamonds, won in dummy with the queen. Since declarer had to lose a heart, a spade and a club trick, the outcome seemed to rest on a successful spade finesse. Both declarers made the percentage play of a spade to the eight, which won. Here, however, their ways parted.

One declarer reentered dummy with the ace of diamonds to lead another trump. East rose with the ace as West discarded a high club, and shifted to the club deuce. West captured South's king of clubs and, reading the situation perfectly, returned his remaining diamond. East's ruff meant down one.

The second declarer was alive to the possibility of a diamond ruff. After the spade finesse won, he played the king of clubs from his hand. West took the ace and continued with a second diamond, but declarer was in complete control. Dummy's ace won and a trump was led. East rose with the ace, but he now had no quick entry to his partner's hand for a diamond ruff.

By conceding the club trick early, declarer effectively cut the line of communication between the defending hands.

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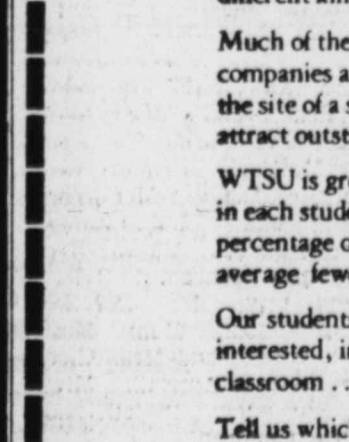
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A Message to the High School and College Age Students of Big Spring... (and those who love them)

From the President of West Texas State University

You are standing on the threshold... perhaps the threshold of greatness, but at least on the threshold of what can be a rewarding career. West Texas State University is also on the threshold... we think it is the threshold of greatness.

There is a new excitement on our campus. Everyone associated with the University tells me they feel it, students, faculty, alumni and our many boosters throughout the Panhandle.

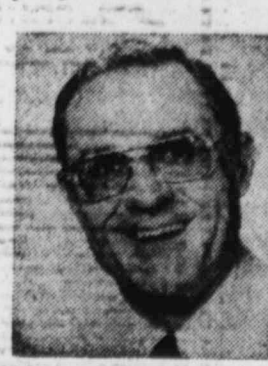
The excitement started ten years ago when we achieved University status. We began getting many new facilities including a new library, science building, research center, classroom and administration buildings and a new Student Activities Center which is second to none in the United States. We have new programs of a dozen different kinds... even one for horsemanship.

Much of the money for these programs and facilities has come from individual citizens, companies and foundations. These benefactors say, in effect, that our area should be the site of a significant university... a university with facilities and programs which attract outstanding faculty and students from all over the nation, even the world.

WTSU is growing but it is not so big but that our teachers can take a personal interest in each student and relate to him as the individual he is. Though we have a higher percentage of Ph.D.'s on our faculty than most universities, (over 50%), our classes average fewer students than most, (under 20).

Our students are very much a part of making things happen at WTSU. They are interested, involved and excited. Their learning experience is bigger than the classroom... it is as big as life itself.

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- *Geography
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There seems to be a growing spirit of pessimism about the product of the Constitutional Convention thus far, but such a distinguished authority as former Justice R. W. Calvert sees a ray of hope in an impending recess.

Judge Calvert is of the opinion (one he held from the beginning) that it was a mistake to have had the legislature sitting as a convention. The danger of this lies in two primary areas, he says: 1) the document threatens to be weighted heavily in favor of the legislature, and 2) the same self-interest and pressure groups which normally besiege the legislature and too frequently influence its deliberations, are much in evidence and too much in shaping the outcome.

There also is a temptation for each group to constitutional umbrage for its particular agency. The argument here is that some things are fundamental and needed to be spelled out, but the counter argument is that if agency A is made part of the constitution, then why not agency B?

The same may be said for certain functions, for every group wants to escape the consequence of continuing sufferance of or shaping by the legislature. Thus, if not curbed, this can lead precisely to the present situation of a constitution stuffed with statutory matters.

There's Hope Yet

a pretty solid proposal, which may or may not need changing. But it has accomplished — and so far the legislature has managed to retain — a dramatic reduction in length by wiping out a host of special districts and sub-divisions as constitutional matters.

Judge Calvert holds out the hope that after the Constitutional Commission came up with things which inherently will defeat it. One suggestion is that these items be submitted to

Amtrak Reviving

Last summer Amtrak's computers held a record 85,000 advance bookings. That was not bad for this public corporation which has the big job of getting Americans back into the habit of riding the trains after a long decline in use of rail passenger service.

It turns out that last summer's figure was small potatoes. The gasoline shortage and attendant publicity has been such a stimulus to rail travel that advance bookings at Amtrak now stand at around 213,000 on any given day.

Ridership is increasing phenomenally. Since October it has gone up month after month, with

a later decision of the voters.

Whether the constitution is adopted by the voters remains to be seen. But should it not, there is no reason to give up; on the contrary, there should be an effort to use this springboard immediately for another try, which could avoid many of the pitfalls of the present effort.

Legislators go back home during the recess and get to talk with people, they may come back and put together a final draft that leaves off some

Eternal Problem

Around The Rim

Jo Bright

The problem of unplanned pregnancies is as old as Eve's leaves. And it will still be with us as long as the sun comes up — especially if that sunrise follows a moonlit night.

I WOULDN'T presume to debate the moral issues of abortion, adoption, abandonment or shotgun weddings. Under most circumstances, they are equally sad.

In relation to the subject, I was interested in a release from the Edna Gladney Home in Fort Worth. What effect has legalized abortion had on one of the nation's oldest and largest maternity homes and adoption agencies?

In the year since the Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion, the effect on the home has been minimal according to Mrs. Ruby Lee Piester, executive director of the home.

"A year ago we did not know what to expect as a result of the decision and it was just a matter of wait and see," she said. Some maternity homes and adoption agencies throughout the nation either closed their doors or moved into other work areas but the board of the Edna Gladney Home was convinced that the need for the home's services would continue to exist.

The first anniversary of the legalization of abortion fell in the same week that the home was observing the seventieth anniversary of its state charter.

MRS. PIESTER, having worked with thousands of unwed mothers, "knew instinctively" that where one might choose abortion, there would be dozens who would never consider it.

So the home elected to expand both its services and facilities to meet a

need that was sure to continue. The closing of many homes resulted in an even heavier load for Gladney. With present facilities, the home can comfortably accommodate 100 residents but in the past year the number has often increased above that.

"We have always believed that the strong point in our services is to help unwed mothers find a alternative they can live with now and in the future," said Mrs. Piester. "The public often does not understand the plight of the unwed mother until there is a direct involvement with the problem. Many of the girls who come here are from homes where unwed pregnancy is never considered until it happens. It is our responsibility at Gladney to help these girls return to normal lives and to find good homes for their infants if they choose to place them for adoption."

During the stay at Gladney, girls have the counsel of caseworkers, a chaplain, a psychologist and a psychiatrist. Those still in public schools can continue their education while in residence. Gladney has its own private hospital. Younger girls live in a large dormitory and older girls have their own apartments on the Gladney campus.

WITH NEW restrictions on child placing, resulting from new laws, especially the part that became effective this year, Gladney has received an increase of referrals from attorneys and doctors, said Mrs. Piester.

The Edna Gladney Home, chartered in 1904, is licensed for child placing by the State Department of Public Welfare and maternity and hospital care by the State Department of Public Health.

My Answer

BILLY GRAHAM

I'm puzzled by a certain verse in the Bible. It's Matthew 24:34, where Jesus speaks of future events (stars falling — nations seeing the second coming of Christ) as coming to pass before that particular generation died. Well, these people have been dead now about 1900 years; the stars haven't fallen yet. How do you explain it?

Let me first cite a similar example of the same form of speech. It's in Acts 2, where the great Pentecost sermon of Peter is recorded. Statement 20 says, "The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood." The earlier statement 16 infers that this then was simply the fulfillment of Joel's prophecy. Now obviously, that too has not yet happened.

The explanation of statements like these is what is called the "double sense" of prophecy. In other words, the original prophetic utterance had a fullness of meaning not exhausted by the event to which it obviously and literally referred. Often there is both a first and partial fulfillment, and a later chief and complete fulfillment.

