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The SDN Column

Charles Holland has his second play of the season opening tonight out at Western Texas College. We are in a busy season, but you have a choice of four nights to see "The Children's Hour," which, incidentally is not for children, but adults. That doesn't mean it is "X-rated," but the lesson it conveys is more likely to get the attention of adults.

Anyway, the curtain will go up at 8 o'clock tonight in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre. Performances beginning at the same hour will continue through Saturday evening.

This one has more people in it than "Red Hot Lover" did, and if you've been going to plays in Snyder the past few years you will recognize most of them.

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When Billy Bob McMullan received an award for his work in conservation education Monday night, he was the most surprised and certainly the most relieved person in the room.

The presentation was made at a meeting of the school board and McMullan said he had been trying to figure out for several days why his presence had been requested at that meeting.

"I wondered what I had done that would cause the school board to want to up here," he said, after Supt. Bill J. Hood had asked him to attend the meeting.

"He (Hood) told me last week, and I had all weekend to worry about it."

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Trends in Texas continue to run counter to nationwide figures on employment, according to the Texas Employment Commission. The TEC says 19,300 more wage and salary jobs were added in Texas between mid-September and mid-October. During the past year salaried jobs have increased by 3.6 per cent. Total employment was estimated to have advanced by 15,100 from mid-September, while unemployment dropped 10,900. The 197,200 jobless was the lowest unemployment total in the state since April, and it represented 3.9 per cent of the labor force.

The figures indicated there was a job for just about anybody who wanted one, if he could be in the right place at the right time.—WACIL McNAIR.

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Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 11, the 345th day of 1974. There are 20 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1941, Germany and Italy declared war on the United States.

On this date:

In 1816, Indiana became the 19th state of the Union.

In 1848, Louis Napoleon was elected president of France.

In 1936, Edward VIII abdicated as King of England, and King George VI ascended the throne.

In 1937, Benito Mussolini announced that Italy was withdrawing from the League of Nations.

In 1946, John D. Rockefeller Jr. offered to donate a six-block piece of Manhattan real estate for a headquarters for the United Nations.

Ten years ago: A top lieutenant of Fidel Castro, Ernesto Che Guevara, told the U.N. General Assembly the U.S., helped by Latin neighbors was preparing aggression against Cuba.

Five years ago: Mounting enemy action was reflected in the Vietnam War by heavier casualties on both sides, with 100 Americans killed in one week.

One year ago: Nelson Rockefeller announced he was resigning as Governor of New York after 15 years in office.

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The Weather

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Tuesday, 41 degrees; low, 33 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 37 degrees; precipitation, .12.

Northwest and Southwest Texas: Clear to partly cloudy through Thursday. Colder tonight. Lows tonight 20 mountains to 33 southeast. Highs Thursday 55 to 67.

North Central and Northeast Texas: Gradual clearing over east tonight. Generally fair entire area Thursday. Cooler entire area tonight. Lows tonight 30 to 36. Highs Thursday 55 to 60.

South Central and Southeast Texas: Mostly fair through Thursday. Warmer afternoons but cold nights. Lows tonight 28 northwest to 48 along the coast. Highs Thursday 55 to 70.

Coast: North to northwest winds 8 to 18 knots becoming south to southeasterly Thursday. Seas 3 to 5 feet diminishing.

Oklahoma: Decreasing cloudiness and cold tonight. Fair and a little warmer Thursday. Low tonight upper teens Panhandle to low 30s southeast. High Thursday 45 to 55. Occasional snow 1 to 3 inches this morning.

New Mexico: Increasing mostly high cloudiness and a little warmer tonight with scattered snow showers in northern mountains. Variable cloudiness and moderately windy Thursday with scattered snow showers mountains and north. Colder mountains and west Thursday. Low tonight mostly teens mountains and mostly 20s lower elevations. High Thursday 30s moutains and northwest to mostly 50s southeast.

Louisiana: Mostly through Thursday. Low tonight near 40 north to near 50 southeast. High Thursday low to mid 60s.

AT 'PROJECT INDEPENDENCE' HEARING

Energy Report Challenged

By STAN BENJAMIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's recent "Project Independence" report, prepared as a foundation for energy policies, was described today as underestimating the potential of fuel conservation.

Gordon MacDonald, a former member of the President's Council on Environmental Quality, told a public hearing on Project Independence that energy could be saved much more effectively than the report estimated.

The report also was criticized Tuesday by an official of the nation's largest oil company. William T. Slick Jr., senior vice president of Exxon, testified the report "is not a sound basis for energy planning" and is over-optimistic when it claims the United States could eliminate oil imports by 1985. He said it over-estimated by millions of barrels a day the nation's ability to increase oil production.

Slick spoke Tuesday at public hearings on energy policy. The hearings, sponsored by the Cabinet-level Energy Resources Council, are in preparation for forthcoming policy recommendations to President Ford.

Ford's energy advisers are meeting Saturday at Camp David, Md., to map those recommendations.

In other testimony at the hearings, a natural gas company official predicted that gas shortages would force service curtailment to residential users three or four years from now. His prediction was contradicted by the chairman of the Federal Power Commission.

Most energy industry witnesses urged an end to federal regulation of natural gas pricing, the removal of petroleum price controls, increased offshore oil and gas leasing, and a "balancing" of environmental regulations with energy needs.

BICYCLE BUILT FOR SEVEN—When the J.P. Gentle family of Santa Clara, Calif. take a spin they ride on this bicycle built for seven. Gentle and his wife are blind. Left to right: J.P. Gentle; Mrs. Calla Gentle; Christine, 11; Andrew, 4; Barbie, 8; Rita, 14, and Joe, 13. (AP Wirephoto)

Ford, Advisers Weigh Antirecession Measures

By FRANCES LEWINE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford has not ruled out anything — including possible taxes and mandatory conservation measures — to restore consumer confidence in the economy, Rep. John B. Anderson, R-Ill., said today.

Anderson made the comment to reporters after attending an hour-long breakfast at the White House with a dozen other congressional leaders from both parties.

The President arranged to meet later with senior advisers to work out final details of a speech tonight assuring businessmen they can be confident in the nation's economy despite recession and inflation.

Anderson said the President discussed with the congressional leaders a pending emergency unemployment act giving 13 additional weeks of coverage, extending benefits to some not now covered and including $2 billion in public service jobs to help the growing ranks of the jobless.

Anderson gave no details of Ford's view on that measure. But administration officials are saying the President is ready to negotiate on the amount of money for a public service jobs measure triggered to the percentage of unemployment, now at 6.5 per cent of the job force.

Ford emphasized that he and his administration are continually reassessing the economic situation, Anderson said, and that by the time that Congress reconvenes Jan. 14, they "will have major recommendations to make."

Anderson said that Ford told the leaders he placed top priority on passage of a pending trade bill before this session of Congress ends.

Senate Minority Leader, Hugh Scott, R-Pa., said he got no indication that Ford in any way was changing his continued opposition to wage-price controls.

Ford summoned his top economic advisers to the White House today to iron out a final draft of the address he will deliver before the prestigious Business Council at 9 p.m. EST.

The three major television networks have not decided whether to carry the speech live, spokesmen said. The White House has not officially requested coverage but is leaving it up to the networks, said Press Secretary Ron Nessen.

On a return trip Tuesday night from Ford's visit to New York, Nessen said eight drafts of the speech had been prepared, but Ford apparently rejected all of them.

"Regardless of what else is in it, there will be a strong component of assuring businessmen that they have reason to be confident in the future of the nation's economy," Nessen said.

Meanwhile, Congress moved toward quick action on bills to aid unemployed persons through emergency programs providing up to 300,000 public service jobs and extending unemployment compensation benefits.

An emergency unemployment compensation bill was approved Tuesday by a unanimous House Ways and Means Committee while the Rules Committee cleared the way for House action on legislation authorizing $2 billion for public service hiring.

Crops To Figure In Food Prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — The size of next year's grain crop will be an important factor in determining how long the sharp rise in food costs continues, Agriculture Department economists said today.

Given average weather, 1975 corn yields could rebound sharply from losses this year induced by late planting and drought, James J. Naive, a grain expert, told the department's National Agriculture Outlook Conference.

Next year's yield could range from 87 to 97 bushels per acre, compared to less than 73 per acre this year, Naive said.

"This range could produce a record corn crop, and total feed grain production would bounce back 30 to 50 per cent above this year's 165 million tons," Naive said. "With these levels, grain prices would back off from the record highs we are experiencing now and are apt to continue experiencing for the next several months."

Farmers soon will be deciding how much acreage to plant for 1975, Naive said in prepared remarks.

A similar linkage between crop production and retail food prices was described earlier in the session by J. Dawson Ahalt, an Agriculture Department economist.

Ahalt said supermarket prices through next June could continue to climb at the same rate they have this year. But in the last half of 1975, there could be significant leveling of prices if the weather cooperates, production increases and over-all economic activity slackens, he said.

Poor weather this year chewed deeply into grain production, meaning soaring prices for corn and other ingredients needed to feed cattle, hogs and poultry.

The result was lower supplies of some favorite food items and rising retail prices, government farm economists said.

Milk production is an example. Dairy farmers, along with other animal feed users, have been hurt severely by rising costs and have reacted by trimming cow herds.

"Although up this fall, milk production may turn down this winter and through the first half of 1975 as dairy farmers reduce feeding of high-cost grain and concentrates," Robert R. Miller, a department dairy expert said.

"The cost-price squeeze facing dairy farmers will probably be with us through early 1975," Miller said.

George Hoffman, a department livestock economist, said larger sales of cattle which have been fed less grain will continue to keep beef supplies plentiful on retail counters. But he said producers of hogs and lambs will cut back output so that the total amount of meat available next year may not change much.

"In this event, retail meat prices will rise if consumer demand holds up as expected," Hoffman said. How the crop situation shapes up next spring also will have an important bearing.

FOLLOWING SENATE'S EXAMPLE

Albert Predicts House Approval Of Rockefeller

WASHINGTON (AP) — House speaker Carl Albert predicts the House will follow the Senate's example of voting overwhelmingly to confirm Nelson A. Rockefeller as the nation's second non-elected vice president.

The House Judiciary Committee is scheduled to vote Thursday on whether to recommend that the nomination be approved. The full House is expected to vote next week.

Albert made his unofficial prediction at a news conference after the Senate voted 90 to 7 Tuesday to confirm the nomination.

The 66-year-old former New York governor was nominated by President Ford 114 days ago, a time lapse that caused several senators to question the workability of the 25th amendment to the Constitution which governs presidential succession.

Ford became the first non-elected vice president when he was confirmed by Congress to succeed Spiro T. Agnew, who resigned.

The seven senators who voted against the nomination said they did so for a variety of reasons, including Rockefeller's political philosophy, his family's billion-dollar wealth, and alleged improprieties of Rockefeller's large gifts and loans to political associates.

Three of the seven senators generally are regarded as conservatives. They are Sens. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz.; Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and William L. Scott, R-Va.

The other four are regarded as liberals: Sens. James S. Abourezk, D-S.D.; Birch Bayh, D-Ind.; Gaylord Nelson, D-Wis., and Howard M. Metzenbaum, D-Ohio.

Sen. Peter H. Dominick, R-Colo., who was defeated for reelection in the November elections, voted "present" because Rockefeller donated $500 to his campaign.

"If I had voted for him some people would say it was because of the contribution and if I voted against him others would say I was an ingrate, so I decided not to vote at all," Dominick said.

