

Am I seeing things, or was that a dinosaur?

By ROBERT LOCKE
AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It sounds like a "Late Show" movie, but two scientist-adventurers say they're going to search uncharted African jungles this summer for what may be a living species of dinosaur that somehow escaped extinction 60 million years ago.

"Whether there are dinosaurs or not, we don't know. But we're going to check it out," said biologist Roy P. Mackal of the University of Chicago. "I admit to having some romance in my soul."

He concedes much of the scientific community is skeptical or worse, but "that doesn't bother us. You have to have a thick skin."

"If they say it's extremely unlikely, then I'm the first to agree," he said Wednesday. "But it's not impossible. We've got to check out the longshots because they pay off once in a while."

Mackal said in a telephone interview that natives, primarily pygmies in remote areas of the Congo, frequently have reported encounters with a bizarre

creature twice the size of an elephant. Such tales, he said, were almost always second-hand. They called the water-dwelling creature mokele-mbembe.

But last year, Mackal said, he spent a month in the Congo and "we were able to penetrate to an area where we got first-hand reports, not just people saying, 'My grandfather told me about this when I was a boy.'"

He said members of different tribes and regions "all described essentially the same thing. That leads me to think that there is an animal of some kind out there."

He said the region, rarely visited by outsiders, has changed little in 70 million years, "so if there is a relic species, this would be a good place for it.... It's like a lost world in some ways."

In Los Angeles, consulting engineer Herman Regusters, a co-organizer of the three-month search to begin in the Congo in August, said Mackal showed the natives pictures of a variety of animals.

They readily identified the creatures as an elephant or hippopotamus. They almost always identified the mokele-mbembe as an artist's drawing of a brontosaurus, a classic vegetarian dinosaur.

"The interviews he conducted are pretty convincing," Regusters said. "I wouldn't waste my time if I didn't believe in it."

Regusters said natives describe a brownish-gray creature with short, thick legs that weighs perhaps 9 to 15 tons and stretches some 35 feet from its small head on a long neck to the end of its tail.

He said stories tell of fishermen being killed, but not eaten, by the creature and of at least one mokele-mbembe being killed by pygmies about 1939.

He also cited reports of footprints "a lot like the footprints of an elephant but with claws. They were about 36 inches across."

"They said it (the creature) is rarely seen except in the early morning and late evening when it emerges from the water (to feed on riverside vegetation). Other than that, it seems to stay in the water like a hippo."

Regusters said the expedition, which also is to include botanist Richard Greenwell of the University of Arizona, has been approved by the government of the Congo. He says the team has no interest in killing or

capturing a mokele-mbembe, but only photographing it.

"What would three guys do with a 10-ton carcass out in the middle of the jungle after you had to hack your way in?" Regusters said.

"I'm not a believer in fuzzy pictures," he said referring to photos that are often offered to prove the existence of other mysterious creatures such as the Loch Ness monster of Scotland or bigfoot of the American Northwest.

"I think we would have to have sharp photographs that will stand up under scientific photographic analysis," he said.

The expedition, with the official support of no institution or foundation, is being run on a shoestring. Regusters said they may take the trip with as little as \$30,000 in private contributions and an assortment of instruments, cameras, weapons and other equipment donated by various companies.

He said the group plans to live off the land most of the time.

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Reagan stops jet delivery

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan, stopping short of a definite ruling that Israel violated an agreement to use American-made arms for defense only, is suspending delivery of four F-16 fighters to Israel "for the time being." But for now, no other reprisals are being taken.

Officials at the White House and the State Department said the suspension, following the Israeli bombing of an Iraqi nuclear reactor Sunday, would have no immediate effect on large military shipments to Israel due to start next month.

Israel called Reagan's decision "unjust," expressed "deep regret and disappointment" and said its destruction of the nuclear facility was a wholly justifiable act of self-defense to prevent "an implacable enemy" from building atomic bombs.

Israel's friends on Capitol Hill took a similar line, while others said some action, even temporarily suspending shipments of just four planes, is necessary to drive home the point that agreements are meant to be kept.

The suspension was ordered Wednesday under provisions of the 1952 Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement, in which Israel pledged not to use military equipment provided by the United States "to undertake any act of aggression against any other state."

Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., criticized the action, saying that "after more thorough review, the administration will be compelled by the evidence to conclude that the mission was in fact an act of self-defense by Israel."

Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr., R-Tenn., called the suspension "the right decision under the circumstances."

"I agree with it and I support it," he said. The chairmen of the Senate and House Foreign Affairs committees said their panels will consider the issue soon. Senate hearings could open as early as next Wednesday.

Sen. Charles H. Percy, R-Ill., chairman of the Senate committee, said either Congress or the administration can act on the possible violation. But he avoided suggesting that Congress might impose any additional punishment of Israel.

Rep. Clement J. Zablocki, D-Wis., the House Foreign Affairs chairman, called Reagan's decision "measured and prudent" and added: "This decision properly upholds U.S. law regarding the use to which military equipment we sell can be put."

The four F-16s, now at the General Dynamics Co. plant in Fort Worth, Texas, were to have been flown to Israel on Friday by U.S. Air Force pilots.



More meetings in the Mideast

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, right, listens to Israel's ambassador to Cairo, Moshe Sasson, during meetings Wednesday in Alexandria, Egypt. Sasson delivered a message from Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, believed to cover Israel's widely criticized

air strike against nuclear installations in Iraq. See related stories, Page 2C.

Temper flare in day-long tax appraisal meeting

By ED TODD
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Midland County Commissioner Charlie Welch and Chief Appraiser Virgil Jones Jr. got into a dogfight of verbal bursts Wednesday in a day-long meeting, but neither scored a fatal hit.

Their congeniality stayed intact. Welch, one of six members of the county's fledgling appraisal district board of directors, is becoming more and more obvious in his bid to gouge into Jones' proposed \$364,000 operating budget for 1982 and to cut back on Jones' powers as appraiser for the six taxing entities in the county.

Welch said neighboring Ector County and a "multitude" of other counties hire Pritchard & Abbott, professional appraisers and consulting engineers, to appraise property at

relatively economical costs. Welch said Ector County pays P&A about \$200,000 annually for appraisal services. Jones' proposed budget for the Midland County Appraisal District is about \$558,000. Almost \$308,000 is proposed for collection of taxes.

Jones said he could do a far better job for Midland County than what P&A is doing for Ector County.