In the text you mention, this is a marked example of the "double sense" of prophecy. Christ's description of the destruction of Jerusalem passes into a prophecy of the end of the world.

Bible scholar A. J. Gordon put it

well when he said, "Prophecy has no sooner become history, than history in turn becomes prophecy."

Above all, don't get so involved with the technical explanation of verse 34 in that chapter, that you miss the triumphant revelation of verse 30, "the Son of man coming . . . with power and great glory."

on economic upward mobility. Therein the solution. And Chief Mangope, an influential black leader, says much the same thing. "If a mutually acceptable formula for economic partnership is found, then it is distinctly possible to improvise, on that basis, acceptable solution for the social and political needs in the emerging pattern of coexistence. Where economic partnership is not achieved, all the finest theories and ideologies aimed at regulating the social and political spheres will be completely futile and useless."

IT IS, no doubt, under the influence of such analysis that American black leaders, like Roy Wilkins, have come out strongly against economic boycotts of South Africa, aware that these would hurt most the South African blacks, whose gradual economic vitalization is the key to political parity. It is a pity that these black leaders do not apply the same criteria in formulating a position on the advisability of boycotts against Rhodesia.

Meanwhile, there are ugly features in South African life which do not relate to the race question. There is the awesome institution by which the Minister of Justice can "ban" an individual, i.e., confine him to his home, prevent him from writing or being written to.

I ASKED the Prime Minister whether this was subject to appeal in the courts (which are a vigorous and thoroughly independent South African institution, like the press). He replied that a defendant has that right. I asked had it ever been exercised. He replied, yes. I asked, had the courts ever sustained a defendant? He replied, no. Why? I asked. It turns out that in order to be successful, you have to prove to the court that the provisions of the law were arbitrarily or maliciously visited upon you.

African Eggshells

William F. Buckley Jr.

JOHANNESBURG — This is not the ideal moment to interrogate John Vorster, the prime minister of the Republic of South Africa, because on April 24 there will be an election, and between now and April 24 Mr. Vorster, manifestly, does not desire to say the kind of thing that might upset his die-hard wing (I use this designation in preference to "his right wing").

IF YOU were to say to Mr. Vorster, a big smile on your face, "Why Mr. Prime Minister, relations in South Africa between the races have greatly improved in the last few years!" — he would probably feel he had to answer: "Oh? Have they?" Because to admit that they have improved would suggest to his Bilbo-wing of the Nationalist Party that Mr. Vorster is making concessions to miscegenation which will end by destroying the purity of the white race.

What he has done, in fact, is to make — slowly, easily, sometimes unnoticeably — concessions in the direction of easing the awful Jim Crow that has been a part of the South African ideological ethos for over a generation. But it is the kind of progress it isn't good politics to report.

ALAN PATON, whose sublime, poetic voice has filtered out of South Africa for 30 years, may be a poor politician, an abstractionist in search of utopia. But he has lately been writing pretty practical things. He says that what will bring relative freedom to the South African black is less the elaborate system of Bantustans (the separate black state), than the requirement of a highly industrialized society. These have put such a premium on skilled labor as to advance the technical training of the black South African, and his compensation on the marketplace.

Forget dreamy political reforms, says Paton, and concentrate instead

Working To Pay Taxes

John Cuniff

NEW YORK (AP) — The Tax Foundation points out that the average American spends 2 hours and 37 minutes of his work day to pay federal state and local taxes. That's more than 13 hours a week, or about four months a year.

Relentless in its pursuit of spenders, it notes further that the proposed federal budget for the coming year will average \$4,013 for each of the nation's 71 million households, up \$1,214 in just four years.

There is no limit to statistics such as these, as you might guess. But what often is lacking is an interpretation, especially in regard to where the money is going, and why.

One man with strong opinions is Prof. Roland N. McKean of the University of Virginia, an economist, author of various books, and contributor to United States government committees and panels.

Writing in the foundation's "Tax Review," he suggests

that the "products" of government are inferior, wasteful dangerous and against the public good.

McKean says they include tariffs, price-support programs, regulatory programs, housing, welfare and defense.

"When I say that the consumer continues to face shoddy products, hazardous products, and misleading advertising, I think mainly of the public goods that he buys," McKean states.

He insists they should be examined in the same manner as private sector goods — but it's not so much because my hot dogs are 30 per cent chicken and bread crumbs; it's much more because my public goods often seem to be 70 per cent

baloney," he said.

The public accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand believes tax bills might be lower if waste was eliminated or reduced at the local levels. After auditing and further studying five middle-size cities, the company found:

—Antiquated budget systems.

—Failures in utilizing possible federal grants.

—Underutilization of electronic computers.

—Lack of modern management techniques for planning, controlling and evaluating operations.

Said Philip L. DeFiesse, the firm's managing partner:

"Cities are organized to meet the public's needs, while businesses are established primarily to turn a profit.

"But if cities would adopt more business practices they could deliver more public service at no more cost to the taxpayers."

Why Take New X-rays?

Dr. G. C. Thosteson



Dear Dr. Thosteson: Why do doctors insist on X-rays when entering a hospital if pictures are available and at their disposal of the same area of the body? Some simply state that this is necessary and routine.

Duplication of the same areas seems unnecessary and dangerous to me. I have even taken pictures of previous X-rays with me but am asked to have more X-rays. — M.C.B. I realize that this practice puzzles and sometimes annoys patients, and it may well be that from time to time such X-rays are taken when they could be avoided and contribute nothing further to the patient's welfare.

All the same, there are sound reasons why this has been pretty generally accepted as routine practice.

For one thing, previous X-rays ordinarily are filed somewhere else — in another hospital, in a radiologist's office, or wherever. It takes time to get the necessary permission, and to have the X-rays delivered to the hospital. Considering

today's hospitalization rates, the cost of an extra X-ray is trifling compared to the expense of keeping the patient in the hospital for an additional day or more.

And, of course, in some instances the need for the X-rays immediately may be urgent from the standpoint of the patient's well-being.

Then there is the X-ray that is taken at many hospitals as a guard against a new patient bringing disease into the hospital. The prime example of this is the chest X-ray to detect tuberculosis.

Further, there is the question of whether any changes have occurred since the previous X-ray was taken. It may be helpful to know what the situation was six months, or three months, or even a couple of weeks ago, but it is sometimes essential that the doctor know what an X-ray shows right now.

For yet another reason, which may not be impressive to you but is of significance to me, as a physician, "reading" of the X-ray is important.

As an internist, when I send a patient to X-ray I do, naturally, see the X-ray plates, but I do not depend entirely on my own interpretation or "reading" of them. The plates are "read" by radiologists who are specialists in interpreting what the images signify. I want and value the opinions of these experts, and the teamwork with them is something that develops as time goes on.

Likewise they are intimately familiar with the equipment with which they are working. True, an X-ray is an X-ray, but there are differences in intensity and sharpness of the beam. Compare it, if you like, to the baseball player who wants his own pet bat in a game. A bat is a bat, but the perceptive favor using his familiar bat. When a patient's well-being (perhaps life) is at stake, you want to take advantage of these added percentages.

As to "danger" of added X-rays, the exposure is too brief to harm.

Real Precedent

Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — President Nixon's main defense against turning over documents and tapes to the House Judiciary Committee is that he is not trying to protect himself but the office of the Presidency. He has said he has to think of future Presidents when he makes these untold decisions to withhold evidence that under any other conditions he would be happy to turn over to Congress.

I THINK the President is right. The year is 2001, and President Harley Finckley, who was overwhelmingly elected by the Radical Energy Party (both the Republican and Democratic parties had gone bankrupt during the Great Depression of 1963), is sitting in the Oval Office at the White House.

His most trusted legal adviser, John Dean IV, the son of John Dean III, comes in. "Mr. President, I must report to you that there is a cancer in your Administration. There are people in your own White House family who are trying to mortally wound you."

"I'M GLAD you told me about that, John. What exactly is going on around here?"

"Well, do you remember last June when seven men broke into the offices of the United Constitution Party at the Vesco Trade Center?"

"I THINK I saw something about it on television."