Bayh said that while he approved of the time taken on the Rockefeller nomination he could not agree with the 9 to 0 Rules Committee vote approving Rockefeller.

Tennis Center Proposal Taken To City Council

A proposal for a tennis center was taken to the Snyder City Council last night, but it didn't evoke much enthusiasm among the councilmen.

Bob Womack discussed the proposal, representing the Scurry County Tennis Association, a new organization that has suggested that a tennis center become a joint county-city-school project.

"We'll have to let this soak a while," said Mayor W.A. Vestal after several councilmen had asked questions about the proposal.

Council members indicated that they did not feel that serious consideration could be given the proposal unless some specific estimates of costs of maintenance and operation are developed, as well as construction costs.

"This could be expensive down through the years to come," said Councilman Joe Sentell.

It was noted also that at present the city is not involved in operation of recreational facilities, and, although it was not spelled out, it was implied that a move into this field definitely would result in an increase in city tax demands.

The proposal had been presented earlier to county commissioners and to the Snyder School Board. No commitments have been made by any of the agencies, although the school board expressed considerable interest in the proposal. This apparently stemmed from the fact that present tennis facilities in local schools are over-crowded by the school's own tennis program.

Lesley Shelburne appeared before the council to inquire if there is some way that a book store could be operated at the southwest corner of Avenue U and Thirty-seventh without a zone change. He said residents of the area have indicated thay have no objections to a book store there, but are reluctant to agree to a zone change because that would open up the area to other types of business. The issue was referred to the staff for study.

A new fire service contract with the county was approved. The contract calls for the county to reimburse the city in the amount of $35,000 for fire calls outside the city during the

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Annual School Music Program

The All-School Christmas Music Program will be presented Thursday night in the Snyder High School Auditorium.

The program, which will begin at 7:30 p.m., will feature choir students from all elementary schools, both junior high schools and Snyder High School in Christmas music.

There will be no admission charge for the program, and the public is invited.

Play At WTC Opens Tonight

The curtain will go up at 8 o'clock tonight for the Western Texas College Drama Department's second play of the season.

The WTC players will present "The Children's Hour," by Lillian Hellman, four nights in a row in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre. Tickets are priced at $2 each for adults and $1 each for students and may be purchased in advance at both local banks, at Snyder Drug, at Roy McCloskey Insurance Office and at WTC.

Chile Issues ITT Decree

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — Chile's military government today expropriated the investments of the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. in the Chilean telephone company.

In New York, ITT said it was engaged in "meaningful negotiations" with the Chileans, called the announcement a legal step clearing the way for eventual compensation, and said it stemmed from a decision "favorable to the company by an independent board of arbitrators which upheld ITT's $95 million insurance claim."

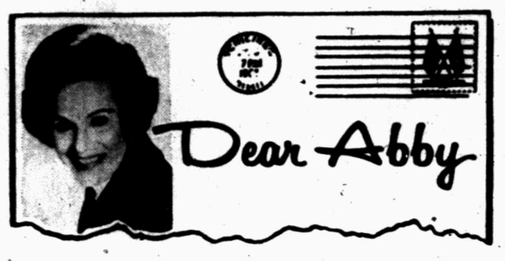
The decree said the government will pay compensation to ITT in accord with forthcoming negotiations between both sides.

The Chilean telephone company stock is split this way: 71 per cent ITT; 23 per cent state-owned; and 6 per cent by private investors.

The government of the late Marxist President Salvador Allende, toppled by a military coup Sept. 11, 1973, "intervened" in the company, but never nationalized it because of problems with the opposition-controlled congress.

The intervention, for alleged labor problems and poor service, meant the Allende government directed the day-to-day operations of the company through state-appointed directors.

The military junta now ruling Chile maintained this control after the coup.



Propriety no excuse for arrogance

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: After 26 years of marriage, my wife died suddenly, and I married again one year later. This displeased my mother, because she was very fond of my first wife, although she saw little of her because we lived in California and Mother lived in Connecticut.

I phoned Mother last night to wish her a happy birthday, and before completing the conversation, I added my new wife's best regards. (They had never met.) That's when all you-know-what broke loose.

Between Mother's tears and the tirade that followed, she let me know that she was furious that she had not as yet received any communication from my bride, introducing herself to her new family, etc. My wife, on the other hand, being British and therefore very proper, insists that it was Mother's place to have written to HER, welcoming her into the family, etc.

I find myself torn between two women, each of whom I love dearly. Neither one will give an inch. What do the etiquette books say is the correct procedure?

And is there a way out of my dilemma?

TORN IN WOODSIDE

DEAR TORN: "Etiquette" is far less important than good family relations. Obviously one lady must yield, and I suggest that out of respect to your mother's age, your wife should write to your mother (or phone her) and make the first move.

Being British (and "therefore proper") is no excuse for being stubborn and therefore arrogant.

DEAR ABBY: Because my mother thought my boyfriend and I were getting a little too serious, she violated my privacy, and read my personal mail from David.

In one letter he said he loved me and hoped we could move in together soon.

When I came into my room and found my mother standing there with that letter in her hand, I asked, "Why did you sneak into my personal things?"

She replied, "Because I love you, and don't want to see you hurt." Then she asked, "Why didn't you tell me?" To which I had no other choice but to answer, "Because I love you, and don't want to see you hurt."

How's that for irony?

DAVID'S GIRL

DEAR GIRL: You don't say how hold you are, but if you are a minor, your mother is responsible for your well-being. This doesn't give her the right to violate your privacy, however.

DEAR ABBY: You are not wrong to have used your common sense and logic concerning the question of whether the man could marry his former daughter-in-law. (You said that since they were not related by blood there was nothing incestuous about it. The "law" differed with you.)

It is disheartening that logic has fallen (or been pushed) into so much disrepute. The legal minds that were so quick to correct you could have better served justice by initiating action to remove such unreasonable laws from their state statutes.

M.P.: PALMER, ALASKA

DEAR M.P.: Thanks. I needed that!

Everyone has a problem. What's yours? For a personal reply, write to ABBY: Box No. 69700, L.A., Calif. 90069. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope, please.

Hate to write letters? Send $1 to Abigail Van Buren, 132 Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212, for Abby's booklet, "How to Write Letters for All Occasions."

LETTER TO EDITOR

To The Daily News:

May I take this means for making a suggestion to the people of Snyder concerning Christmas?

Each year many of us donate to the various organizations that are set up to help the needy at this time of the year. It has been my privilege for the past few years to help in a different way. For the past few years, friends of mine have been having private Christmas parties. This is a nice way to celebrate the season with friends and I am sure many groups of friends practice this idea. The difference is that instead of exchanging gifts with each other, we each take a toy as a gift. After the party these toys are given to such organizations as the Goodfellows for distribution to needy children.

We all enjoy the fellowship of our friends and help a good cause at the same time. It is a wonderful feeling knowing that on Christmas some needy child will receive a new toy when otherwise they might not have any.

Mrs. Ken Minyard

P.S. I'm sure this is not an original idea, but I did want to share it with those who might not have thought of it.

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MIDDAY STOCKS

By The Associated Press

AT&T	43⅜	off	⅛
Atl Rich	89¼	up	¾
Beth Stl	24¾		
Borden	19¼	off	½
Brit. Pet	4¾	off	⅛
Cat Trac	47		
Chrysler	7⅞	up	¼
Cities Svc	45½	off	⅜
Coca Cola	51	off	⅜
Cont Oil	40⅞		
Dow Chem	54½	off	½
duPont	88⅞		
Eastman	61½		
El Paso NG	10⅛		
Exxon	61¼	up	⅜
Fairchild Cam	19	up	⅝
Ford	32¼	up	¼
Gen Elec	34⅜		
Gen Foods	17½	up	⅛
Gen Mtrs	30½		
Gen Tel	16¾		
Gen Tire	10⅜	up	⅛
Goodrich	12⅞	up	⅛
Great A&P	8⅛		
Gulf Oil	16⅜		
IBM	173¼	up	1¼
Int Paper	33¼	up	⅛
Jhn-Man	17⅛		
John Joh	83½	up	1
Litton	3⅝		
Marathon	33⅜	off	⅛
Marcor	14½		
Mobil Oil	34½	up	⅝
Monsanto	41½	up	⅜
Penn Cent	1¼		
Penney	36⅞	off	½
RCA	10¼	up	⅛
Safeway	35¼	up	½
Sears	44¼	up	⅛
Sony	4⅞	off	⅛
Stand Ind	84¾	up	1¾
Sun Oil	36¾	off	¼
Texaco	21⅛	up	⅛
Texas Inst	68⅝	up	⅝
Un Carbide	39⅜	up	½
Uniroyal	5⅞		
US Steel	36⅝	up	⅛
Woolwth	8⅜		
Xerox	55⅛	up	¼

Goldmon Rites Set At Brady

Funeral service for Edward Jackson Goldmon of Coahoma, who died Monday afternoon north of Snyder, will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday at Brady.

The body was to be taken there this afternoon from Bell-Seale Funeral Home here. Burial will be in the Rest Haven Cemetery at Brady.

Convicts List 18 Demands

By WILLIAM GLASGALL
Associated Press Writer

WALPOLE, Mass. (AP) — Eight inmates at Walpole State Prison who took three hostages Tuesday are "willing to die before being dehumanized any further," a newly elected state legislator said he was told today.

State Sen.-elect Bill Owens of Boston met with the inmates and later told reporters they had given him a list of 18 demands.

In addition, the inmates reportedly demanded a meeting with the news media, Gov. Francis W. Sargent or Gov.-elect Michael S. Dukakis, Correction Commissioner Frank Hall and other state officials.

Owens said he was told that the three hostages — two guards and a medical assistant — were in good condition. But he said he never actually saw the hostages while meeting with the inmates.

About 80 state policemen were on alert at the nearby Foxboro barracks but were not moved into the prison.

David Brown, a Correction Department spokesman, said there were 60 other prisoners in the cellblock, but that they were not taking part in the incident. He said the trouble had not spread to other sections of the prison, which is home for 500 inmates.

Brown said the prisoners apparently were upset over a routine weapons search Tuesday and the cancellation of a prisoners' banquet that night.

Sen.-elect Owens said among the inmates' demands read to him were full amnesty for "all those involved," meaningful programs and due process for accused inmates in disciplinary proceedings.

Speaking to newsmen as he left the prison, Owens said the inmates were "dehumanized one time too many. They decided they were not going to be dehumanized anymore.

"There are no programs at the institution," Owens said, "nothing to look forward to."

LaFortune Rites Set At Austin

AUSTIN—Funeral service has been set for 2 p.m. Thursday at Tarrytown Baptist Church for Terry L. LaFortune, 35, who died Tuesday.

Mr. LaFortune is survived by his wife, Keitha Walton LaFortune; two daughters, Terri Lee LaFortune of Garden Grove, Calif., and Robin LaFortune of the home; a son, Stephen LaFortune of the home; his father, Stan LaFortune of Garden Grove, Calif.; and a brother, Tom LaFortune of Huntington Beach, Calif.

Cook-Walden Funeral Home of Austin is in charge of arrangements.

Guilty Verdict In Jury Trial

Jury trial was held in county court yesterday for Leslie Samuel Jackson, Jr., who had pleaded innocent to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty and set the punishment at a $50 fine plus court costs and a 6 months jail term, probated for six months.

He was arrested April 27 by City Police.