"They're getting exactly what they're paying for, Charlie," Jones said amicably of Ector County. Then, he lambasted P&A. "They've been ripping my mother and father off."

Jones worked for P&A before he joined the city of Midland in 1966 and

became the city's tax assessor-collector.

"I probably forget more about taxes than Pritchard & Abbott knows," said Jones.

Jones said he does "quality work" and is quite thorough in gleaming real and personal property to put on the tax rolls. P&A, he said, is not so thorough.

"I don't think they (P&A) could get away with it here," Jones said. "This (Midland) is a white-collar town as opposed to a blue-collar town (Odessa). We'd have ourselves in lawsuits. We'd be sued left and right."

Jones said that P&A does not have the staff to do a thorough job of

putting property on tax rolls and appraising property values.

"Now, Charlie," said Jones, "I worked for that bunch. They're spread too thin."

Jones said he's got the staff to do thorough work.

"IF IT'S NOT on the tax rolls, I try to get it on the tax rolls. That's my job," Jones said.

Like others on the board, Joe Nuessle, city attorney and the board's secretary, seemed intent on cutting into Jones' proposed budget. Jones' proposed staff takes in about 25 people, including seven appraisers at \$21,293 salary for 1982 and an assis-

tant chief appraiser at \$30,000. Jones has recommended his 1982 salary to be \$45,996.

Nuessle didn't seem enthralled over Welch's proposal to hire P&A, which reportedly has a staff of 17 people who care for the appraisal work of what Welch called a "multitude of counties."

"I don't see how a staff of 17 people could work 50 counties and even come close to doing a good job," said Nuessle. "It would take some kind of miracle."

"You better believe it," added Jones.

However, Nuessle implied that he (See TAX APPRAISAL, Page 2A)

Polish Communist Party chief survives challenge

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Communist Party chief Stanislaw Kania beat back a challenge to his leadership by pro-Soviet hardliners and declared he and his top aides on the Politburo "will do everything to be equal to our tasks in these most difficult days."

He spoke Wednesday night after the Central Committee decided 89-24 against a confidence vote in each member of the Politburo. Kania proposed the confidence vote after a headline member of the Politburo accused Kania and his aides of being incapable of resolving the Polish crisis.

The meeting was held after receipt of a letter from the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee urging a crackdown on "counter-revolution" in the party and the Solidarity labor federation. The letter said that events in Poland endangered the Communist bloc.

In his closing speech, Kania said the confidence vote "in the Politburo after the harsh criticism leveled at it, acknowledged that it was proper to entrust the functions of party leadership to the present Politburo." Kania's remarks were carried today by the official PAP news agency.

"I would like to say that after this

session, more so than before, we are aware of the responsibility of our situation, of the threats inherent for Poland, for socialism. We are also aware of the importance of the decision you had to make — the decision expressed in the vote. We, for our part, will do everything to be equal to our tasks in these most difficult days."

Kania appealed to the Central Committee and the party at all levels, to the trade unions and other organizations, to maintain "responsibility for the country and its fate."

He vowed to set limits for the Independent Union Solidarity and take firm action against "anti-socialist" activities. But he also pledged to continue the reforms known in Poland as "renewal" and said, "A Solidarity acting within its framework can count on our fullest support."

The 146-member committee adjourned after a heated, two-day debate at which hardliner Tadeusz Grabalski charged that the 11-man party Politburo, of which he is a member, "in its present composition and under the leadership of Kania is unable to lead the country out of the crisis."

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City ordinance outlaws smoking in some areas

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
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Persons who get a kick out of puffing on tobacco are on the verge of being outlawed.

Midland City Council, in a continuation of its marathon meeting that started Tuesday, passed an ordinance Wednesday to prohibit smoking in designated public places. The law will have to be passed on a second reading at the June 23 meeting before going into effect.

The public areas in which smoking is banned, as spelled out in the ordinance, include an elevator used by the public, a hospital or nursing home corridor providing direct access to patients' rooms, City Council Chambers at City Hall, movie theaters and museums, MidTran buses, and in a facility of a public primary or secondary school or college.

Smoking also will be illegal in areas of restaurants where food is prepared, in serving lines where unpackaged food is displayed and/or served and at serving counters where unpackaged food is displayed and/or served.

The council also established routes for vehicles carrying hazardous materials through the city and included gasoline in the list of materials. Under the law, vehicles essentially will be banned from public streets. The exception is trucks delivering gasoline to stations.

However, the council will question the State Highway Department about including Highway 89 as one of the

routes. The councilmen reasoned that Interstate 20 should be utilized instead of Highway 89.

Although the council didn't prohibit motorized hang gliders in the city limits, the panel set enough limits to virtually make it impossible to comply. Those rules include flying the hang glider 500 feet above the tallest building, which is The First National Bank, and requiring the flier to have a pilot's license with a sailplane rating.

Otherwise, the council would prefer the hang gliders be flown outside the city limits. The regulations came on the heels of complaints by residents who claimed that people on hang gliders were going over their houses.

The council denied the request by Leslie Hahn for water and sewer service outside the city limits, which would have been in a windowpane area near Garfield Street.

The city has been considering extending Garfield south to I-20, making a new entrance into Midland. To have control over the development in that area, the council will consider annexation. If that passes, councilmen said, they would provide water and sewer services to persons in the windowpane area.

Hialeah Drive was renamed Holiday Hill Road. The staff pointed out that it was an extension of Holiday Hill and changing the name would keep it consistent. In addition, the council at its June 23 meeting will consider street numbers for houses in the annexed area north of Bluebird Lane.

DEATHS



Marie Franklin

Services for Marie Franklin, 72, of Austin and formerly of Midland, were Tuesday in the Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Franklin died Sunday in Austin.

She was the widow of the late William B. Franklin, a former Midland accountant who died in 1969. She moved to Midland in 1942 and was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors include two sons, John Franklin of Lockhart and Ben Franklin of Midland; two daughters, Billie Marie Kasson of Austin and Jean Mason of Dallas; a brother, Joe Sartori of Pineville, La.; three sisters, Mrs. W.B. Makison of Albuquerque, N.M., Mrs. Clyde Jerred Sr. of Midland and Laura Pettaway of Alexandria, La.; 16 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be directed to the West Texas Boys Ranch in San Angelo.