"They're threatening to talk about their connection with the Radical Energy Re-Election Committee unless

we pay them hush money."

"How much would it cost, John?"

"Three trillion dollars."

WE COULD raise that, John. But it would be wrong."

"Yes, Mr. President. But if we don't \$10 billion they may talk about the \$100 trillion contribution to the nuclear energy producers gave to you to raise the price of uranium in the United States."

"I forgot about that."

"There's also the \$4 trillion contribution from ITT which was made the day before we agreed to let them buy General Motors, Chrysler and Ford. Unfortunately, we have the meeting on television tape of the chairman of ITT handing you the money."

"WHAT'S IT doing on television tape?"

"But the real thing we have to worry about is the break-in of the Washington Redskins' psychiatrist's office. Remember, sir, you wanted to take a look at the psychiatric profiles of the team before you bet on them?"

"Yes, I do remember that, and our people botched it up completely. They stole the records of the Washington Senators, and we haven't had a baseball team here for 30 years."

"WELL, THEY can't touch me thanks to the foresight of the greatest constitutional president, Richard M. Nixon. Think what would have happened to the office had he taken the easy way out."

'California Jam' Blast

NEW YORK (AP) — On April 6, the American Broadcasting Company is taking its first plunge into the wild, woolly and often financially cruel world of rock concert-giving in hope of making many bucks.

Called "California Jam," the live concert will feature eight acts, last 12 — count 'em — 12 hours and take place at the Ontario Motor Speedway, located about 50 miles east of Los Angeles.

THE SPEEDWAY is an appropriate site, since Bob Shanks, ABC's man in charge, says the concert is a trial run. If it hits the fiscal retaining wall, ABC may never try it again.

The mammoth musical blast isn't being broadcast live, but parts of it eventually may appear on the network's "In Concert" series, although that isn't definite yet, said Shanks, an ABC vice-president.

"It's really designed as a live event," he said, adding that it wasn't cooked up with the primary idea of getting it on television.

"It was a natural outgrowth of the 'In Concert' series, but our basic aim was to get into the rock promotion business," he explained.

ABC is taking no chances on unknown names in its first rock concert venture. The acts, all pop music heavies, are Deep Purple, Emerson, Lake and Palmer, Black Sabbath, Seals and Crofts, Black Oak Arkansas, Rare Earth and Earth, Wind and Fire.

THE NETWORK'S Entertainment Division, which is putting on the show, declines to say how much the whole thing will cost — reliable estimates put it way above \$29.95 — but it won't be a low-cost venture for the audience.

There's a \$10-per-head tab for those buying tickets in advance, while those who choose to pay at the gate will have to cough up \$15.

Even though they'll be getting a show that runs from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., what makes Shanks think rock fans will pay that kind of money to travel that far and stay that long?

"A lot of these things we don't know yet because we've never done this kind of thing before," he conceded. "What our experts tell us, about the lower advance prices, is that it would be done to give some kind of incentive to buy tickets ahead of time."

A Devotion For Today . .

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. (Psalm 46:1)

PRAYER: We praise You, God, our refuge and strength. With You, we dare to live unafraid, even when danger surrounds us. Your presence comforts and calms us. We thank You, Amen.

(From the Upper Room)

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Couple United In Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Edward Powell are on a trip to South Texas following their wedding Saturday evening in Odessa.

The bride is the former Lisa Joyce Chapman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Chapman, Odessa, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Madry, 2402 Marcy Drive.

The ceremony was held in the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Vergie Lowell, with the Rev. Paul Miller, a Baptist minister, officiating.

The bride was attired in a pale blue knit dress fashioned with natural, belted neckline and short puffed sleeves. The collar and sleeves were white. Accenting her dress was a corsage of yellow and white daisies.

Miss Robin Chapman, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor, attired in a pale blue dress. Skipper Eggleston, Big Spring, was best man.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple was honored at a reception in the home where refreshments were served by the bride's aunt, Mrs. Jean Daniels, assisted by her mother and grandmother. The pink and white cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom, and the table was centered with an arrangement of daisies.

Big Springers attending were Mrs. Don Leidecker, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Fleener, Mrs. Chuck Ogil, Miss Cindy Price, Miss Laura Ratliff, Miss Janet

Bronaugh, Mrs. Jerry Webb, Miss Paula Madry, Miss Vonda Madry and Ronnie Mason.

Powell, a graduate of Big Spring High School, attended Howard County Junior College, and Mrs. Powell is a graduate of Permian High School. The couple will reside in San Angelo where he will be employed by a paint contractor.

Philathea Class Has Luncheon

Mrs. Bert Affleck defined time as "Our most precious possession" when she presented a devotion at a dinner meeting held Thursday for Philathea Sunday school class. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parham and the Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Sharp.

The invocation was by the Rev. Elra Phillips, and Mrs. B. M. Keese was song leader, accompanied by Miss Robert Gay. Prayer was led by Mrs. A. C. Moore. Parham accompanied Mrs. Parham who sang a solo.

Mrs. Fred Eaker paid tribute to eight members having birthdays this month.

During the business session, the class agreed to provide \$120 to sponsor an orphan for a year at the Methodist home in Waco.

The dinner was served by Mrs. Cass Hill's group, assisted by the group major, Mrs. Bill McIlvain.

"Easy" Rider

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I play cards with several different groups of women. Everyone who owns a car leaves it home, and I always seem to be the one who has to pick up three or four women and drive them home. With the energy crisis, I feel this is unfair.

How about a comment on transportation moochers?

CONSTANT READER DEAR CONSTANT: Next time you have all the moochers in your car, try this: "Girls, this is your chauffeur speaking. Because of the energy crisis, we must all take turns driving. We'll start alphabetically. Mrs. Applebaum, you're first!"

DEAR ABBY: It's high time you published something in defense of smokers.

I am a smoker and I enjoy smoking. Smoking has long been one of life's pleasures, and to deny it is absurd.

In order to survive in the world today, one must learn how to give and take, and for a nonsmoker to make a smoker uncomfortable by depriving him of his smoking pleasure is just as selfish as it is for a smoker to make a nonsmoker uncomfortable by smoking in his presence.

If I sense that someone really objects to my smoking, I take myself and my cigarette into another room. I think the nonsmoker

should have the same consideration for the smoker, and if the smoke bothers him, HE should move.

There should be a 50-50 compromise. The smokers have been made to feel guilty long enough, and it's time the nonsmokers learned to cope with a smoke-filled society. His nonsmoking righteousness makes me just as angry as my smoke makes him!

SICK OF NONSMOKERS IN CINC

DEAR SICK: There's about as much substance to your argument as there is in a cloud of smoke. If one deliberately elects to pollute the air because of a habit he either will not or cannot control — let HIM move.

DEAR ABBY: My oldest two children attended public school in West Los Angeles, and also raced home to use the bathroom because of conditions in the restrooms at school. "Concerned Parent's" letter, printed Jan. 15, didn't mention off-limits restrooms in junior high schools due to knifings, fires in trashbaskets, and violence. My youngest son attends a private school and there are no restroom problems, so it is apparent that the problem can be solved if school administration wants to solve it.

I suggest that the teachers' restrooms be closed, and that teachers use the same restrooms students use. The inconvenience and lack of privacy for teachers would be more than compensated for by the safer and more sanitary conditions for students. The restroom conditions must be of great concern to competent teachers.

It seems to me that the only question is "are school restrooms unsafe for teachers?" If so, where does that leave our children? MY PROBLEM SOLVED. HOW ABOUT YOURS?

Convention At Stanton On April 4

Stanton will be the site of the upcoming convention of District 6, Texas Home Demonstration Association, according to plans announced at Thursday's meeting of the Lakeview HD Club in the home of Mrs. J. B. Mashburn.

The convention will be held April 4. Members were reminded that nursery care will be provided (bring a sack lunch for each child) for a fee of \$1. The club will hold a short business meeting after the convention.

In other business, the women discussed ways they could help 4-H clubs and agreed to help buy trophies for the 4-H girls.

Ms. Kathryn Luckenbach, county HD agent, presented a program on energy conservation in the home, using slides to illustrate ways to conserve.