Frank Gallegos Lopez pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while intoxicated. He received a $250 fine plus court costs and a 10-day jail term. The court also ordered a probation rendered Nov. 18 revoked, and Lopez will have to serve a 30-day jail term returned on an earlier sentence. He was arrested Dec. 8 by City Police.

Bond Is Set

Eloy Gutierrez of Colorado City was charged in Justice of the Peace Court here Monday with driving while intoxicated, second offense. He was remanded to county jail in lieu of $2,500 bond. He was arrested Dec. 8 by City Police.

KIWANIS GIFT—Bill Forbes, vice president of the Snyder Sunrisers Kiwanis Club (right), presents a check for $75 to Rev. Henry Hartman, chairman of the Snyder Goodfellows. Presentation of the gift from the Sunrisers was made at the club's breakfast this morning. The Goodfellows are trying to raise $3,000 this year. Contributions may be made at either local bank.

Troops Recover U Thant's Body

RANGOON, Burma (AP) — Troops and police hurling tear gas today recovered the body of U Thant, the former United Nations secretary general, from 3,000 students and Buddhist monks guarding it on the campus of Rangoon University.

After five days of inaction, President Ne Win sent security forces into the campus three miles outside Rangoon at 2 a.m. They broke through the main gate with a crane, drove back the students and monks with tear gas and broke into the small brick tomb in which the students on Sunday had interred the body of the international leader.

Thant, a political foe of Ne Win and a disciple of former Premier U Nu, died of cancer in New York on Nov. 25. His body was brought to Rangoon Dec. 1 for burial, but thousands of students and monks seized the coffin from the funeral procession on Dec. 5 and took it to the university campus.

The students charged that the government, in ordering Thant buried in one of Rangoon's less important civilian cemeteries, was not showing the proper respect to the country's most famous statesman. But foreign observers interpreted the action as an expression of general opposition to Ne Win's authoritarian regime, which has been in power since a military coup 12 years ago.

After the students took the body, the government announced a more prestigious burial place for Thant near the Shwedagon Pagoda, Burma's holiest shrine. But the students interred the coffin on Sunday in the tomb they had built on the campus.

Hundreds of thousands visited the campus to pay homage to Thant and donated more than $100,000 for a permanent mausoleum. In an apparent effort to avoid bloodshed, the government made no move to retrieve the body until Tuesday, when lines of trucks filled with troops parked near the campus.

The government also sent thousands of members of Ne Win's Socialist Program party to the campus during the night to assist the raiding troops if they were needed.

There was no report of casualties, but many students and monks were dragged into police vans and taken off.

The disposition of the body was not immediately announced. It was believed that it would be entombed at the assigned site near the Shwedagon.

In Washington, the State Department said the United States Embassy in Rangoon reported that apparently there were no casualties during the recovery of the body.

The Embassy also reported that the government was tightening its control over Rangoon and had sealed off the university area, a State department spokesman said. He declined to elaborate but said all embassy personnel were safe.

In Bangkok, Thailand, travelers arriving from Burma reported that the students in Rangoon admitted that they seized U Thant's coffin as a protest against Ne Win's dictatorship.

"The people are tired of this government. They want a change," said one student at Rangoon University, where the first protest against Ne Win occurred shortly after he took power in 1962.

Several persons were killed and scores were wounded then. More bloodshed in Rangoon was reported last June when security forces quelled labor unrest.

WTC Students Are In Recital

Music students at Western Texas College were presented in a recital at noon today in the Fine Arts Building.

Voice students on the program were Lou Ann Pyburn of Sweetwater, Pam Smith, Steve Miller, Jan Bellamy, Paula Baldwin, and Julia Griffin, all of Snyder.

Instrumentalists were D'Ann Fisher, Jana Tharp and Ronnie Boley, all of Snyder, pianists; Donna Pemberton of Snyder, flutist, and Boley on trumpet.

NAACP Meeting Is Set Tonight

The local chapter of the NAACP will hold a regular meeting tonight at the Child Development Center, Thirty-fourth and Avenue K. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

HOSPITAL NOTES

ADMISSIONS: Henry Grinslade, 1006 Sixth, Andrews; Gary Shields, 2216 Forty-fifth; Freddie Joe Everton, Box 435; Linda Hughes, Box 154; Hermleigh; Ray Haney, Rt. 1; John Johnson, Box 36, Gail; James McDaniel, 1306 Nineteenth.

DISMISSALS: Bassett Keller, Peggy Stephens, Jan McCathern, Alex Hernandez, Hub Cole, Josephine Randals.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hughes, Box 154, Hermleigh, are the parents of a son weighing 6 lb. 13 oz. born at 6:10 p.m. Dec. 10 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

GOODFELLOWS APPLICATION

If you know of a person or family (elderly, disabled, a child), regardless of race, color or creed, living within the Scurry County area, who might be forgotten on Christmas Day, fill out this coupon (please print name and address clearly) and mail it at once to The Goodfellows, P.O. Box 661, Snyder, Texas, 79549.

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Documents Show Bell Can Half Profit Reports

By JOHN LUMPKIN
Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Internal documents show Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. can make twice as much profit as it tells city councils and commissions it is making.

This is because of a Texas accounting system. This system is not allowed in states which have state utility commissions, which Texas does not.

It is a matter of making Bell's investments appear larger than they would be in the accounting system of other states. Thus the percentage rate of return can appear small.

The Associated Press has obtained a company document apparently prepared in late 1973 which computes rates of return—or profit—in 11 Texas cities in Bell's applications for rate increases.

The document, among the personal files of the late T.O. Gravitt, figures the company profit in the most recent rate applications at the time the document was prepared for the following cities:

—Lubbock, Amarillo, Pampa, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Kermit, Austin, Monahans and Abilene.

The manner in which Bell solicits rate increases in Texas cities has become an issue since the Gravitt family and dismissed Bell rate negotiator James Ashley of San Antonio filed a $29.2 million damage suit against the company. Gravitt, Bell's vice president for Texas, committed suicide at his Dallas home in October.

Bell denies the suit's allegations that it unfairly solicits rates in Texas, the only state in the nation without a state commission to regulate phone profits. Texas city councils establish phone rates.

In another company document, a high Bell officials says Bell has been using methods in rate applications which make it appear its rate of return is relatively low.

Bell began using a method in Texas in 1947 which dictates "as high a rate base and expense level as possible combined with a rate of return low enough that it would not be challenged seriously," the Bell official wrote in 1973.

In other words, Bell's concept in Texas rate cases has been to use accounting methods of its own which would show relatively high figures for investment.

Bell then asks a city council for a rate increase which would generate a specified amount of new revenue. Comparing the specified new revenue Bell says it needs to the relatively high investment figure, the result is a relatively low rate of return or profit.

COUNCIL

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coming year. The contract represents an increase of $10,000 over the old contract. However, it is $13,000 less than the city had requested when its 1974-75 budget was prepared.

The council approved on first reading an ordiance establishing new rates for water and sewer taps. The ordinance calls for a fee of $50 for a tap and installation of service pipe and meter for a three-quarter-inch water tap, and $75 for a one-inch tap. Larger taps would be made at actual cost, based on estimates by the water and sewer superintendent. A sewer tap at anywhere from the surface to six feet underground will cost $50. Sewer taps at greater depths will go at actual cost, based on estimates of the water and sewer superintendent.

A recommendation by City Engineer Jim Dower to replace "yield" signs with "stop" signs at the intersection of Twenty-eighth Street and Avenue T was approved.

The city manager was authorized to secure bids for a used truck to replace at 1951 model which the city uses to pull a float for moving heavy equipment.

A demolition order was approved for a substandard structure located at 2902 Avenue J.

A report was received from a council committee on nominations to fill vacancies on the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning and Zoning Board. These will be announced after nominees have accepted the positions.

Pair Facing Drug Counts

Two suspects in a short-change maneuver at Tiner's Truck Stop here early Tuesday morning are being held in Scurry County Jail in lieu of bonds that were set for offenses.

City Police said they found heroin in their car. Charged with felony possession of heroin are Ozella Baker Graham, 32, and Felton Jones, 23, both of Lubbock. The woman also had a $1,500 bond set for carrying a prohibited weapon and another $1,500 bond for misdemeanor possession of dangerous drugs. The man also has been charged here with misdemeanor theft and misdemeanor possession of dangerous drugs. Bond was set at $1,500 on each of these two charges. He also had a $5,000 bond set in Lubbock on a charge of burglary.

The two along with another suspect were arrested by City Police at 2:25 a.m. Tuesday after they came out of Ballard's Cafe and were walking towards their car. Officers had obtained a description of their car from an attendant at Tiner's Turck Stop who said he had been victimized by a short-change artist.

The other suspect was released to Lubbock Police, who had a warrant charging traffic violations. He also was to be questioned by Lubbock Police in connection with the armed robbery of a vending company in Lubbock. A thousand dollars was taken in the robbery.

Two Vehicles Are In Mishap

Minor damage resulted from a two-vehicle collision in the 4000 block of College Avenue at 1:16 p.m. Tuesday.

Involved were a 1967 Model Mack truck driven by Tommy Darrell Campbell, Route 3, Box 344, Snyder, and the 1964 Model Chevrolet of Daniel Leon Roberts, 602 Twenty-ninth Street. The truck is owned by Holcomb Oil Well Service.

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Yule Pudding Stirs Fond Memories

By Aileen Claire
NEA Food Editor

Many families have traditional cookies or puddings that stir fond memories of Christmas past when they reappear each year. Often there are special bowls and pots used for the puddings and in some families, rare old brandies are reserved for aging the pudding. Here is a pudding you will want to make and hand down to your children and grandchildren. Rember, the measure of any good Christmas pudding is the quality of the ingredients. Use only the freshest nuts, spices and best sweet raisins and currants.

RAISIN CHRISTMAS PUDDING

1 box (15 ounces) California seedless raisins
1 box (15 ounces) California golden raisins
1 box (11 ounces) California Zante currants
3 tart apples, peeled and grated
¼ pound candied orange rind finely sliced
1 pound beef suet, ground
1½ cups flour
¼ pound blanched almonds, chopped
1¼ cups breadcrumbs
½ teaspooneach nutmeg, mace and cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ground cloves
1 teaspoon salt
1 lemon, juice and grated rind
½ cup brandy
½ cup rum
6 eggs, well beaten

Combine ingredients in order given. Fill two 2-quart pudding molds. Put on the tight fitting mold lids. Place molds on trivets in large pots. Fill pots with water until half way up sides of molds. Cover large pots and steam pudding for 4 hours. Remove pudding from molds before completely cooled. Wrap in cheesecloth which has been soaked in brandy. Makes 4 quarts.

TO SERVE: Return pudding to mold and allow 2 hours steaming time. Serve with hard sauce.

HARD SAUCE:

¼ cup butter
1 cup confectioners' sugar, sifted
1 teaspoon rum or cognac
¼ cup cream

Makes 1 cup.

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

RAISIN CHRISTMAS PUDDING

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

A recent talk with a conservation-minded couple made me wonder how many other persons have similar views.

The husband and wife are in a rather unusual position these days; they're having a house built to order. When I asked what kind of house it was, they emphasized that it would have as little wood in it as possible.

Since more than 85 per cent of America's single family houses are still being built with wood, I asked why. They explained that they had heard so much about the depletion of the forests, they wanted to do their part toward the preservation of what trees we now have.