Richard Matlock

Services for Richard "Ric" Matlock, 42, of 2111 W. Carter Ave., were to be at 11 a.m. today in the Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Ross Payne, pastor of Cottonflat Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Matlock died Tuesday morning in an Odessa hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born Oct. 19, 1938 in Midland, he lived in Midland and graduated from Midland High School. He worked for Matlock Furniture and at the time of his death he had worked for American Music Company in Midland for a year. He was a member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include a son, Darrin Matlock of Midland; a daughter, Misty Matlock of Austin; his parents, Alma Matlock of Midland and Troy A. Matlock of Dallas; and a sister, Sue Allen of Huntsville.

Pallbearers will be James Tompkins, Jerry Shankel, Jay Norwood, Frankie Garmon, Paul Cox and Perry Bolger.

'Mike' Wilhite

Services for Michael "Mike" Wayne Wilhite, 19, of 5114 Davenport St., were held Wednesday in the Newline W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with Owen Cosgrove, Church of Christ minister, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Wilhite died Sunday afternoon in a Midland hospital following a motorcycle accident.

Pallbearers were to be Randy Young, Jeff Turner, Scott Compton, Mike Guinn, Scott Wells and Danny Marchant.

Cancer claims second son

CINCINNATI (AP) — Sixteen-year-old Michael Southerland, whose family has been plagued with cancer for 141 years, has died at a Cincinnati hospital.

His mother, Jane Southerland, was at the teen-ager's side when he died of heart failure at 11:55 p.m. EDT Wednesday, said a spokesman for Cincinnati's Children's Hospital Medical Center.

The former Junior Olympic swimmer was left a paraplegic last year when his spinal cord was severed and five cancerous vertebrae were removed.

"He'd gone through more than any human being should have to endure," Mrs. Southerland said after her son's death. "He really fought hard. For him, I'm glad it's over."

Meanwhile, his father, Ray, 43, a Dade County, Fla., policeman, is struggling in a Maryland hospital to survive the most malignant and deadly type of brain tumor.

Doctors last month removed as much of the tumor as they could safely cut from an inaccessible region

of his brain. Brother Stephen, 21, lost his left leg to bone cancer in 1974. Michael's first cancer was found the day before Jeffrey, 4, died of leukemia in 1967.

Ray Southerland's sister Nancy, 26, also lost a leg to cancer last year, and researchers say the disease has skipped only one generation of the family since 1840.

After doctors used parts of Michael's ribs to replace his diseased vertebrae, he spent months in a body cast and told his family he "psyched himself up" to face the disease just as he did for swimming meets.

"When you reach a certain plateau, there's no way in your mind you are ever going to lose," he said after doctors found the malignancy in 1979.

Michael was admitted to the hospital May 24 for some plastic surgery. The operation Wednesday afternoon revealed more tumors in his upper spine and lungs. He developed breathing problems Wednesday night, but was conscious until the end.

Bani-Sadr stripped of power

By JOSEPH PANOSSIAN
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NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini has finally decided the power struggle between Iranian President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr and the Islamic clerical faction, and Bani-Sadr has lost.

Khomeini, the undisputed leader of the revolutionary regime, fired Bani-Sadr Wednesday as commander-in-chief of the armed forces, the official news agency Pars reported.

A spokesman for Khomeini said the 47-year-old economist would continue as president. But he will be a powerless figurehead since his conservative foes in the Islamic Republican Party control the Majlis, the Iranian parliament, and the government.

Lacking a strong political party of his own, Bani-Sadr had been trying to develop a power base in the armed forces to offset the clerics who control the IRP. But the Iranian Land Forces Command announced its "complete allegiance" to Khomeini "without support for any party," Tehran Radio reported. The joint staff command of the land, air and naval forces announced it would henceforth take orders from Khomeini.

TANJUG, THE Yugoslav news agency, reported from Tehran that

Bani-Sadr also handed in his resignation as president but Khomeini rejected it. A spokesman at the presidential office in Tehran, reached by telephone, denied this, saying Bani-Sadr's resignation as president "has been ready" since last year and Khomeini has not accepted it.

A spokeswoman at Bani-Sadr's office said he was in western Iran Wednesday inspecting the battlefront, and had no public comment on his dismissal.

Since the late Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi was overthrown in February 1979, two principal factions — one liberal and secular, the other ultra-conservative and dominated by the Moslem clergy — have vied for control of the Iranian revolution and its course.

THE LIBERALS scored when Bani-Sadr, who spent 17 years in the West, won the presidency in January 1980. But the clerics and their party won overwhelming control of the Majlis in elections later in the year and took over the government.

In the power struggle that followed, the clerics and their political front man, Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai, denounced the Western orientation of their opponents. The liberals charged that the clerics were out of touch with the modern world and

their government was incompetent and incapable of rebuilding the economy.

KHOMEINI, apparently fearing



Abolhassan Bani-Sadr

that his revolution would collapse into factional strife, tried to act as a balance between the two sides and until this year appeared to favor neither. But in recent months, as the bickering got louder and Bani-Sadr was unable to galvanize the armed forces into a decisive victory in the war against Iraq, he favored the clerics more and more.

Last week a special commission accused the president of violating the constitution by refusing to ratify some of Rajai's Cabinet appointments. It recommended that legal action against him be considered.

On Sunday, the Tehran public prosecutor closed Bani-Sadr's newspaper Enghelab Islami and five other dailies, charging they created a "poisonous atmosphere." Bani-Sadr said he would continue to communicate with his supporters through recorded messages, speeches and announcements despite repeated orders from Khomeini to the feuding factions to cease inflammatory public statements.

Street clashes between supporters and foes of Bani-Sadr were reported in Tehran Monday and Tuesday. The Iranian capital was reported quiet Wednesday. But Tehran Radio reported that Ali Reza Nobari, a close political ally of Bani-Sadr, resigned as governor-general of the Iranian central bank.