Luncheon Honors State PTA Head

Mrs. Marvin Armstrong of Lubbock, president of Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, was in Big Spring briefly Friday and was honored at a luncheon at Holiday Inn. Mrs. Dwight McCann, 18th district president, attended, as did local PTA unit presidents and members of the PTA city council.

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Forum Studies Early American Literature

The works of early American writers were explored in a program given Friday by Mrs. E. C. Howard and Mrs. W. E. Moren for the Modern Woman's Forum. The women met in the home of Mrs. Moren, 1301 Eleventh Place, with Mrs. C. R. Moad presiding.

Mrs. Howard said that even after the colonies won their independence from England, the early American writers still honored ideas, forms and manners of the English.

Benjamin Franklin wrote "Poor Richard's Almanac" in 1733, and this is considered to be America's first literary classic. Earlier writing included those by Colton, one of the compilers of the "Bay Psalm Book" in 1640. This was "the voice of the Puritan's conscience," Roger Williams wrote on religious freedom, John Winthrop wrote journals of historical value and Ann Bradstreet published "The Tenth Muse." America's first volume of verse, in 1650.

"These writings are little read today, and it can be said that literature had little place in early New England," said Mrs. Howard. According to the speaker, the best colonial writer was William Byrd of Virginia who wrote "History of the Dividing Line" in 1729.

In the 18th century, writers

began to compose dramas, songs, poetry and prose. Considered the first great American poet was William Cullen Bryant, who won fame for his poems about nature and death.

"The 19th century produced writers who wrote about America," continued Mrs. Howard. "This was a time when all writers were interested in the general welfare, comfort and happiness of the people. The literature reflected the new democracy and a new demand for reform.

Thinkers like Emerson, historians like George Bancroft, and poets like Longfellow, Lowell, Whittier and Whitman wrote for the common man and expressed hopes and aims of democracy."

Mrs. Moren spoke briefly about Walt Whitman, basing her talk on information from a book by Arthur E. Briggs. She said Whitman wrote about democracy, placing it "above politics."

Mrs. Moren displayed a book, "Exploring Religious Meaning," which was written, in part, by Dr. Bert Affleck Jr., son of a forum member, Mrs. Bert Affleck.

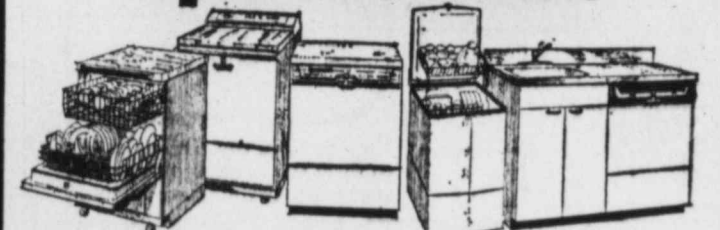
After refreshments were served, the group toured Howard County Library. Mrs. C. A. Holcomb became a member of the forum, and Mrs. W. G. Wilson was welcomed as a guest. The next meeting will be at Coker's, with Mrs. Howard as hostess.

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'Hike-Bike' Saturday To Aid The Retarded

The 1974 "Hike-Bike" sponsored by TARS (Teens Aid the Retarded) is scheduled March 30, beginning at 10 a.m. at College Park Shopping Center.

The fund-raising event, open to everyone, involves a 20-mile hiking and biking trip to Coahoma, with participating individuals being paid per mile by their sponsors. The individual

obtains a sponsor who donates at a rate of his own choosing. Registration forms may be obtained at the high school, both junior highs or by calling Mary Ament, at 263-7503 or 263-6839. Last year, approximately \$300 was raised, and TARS hope to double or triple that amount this year. Prizes will be awarded to the individual or organization finishing first and to the one raising the most money.

New officers assumed duties for TARS following elections Sunday at the meeting house in Comanche Trail Park. Mary Mullens, retiring president, presided for the elections.

The new slate includes Teresa Smith, president; Frank Ortega, vice president; Paula Smith, secretary; Mary Ament, treasurer; David Clark,

athletic director; Teresa Lewis, publicity; Jeanie Ament, historian; and Scott Taylor, communications.

A report was given on the Texas Special Olympics and the Regional Special Olympics held Saturday in W. T. Barrett Stadium in Odessa. Big Spring contestants brought back over 35 ribbons, and the winners are listed in today's sports section of the Herald.

The TARS hold regular meetings the first and third Sundays of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. in the group's club house in Comanche Trail Park. All interested persons are invited to attend.

School Corrects Week's Menu

Elbow Elementary School turned in the wrong cafeteria menu for this week. The correct menu for the remainder of the week is as follows:

Wednesday — Red beans, baked potato, spinach, corn bread, butter, stewed prunes, milk.

Thursday — Hamburger, hamburger salad, French fries, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday — Fish and cat-sup, buttered corn, cole slaw, bread, fruit gelatin, milk.

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Here are several good ways to make the most of the electricity you use in the laundry. These tips may make laundry day a little easier, too.

1. Sort clothes according to type of fabric, color, texture, degree of soil and garment construction. And try to accumulate a full load before you do a washing to save water.
2. Choose the washing cycle that is correct for the clothes

you are washing. A "hot" setting may not be necessary. Except for white or colorfast items, most loads will come clean in either a cold or warm wash.

3. If your washer has a water-level selector, choose the correct setting for the load. You'll use less hot water.

4. Clean the lint filter on your clothes dryer after each load to help it operate more efficiently and reduce drying time.



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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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SAY WHAT IS TO BE TAKEN DOWN.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print the SURPRISE ANSWER here

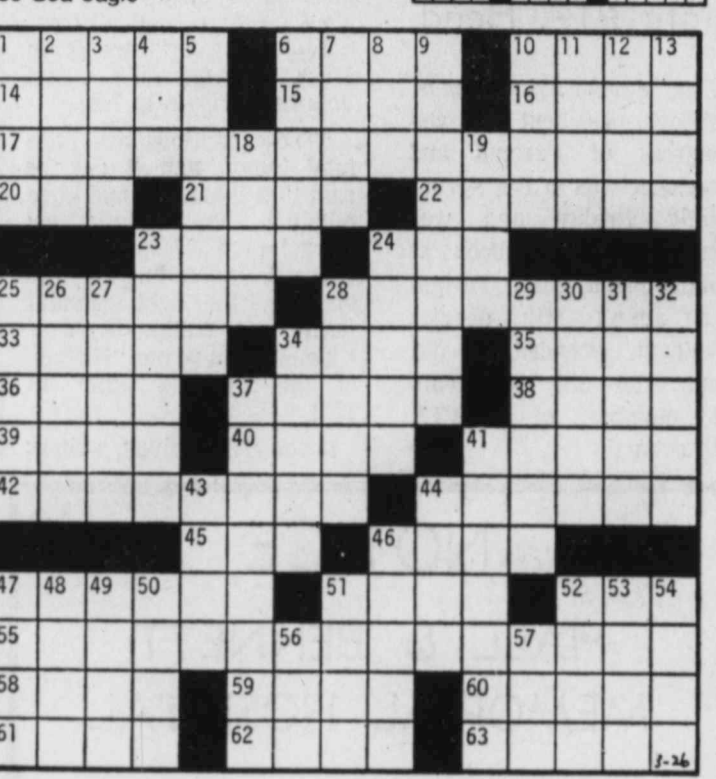
Yesterday's Jumble: PIPER NEEDY GROTO NINETY

Answer: Kept playing although he saw his capital go--NERO

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Gun recoil retarder
 - Filled tub
 - Towel pronoun
 - Exhausted; 2 w.
 - River to the Ouse
 - Cantata solo
 - Meet firmly; 4 w.
 - King Arthur's men; abbr.
 - Ova
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 - Expatriate
 - American cartoonist
 - Webster
 - Unrepresentative legislature
 - American painter
 - Lug
 - Conception
 - Mere talk
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 - Withdraw
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 - Tea wagon
 - Language of Jordan
 - Gunny fiber
 - Bleat
 - Be obvious; 3 w.
 - It is so!
 - Sea eagle
- DOWN**
- Bed; slang
 - Conspiracy
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 - Seven-sided figure
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 - Bottom of the crankcase; 2 w.
 - Flagellate protozoan
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 - Tailor's iron
 - Abhorred
 - Similar
 - The ones here
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Puzzle of Monday, March 25, Solved