Later, I contacted George Cheek, executive vice president of the American Forest Institute of Washington, D. C., for his opinion about this viewpoint. Here is a portion of his reply:

"No one need worry about depleting the forests. As the country continues to grow and expand, more and more forestland is converted to other uses such as homesites, shopping centers, schools, highways and the like. Despite this fact, we are actually growing more trees and wood in this country than we were 30 years ago. The reason is called forest management.

"Forest management begins with harvesting. Foresters study nature's methods of removing old mature trees to make way for new ones and then try to emulate them. Sometimes this means all the trees on a given site are removed at once, as would be done by a fire. This controversial practice is called clearcutting. The removal of all of the trees lets in sufficient sunshine to get the new trees growing.

"Some trees thrive in relative shade. So these are harvested one at a time to maintain a canopy of needles or leaves to filter the hot summer sun. No matter which method of harvesting is used, foresters have developed other ways to speed tree growth and even improve the wood within the tree.

"Despite the forest's renewability, most of the forestlands are not managed to grow wood at their capacity. Forest products companies, who own 13 per cent of the forest that is capable and available for growing trees for harvest, actually obtain the wood for 30 per cent of the paper and wood products from this small percentage of total forestland. The government, mostly federal, owns 28 per cent of the commercial forest. And although government-owned commercial forests actually earn large sums of money through the sales of timber, managers of those forests have a difficult time obtaining the funds to practice sound forest management.

"By far the largest share of America's forests, just under 60 per cent, is owned by individuals. The government and private lands are not being given the attention they should to make sure there is enough wood for our use today and abundant forests tomorrow.

"As a whole, America's forestlands are producing wood at just half their potential. All we have to do, as a nation, is decide that we want and need to grow wood as abundantly as possible, and there need never be a shortage of wood."

(For a copy of Andy Lang's handbook, "Practical Home Repairs," send $1 to this newspaper at Box 5, Teaneck, N. J. 07666.)

More Divorces Among Young People Seen

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Today's rapid crumbling of social traditions is likely to produce a continuing high U.S. divorce rate, according to several social counselors.

"We see more young people who do get divorced, and I think we'll be seeing more," counselor Jane Markle of New Haven said in an interview.

"It is not that they take marriage lightly or that some of them are not fearful of going it alone, but because of their unwillingness to continue in an unrewarding relationship."

The divorce rate has nearly doubled since 1960.

Eugene Eliasoph and Robert Singer, counselors who work as a team, said erosion of the nuclear family as we knew it a generation or more ago is increasing the likelihood of divorce.

Then "there were two or three wage earners in a family and there was often an aunt or grandmother to share in child care," Singer said.

"Now two parents are responsible for all the nurturing."

"Maybe that is why men and women are seeking solace in others outside the family," Eliasoph added. "It is an effort to spread the pressures people are feeling. It is a way of breaking out to more extended relationships."

Mrs. Markle, who prefers the title Ms., said young people are less afraid than older people of returning to a life alone because change has been a more recent part of their lives.

"For them society has recently opened more doors and provided more options," said Ms. Markle, a counselor at the Center for the Person in Transition.

"The older person worries more about the need for living alone. This person has less choice in work, social life and other opportunities."

All three counselors said more women than men seek guidance in divorce even though men are less likely to discuss their problems with others.

"Men reject counseling because they consider it a sign of weakness and because of the cultural bias that men are not supposed to have feelings," said Eliasoph, director of the New Haven Center for Human Relations.

Those who seek professional help "tend to want pat answers, rules and formulas, sort of a 'how-to-divorce.'" he said. "It is a training process to get them to think, to begin to look within themselves for what they really feel. Somehow women are more in touch with themselves."

Women's divorce problems deal more with how to adjust to being single members of society again, the counselors said.

Exiled Author Is Warmly Applauded

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Exiled Russian author Alexander Solzhenitsyn was warmly applauded as he accepted the Nobel Prize for literature he had been awarded four years earlier.

The accolade "prevented me from being crushed in the severe persecutions to which I have been subjected," he told 1,500 persons gathered in the Stockholm Concer Hall for the 1974 awards ceremony.

Solzhenitsyn was arrested by Soviet police in February and sent into exile. The author of "Gulag Archipelago" now lives in Switzerland.

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Woman's Calendar

THURSDAY

ABWA meets at 7 p.m. for Christmas for Christmas Carols.

Snyder Palette Club meets at 9 a.m.

Twilight Garden Club meets at 7:00 at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Hostesses are Mrs. Charles Tyer and Mrs. Fred Davis. It will be a Christmas party.

FRIDAY

Altrurian Club mets at 3 p.m. at the Woman's Club.

Newcomers Club will have open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Linden Boch, 4515 Galveston beginning at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Amitie Jr. Study Club will hold their winter social. A progressive dinner will be held beginning at 7 p.m. The Social Committee will be hostesses.

Sparkle City Squares will have a dance at 8 p.m. Sleepy Browning is the caller.

Bynum Family Host Luncheon

Mrs. Glen Bynum and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Bynum were hosts at a luncheon Saturday at the Steak House restaurant. The dining room was decorated in a Christmas motif.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Zachary of Whichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pannell of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liddell of Lamesa, Miss Delores Higgins of Whiteface, Mr. and Mrs. Don Loyd, Mrs. Roy Meador, Becky and Jason Bynum, all of Snyder.

Miss Delores Higgins has returned home after spending the weekend in the home of Mrs. Glen Bynum, 1909 Fifteenth St. Miss Higgins lives in the Girls Home at Whiteface and Mrs. Bynum has been her personal sponsor for the past six and a half years. She will be moving to Austin in January where she will attend an Interior Decorating School.

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CHINA GROVE NEWS

BY MRS. N.F. HALL

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The Dunn canasta club met Thursday afternoon in the Dunn Community, with Mrs. N.F. Hall as hostess. Those attending were a guest Ida Chitsey of Hermleigh, Eileen West, Mae White, Bertha Ellis, Bertha Cotton, Nera Oschner, Hazel White, Ivoe Cabtree, Billy Madison, Gladys Smith, Elwanda Stewart and Alma Williams. Refreshments of cake, cokes and coffee were served to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucky Merket and family of Hamlin recently visites Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Merket.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Berghund and family of Lubbock recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brown.

Mrs. Jess Brown spent the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Merket of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Rockey Allen and family of Big Spring recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Allen.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Webb were Mrs. Annie Beezley of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rainey of Colorado City.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete White were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Jones, Regina and Sarah of Garland, Mrs. Bill Buckley and Lauri and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Clark, all of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Rayburn White of Abilene.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. N.F. Hall were Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Mize, Naomi and Brandy of Plainview, Mrs. Joe Bond of Maryneal, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Griggs and Junior Davidson of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rainey and Charles Ray Dunn of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Taylor of Dunn and Miss Janet West.

Mr. and Mrs. N.F. Hall visited Mrs. Lyda Shipp of Snyder Saturday afternoon.

SCHOOL MENU

SECONDARY SCHOOL
December 9th-13th

THURSDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Politeness Goes Far, Yet Costs Nothing
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Bell Pepper Wedge
Peach Slices
Cowboy Bread w-Butter
Milk

FRIDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Every Man is a Volume, if you Know How to Read Him
German-Polish Sandwich on Bun
Relishes: Cheese Stick, Tomato Carrot, Celery Stick
Hash Brown Potatoes
Orange Jello w-Orange Section
Milk

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

THURSDAY

Macaroni and Cheese
Peas and Carrots
Lettuce & Apple Salad
Buttered French Bread
Peanut Butter Cookie
Milk

FRIDAY

Pigs in Blankets
Pork & Beans
Cabbage-Green Pepper Slaw

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Women

Miss Reddy Now Naturalized Citizen

LOS ANGELES (AP (AP) — "It's the best country in the world," said Australian-born singer Helen Reddy after she became a naturalized citizen of the United States.

Miss Reddy, whose hit "I Am Woman" became an anthem for the women's liberation movement, broke into tears halfway through the oath Tuesday at a ceremony attended by her husband Jeff Wald, daughter Traci, 11, and Mayor Thomas Bradley.

"I feel like I'd like to have a cup of tea and a good cry," said Miss Reddy who immigrated in 1966 from Australia.

M.A.W. C. Expresses Thanks

A spokesman for the Martha Ann Woman's Club has expressed appreciation to the people of Snyder and Scurry County for their tremendous response to the annual tour of homes, sandwich supper and bazaar.

A special thanks goes to the persons who so graciously opened their homes for the tour. These include Mrs. Josephine Randals, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Boren, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones.

Over 400 people attended this Sixth Annual Christmas Tour of Homes.

The Snyder Garden Club received a cash prize for making the most money from their bazaar booth.

In the monthly board meeting this week it was decided to establish an endowment fund for the Woman's Club.

The next activity to be sponsored by the Woman's Club will be a marathon bridge tournament to be held in January and February. Details and rules for this will be presented in January.

Mrs. John Hamlin announced the art exhibit on display this month is presented by Loverta Lovell and will be on display until the end of December.

Mrs. Travis Hatter will display the January exhibit. Her display will include portraits and watercolor.

The public is invited to view these different exhibits each month.

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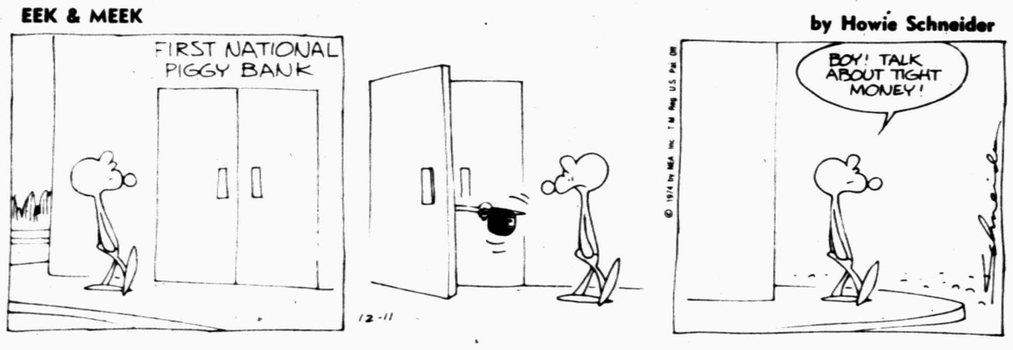
EEK & MEEK by Howie Schneider



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4. River island
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11. Hockey MVP
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13. Test
14. Bushmen
15. Play on words
16. Camera's eye
17. Fabric
19. Spire ornament
21. Energy unit
23. Tantamount
27. Century plant
30. Watermelon
32. Olio
34. Gump
35. Tacky
36. Conflict
38. Opera house
40. Circuit
44. Three in Bonn
47. Manner
49. "Good King"
50. Whirl
51. Taro paste
52. City on the Danube
53. Shout
54. Complete
55. Jeer

DOWN

1. Autumn pear
2. Verbal
3. Italian river
4. The beginning
5. Promise to pay
6. Color quality
7. Apse
8. Woodman's tool
9. Forefront
10. Type measures
18. Rat race
20. Marker in quoits
22. Unbranched antler
24. Samovar
25. Coach
26. Ballad
27. Mornings: abbr.
28. Protection
29. Bravo
31. Fashionable
33. Brood of pheasants
37. Caustic
39. Finish line
41. Fresh water fish
42. French composer
43. Patron saint of sailors
44. Thirsty
45. Female ruff
46. Lamprey
48. Electric particle