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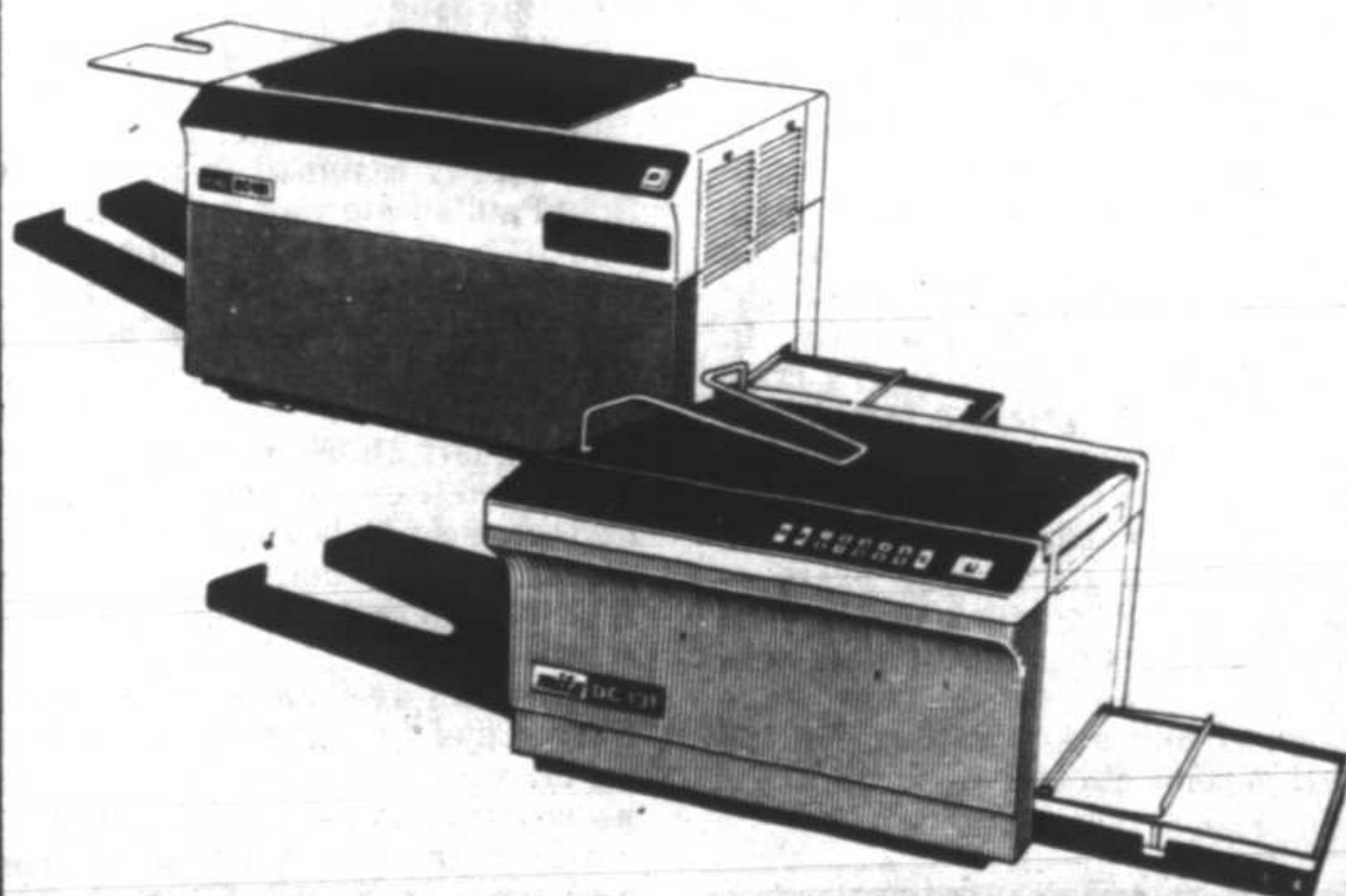
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Sidewalk-baking heat

If the pavement-baking temperatures experienced in Midland early this week are any indication of what's to come this summer, it looks as though the hot summer of 1980 will be followed by the hot summer of 1981.

Midlanders who can vividly remember last summer recall that it was a hot one, complete with a string of 100 and 100-plus days just about this time of year. Well, the prospects for a repeat performance were enhanced this week when the mercury crawled above the century mark and, for the most part, has stayed there with only slight variations up and down.

Weather officials at Midland Regional Airport say the extraordinary heat is caused by a "high pressure ridge aloft" and that Permian Basin folks might as

well resign themselves to the fact that, for awhile at least, this area's beautiful sunny weather is going to be just a little too sunny.

As we've noted in the past, one of Midland's best drawing cards is its good climate — including a 218-day growing season every year. But that translates into lots of sunshine and, at times, a little too much heat.

Even those Midlanders who really like hot temperatures and lots of sunshine likely will admit that a string of 100-degree days leaves a little something to be desired in the way of a mild climate.

Chances are, though, Midlanders and others living in this part of the state will have plenty of more time to think about the uncomfortable weather. Like the weather bureau says: "It happens this time every year."

Drug abuse in uniform

What happens to national security while half the Navy's young enlisted personnel are blowing their minds with marijuana and hashish?

This is the sobering question posed by the disclosure that a random check of 1,050 sailors and airmen in San Diego, Calif., and 1,017 in Norfolk, Va., last December found more than 48 percent of them were using drugs. The numbers are not exactly new: The Defense Department reported last year that 48 percent of Navy and Marine Corps personnel had used drugs during a 30-day period, compared with 41 percent of the Army, and 21 percent of the Air Force. But new or not, the figures are a cause for real concern, for they mean that a significant proportion of the armed forces might be impaired or even incapacitated at any given moment of supreme national emergency.

There is documented evidence for instance, that aircraft maintenance personnel have used dope while working on jets flying from Navy bases and carriers. The Air Force has found airmen guarding SAC bombers to be high on drugs. The Army conducted a crackdown on dope use by troops in Germany last year and arrested 8,875 soldiers — half a division.

Shocking as these incidents are, they should not surprise us. A National Institute on Drug Abuse study found a year ago that 65 percent of high school seniors reported using drugs. These, of course, are the very youngsters who are recruited into the armed

forces, bringing with them an acceptance of drug abuse.

Although it has been slow to acknowledge publicly the extent of the problem, the Navy has long been aware of drug abuse and has taken some steps to deal with it. Appropriately, the Navy expects to maintain higher disciplinary standards in its ranks than that prevailing on the outside. Just so.

And even though there is little hope of stamping out drug abuse in the armed services so long as it flourishes in civilian society, still the effort must be redoubled. The fight against the drug problem deserves as high a priority and as firm a commitment as the national decision to rebuild our defenses. Billions for new weapons will be spent in vain if the minds that direct them are to be spaced out on drugs.

THE BIBLE CAN YOU QUOTE IT?