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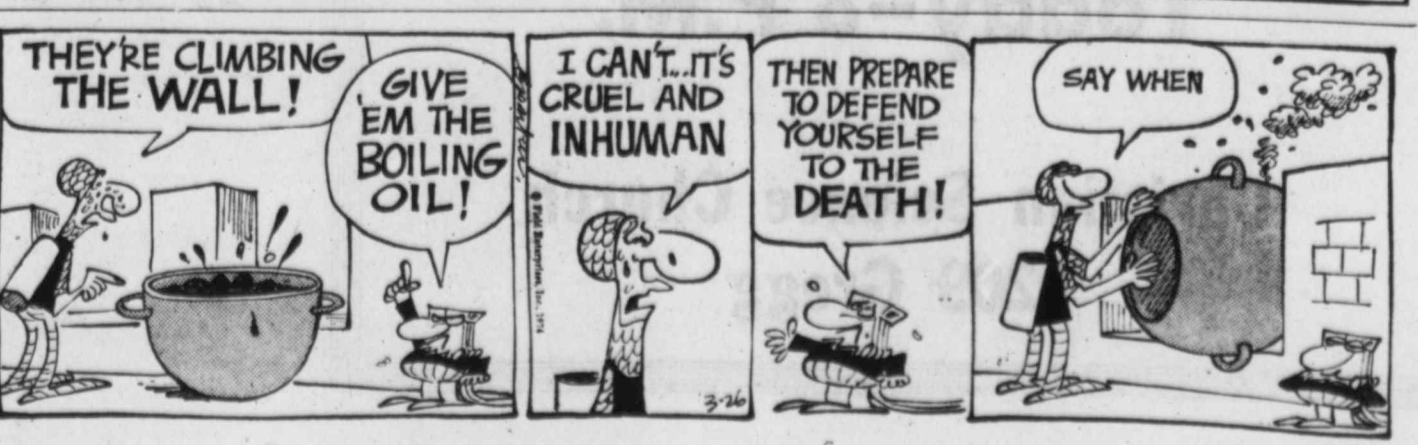
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For What It's Worth

Jack Cowan

About this time each year, when birds start waking you up early on your day off and college kids start streaking or doing those other perverted things, your local sports editor is supposed to begin spouting baseball.

It's a veritable gusher of information, I'm told, and can make for two or three lengthy columns if one stretches it out just right. Normally, a sports editor like myself will review the good and bad things about the Houston Astros and the Texas Rangers, plus one other team of the writer's choice, possibly.

Your sports editor — me — merely confirms that, yes, the Astros and Rangers will definitely field teams this year in their respective leagues. No preference clause invoked here. And as far as predicting where the teams will finish and why — uh, I hardly ever do that even when I know a little bit about what I'm talking about.

As for the individual batting and home run titles and all that, you're usually pretty safe if you say it'll be one of the guys who finished in the top four or five last year. Look it up yourself.

Here's one thing I feel I can legitimately chip in, though, opinion that it is — if Bob Short sells the Texas Rangers, like he says he might, it's probably the best thing that could happen to the team. And the Astros may not dread going to the clubhouse every day this season with Durocher out of the way.

What you've just read, if indeed you did read it, is no Sporting News — but it'll have to do . . .

Looks like Abilene High got a pretty good man in Bill Shipman, a head coach only two years but already proven. He's probably wishing he could bring his running back with him, though, Paul Rice, who has been one of the best rushers in the state the past two years and with another season left.

But to be blunt, I don't think Abilene could have done a whole lot worse than the situation they already remedied no matter who they hired. Jerry Thormahlen was a nice enough guy, but as Eagle AD he was pro-football to the extent of letting all other sports slide, and that's dumb . . .

The alleged Dist. 5-AAAA track preview last week, otherwise known as the Snyder Canyon Reef Relays, didn't exactly pan out the way it was supposed to. Crummy weather prompted some of the coaches, particularly San Angelo boss Ken Fannon, to pull off their horses and as a result Odessa Permian's victory didn't mean a whole lot.

The Bobcats will still be favored when district rolls around a week from Friday, with Permian as the top challenger. It'll take everything Big Spring's Steers can muster to grab third in the meet, even though the Longhorns tied Lee for that spot in the Snyder event . . .

Incidentally, the 5-AAAA track bosses will gather here next Tuesday morning to iron out a few minor problems prior to the meet. Steer coach Glenn Petty says the main item will be deciding whether places will be drawn or seeded for the sprints and hurdles . . .

Knockouts Absent In Golden Gloves

DENVER (AP) — Just two knockouts were scored through the first nearly 100 bouts Monday night in the opening round of the 47th annual National Golden Gloves tournament.

Both came in the 139-pound bracket, with Terrence Silver of Louisville, Ky., decking Bernard Porter of Elizabeth, N.J., at 1:57 of the first round and Ronald Florek of Detroit getting a first-round KO over Pierre Floore of Springfield, Ill.

Also at 139 pounds, one of the two defending champions at the meet won his bout. Ray Leonard of Washington, the 1973 champ at 132 pounds, scored a TKO over Marty Glyn of Des Moines, Iowa, at 1:54 of the second round.

The other defending titlist, Harold Beals of Kansas City, Mo., will try tonight to retain the 165-pound championship he has won two years in a row against an opponent to be named later.

Monday night's bouts included all the first and second round fights at 112, 125, 139, 156 and 175 pounds.

Tonight's bouts will be held in the 119-pound class, 132, 147, 165 and the heavyweight division.

Those bouts, in three rings at Denver's Auditorium Arena, will be broken midway through the evening when the Foreman-Norton pro heavyweight title fight will be televised from Caracas, Venezuela.

Denver is the defending team champion in the Golden Gloves. It has fielded five boxers for the tourney.

dealing which did not please the ABA commissioner, San Antonio is romping toward this season's West Division playoffs with a popular contender.

After buying George Gervin and rookie center Swen Nater from a more-than-willing Earl Foreman of the Virginia Squires, the Spurs have the league's fourth leading scorer in Gervin and the league's most accurate field goal shooter and

fourth leading rebounder in Nater. The Spurs rank No. 1 in team defense.

And something else has changed between last season and this season, comparing Dallas to San Antonio. It's the attendance.

Sunday night, 11,240 persons watched the New York Nets edge the Spurs here. That's more than 1,000 more than the capacity of the San Antonio Convention Center Arena.

Drossos, who is not a millionaire, and three other men pledged \$800,000 last summer toward operation of the San Antonio team after the Dallas owners surrendered. The San Antonio investors, which now number 34, had an option to buy controlling interest from the Dallas owners after two seasons.

To heck with that, they said. The investors, led by Drossos, went ahead last week and bought the team for between \$1.5 and \$2 million.

"We got a tiger by the tail," said Drossos as he was negotiating for the sale, unbeknownst to the reporter who was interviewing him.

Drossos and his friends already had spent \$325,000 on Nater and Gervin during the season, plus the legal expenses in winning a suit quashing the ruling by Commissioner Mike Stoen that Gervin stay in Virginia.

Howard Net Squad Rolls

BORGER — Howard College powered to an impressive 6-0 victory over Frank Phillips College Monday in Western Conference-opening tennis action.

The Hawks lost only eight games in the six matches, and took their perfect start to Amarillo today for their second league affair against the Badgers.

Bill Alcocer topped Pat Haley of Frank Phillips 6-0, 6-1 in the No. 1 singles match, and Alcocer teamed with Terry Wood for a 6-0, 6-2 decision over Haley and Dirk Schmitz in the featured doubles affair.

Jay Box of HC defeated Schmitz 6-2, 6-2. Wood bounced Frank Phillips' Richard Anderson 6-0, 6-0 and Ray Villarreal smacked Mike Faulkner 6-0, 6-0 in other singles action.

In the second doubles match, Box and Villarreal bombed Anderson and Faulkner 6-0, 6-1.