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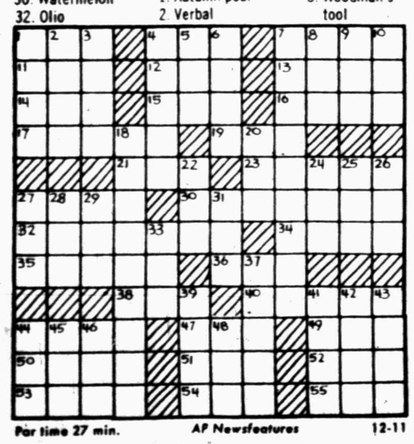

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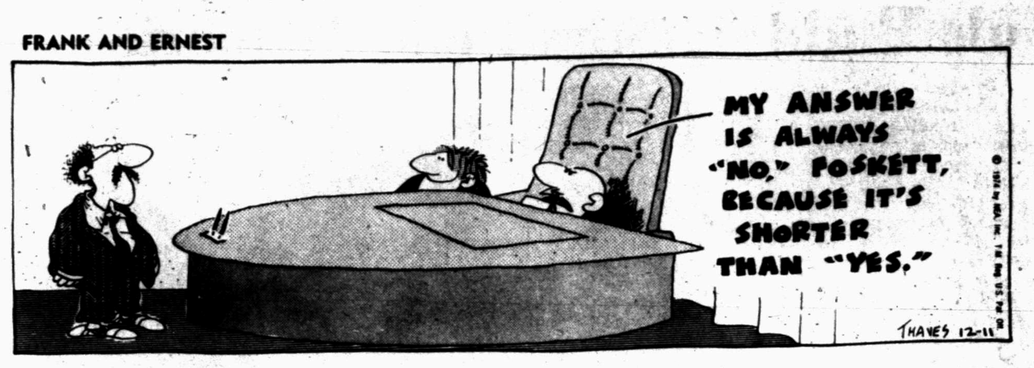

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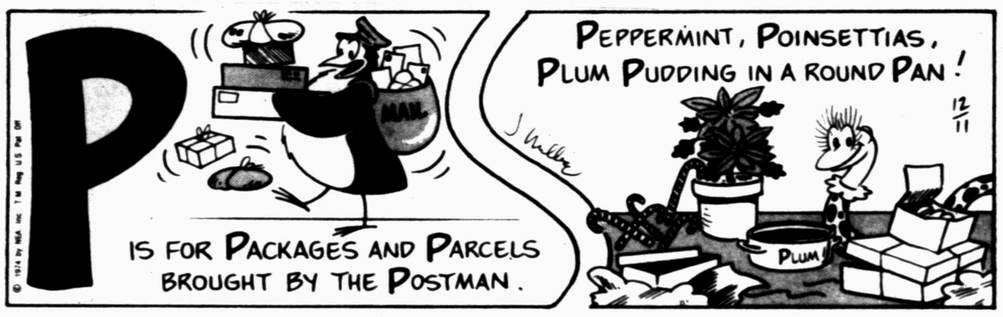

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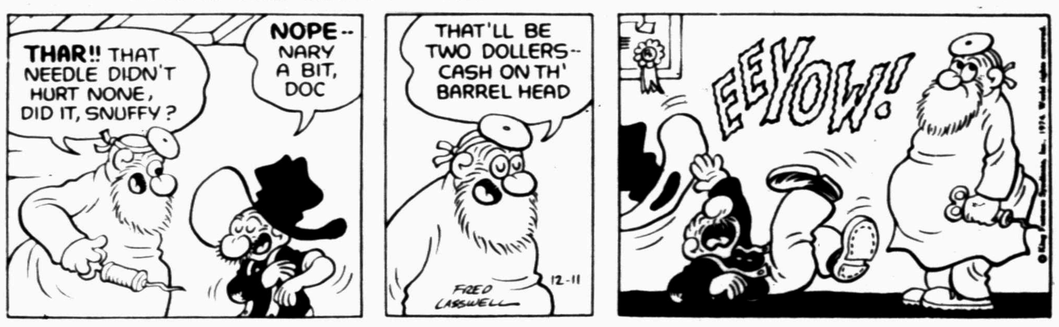


BLONDIE

FLASH GORDON

Tigers Beat Bobcats, Host Reef Tournament

SAN ANGELO—The fighting Snyder Tigers rallied in the second half to score an impressive 81-69 triumph over the San Angelo Bobcats here Tuesday night and boost their season record to 7-2.

This was the second victory this season over the Bobcats. Friday and Saturday, the Tigers will be hosts in the annual Canyon Reef Tournament.

The Bobcats led the Tigers for three quarters, but Snyder took the lead in the last quarter and closed strong for the 12-point victory. San Angelo was ahead 19-10 after one quarter, 36-30 at halftime, and 51-49 after three frames.

"We changed to a half court zone defense in the second quarter and began catching up," said Tiger Coach Bob Moore.

San Angelo dominated the boards in the first half, but Snyder had the most rebounds in the second half.

Chester Cobb sparked the Tiger comeback. He was the game's high scorer with 36 points, and he scored half of them in the fourth quarter. Three other Tigers also hit in twin figures with Randy Gressett getting 13 points and Welton Cobb and Larry Johns each contributing 11.

For San Angelo, Arnold McDowell roped 30 points, Alfred Fields pitched in 17, and Steve Speer put in 10.

Snyder also won the junior varsity game, 80-49, holding a 14-9 lead after one quarter, a 37-22 margin at halftime, and a 51-36 edge after three quarters. Johnny Eicke scored 27 points, and Greg Gafford notched 12 for the JV. For San Angelo, L. Franklin, M. Brown and T. Pennington tallied 13, 12 and 10 points respectively.

The Tiger varsity will tangle with Seminole at 8:30 p.m. Friday in the first round of the Canyon Reef Tournament. Other first round pairings pit Borger, the tourney favorite, against Estacado at 3:30 p.m., Vernon against Big Spring at 5 p.m., and Monterey against Brownwood at 7 p.m.

Losers bracket games are on tap for 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Saturday morning while the winner's bracket tilts are slated for 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Saturday. The battle for seventh place will be at 3:30 p.m., the consolation finals at 5:30 p.m., the third place game at 6:30 p.m. and the championship tilt at 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

SNYDER (81)	FG	FT	PF	TP
C. Cobb	15	6	1	36
W. Cobb	5	1	2	11
Johns	5	1	3	11
Carter	3	1	5	7
Gressett	4	5	1	13
Perry	0	0	4	0
Ragland	1	1	2	3
TOTALS	33	15	18	81

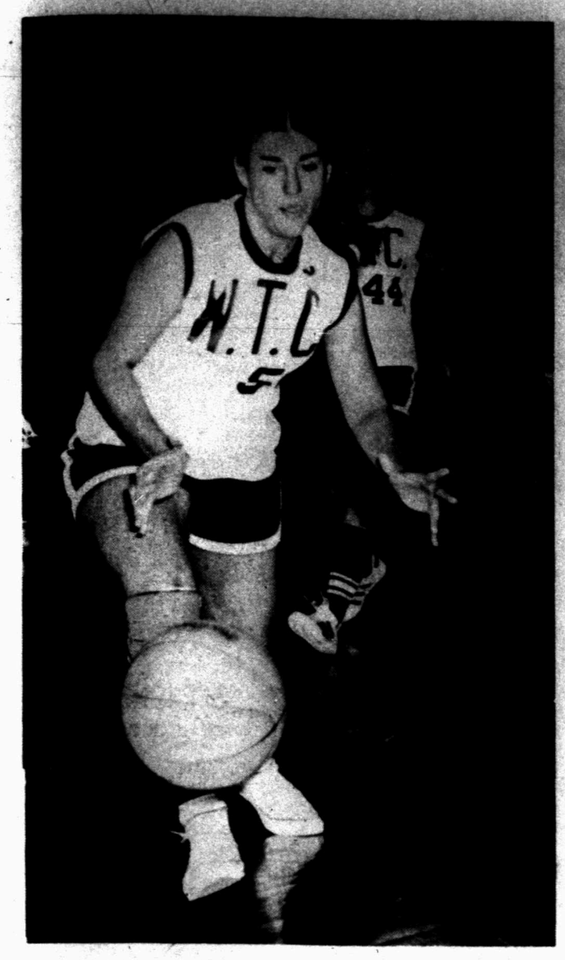
BOBCATS (69)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Speer	5	0	2	10
Baker	1	2	4	4
Fields	7	3	2	17
McDowell	14	2	5	30
Porter	1	0	5	2
Hershberger	1	0	1	2
Glaspie	1	0	3	2
TOTALS	31	7	22	69

Snyder	10	20	19	32--81
San A.	19	15	15	18--69

SNYDER JV (80)	FG	FT	PF	TP
K. Thompson	3	0	0	6
Brandon	3	2	3	8
Witherspoon	1	2	4	4
Eicke	8	11	2	27
Gafford	4	4	5	12
Arnold	1	0	2	2
Johnson	4	1	0	9
McCommon	2	1	3	5
Gill	2	0	3	4
Rodriguez	0	1	0	1
Riggs	0	2	0	2
TOTALS	28	24	22	80

BOBCAT JV (49)	FG	FT	PF	TP
L. Franklin	6	1	4	13
Brown	5	2	1	12
Pennington	5	0	4	10
Hudman	0	1	3	1
C. Brown	0	0	5	0
Gaines	1	0	1	2
Pinchback	1	1	1	3
Duncan	0	1	3	1
Winger	2	0	0	4
F. Franklin	0	1	2	1
Bruning	1	0	1	2
TOTALS	21	7	25	49

Snyder JV	14	23	14	31--80
Bobcat JV	9	13	14	13--49



CHASE BALL—Sandra Jimenez (54), 5-9 freshman from Victoria, and Marilyn Payton (44), 5-11 freshman from Lubbock Cooper, chase a loose ball during the Dusters' basketball clash with the Wayland Queen Bees here Monday night. Sandra got the ball and was the leading scorer in the game with 18 points, but the visitors won, 82-49. The Dusters will be at McMurry College at 7 p.m. Friday.

DRIVES IN—Western Texas College's Bob Miller, 6-5 soph guard from Seaford, N.Y., drives in for a layup shot during the Westerners' clash with Wayland Baptist's JV here Monday night. Miller tallied 17 points. He consistently scores in double figures. WTC won the game, 102-66, to remain unbeaten with 10 victories this year. The WTC men will host Frank Phillips at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the WTC gym in a conference contest.

Celtics Shine

By The Associated Press

"The Boston Celtics are the last of the great running teams in the National Basketball Association and when they are right, they are almost impossible to stop," said Chicago's Chet Walker.

The Celtics were almost impossible to stop Tuesday night, employing their racehorse style to near perfection in outrunning the Bulls 107-89. The victory kept third-place Boston 2½ games behind the pacesetting Buffalo Braves in the NBA's Atlantic Division.

Buffalo retained its half-game lead over New York with a 101-91 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers.

Elsewhere in the NBA, the Milwaukee Bucks downed the Detroit Pistons 90-82, the Houston Rockets broke a seven-game losing streak with a 111-97 victory over the Golden State Warriors and the Atlanta Hawks topped the Portland Trail Blazers 107-103.

In the only American Basketball Association game, the Spirits of St. Louis outscored the San Diego Conquistadors 131-123.

Braves 101, 76ers 91

Buffalo pulled away from Philadelphia in the third period, outscoring the 76ers 32-15 in that quarter for a commanding 81-63 lead. Bob McAdoo paced the Braves with 25 points and 21 rebounds. Fred Carter paced Philadelphia with 20 points.