By ELIZABETH ROSS WIERSEMA

1. Events recorded by Isaiah, chief of the writing prophets, cover a period of 62 years. Was his father, Ahaz, Amos or Joel? Isaiah 1:1
2. When Moses had finished writing the book of law, where was it kept? Deuteronomy 31:26
3. What was Samson's profession? Judges 15:20
4. "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by..." Hebrews 5:8
5. What lesson does Paul teach about "growing up emotionally?" 1 Corinthians 13:11

Four correct ... excellent. Three ... good.

HEMISPHERE REPORT

Mexican peso standing strong in economies of Latin America

The question, when voiced in the United States, most often refers to the Mexican monetary unit. And the answer to the question has to be to the effect that the Mexican peso is the strongest of the currencies of the major Latin American nations.

It is true that the peso is declining in dollar value, at the rate of one Mexican centavo or so every few days.

Three months ago, for example, the New York foreign exchange selling rate was 23.58 pesos to the dollar. By early June, as the value of the peso slid and the cost of the dollar rose, the rate was 24.30 pesos.

That amounts to a drop of about 2.5 U.S. cents per dollar's worth of pesos, a figure that chiefly concerns big banks and those others who handle millions.

Two and a half cents don't buy much more in Mexico than it does in the United States.

But before one panics over the sinking peso, take note of the fact that when compared with the monetary units of the other two biggest Latin American countries, the Mexican peso looks like the foundation of the rock of Gibraltar.

Argentina, for example, the third most populous Latin nation, just suffered its second major devaluation of the year. The dollar value of the Argentine peso was officially slashed another 30 percent on June 1. A simi-



William Giandoni

lar cut a few months ago, along with the average 4 percent monthly reduction, already had trimmed the dollar value of the Argentine peso some 64 percent since Jan. 1.

In March the Argentine monetary unit was quoted at 2,248 to the dollar. It had dropped to 3,268 to the dollar just before the latest devaluation. Now it is sold in New York at 4,248 to the dollar.

Brazil, biggest of the Latin countries, chops away at the cruzeiro every few weeks. The last devaluation, May 26, was the 13th so far this year. It brought the cruzeiro down another 1.8 percent which added up to a loss in dollar value of 31.6 percent in 1981, and nearly 72 percent in the last 12 months. In March the dollar was worth 71.57 cruzeiros and in early June 85.80 cruzeiros.

What makes the worsening financial conditions in the two South American countries hard to understand is the fact that the governments

of Argentina and Brazil have been making considerable effort to fight inflation, whereas Mexico has said it plans no anti-inflationary effort that might work a hardship on its populace.

Yet inflation roars in Argentina and Brazil, at rates between 88 and 110 percent, and Mexico's Banco Nacional, a private institution, is currently predicting that inflation there this year will be a comparatively slight 28 percent.

No government spokesman ever gives advance warning of plans for a sharp devaluation of his country's currency.

In fact, Lorenzo Sigaut, Argentina's minister of economy, had been saying that his peso would be devalued the rest of the year at no more than the customary 4 percent a month, which had been declared government policy.

Generally, therefore, official proclamations of the stability of a Latin country's currency are discounted. Nevertheless, it appears that most foreign exchange specialists are inclined to believe the chief of Mexico's central bank, Banco de Mexico, Gustavo Romero Kolbeck.

He told the recent meeting of the Inter-American Development Bank that "the peso will be kept floating, as its fluctuation in cents is minimal when compared to losses that are periodically sustained by other currencies, such as the German mark."

It is a source of pride to Mexican officials that their peso has been much more stable over the years than the monetary units of even most of the world's industrialized nations.

Of course, Mexico has an advantage shared by relatively few countries in the world, a surplus of oil and gas that allows it to export 1.5 million barrels of fuel a day.

Argentina is close to self-sufficiency in oil and exports natural gas, but Brazil has to buy around 80 percent of its fossil fuel abroad.

In other words, Mexico occupies a privileged position among the Latin American countries.

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

White House aide knew of Vesco dealing

WASHINGTON — It took the testimony of an insider, White House counsel John Dean, to blow the lid off the Watergate scandal. Sources close to the Robert Vesco investigation believe a similar insider, White House aide Richard Harden, could have blown this case wide open.

Less than a month after Jimmy Carter moved into the White House with his Georgia retinue, Harden was approached by Spencer Lee IV, an Albany, Ga., attorney and boyhood chum, with a \$10 million proposition from Vesco.

The fugitive swindler had offered a \$10 million cut of his stolen securities to a Georgia cabal if they could get the federal government off his back. As a cover for the fix, he would arrange a favorable settlement of the Panama Canal negotiations. This supposedly could be accomplished through Costa Rican President Daniel Oduber, whom Vesco boasted was in his "hip pocket."

The day after this \$10 million bribe was brought to the White House, President Carter placed a strange telephone call to Oduber.

Five days later, Harden met for five minutes with Carter, who then wrote a note to the attorney general, requesting: "Please see Spencer Lee from Albany when he requests an appointment."

This could be significant, because Vesco wanted the Justice Department to drop extradition proceedings against him. He had said he would accept this as a "signal" to make the \$10 million payoff.

Not long afterward, the extradition proceedings were dropped and Vesco transferred \$10 million worth of his stolen securities to the Georgians. Spencer Lee was rewarded with an appointment to a judicial nominating committee that helps select federal judges.

The FBI needed to break Lee and Harden if they hoped to learn the truth behind these peculiar events. But the two good ole boys stood



Jack Anderson

staunchly together; both swore to a federal grand jury that they rejected the Vesco deal the day that Lee presented it to Harden.

Lee was persuaded to take lie detector tests, which showed that he was lying. Harden refused to let the Justice Department test his veracity on a polygraph machine, but senior officials concluded that he had perjured himself before the grand jury.

In a memo intended for official eyes only, Philip Heymann, then chief of the criminal division, wrote: "There would seem to be both a prima facie case and specific information of a violation of (the perjury statute) by Richard Harden."

Justice Department attorneys "have been in contact with Harden's attorney, and have indicated our disbelief of his testimony," wrote Heymann. If the testimony was indeed false, he added sternly, "it misled, hampered and impeded the grand jury's efforts to determine the breadth of the conspiracy."

Based on an analysis of the polygraph examinations given to Lee, Heymann reached the following conclusions:

— That "Lee did not tell Harden he was pulling out of the ... Vesco deal."

— That "Lee and Harden decided ... to arrange a meeting with the attorney general by contacting the president."