Steers Host Mojo Today

Odessa Permian and Abilene Cooper try to hang onto their unbeaten Dist. 5-AAAA marks on the road today, as the Panthers visit Big Spring's Steers and Cooper goes to Midland to battle rugged Lee.

The Steers, 1-1 in league action, are hoping for a turnaround from their predistrict play which led them to a 3-11 standing. John Thomas Smith is on the mound for the Big Springers in today's 4:30 p.m. tilt.

In other district action today, Midland High is at Abilene and San Angelo visits Odessa, San Angelo, Lee, Abilene and Big Spring all own 1-1 marks, while Midland and Odessa are winless in two outings.

Team	District	Season
Permian	W	L
Cooper	2	0
Lee	1	1
Abilene	1	1
San Angelo	1	1
Big Spring	1	1
Odessa	0	2
Midland	0	2

Saturday's Results — Big Spring 5, Midland 6; San Angelo 6, Midland Lee 6; Cooper 6, Odessa 3; Permian 10, Abilene 5.

Today's Games — Permian at Big Spring, Midland at Abilene, San Angelo at Odessa, Cooper at Lee.

EXHIBITION BASEBALL

Monday's Games
Texas A. Atlanta 3
Houston 2, Cincinnati 1
Los Angeles 5, Minnesota 4, 10 innings
Boston 5, Montreal 4
Detroit 14, New York (N) 8
Philadelphia 11, Detroit 9
Chicago (N) 8, Cleveland 4
San Diego 5, Milwaukee 4
Baltimore 5, Chicago (A) 3
Kansas City 4, New York (A) 1
California 4, Oakland 2
Tuesday's Games
New York vs. Atlanta at West Palm Beach, Fla.
Cincinnati vs. Minnesota at Orlando, Fla.
Houston vs. Montreal at Cocoa Beach, Fla.
Los Angeles vs. Baltimore at Miami, Fla.
Philadelphia vs. New York at St. Petersburg, Fla.
Pittsburgh vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla.
St. Louis vs. Chicago (A) at Sarasota, Fla.
Chicago (N) vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz.
San Diego vs. Milwaukee at San Jose, Calif.
Milwaukee vs. San Francisco at Phoenix, Ariz.
Kansas City vs. Boston at Winter Haven, Fla.
California vs. Cleveland at Tucson, Ariz.

Spurs Enjoying New Kind Of Support In San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Angelo Drossos and his friends now have a professional sports franchise — lock, stock and red, white and blue basketball.

Drossos' team, the San Antonio Spurs of the American Basketball Association, show hardly any resemblance to the team which ended last season in Dallas before a home crowd of 130.

Thanks to some wheeling and

Morgan State's Webster College Division Honoree

NEW YORK (AP) — Morgan State's Marvin Webster, who carries basketball's most engaging nickname — "The Human Eraser" — today was named College Division Player of the Year by The Associated Press.

Webster, who led Morgan State to the championship of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's college division tournament, was a lopsided winner in balloting of sports writers and broadcasters across the country.

He received 83 ballots in The AP voting, finishing far ahead of West Georgia's Clarence Walker, who was second with 18. Next came Leonard Robinson of Tennessee with 17 votes. Lycoming College's Rich Henniger received two votes and

Steve Platt of Huntington, Aaron James of Grambling, Bruce Baer of DePue, Tom Jones of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Jerald Cunningham of Kentucky State, Jim Thordson of St. Joseph's, Ind., and Gene Ford of Muskegon had one vote each.

Webster, a 7-foot junior, averaged 21.4 points a game and led the NCAA college division rebounders with 740 for the season, an average of 22.4 a game. He also blocked 249 shots.

Named the Most Valuable Player in the Mid-East Conference, Webster connected on 56 per cent of his shots. His 707 points was a single season record for Morgan State and it increased his three-year career total to 1,367 points, another record.



THEY'RE NO. 1 — North Carolina State's David Thompson, left, and Monte Towe embrace while holding a plaque of the National Collegiate Basketball Championship they won Monday in Greensboro, N.C. The Wolfpack defeated Marquette 76-64 for the title.

Wolfpack Rolls By Marquette

GREENSBORO, N. C. (AP) — The cry of "Wait 'Til Next Year" no longer resounds across Wolfpack Country.

Next year is now.

The souped-up North Carolina State basketball team clinched its right to the No. 1 place with a convincing 76-64 conquest of third-ranked Marquette Monday night in the finals of the NCAA championship tournament.

A year ago, Coach Norman Sloan and his troops finished 27-0 but had to settle for nothing headier than the Atlantic Coast Conference championship because the NCAA slapped them with a year's probation for alleged recruiting irregularities.

The Wolfpack was burned in the scramble for a budding superstar from Shelby, N.C. named David Thompson. Postseason competition was forbidden.

So, while mighty UCLA added a seventh straight jewel to its championship collection last year, North Carolina State watched on television at home—and waited.

For better than 17 minutes, the Wolfpack and Warriors met on even terms. Marquette led by a point, 28-27.

Then, in 53 blazing seconds, aided by two technical fouls against wily Marquette Coach Al McGuire, North Carolina State scored 10 straight points to zoom into a nine-point lead.

McGuire was later to say, "I cost us a game with those two technicals. That gave them two five-point plays."

The 10 points included two layups by 7-foot-4 Tom Burleson, a basket by Phil Spence, and four Thompson free throws.

It was 39-30 at the half and 54-33

after less than six minutes of the second half. Marquette never got closer than nine points after that and the suspense was gone.

All that remained was the final score and North Carolina State's 28th straight victory in a 30-1 season.

The Wolfpack, which figured to have the better bench, used only seven players, Thompson and guard Mo Rivers going the full 40 minutes.

Sloan explained, "We called upon a very few for a great deal. It wasn't that we lacked confidence in the others."

Shooting statistics graphically told the story Monday night—56.5 per cent for the Wolfpack and a chilly 36 for the Warriors.

Thompson's 21 points, 16 by the 5-foot-7 Monte Towe, and 14 each by Burleson and Rivers led North Carolina State. Burleson also blocked seven shots and had 11 rebounds.

Marquette, 26-5, got a super game from Maurice Lucas, 21 points and 13 rebounds and 12 points and 11 rebounds from freshman Bo Ellis.

North Carolina State's quickness brought 12 steals, three each by Thompson, Rivers, and sturdy Tim Stoddard, who added eight points and seven rebounds. They put him, Burleson and Towe on the All-Tournament team along with Bill Walton of UCLA and Marquette's Lucas.

UCLA scored a sluggish 78-61 victory over Kansas in the clash for third place in the tourney. Pete Trgovich, one of nine reserves used by Bruin coach John Wooden, led UCLA with 14 points, as the team closed out a 26-4 season.

AGAINST KEN NORTON TONIGHT

Limping Champ To Defend Title

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) —

Heavyweight champion George Foreman, limping on an injured knee, spent some time at a hospital today but said he was all right and that he would defend his title as scheduled against Ken Norton tonight.

Foreman was to be treated for a stiff knee, a spokesman for the champion said.

Foreman favored his right knee as aides helped him to an ambulance.

Foreman's manager, Dick Sadler, said, "I don't know what's wrong, but don't jump to conclusions until we find out."

Earlier, an official of the World Boxing Association said Foreman's handlers had threatened to go to the president of Venezuela or possibly walk out if their demands for an American referee are not accepted for the title fight.

"Everything is still a mess," said Bill Brennan, chairman of the championship committee of the WBA.

Dick Sadler, trainer and one-time manager of Foreman, has insisted that the rules be approved by the World Boxing Council, which has no jurisdiction in this country. Venezuela is associated with the WBA.

The Venezuelan commission insists on its prerogative to name all the three officials, who presumably would be Venezuelan.

Norton, meanwhile, is rated as a 3-1 underdog to wrest the title from Foreman.

"I am a thinking fighter—not a physical fighter," the 28-year-old, one-time marine from San Diego, Calif., said as he approached the most important ring test of his life. "I believe it takes positive thoughts to win."

"I have those positive thoughts. I have analyzed what I should do in every situation. I have made a thorough study of my opponent. I am ready to fight."