Knicks 106, Kings 102

Walt Frazier broke loose for 27 of his season-high 34 points in the second half when the Knicks rallied from an 11-point deficit and overtook the Kings. Kansas City's Nate Archibald scored 33 points, his high for the season.

Sports

Pro Grid Playoffs Shaping Up

By FRANK BROWN
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Set aside your pocket computers, slide rules and ouija boards, football fans. Nobody — not even Commissioner Pete Rozelle — knows where the Washington Redskins and St. Louis Cardinals will open their drives for the National Football League title.

The other six teams in the playoffs don't have that problem. The Oakland Raiders know they can expect a visit from the Miami Dolphins for an American Conference playoff game on Dec. 21, and AFC Central winner Pittsburgh will host the wild-card Buffalo Bills the next day in the other AFC first-round game.

The National Conference Central champion Minnesota Vikings and NFC West-winning Los Angeles Rams are preparing unfriendly welcomes for somebody — but they won't know for whom until sometime late Sunday afternoon.

By then, the Redskins will have played the Chicago Bears and the Cardinals will have concluded the New York Giants' season and each of the playoff-bound NFC teams will know what to tell their travel agents.

Should the Cardinals win, they'll take the East Division title and pack their long underwear for a trip to Minnesota's frozen northlands on Dec. 21. Even if Washington beats the Giants and finishes with a 10-4 record — same as St. Louis — the Cardinals would take the title for having beaten the Redskins twice this season.

Washington, as a result, can send their short-sleeved uniforms to the balmy West Coast for the Dec. 22 NFC playoff game.

The conference semifinal winners will meet on Dec. 29 to decide which two owners will have to foot the bills for a trip to New Orleans and Super Bowl IX on Jan. 12. But the sites for the conference championships won't be decided until there is one shopping day left before Christmas.

In the AFC, championship cities with priority belong to the West, Central and East in that order. So if Oakland beats Miami, they'll get the game; if Miami wins, they'd get the game, but only if Buffalo beats Pittsburgh.

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Oakland May Win Super Bowl

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Coach Tom Landry has his own idea on who is going to win the Super Bowl and he believes it just may be the team the Cowboys will play Saturday—the Oakland Raiders.

"Oakland opens at home against Miami and is the only consistent team going right now," Landry said.

The Cowboy-Raider game is meaningless in regard to the National Football League playoffs. Dallas was eliminated from the picture for the first time in nine years Monday night when Washington defeated Los Angeles.

"I'm disappointed for the people wo have pulled so hard for us but the outcome was really not surprising," said Landry, who indicated his team lost the knack of winning the crucial games.

"We couldn't rise up for the important games," said Landry. "We couldn't win the pivotal games like our playoff teams have done in the past. Our three pivitol games came early this year against Minnesota, Washington and St. Louis. You've got to win two out of three of those."

Landry said he wished the season was just starting because "We are playing good football now."

Dallas, traditionally a slow starter, has won seven of its last eight games and owns an 8-5 record going into the nationally televised game with Oakland.

"Oakland is a tough, ball control team," Landry said. "It's hard to take the ball away from them. They are in a good position in the playoffs."

Asked to pick a winner out of the National Conference playoffs, Landry said "Nobody is playing particularly well. It's up for grabs and anybody has a chance. I just wish we were in there."

Landry said he may use rookie quarterback sensation Clint Longley some in the finale with the Raiders.

"We want to give Roger (Staubach) some work but we'll use Clint if the situation is right," Landry said.

Landry said he was proud of the way some of his younger players like defensive ends Ed (Too Tall) Jones and Harvey Banks Martin, defensive tackle Bill Gregory and wide receiver Golden Richards matured.

Asked about the future of Bullet Bob Hayes, the former Cowboy All-pro wide receiver who spent most of the season on the bench, Landry said "I don't know. Golden played better. Bob must challenge for the position and win it. Golden blocks, runs and hustles.

"I can't say basically what Hayes' problem is. Basically, it's just a matter of going all out. Golden just does a better job."

Landry said that "Gregory is the most improved player on the team this year."

Dallas stands to add some excellent talent in the off-season with the No. 1 draft choice of the New York Giants, currently tied with Atlanta and Baltimore with the worst records in the NFL. Dallas possibly could get the No. 1 pick of the collegiate crop for the second consecutive year. Jones of Tennessee State was selected last year and made an important contribution to the team.

Blanda Named Man Of Year

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — George Blanda, the only man ever to play a quarter of a century in professional football, has been named the 1974 Man of the Year by the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The 47-year-old place-kicker and former star quarterback of the Oakland Raiders, who was inducted into the Hall of Fame this year, will be honored in Oakland Dec. 21 prior to the Raiders' first-round National Football League playoff game against the Miami Dolphins.

Blanda, the oldest player ever to compete in major league pro football, began his career in 1949 with the NFL's Chicago Bears, then retired after the 1958 season.

But with the birth of the American Football League, Blanda returned to action, quarterbacking Houston to championships in 1960 and 1961 and staying with the Oilers until 1967, when he was traded to the Raiders.

The Youngwood, Pa., native hasn't thrown a pass since the 1972 season. But before then, he threw 4,000 of them, completing 1,908 for a mammoth 26,881 yards and 235 touchdowns.

It was in 1970, at the age of 43, that he gained his greatest fame, replacing injured Daryle Lamonica and quarterbacking the Raiders through five straight games without a loss—a performance that brightened the hearts of middle-aged Americans caught in the squeeze of the youth cult.

His three touchdown passes and field goal highlighted a 31-14 rout of Pittsburgh, his 48-yard field goal with three seconds to play tied Kansas City 17-17, his touchdown pass and 52-yard field goal in the last two minutes beat Cleveland 23-20, his 20-yard touchdown pass downed Denver 24-19, and his 16-yard field goal with seven seconds on the clock downed San Diego 20-17.

Blanda holds or shares a number NFL records — and every time he steps on the field, he sets another one. He and Oakland center Jim Otto have played in 209 straight games, a 15-season string dating back to the old AFL's first game in 1960.

Ira Wins 2 Of 3 Tilts

IRA—Ira won two of three basketball tilts with Highland here last night. The varsity girls won 59-27; the Junior High girls won 22-14; and, The B team boys lost, 33-26.

In the varsity girls game, Ira took a 15-13 lead in the first quarter, boosted it to 32-18 at halftime and coasted to victory. Susie Hester roped 29 points, and Nancy Sterling put in 10. For Highland, Thompson and Alexander scored 13 and 11 points, respectively.

In the young girls game, Donna Layne was high point girl for Ira with 13 points while Fullwood paced Highland with 12 points.

In the B boys game, Highland outscored Ira in every period except the second one, led by Reyes, who scored 13 points. Joe Hall was high for Ira with 10.

HIGHLAND VARSITY GIRLS (27)--Alexander 4-3-11; Thompson 4-5-13; Wells 1-1-3;l totals 9-9-27.

IRA VARSITY GIRLS (59)—Hester 9-11-29; Sterling 3-4-10; Corbell 3-0-6; Wiggins 1-4-6; Autry 2-0-4; totals 20-19-59.

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Ira 15 17 14 13—59

HIGHLAND BOYS (33)—Krejci 1-0-2; Pantoja 2-0-4; Wright 1-1-3; Stewart 2-1-5; Reyes 4-5-13; Scott 2-2-6; totals 12-9-33.

IRA BOYS (26)—Williams 2-0-4; Clements 3-0-6; Kesner 2-0-4; Hall 5-0-10; Whetsel 1-0-2; totals 13-0-26.

Highland 6 2 15 10—33
Ira 2 4 12 8—26

SCORES

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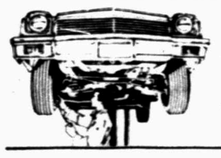

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PHILLIS IN DILLERLAND

Getting Big Ha-Ha-HAAA Out Of Life No. 2

By Dick Kleiner

HOLLYWOOD—(NEA)—For a lady who is (The World Almanac says) 57 years old, Phyllis Diller acts completely unlike her age. She looks, talks and behaves more like a teen-ager.

Maybe that's because her second life, that of the comedienne, is less than 20 years old. She began her career as a funny lady in the late '50's. Before then, as she says, she was just another housewife.

Today, as an institution, she is hardly just another anything. And a visit to her home is like sliding down the rabbit hold into Phyllis' version of Wonderland.

There's a huge paintng in the hall. You notice something odd about it. Then you realize it is on its side.

"Only way I could fit it in the space ha-ha-HAAAAA," says Phyllis.

She leads the way into what she calls her Hope room. It is dominated by a huge chest. Naturally, a Hope chest - ha-ha-HAAAAA. The room the whole house - is furnished in immaculate taste, baroquish, lots of antique furniture, plants, flowers, tapestries, bric-a-brac.

The hostess is in soft pink and blue, with a floppy pink hat.

"The hat?" she says. "It's better than a wig."

But the teen-ager in her comes out quickly. You notice she is wearing braces on her teeth, something few 57-year-old ladies sport. She explains that she always had a malocclusion and is in her third year of wearing braces to correct it.

Romping around the place is her dog, a mite of a Llasa Apso named Phearless. A lady in Corsicana, Texas gave Phyllis the puppy.

"I'd never been a dog person before," she says, "but now I go to a BUTCHER, and honest-to-God butcher with knives and BLOOD on the floor like there should be."

One of her grandchildren, a toddler named Paul, popped into the room. He was just back from kindergarten.

"I think I have SOMETHING for you, Paul," said Phyllis.

"I already got it," said Paul.

She wanted to show me her closet. I went along, figuring I'd humor her because how sensational can a closet be? But Phyllis' closet is a C-L-O-S-E-T!!! Rows on rows of her peculiar brand of dresses, hats, feathers, shoes. Everything in its place. Temperature-controlled.

"I'm a hat person, as you can see," she said. "But if you don't have hair, you tend that way - ha-ha-HAAAAA."

PHYLLIS DILLER: "For years I thought I was NORMAL!"

Next year, 1975, will be her 20th anniversary in show business. She said that San Francisco, the city where she started, may declare her a national monument. If they don't, somebody should.

She says her dream had always been to be a success with music. She studied the piano for 17 years, went to the Sherwood Conservatory of Music in Chicago.

"My DREAM was music," she says. "I never thought of comedy. For years I thought I was NORMAL. I was funny in living rooms and at church affairs.

"It was my first husband who insisted I become a comedienne. Was that a GOOD IDEA! About the only good idea he ever had. That and the kids - ha-ha-HAAAAA."

Her love of music is still with her and currently she's enjoying herself with what she calls her new concert career. She's done nearly 30 so far. In a turn something like Jack Benny's, she appears with local symphonies. She plays the piano seriously, then recites a prayer she wrote which has been set to music by Alvin Mills.

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When she decided, back in 1955, to give professional comedy a whirl, she had to start at the bottom.

"It was tough," she says, "for me, a person of innate GOOD TASTE, to have to start at the bottom, with the fags and the dikes and the cheap rooms."

But she did and she persevered and now she picks and chooses where she wants to perform. She enjoys her new concerts more than anything but that's not where the big money is.

"Clubs are still the beefsteak," she says. "I used to take anything that even MENTIONED money, but no more. Now I take the kind of job that's one show a night, if it's the same audience. If the audience CHANGES - as they do in Las Vegas - I'll do two or three shows a night. I just do the choice things, but I'm still on the ROAD 10 months a year."

She says her goal is to turn into a kind of Woody Allen performer, making her own movies. Comedy movies, of course.