— That "it was improbable — as

ART BUCHWALD

Dad's 'money stories' sound like tall tales now

You'd think the children would get tired of it by now, but they never do. We were all sitting in the living room, and I think it was one of the girls who brought it up.

"Tell us, Dad, how you used to just go in a bank and ask the man for a 30-year mortgage on a house and he'd give it to you."

I leaned back in my chair, took a puff on my cigar and said, "Well, it was maybe nine or 10 years ago — I'm not exactly sure. Every paper was running these big advertisements from the banks, and the savings and loan companies were urging you to come in and borrow as much as you wanted to buy a house."

My daughter Connie said to her husband, "You see, didn't I tell you it was so? Dad doesn't lie."

My son-in-law said, "Yeh, but what was the gimmick? Why would a bank or savings and loan company want to lend you money to buy a house?"

"That was their business then, Randy. They had money lying all over the place and they didn't know what to do with it. They practically came out on the sidewalks on their knees with fistfuls of dollars begging you to take it."

"Yeh, but how much interest were they asking?" my son-in-law wanted to know.

"Five and a half percent, maybe six if you got unlucky."

"Ah, come on Dad," my daughter said, "you're making this all up. No bank ever loaned people money at 5 1/2 percent."

"Ask your mother. She was there when I applied for the loan. She thought 5 1/2 percent was too high for 30 years, but I wasn't in the mood to shop around, so I took it."

"And how much did a house cost in those days, Dad?" my daughter asked.

"You could get a very nice one with three bedrooms and two baths, and a completely installed kitchen and recreation room on a fair-sized lot, for somewhere around \$50,000."

"Now I know you're making fun of us," my son-in-law said. "There is no way anyone could ever buy a home for that."

"Oh yeh," I said. "Suppose I told you there used to be homes in very nice neighborhoods you could pick up for \$35,000 and no down payment?"

I let that one sink in.

My other daughter said, "Didn't you and Mom almost buy a house for \$40,000 in 1963 that recently sold for \$450,000 right on the Potomac River?"

"Yup. I turned it down because the owner wouldn't paint it, and I was darned if I was doing to pay \$500 to put on a new coat. You want to know something? When it sold for \$450,000 it still hadn't been painted."

My son-in-law said, "Connie tells me you were offered a townhouse in Georgetown for \$57,000 with a swimming pool in the back."

"I might have bought it but the savings and loan fellow got snooty, and said because the house was built in 1789 he could only give me a \$50,000 loan at six percent for 25 years. I don't like anyone taking me for a fool, so I just told him what he could do with his loan. Your mother was there."

"I remember it well," my wife said. "I still think about it every time I drive by the house."

"Gosh," my daughter said. "They must have been wonderful days. To think, anybody who wanted to could just go in and buy a home."

I took another puff on my cigar. "Let's say they were different. You see we fellows, who came back from the second big war, knew how to talk to bankers and savings and loan people. They understood we weren't about to pay more than six percent for a loan, and so they didn't push us around. But the kids today don't have any backbone. They'll accept any amount of interest the bank asks for. Heck, if someone ever wanted me to pay 16 percent on a mortgage, I would pick up the papers and make him eat them."

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Final, five wildcats filed for District 8

One completion and five wildcats have been filed for the counties of Ward, Brewster, Loving and Reeves in District 8 of the Texas Railroad Commission.

WARD COUNTY

Mobil Producing Texas & New Mexico of Houston has completed the No. 1 U-Tex Sec. 29 in the War-Wink, South (Wolfcamp) field of Ward County eight miles northwest of Poyte.

Potential for a calculated absolute open flow of 235 barrels of 47.8 gravity oil per day plus five barrels of water through a 20/64 inch choke, production was gained from natural perforations at 12,995 to 13,003 feet. Gas-oil ratio is 2723 to 1.

Drilled to a total depth of 13,060 feet with 7 5/8 inch casing set at 11,302 feet, the well is plugged back to 13,050 feet. Ground elevation is 2732 feet.

Location is 1,500 feet from the south line and 990 feet from the west line of section 29, block 17 of the University Lands survey.

Davis Oil Co. of Houston will drill the No. 1 University "4", a 7,000-foot wildcat in Ward County, four miles northwest of Poyte.

Location is 1,980 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the west line of section 4, block 17 of the University Lands survey.

The project is 3,000 feet northeast of the 17,200-foot Hunt University abandoned Feb. 1, 1970.

BREWSTER COUNTY

H.L. Brown of Midland has scheduled two 6,500 foot wildcats in Brewster County.

The No. 1 Holland "4" is located 1,980 feet from the north line and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 4, block 22 of the GH&A RR survey and 13 miles southeast of Marathon.

The project is located 6 1/4 miles east-southeast of the 1,613-foot King & Franklin Gage Estate abandoned Dec. 12, 1935 and 9 1/2 miles east-southeast of the 9,500-foot Gulf Combs abandoned June 29, 1956.

The No. 2 Brewster "11" is located 1,915 feet from the south line and 1,980 feet from the west line of section 11, block A-2 of the H&TC survey and 15 miles southeast of Marathon.

Location is 1,320 feet from the south line and 1,320 feet from the east line of section 35, block 29 of the Public School Lands survey.

The site is 5,000 miles northwest of the 5,207-foot Brown & Thorp Quinn abandoned Aug. 18, 1962.

REEVES COUNTY
Perry Oil & Gas of Corpus Christi has scheduled a 7,000-foot wildcat in Reeves County, 14 miles east of Pecos.

Designated the No. 1 J.A. Worsham, the project is located 467 feet from the south line and 2,620 feet from the west line of section 22, block 6 of the H&GN survey.

Location is 5,000 feet north of the 15,286 Perry R. Bass abandoned Aug. 19, 1963.

Amoco Production Co. has re-completed as a Delaware oil discovery, its No. 1 State II, former Pennsylvanian gas discovery, five miles southwest of Malaga.

Potential to pump 46 barrels of oil, gravity not reported, plus 84 barrels of water, production was gained through perforations at 4,948 to 5,328 feet which had been acidized with 4,000 gallons and fractured with 21,000 gallons and 22,000 pounds of sand. It is plugged back to 6,232 feet.

Drilled to 13,062 feet, it was finished Oct. 23, 1980 for 275,000 cubic feet of gas daily, along with 17 barrels of oil, through a 10/64 inch choke and perforations at 11,010 to 11,026 feet.