The challenger—or "aspirant," as they say here—brings impressive physical attributes into the collision with

the 6-foot-3, 224½-pound titleholder who clubbed Joe Frazier into helplessness with six knockdowns in two rounds 14 months ago in Jamaica.

A towering 6-3 athlete himself, with a long reach and bigger biceps than Foreman, Norton weighed in at 212½ pounds and he looked hard as nails. Foreman, on the other hand, at 224½, is seven pounds heavier than in the Frazier fight. He looks a bit flabby at 25 years of age.

The championship bout will start at 9:30 p.m. CDT, in the sparkling, glass-domed Polierod, with its 13,500 orange, red, blue and purple seats.

It's a dazzling setting. However, hundreds of the seats probably will be unoccupied. With seats scaled at \$14 to \$140 the arena is not a sellout.

Owners: Demands Need Clarification

WASHINGTON (AP) — National Football League owners and players meet across the contract bargaining table again today as management attempts to obtain a clarification of demands made 11 days ago by the union.

The owners, with the NFL

Management Council acting as their bargaining agent, are not expected to respond to the 57 demands made by the NFL Players Association until the next meeting between the two groups, tentatively in New York in early April.

"We are trying to clarify some of the things that turned up at the last meeting," said a council spokesman. "We've spent the last week going over the proposals, analyzing them and trying to get them in as sharp focus as we can."

The 57 demands include some economic measures but many are aimed at providing greater freedom for the players and a diminishing of the authority now held by NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle.

Ed Garvey, association executive director, read an opening statement at the first bargaining session in which he charged owners with perpetuating an unjust system of control over athletes, suppressing the constitutional rights of players and with a general disregard of the players' union.

The players have threatened to strike if most of their demands are not met, possibly affecting the start of the pre-season schedule.

The players have demanded, in addition to limiting Rozelle's powers, the elimination of the option clause, waiver system, all fines, reserve lists and training camp curfews.

AGUILERA RESIGNS POST AS SAN ANGELO TRAINER

SAN ANGELO — Sam Aguilera has resigned his position as San Angelo Central High School trainer to accept a position with a San Marcos firm, Alert Services Inc.

Aguilera, who was Big Spring High trainer under Spike Dykes, was the Bobcat trainer since 1971. San Angelo head Coach Smitty Hill said Aguilera's resignation is effective May 31.

The trainers new job will keep him in West Texas. Alert Services is an outlet for training and medical aid supplies. Aguilera, 33, is a graduate of El Paso Ysleta and Panhandle A&M. He was a trainer for all-star games in Oklahoma and Texas.

Shipman Named To Eagle Post

ABILENE — Bill Shipman was named Monday night head football coach and Athletic Director at Abilene High School by the Abilene School board.

Shipman, Lewisville High coach the past two years, will receive a salary of \$16,000. This summer he will coach the Texas High School Coaches Association North All-Star team. He replaces Jerry Thormahlen as the Eagle head man.

Jensen's Stanton Hearing Tonight

STANTON — A public hearing will be held tonight at 7:30 p.m. for Jim Jensen, who has been relieved of his duties as head basketball coach at Stanton High School.

Jensen requested the hearing after the Stanton School Board failed to renew his contract two weeks ago. His 1974 Buff team had a 24-7 record and won the Dist. 7-AA championship.

Fort Worth Men May Buy Rangers

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — The Texas Rangers may soon become a Texas-owned team.

A group of Fort Worth businessmen headed by industrialist Bradford G. Corbett announced here Monday it has entered an agreement to buy the American League team that moved to Texas two years ago from Washington. The Rangers play their games at Arlington, a city in the midst of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolis.

"Our hope is to make this a home-owned team. We think Dallas, Fort Worth and Arlington all should have pride of ownership in the Rangers. It surely would be a Metropolis team," said Bill Harvey, one of the members interested in buying the team from owner Bob Short.

Harvey said the sale, involving approximately \$10 million may be completed within the next ten days. Corbett was in New York Monday and Harvey said they were hopeful the

TEEN LEAGUE SETS SIGN-UP

The Big Spring Teenage Baseball League will hold registration for its Sophomore and Junior Leagues Saturday in conjunction with Little League baseball sign-up.

Boys 13-16 will be eligible, and they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian in order to register Saturday. Big Spring may not field a senior league team for boys 17 and 18 this year, according to Teenage League president Jere Sink.

Saturday's registration will be at four sites: Howard College Student Union Building, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; College Heights Cafeteria, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Airport School and Marcy School, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Texas Little League Park, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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ATTY. GEN HILL'S NEW OPINION

Police, Sheriffs Can't Deny Newsmen Access To Records

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Police chiefs and sheriffs cannot close previously open arrest and offense records and then blame the attorney general when newsmen get mad.

Atty. Gen. John Hill issued an opinion Monday that he said "solved the problem" raised by his Jan. 15 opinion denying the Houston Post access to offense records of the Houston airport police.

Hill said the 1973 Open Records Act exempted records dealing with the detection and investigation of crime from compulsory disclosure.

RIGHT OF PRIVACY

That opinion had been interpreted widely as shutting off the traditional means by which reporters and the public have learned of crimes and arrests.

Hill's new opinion says "law enforcement agencies that followed the practice, prior to the enactment of the Open Records Act, of providing the press information concerning the detection and investigation of crime, are not prohibited . . . from continuing that practice. It was not the intention of the legislature . . . to close to the press sources of information to which

it had access under prior agency policies."

One exception to this, however, would be information whose disclosure might violate a right of privacy or confidentiality declared by the U.S. Constitution, the courts or other valid laws, Hill said.

Hill's Jan. 15 opinion dealt with the Houston Post's request

for the name, age, address, offense and disposition of case in each arrest made by the airport police.

OFFENSE REPORT

The Houston city attorney sent Hill a copy of the airport police's standard offense report as typical of the records involved. Hill said this contained "much detailed information

concerning the detection of crime" and was, therefore, exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Open Records Act.

The new opinion said the airport police should extract from the complete offense reports the information sought by the Post and furnish it to the newspaper.

Hill explained his intent at a 30-minute news conference.

"You cannot invoke the Open Records Act and obtain a report such as was presented to us by the Houston city attorney . . . If that kind of report was given to you by prior practice, we are saying you are entitled to it because that is what the legislature intended," Hill said.

But, he added, "we can't make them do it."

Dudley, Botros To Work For Sissy's Election

Frances (Sissy) Parenthold has named Mary Dudley as manager of her campaign in Howard County for governor.

Ms. Dudley, a member of the faculty at Howard College is a member of the American

Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, the Faculty Mams, Texas Junior College Teachers Association, the Texas Guidance Association and 1948 Hyperion Club.

She and her husband, Jerry Dudley, reside at 2510 Lynn and have two children.

Treasurer for the campaign will be Mrs. R. G. (Danny) Botros, 2806 Ann Drive. Mrs. Botros, who directed the campaign here in 1972 for Ms. Parenthold, is currently a student at the University of Texas Permian Basin. She has been active in other political and civic affairs.

Book On Birds Can Be Had

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced the availability of its newly published "Non-bird Watchers' Handbook" — Fifty Birds of Town and City.

This publication is geared to the city and suburbanite dwellers who know little or nothing about birds. It doesn't read like a biology text book, edited not only to inform and educate readers but also to entertain them, even coax a few to the hobby of bird watching. The 50 watercolor portraits alone are worth your time.

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MISHAPS

Post office parking lot, Ester C. Blewett, Creighton, and D. H. Rasco, 12:14 p.m. Monday.

On 500 block of Gregg, Sammy P. Yates, Tarzan, and Aurora P. Garza, 507 Douglas, 12:25 p.m.

Interstate 20 and 87, Wreath Matlock Speer, 1802 Morrison, and Regionals M. Overman, Southland Apartments, 8:50 p.m. Monday.

W 3rd and Brown, Melvia Lee Alton, 1606 Main, and William G. Good, La., 6:28 p.m. Monday.

McEwen and Ridgeroad, Janie Hubbard McCormick, 1306 Ridgeroad, and Gayle Ross Garretson, (riding motorcycle), 1705 Kentucky Way, 4:12 p.m. Monday. Garretson was admitted and shortly released from Malone and Hogan Clinic after treatment of minor injuries.