"When I go to the movies," she says, "I only want to see comedy. Porno is COMPLETELY boring. So is violence. Why go to a movie and be UPSET for a week. Same with television. I want to laugh - ha-ha-HAAAAA!"

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Sugar Prices Are Reduced

NEW YORK (AP) — Two of the nation's biggest sugar refiners have cut wholesale prices by an amount that could bring down the price of a five-pound bag by 21 cents.

Amstar, the largest refiner, said Monday it was cutting prices immediately by $3.60 for 100 pounds for grocery sugar. And Sucrest Inc. said it would follow suit.

Earlier this month, the two companies and National Sugar Refining Co. announced a $5.20 reduction, the first decline in a skyward ascent in nearly two years. A National spokesman said the company was not cutting prices again Monday.

There was speculation that because of declining world sugar prices a third price cut was forthcoming. Brokers said a drop in consumer demand pulled the prices down.

Amstar and Sucrest also announced a $5.75 reduction for 100 pounds of industrial sugars, bringing the price to $61.

Archbishop Says He Needs Millions

LONDON (AP)— Dr. Donald Coggan, the new archbishop of Canterbury, says he needs $8.4 million to keep his cathedral from collapsing.

The Cathedral Church of Christ is the mother church of the Anglican faith and is visited by more than 3 million persons a year.

Guru Turns 17

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Santa's Problem Pup

By Bob Boyle

CHAPTER 3

After lunch Juniperperper and Jinkersnipes helped Mrs. Claus clear away the dishes.

Santa was at the huge table enjoying his after-dinner pipeful of tobacco.

"Hey, where is Peako?" Juniperperper said.

"I don't know, where is he?" Jinkersnipes asked.

Mrs. Claus looked in the kitchen and couldn't find him.

"Now I wonder where the pup could be," she said.

The three went back into the wood-paneled dining room.

"Hey, there he is," Jinkersnipes said. "Look, he is stretched out across Santa's feet and is sleeping."

"He really looks comfortable," Juniperperper said.

"Well, I think that dog should stay in the kitchen, Mrs. Claus said.

She gave a low whistle.

Peako perked up his ears.

She whistled again and Peako lifted his head.

She whistled and whistled again.

But Peako didn't move.

"He wants to stay with Santa," Juniperperper said.

"I guess he is tired after a busy morning," Jinkersnipes said.

"You know I think Santa is Peako's favorite," Juniperperper said.

"And it's no wonder," Jinkersnipes replied.

"Did Santa ever have a dog, Mrs. Claus?" Juniperperper asked.

"Oh, I guess he has had thousands of dogs," she replied.

"Of his very own?" Juniperperper asked.

Miss Kay Nihn put a leash on Peako and led him away.

"No, none that he ever kept," Mrs. Claus said.

"Why not?" Jinkersnipes asked.

"Well Santa has the rule that all puppies must be given out on Christmas," she said. "He loves dogs so much that if he started to keep one for himself, we probably would have a hundred."

Just then Miss Kay Nihn, the kennel keeper, came bursting into the kitchen.

"What's going on here? What's going on here?" she said.

"Hello, Kay," Mrs. Claus said. "What do you mean?"

"Mrs. Claus, you know right well that I am the keeper of the dogs here in the North Pole," she said.

"Yes, I know that Kay," Mrs. Claus said. "Why?"

"Well I understand that a couple of the male elves have a dog in this house," she said. "I don't approve of that at all. I'm in charge of the dogs."

"Oh, Kay, don't be such a fuddyduddy," Juniperperper said.

"Did you hear that, Mrs. Claus," Miss Kay Nihn said. "Juniperperper called me a bad name. He should be punished."

"You are a fuddyduddy," Jinkersnipes said.

"Him too, Mrs. Claus," Miss Kay Nihn said. "They both called me a bad name and I want them reported to Santa Claus. He should punish them."

Just then Santa came into the room.

"What's going on here?" he said. "What's all this noise?"

"Santa, I am glad you're here," Miss Kay Nihn said. "These two elves used bad words and I want them punished."

"Tsh,tsh," Santa said. "What do you have to say for yourselves?"

"Santa, she is a fuddyduddy," Jinkersnipes said.

"That isn't nice," Santa said. "But what is the problem, Miss Nihn?" Santa asked.

"I understand that there is a dog in this house," Miss Kay Nihn said. "And I am in charge of all North Pole dogs. I want to know if it is true that there is a dog here, who brought him here, and why isn't he in my kennel."

With that Peako came bounding in.

"See, there is a dog here," Miss Kay Nihn said. "Where did he come from and WHAT is he doing here?"

The boys here found him behind a snowbank," Santa said. "And they brought him here."

"A likely story," Miss Kay Nihn said.

"It's true," Juniperperper said.

"Well, Santa, give me the dog and I'll take him to the kennels," Miss Kay Nihn said smiling and pleased with herself.

"To the kennels?" Juniperperper said.

"Yes, that's is the rule," Miss Kay Nihn said. "All dogs belong in the kennels."

"Not Peako," Jinkersnipes said.

"Miss Kay Nihn is right," said Santa. He scratched Peako behind the ear and said, "Well, boy, you have to go to the kennels. It is a rule."

"Oh shucks," said Juniperperper.

"Fuddyduddy," said Jinkersnipes in a whisper so soft that he wasn't heard.

Miss Kay Nihn put a leash on Peako and led him away.

(More tomorrow)

Rising Prices Boost Value Of Wheat Crop

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rising prices helped boost the value of the 1974 wheat crop about $1 billion over last year's harvest, although production was far less than the government had expected.

The Agriculture Department said Tuesday that this year's crop value to farmers is a record of more than $7.7 billion, including an average 1974-75 season market price of $4.32 per bushel.

Last year, when the average farm price of wheat was a record $3.96 per bushel, the crop was worth more than $6.7 billion. Soaring prices since mid-1972 have been the main reason, along with larger production the past two years.

Revised figures show the 1974 wheat crop was slightly less than 1.8 billion bushels, up only 13 million bushels from the previous USDA estimate made two months ago. That put this year's harvest about 5 per cent above the previous record in 1973.

That was far less than the nearly 2.2 billion bushels of wheat the department had expected last spring, based on plantings and normal yields. Poor weather in major parts of the breadbasket sliced that projected yield by about 400 million bushels, which would have been roughly enough to double the U.S. wheat stockpile by next summer if it had materialized.

In Kansas, the leading wheat state, a poor growing season reduced this year's harvest to 319 million bushels from a record of nearly 385 million in 1973 despite more acres planted.

Reductions in yields were reported for many other states.

"Yield per acre of the 1974 crop at 27.4 bushels is the lowest average yield since 1967 and compares with 31.7 for the 1973 crop and 32.7 in 1972," the department's Crop Reporting Board said.

Mahon Portrait Is Unveiled Tuesday

By PEGGY SIMPSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A portrait of Appropriations Committee Chairman George Mahon was unveiled here Tuesday and Mahon said that, like the portrait, he hopes to hang around Congress for many years.

"Of course, I wouldn't want to make it a career ... but having served 25 years' apprenticeship I thought I should stay awhile to take advantage of it," he added.

The Texas Democrat was honored at a ceremony in the Rayburn Room of the Capitol, attended by dozens of his West Texas friends, the entire Texas delegation, the bipartisan leadership of Congress and President Ford.

Mahon said his committee has been the training ground for many leaders, among them "a man named Gerry Ford, and we appropriated him to the Presidency."

"Mr. President, I've checked with my colleagues and this was not an act of fiscal irresponsibility," added Mahon, a staunch conservative on holding down spending.

Ford noted that he, Mahon, retiring GOP Whip Les Arends and former Defense Secretary Melvin Laird played golf the second weekend after Ford became President.

"I won't say how I did that day, but I think I was in a veto-proof foursome," the President said.

But he said his respect for Mahon extends far beyond the golf course.

"George may have an interlocking grip on a putter but he has a hammerlocking grip on unnecessary government spending," he said.

Ford said Mahon has been devoted "to keeping America morally, militarily and fiscally strong."

During their shared time in Congress, Ford said, he never met anyone "more decent, honorable, dedicated and more careful and when the issues were down and the going was tough he could be more forthright than anybody. I don't know any greater attributes."

Mahon told Ford there have been 37 Presidents "but only 24 chairmen of the House Appropriations Committee ... Could it be it is easier to become President?"

Mahon, 74, ranks second in service only to another Texan, Banking Chairman Wright Patman of Texarkana, another Democrat.

THE MIXER

Select words meaning the opposite of the words above the squares, arranging the letters in the two words to form a new word which means:

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The MIXER word is: ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Previous Mixer Answer
Opposite words: LESS and LEADER.
Mixer word: LEADERLESS.

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Surviving Infants Are Stable

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — The three survivors of Charlotte Lange's sextuplets still cling to their fragile grip on life.

The infants — Jason Wesley, Brian Walter and Jolene Rene -maintained their stable condition today and their medical prognosis remained guarded, said a nursing supervisor at Valley Medical Center.

Two other of the tiny, two-pound children — Corey William and Kelly Irene — died within five hours of each other Tuesday. The girl died of respiratory and heart failure and the boy succumbed to respiratory complications, doctors said.

A third infant, John, died four hours after Mrs. Lange gave birth to the sextuplets within a 45-minute period Sunday morning. They were born three months premature and ranged in weight from 1 pound, 15 ounces to 2½ pounds.

All the infants suffered from hyaline membrane disease, a condition which prevents oxygen from reaching the lungs.

Mrs. Lange, 26, gave birth to quadruplets on Nov. 23, 1973, after taking a fertility drug called Pergonal, but all four died.

She took Pergonal again before giving birth to the sextuplets and has said she would risk multiple births again if it would give her children.

"That's the only way I can have children and I want to have children," she told a news conference.

Her husband, Alvin, a 31-year-old armored truck attendant, said he would ask her to reconsider such a decision. But he added, "It would really be up to her. It's her body."

Baptists Appoint Reames

DALLAS (AP) — Chester L. Reames of Altus, Okla, has been named by the Baptist General Convention of Texas to direct the work of Baptist Student Unions across the state.

Reames was appointed Tuesday during a regular session of the BGCT. He has been associate in the Texas Baptist Student Work Division since 1964. He will replace Dr. W. F. Howard who retires Dec. 31 after 32 years as student director.

Reames is a graduate of Oklahoma State University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Before joining the BGCT he was student director at North Texas State University and served churches in Oklahoma City and Purdon, Okla.

In another action Tuesday the Executive Board of the BGTC presented a scroll to Baylor University president Abner McCall and Mrs. Grant Teaff, taking official notice of the football success of the Baylor Bears. The Bears won the Southwest Conference football title and will meet Penn State in the Cotton Bowl New Year's Day.

The board also passed a resolution "sounding the alarm" over reported plans for a new pari-mutuel gambling effort in the 1975 Texas Legislature. A state-wide pari-mutuel referendum was defeated last May.

First Lady Is More Active

WASHINGTON (AP) — First Lady Betty Ford says she is feeling "better than I expected" and has had no side effects from the drugs she has been taking since her breast cancer surgery.

Mrs. Ford has been more active lately, especially with holiday entertaining and getting ready for her first foreign trip with the President — to the island of Martinique in the Caribbean this weekend.

Dehydrated Foods Will Help Cut Grocery Bill

By VIRGINIA TYSON
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Distributors of dehydrated food say the housewife hurt by inflation can save up to 50 per cent using the dried variety. And there appears some are buying ahead because of fears of food shortages.