Location is 1,880 feet from the south line and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 26, township 24 south, range 27 east.

HNG Oil Co. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Golden Lane "1" Federal, a 12,800-foot wildcat, 7/8 mile northwest of a 12,712-foot wildcat failure, one mile west of an Atoka gas and 1 1/2 miles west and slightly south of Morrow gas production in the Golden Lane field, and 14 miles northeast of Carlsbad.

Location is 4,720 feet from the south line and 1,650 feet from the east lines of section 1, township 21 south, range 28 east.

Delta Drilling Co. of Odessa will drill the No. 10 South Culera Bluff Unit, as a 5/8-mile southwest outcrop to the seven well Culera Bluff, South (Bone Spring oil) field, three miles east of Loving.

Location is 660 feet from the south line and east lines of section 23, township 23 south, range 28 south.

Maddox Energy Corp. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Pardue Farms "21", as a one-mile southwest outcrop to the Morrow production in the Malaga field and two miles southwest of Malaga.

Location is 990 feet from the north and 1,980 feet from the east lines of section 21, township 24 south, range 28 east. Contract depth is 13,250.

Coquina Oil Corp. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Swearingen, as a 1 1/8 mile northeast outcrop to Atoka production, 1 1/2 miles northeast of Morrow production in the Loving, North (Strawn and Morrow) field and three miles north of Loving.

Location is 1,650 feet from the south and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 4, township 23 south, range 28 east. Contract depth is 12,900 feet.

Cities Service Co. of Midland has completed a Morrow gas discovery 2 1/4 miles south of the Happy Valley (Morrow gas) field and eight miles west of Otis.

Designated the No. 1 Federal "N" Communitized, the well was potential for a calculated absolute open flow of 1,468,000 cubic feet of gas per day with a gas-liquid ratio of 11,420-1. Gravity of the condensate was 50.5 degrees.

Production was through perforations at 11,406 to 11,420 which had been acidized with 5,000 gallons.

Drilled to 11,750 feet, 5 1/2 inch casing was set on bottom.

Location is 1,980 feet from the south line and 1,980 feet from the east line of section 4, township 23 south, range 28 east.

Lovelady announces significant extension

Ike Lovelady, Inc., has reported the completion of a significant gas-condensate extension well, the Ike Lovelady, Inc. No. 1 Hendrick Estate well from the Wilcox formation in Live Oak County of District 2 of the Texas Railroad Commission.

I.W. Lovelady, president, said the Hendrick Estate No. 1 was completed for a calculated absolute open flow potential of 34,000,000 cubic feet of gas per day with a gas condensate ratio of 23.60 barrels per million. Preliminary tests indicate that the well will have a deliverability of approximately 7,500,000 cubic feet of gas per day. The completion was natural (without stimulation) from the Clegg (Wilcox 8,900-foot) zone. Perforations were from 8,986 to 8,992 feet. An offset well is scheduled to be drilled.

Ike Lovelady, Inc. and its partners own 1,193.71 acres of oil and gas leases which are contiguous to the Hendrick Estate No. 1 wellsite.

Ike Lovelady, Inc. as an 8.33 percent working interest in the 320 acre drillsite on which the Hendrick Estate No. 1 is located and a 16.67 percent working interest in the balance of the acreage. Other working interest owners are Aminoff USA, Inc. with 50 percent interest, Phelps Dodge Fuel Development Corporation with a 12.5 percent interest and the balance is held by individuals.

Ike Lovelady, Inc. headquartered in Midland, Texas is engaged in domestic oil and gas exploration, development and production primarily in the Permian Basin in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico and in South Texas. The company's activities are carried out through private drilling programs organized as limited partnerships and through sharing arrangements with various participants. The company is also engaged in exploration activities in North Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Louisiana and Nevada. The common stock of Ike Lovelady, Inc. is traded in the Over-The-Counter Market with the NASDAQ symbol — IKEL.

Three wildcats planned in Hockley, Gaines, Lynn

Three wildcat projects have been scheduled for the District 8-A counties of Hockley, Gaines and Lynn.

Textland-Rector & Schumacker of Fort Worth has scheduled a 6,000-foot Hockley County wildcat six miles northeast of Smyre.

The location is 467 feet from the south line and 2,169 feet from the east line of section 36, block A of the R.M. Thompson survey and 800 feet southeast of the Hemia Johnson, abandoned Feb. 7, 1961.

GAINES COUNTY
R.K. Petroleum Corp. of Midland will drill the No. 1 Cooper, a 13,100-foot wildcat in Gaines County, 18 miles southeast of Loop.

Location is 1,713 feet from the north line and 177 feet from the west line of labor 5, league 280 of the Hutchinson CSL survey.

The site is approximately 3 1/2 miles north of the Jackson Seaboard-Bain abandoned at 5,632 feet.

LYNN COUNTY
Southland Royalty Corp. of Midland will drill a 10,500-foot wildcat in Lynn County, two miles southwest of Tahoka.

Designated the No. 1-223 Edwards, the location is 2,100 feet from the north line and 990 feet in section 223, block 2 of the GB & CNO survey.

The project is 1.9 miles northwest of the Edwards No. 1 Herman Brown Estate, abandoned Dec. 13, 1960.

Mesa Petroleum Co. of Midland will drill two outposts to a five-well undesignated Abo gas field of Chaves County, 35 miles southwest of Elkins.

The No. 3 Salt-Federal, one mile north-northeast, is 795 feet from the south and 1,835 feet from the east lines of section 5, township 8 south, range 23 east. Contract depth is 3,550 feet.

The No. 4 Salt-Federal, one mile northeast, is 1,980 feet from the south and 660 feet from the west lines of section 5, township 8 south, range 23 east. Contract depth is 3,600 feet.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY
Energy Reserves Group Inc. of Midland will drill the no. 1 Crume, a Cisco test, 5/8 mile east of the Cisco oil opener and lone producer from that pay and 1 1/4 miles northeast of the three-well Cisco gas area of the Tannehill multipay field and 1 mile southeast of Elda.

Location is 660 feet from the north and 1,980 feet from the west lines of section 12, township 6 south, range 33 east.

CHAVES COUNTY
Marbob Energy Corp. of Artesia will re-enter and clean out to 1,578 feet, the old total depth, at the former McClellan Oil Corp. of Roswell No. 1 J.M. Federal, a wildcat failure, 1 5/8 miles west of the Round Tank (Queen oil and gas) field and 15 miles southeast of Hagerman.