200 blk. E. 2nd, James O. Sanderson Jr., 1700 W. 1st, and Frank Odom, 505 NW 5th, 12:50 a.m. Monday.

200 blk. E. 2nd, Margie Salazar, 705 W. 3rd, Sidney Johnson 1503 W. Cherokee, 1:15 a.m. Monday.

THEFTS

Two swamp coolers worth \$250 swiped from Richard Zickelsoose, 1203 Barnes.

FIRES

At Southland Apts. Heavy damage to No. 1, Bldg. 24, Emma Perez's apartment.

SS Agent Due To Visit Area

A representative of Big Spring's Social Security Office will visit outlying communities throughout April, May and June to help citizens get benefits. Social Security numbers and answers to their questions.

In Snyder, visits will be 10 a.m. noon and 1-2 p.m. every Tuesday on the third floor of the County Courthouse. At Colorado City, meetings will be 10 a.m. noon every Wednesday in the Chamber of Commerce Office. In Lamesa, times are

10 a.m.-noon and 1-2 p.m. every Thursday in the Senior Activity Center on 807 N. Lynn.

Finally, in Stanton, times are 2-3 p.m. on three Mondays (April 22, May 20 and June 24) in the County Judge's office at the County Courthouse.

Phone, write or visit the Social Security Office, Room 232, Federal Building, 501 Main Street in Big Spring on weekdays if you have questions. Almost any business, including applications, can be handled over the phone (267-5226.)

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Tech's Exes To Gather

An organizational meeting for former students and friends of Texas Tech University has been scheduled for April 26. The session will be in the Patio room of Holiday Inn at 7:30 p.m., said Frank Wentz, one of the planning committee.

Object of the meeting is to reactivate the Big Spring Chapter of the Texas Tech Ex-Students Association. Tickets are available for \$1 to cover cost of snacks and coffee.

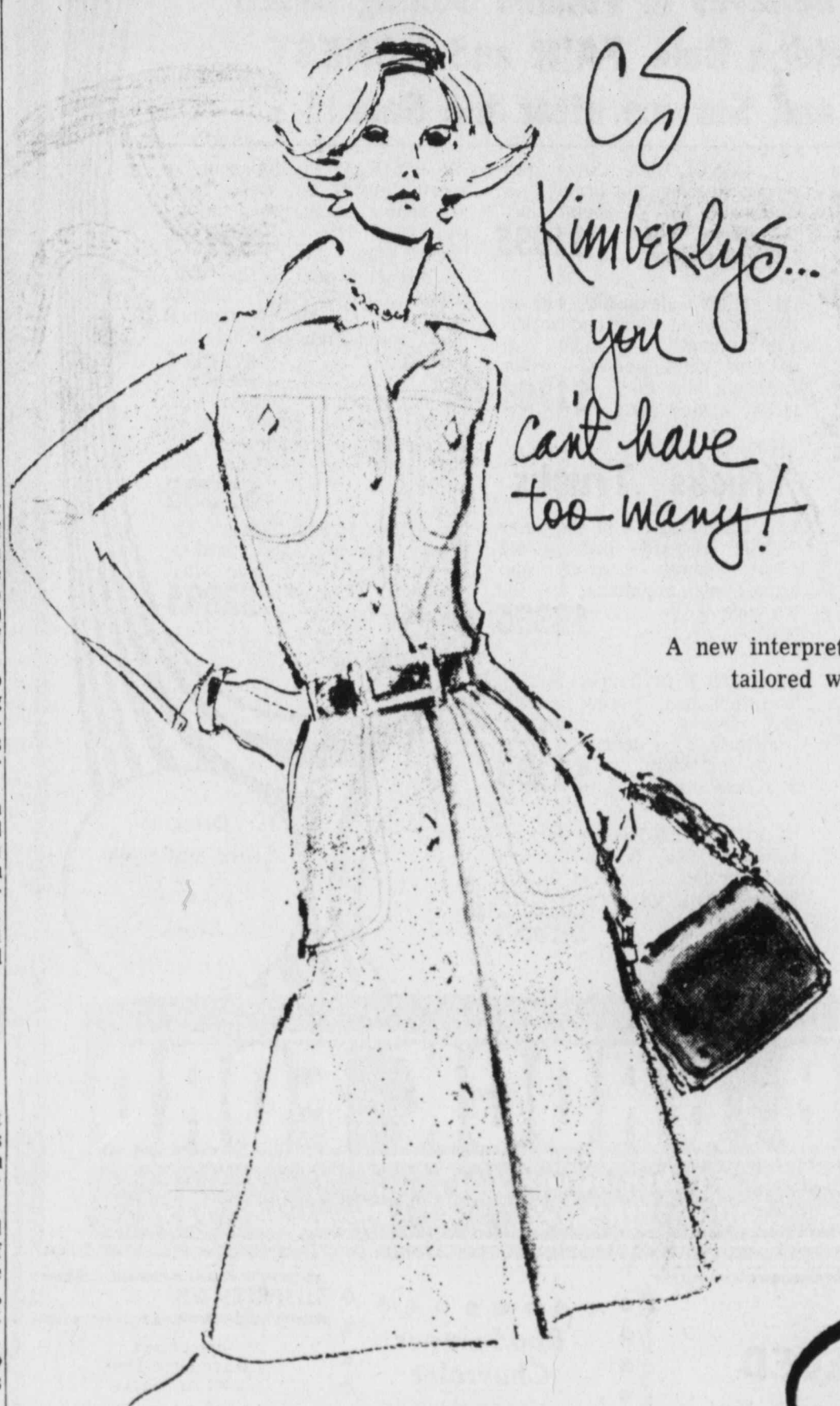
Dale Evans, assistant coach of TTU will be the speaker, and he will project films of the Tech grid highlights of '73. Ken Anderson, Midland chapter president, will be here to assist in the organization. Already, 61 tickets have been taken, said Wentz.

County Had Hand In Bond Sales

Howard County helped to set the pace for U.S. Savings Bonds sales in District 4 Area in January, Jimmy Taylor, county chairman, announced today.

Sales for January amounted to \$76,738, or 13 per cent of the year's quota. Sales for the district, said Larson Lloyd, were \$162,464, or 10 per cent of the year's goal of \$1,580,000. The area sales of \$1,536,012 also was 10 per cent of the year's target.

January totals in the district also included Andrews \$5,353 for 7 per cent; Borden \$647 for 3 per cent; Dawson \$14,100 for 12 per cent; Fisher \$6,562 for 10 per cent; Martin \$3,140 for 10 per cent; Mitchell \$7,022 for 5 per cent; Nolan \$13,388 for 5 per cent; and Scurry \$26,185 for 16 per cent.



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Three Juveniles Arrested Here

There were three juvenile arrests shortly before or after midnight this morning.

A 13 year old girl was held as a runaway and shortly released to her parents. Two boys, 15 and 16, were held on suspicion of being minors in possession and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. One is in custody and another has been released to his parents.

Those On Welfare Can Get Stamps

"Anybody on (state) welfare is going to be eligible for food stamps," a spokesman for the State Department of Public Welfare office here said Monday.

He estimated 95 Howard County families certified for food stamps through the welfare office in the courthouse basement.

Add this figure to the 530 certified families recently counted at the Food Stamp office, and you have around 625 Howard County families certified for food stamps.

Only families with all members on state welfare or all members on state welfare and Supplementary Security Income are certified through the welfare office in the courthouse.

BS Siren System Will Be Tested

The quarterly test of the Big Spring siren system will be conducted at 12 noon Saturday March 30. The test will consist of a one minute steady tone, followed by one minute of silence, and will conclude with a one minute wavering tone.

Other than those observing the sirens operation, no action will be required on the part of Civil Defense personnel and of Webb personnel.

One new siren has been installed in the city's system at the 18th and Main Fire Station since the last quarter's test. Civil Defense staff personnel will monitor for area coverage for this area, according to W. D. Berry.

Struck, Killed

PETTUS, Tex. (AP) — Lois A. Parker, 37, was struck and killed by a car here early Monday, police said.

Police said a man was arrested in connection with her death.

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