Distributors boast that their products taste better, have more nutrition and will remain in good condition 25 years.

"Now that people are realizing the economics of the food situation, they're starting to store up food and dehydrated food is ideal for this," said Bill Clark, district manager in Houston of Southwestern Food and Supply Co. in an interview.

Unopened, the foods can last from 20 to 25 years, he said. After opening, the foods have a shelf life of 12 to 15 months.

"We have just about anything you could find in a normal store," Clark said, rattling off a list that included fruits, vegetables, meats, and textured vegetable protein meat substitutes.

"You just add hot water and the foods reconstitute to their original shape," he said.

Clark estimates that a family of four can eat for one year for $1,200 to $1,500 using dehydrated foods.

"We figure a family spends 75 cents per person each meal," he said. "We've cut that down to 35 cents."

The Ready Reserve Co., a Dallas distributor, noting that many sales are in "units," said sales of such units have sharply increased.

A "unit" costs $339 to $455. It feeds one person three complete meals daily for 15 months.

Each unit contains 13 cases, each with six one-gallon cans.

Mrs. Lorna Shipman, a Ready Reserve employe, estimates a gallon can provides more than 100 servings.

The unit weighs about 300 pounds and Clark says it could fit under a single bed. He said the equivalent in fresh food weighs about 3,000 pounds.

Most of the unit buyers are middle-aged, Clark said. Persons who have little reserve cash do their regular shopping in small amounts as in a grocery.

Truman Gray, president of Basic Needs, Inc., which owns Southwestern Food and Supply, said sale of dehydrated food is two to three times greater than last year.

"We have quite a few doctors and lawyers who come in and plop down $2,000 and walk off with a food supply for a year for their families," Gray said.

Gray said some persons buy out of fear of short supplies.

Yet Gray said he doesn't feel hoarding is the right word.

"It doesn't take a mathematician to see the interest on savings accounts is being destroyed by inflation, so why not invest in food and get a 25 or 30 per cent return."

Gray estimated about five per cent of the U.S. population are dehydrated food consumers this year compared with two per cent a year ago.

Clark said that because dehydrated food is not cooked before processing, it has a fresher taste and loses only five per cent of the nutrition. He said wet-packed canned goods lose 50 to 75 per cent of their nutrition.

Mrs. Shipman said the taste is "fantastic and better than fresh foods." She has used only dehydrated potatoes, margarine, peanut butter and cheese.

Dehydrated margarine? Dehydrated cheese?

Yes, just add water to butter, margarine and peanut butter. Cheese will be crumbled as the kind you put on spaghetti and meat balls, but can be moulded and sliced.

"My husband and I are purchasing for the future and buying units," Mrs. Shipman said.

Clark said his company has started carrying bulk quantities of whole grain flour which are selling well.

"I guess people don't like paying 50 cents for a loaf of bread," he said.

Storm Ploughs Out Of Texas

By The Associated Press

Remnants of a wintry storm ploughed out of Texas to Louisiana early today, bringing high winds and heavy thundershowers to the Upper Texas Coast.

A new low pressure area moving in from the Panhandle carried scattered rain to North Texas along the Red River Valley.

A blanket of dense early morning fog spread from the Coastal Bend northward into Oklahoma. Heavy fog cut visibility to near zero in the Beaumont area.

But skies were clearing from the west as the low pressure area moved across the state.

Predawn temperatures ranged in the 30s in Central and West Texas, and in the 40s in East Texas and along the coast. Some isolated patches of ice were reported on Central Texas highways before sunrise today.

Dalhart and El Paso had the overnight lows of 29, and Brownsville had the warmest reading at 48. Other temperatures included Amarillo 32, Abilene 32, Childress 37, Wichita Falls 39, Waco 39, Dallas and Fort Worth 40, Lufkin 44, Texarkana 40, Houston 45, Galveston 47, Beaumont 46, Austin 34, San Antonio 40, San Angelo 43, Del Rio 33, McAllen 42.

Snow fell mixed with rain in Northwest Texas late Tuesday, and ice closed the Trans-Mountain Road in El Paso. In the mountain basin Alpine reported two inches of new snow early Tuesday.

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Santa Letters Official Project

By DOLORES BARCLAY
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Some are written on torn pieces of paper with frayed edges. Some are handwritten in bright crayon colors. Many are unsigned and unstamped. But they all begin: "Dear Santa."

The appeals range from little Cathy, who asked for 40 different toys, to Shanta Arun of Allison Park, Pa., who wrote, "All I want is for everybody to be happy on Christmas Day."

Many of the children were concerned with the health of Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves, spelled "elfs" in most of the letters.

"I've been worrying about you lately. It's so cold in the North Pole. How are your reindeer? Keeping in shape, I hope, for that big day," wrote Martin Walker of Cambria Heights, N.Y.

The New York General Post Office receives thousands of such letters addressed to the North Pole and environs. They are not tossed out or left to idle, postal officials say. They are left for individuals and organizations to take in order to help provide a happier Christmas to a needy child or family.

Postmaster John R. Strachan said the practice started more than 40 years ago as a project of clerks in the money order division. It has since mushroomed into an official project, with public support and donations, he said. There are similar projects elsewhere in the nation.

Many Santa Claus letters are not from youngsters, but from indigent parents who say they haven't the money to buy presents for their children.

A Brooklyn, N.Y., mother of six, said her children "are patiently waiting for Santa, but unless I get lucky, there'll be an empty tree."

Sal and Nicholas Santoro live in the Bronx in a house without heat or hot water. "This Christmas, we won't be getting anything. Daddy is not working and mommy is sick," said Sal, 15, and Nicholas, 5, in their letter.

"We would appreciate whatever we get from you, even if it's just a toy each.... I'm sure mommy would appreciate a new boiler or heater to keep us warm."

And John Murray, of Assonet, Mass., was kind enough to compute the cost of the nine items he wanted Santa to bring. It was $38.08.

The letters are available to the public until 3 p.m. Dec. 24, at the General Post Office.

Barber Nominated To Become Peer

LONDON (AP) — Anthony Barber, who served as chancellor of the exchequer in the Conservative government that left office in February, was nominated to become a peer for life in ceremonies Friday.

ALL-DISTRICT BAND MEMBERS—These students from Snyder High Schhol were named to the all-district band in competition against students from all classifications of schools, B through 4A, at Hardin-Simmons University. They will compete for regional honors Jan. 3-4 in Abilene. From left, front row, are Cathy Jinkins, baritone saxophone; Theresa Killgo, tenor saxophone; Deneese Pemberton, alto saxophone. Middle row, Mary Vaughan, clarinet; Lesa Ball, flute; Jeri Bavousett, cornet; Angie Amato, trombone. Top row, Patrick Martin, clarinet; Dee Roach, percussion; Becky Wafer, flute; Mark Hester, trombone, and Radford Turner, trumpet.

Dr. Lamb

Puts himself on strict diet

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—I am a man of 70 and have had angina for eight years. I have been taking four Isordil tablets daily, one before meals, and one upon retiring. I also have been carrying a small vial of Nitrostat 1-150 and occasionally have had to put one under my tongue if I exert myself or walk too fast.

About six months ago, I put myself on a very strict, fat-free diet. I haven't felt this good in the last 10 years. I cut my Isordil down to two tablets daily. I carry Nitrostat till it crumbles in my pocket. Now I can walk as far as I care to and can play 18 holes of golf without any distress.

I told my doctor just how well I felt, and he told me not to try to be my own doctor. He further suggested that I take the medicine as he had prescribed, that this cholesterol bit was mostly a lot of nonsense and that the fat-free diet was debatable since nothing had been proved on this deal. Should I continue as I am doing, or see another doctor?

DEAR READER—You've done yourself a favor. I have seen many people who have gone on a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet who have lost weight and had marked improvement in their heart condition. Most people on such diets do lose weight and that is a big help. It means you have to do less work in moving that body around the golf course. Even patients bedridden with recurrent heart pain, often get marked relief on a low-calorie, low-fat diet. Anyone who has taken care of lots of heart patients and tried this, knows how beneficial this can be in some cases.

I approve of your effort. The American Heart Assn. recommends a low-fat low-cholesterol diet for patients with your type of heart trouble. The Food and Nutrition Board of the National Academy of Sciences - National Research Council, and the Council on Foods and Nutrition of the American Medical Assn. also made such a recommendation in a joint statement in July, 1972. Similar diet recommendations were made by the Inter-Society Commission on Heart Disease. So, you can judge for yourself.

One other thing. Your Nitrostat tablets - they are nitroglycerin. The ones that have crumbled in your pocket are worthless. Nitroglycerin is a volatile substance and those tablets should be kept in sealed in an amber bottle in the refrigerator. You can open the bottle once a week and take out a week's supply. The tablets you carry on your person won't be good for more than a week. A lot of heart patients are walking around with worthless nitroglycerine tablets in their pockets. This may not be all bad, because if you have not had angina for a long time and then start having it, you should see a doctor first before taking nitroglycerin.

If you have any problems about the nitroglycerin story, tell your doctor there is a good write-up on the problem in the Canadian Medical Journal (Vol. 110; page 788, 1974). There is a lot of confusion about nitroglycerin tablets and this may help clarify the problem. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Police Vow To Avenge 5 Deaths

By ALFONSO CHARDY
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico City's police department vowed today to avenge the death of five of its men gunned down by 15 stocking-masked terrorists who raided two local banks and made off with $200,000.

Two other policemen wounded by the gunmen in the robberies Tuesday were reported in serious condition.

A police spokesman said no arrests had been made, and the department had no clues to the identity of the bandits.

Mayor Octavio Senties and Police Chief Daniel Gutierrez Santos stood silent guard for an hour in the early morning beside the five black coffins of the slain men.

More than 30 policemen have been killed in Mexico City this year in clashes with terrorists, but this was the largest casualty toll in one clash.

"We will not stop our investigation until the assassins are captured," said a police department spokesman. "We will avenge the deaths of the policemen through justice by arresting their killers."

Three women were reported among the 15 masked persons who pulled up to the Banco de Comercio and the Banco Nacional de Mexico on opposite corners in an industrial district and opened fire with M1 rifles on police stationed outside.

Two officers were killed instantly and three others died soon after in a hospital.

The gunmen grabbed $200,000, scattered notes in the banks signed "Commando Alfonso Rojas Dias, 23rd of September Communist League" and escaped in two black automobiles.

Miners Return

CHARLESTON, W.Va (AP) — Most of the coal miners who had been honoring the picket lines of of striking mine construction workers began returning to work this morning after the pickets withdrew, mine officials reported.

An estimated 28,000 soft coal miners had been kept from returning to work on Monday because of picketing by the United Mine Workers' 4,500 members employed as construction workers by firms belonging to the Association of Bituminous Contractors.

The union's 120,000 miner members last week approved a new contract with the Bituminous Coal Operators Association after being off their jobs since their old contract expired on Nov. 62. But a separate agreement for the construction workers was not reached until Tuesday morning.

The union's 38-member bargaining council is scheduled to meet in Washington today to decide whether the accord should be submitted to the workers or sent back to the bargaining table. A UMW spokesman said that with a vote this weekend, the construction workers could be back on their jobs by next Monday.

Arnold Miller, the UMW president, sent a telegram Tuesday afternoon to local unions throughout the coalfields brought urging them to take down the the picket lines.

So far few of the more than 25,000 workers laid off in the coal-dependent steel and railroad industries during the nearly four-week strike have returned to work.

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