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Edwards proposes easing oil and gas burning restrictions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Energy Secretary James B. Edwards says he expects no "significant" increase in oil and natural gas use by utilities and industries because of his proposal to make it easier for them to skirt a federal law requiring conversion to other fuels by 1990.

"The market dictates that coal is more economical," Edwards said Tuesday, adding that his department had not "done any deep analysis" of the proposal's effect.

The proposed regulation, scheduled for a hearing July 14, seeks to simplify the process under which large fuel consumers can get exemptions from the 1978 Fuel Use Act.

"Firms seeking exemption to burn oil or gas may qualify simply by certifying that they meet the statutory criteria for exemptions and submitting very limited supporting information," Edwards said.

He characterized the move as part of the Reagan administration's effort to "get government out of the way so we can handle our energy problems."

The secretary said the proposed regulatory changes will reduce from 11 to two the number of forms used under the Fuel Use Act regulations.

Edwards was asked at a news conference whether the proposal wouldn't administratively cancel the intent of the 1978 law. He said he had been assured the move was legal.

The secretary pointed out that the law was enacted when a natural gas shortage was feared. Later studies said U.S. natural gas reserves are larger than believed, and Edwards said he expects a new study to show even greater reserves.

"There's going to be more gas than anybody believed was out there," he said.

DRILLING REPORT

WILDCATS

ANDREWS COUNTY

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ANDREWS COUNTY
Wildcat: Amoco Prod. Co. No. 1 David Fasken "BN"; 2,000 fwl, 1,730 fwl sec 5, blk 40, T-1-N, T&P, 10 se Andrews, 12,000.

CRANE COUNTY
Wildcat: Robert M. Wynne No. 1 Eppenauer "13"; 2,173 fwl, 1,730 fwl sec 13, blk 6 H&TC, 13 se Crane, 3,000.
Wildcat: Henderson & Erickson No. 1 Cowden; 2,171 fwl, 467 fwl sec 66, blk X of the CCSD&RGNG, 7 w Crane, 6,500.

LOVING COUNTY
Wildcat: Tennessee Oil Co. No. 1 Cheyenne Draw; 600 fwl, 1,320 fwl sec 16, blk C-24, PSL, 22 ne Montone, 10,700.

REEVES COUNTY
Wildcat: Pecos Auto & Truck Leasing No. 1 H.F. Donahoe; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 45, blk 4, H&GN, 6 nw Pecos, 4,500.
Wildcat: Coastal Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1 Jean Spencer Trust; 1,320 fwl, 1,320 fwl sec 33, blk 55, T-5, T&P, 10 n Toyah, 13,057.

WARD COUNTY
Wildcat: Challenger Minerals Inc. No. 1 E.J. Marston; 1,900 fwl, 600 fwl sec 10, blk B-19, PSL, 7 se Monahans, 7,000.
Wildcat: Cotton Petroleum Corp. No. 1 University "18-18"; 933 fwl, 933 fwl sec 18, blk 18, ULS, 9 nw Fayette, 12,300.
Wildcat: Border Ex-

ploration Co. No. 1 Amigo State "18" Gas Unit; 601 fwl, 6,976 fwl sec 18, blk 22, H&TC, 5 nw Grandfalls, 15,000.

WINKLER COUNTY
Wildcat: Supron Energy Corp. No. 1 University "20-27"; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 27, blk 20, ULS, 10 sw Wink, 15,200.
Wildcat: Same No. 1 University "21-4"; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 4, blk 21, ULS, 5 nw Wink, 15,200.

DISTRICT 2-A

BORDEN COUNTY
Gulf Oil Corp. No. 1 Katherine Stephens; 600 fwl, 1,320 fwl sec 18, blk 32, T-6-N, EL&RR, 11 nw Gail, 7,600.
JEM Petroleum No. 1 McKnight; 2,000 fwl, 467 fwl sec 367, blk 97, H&TC, 13 ne Gail, 8,000.

COTTE COUNTY
Taylor Operating Co. No. 1 Portwood Ranch; 1,400 fwl, 600 fwl sec 60, blk B, A-Forsythe A-42; 7 nw Swearingen, 7,300.
Taylor Operating Co. No. 2 Portwood Ranch; 1,900 fwl, 2,000 fwl sec 58, blk B, A-Forsythe A-440, 7 nw Swearingen, 7,300.

CROSBY COUNTY
The Superior Oil Co. No. 1 A.O. Smith; 600 fwl, 467 fwl sec 33, blk C, H&OB, 8 n Lorenzo, 7,000.

DAWSON COUNTY
Earl M. Craig Jr. Corp. No. 1 Thunderbolt; 601 fwl, 1,320 fwl tr. 10, sec 2, blk 61, W.H. Godair, 16 w Lamesa, 15,100.
RK Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Womack; 1,900 fwl, 600 fwl sec 1, blk 4, D.L. Cunningham, 7 n Lamesa, 7,900.

TERRELL COUNTY
Union Texas Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Minton; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 61, blk D-14, C&MRR, 7 w Wellman, 13,700.
YOAQUIM COUNTY
ARCO Oil & Gas Co. No. 1 Long-Thomas; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 320, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 10 sw

GAINES COUNTY
David Fasken No. 1 Womack; 467 fwl, 467 fwl sec 12, blk A-21, PSL, 5 s Seminole, 7,000.

GARZA COUNTY
Hillard Oil & Gas Inc. No. 1-X Anderson; 2,050 fwl, 2,050 fwl sec 50, blk 8, H&GN 3 sw Justiceburg, 8,200.
Stringer Oil & Gas No. 1 J.D. McCampbell; 700 fwl, 1,737 fwl Tr. H. Isaac Scott A-454, 7 n Post, 3,800.

KENT COUNTY
Stringer Oil & Gas No. 1 Lora Sims, et al; 600 fwl, 2,000 fwl sec 15, blk 5, H&GN, 15 sw Clairemont, 7,800.
Natamas North America Inc. No. 1 Swenson; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 7, blk 2, H&GN, 17 nw Clairemont, 8,000.

KING COUNTY
Taylor Operating Co. No. 2 Masterson Ranch; 1,500 fwl, 600 fwl sec 55, F.P. Knott A-941, 16 ne Guthrie, 6,500.
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SCURRY COUNTY
Anadarko Production Co. No. 1 Koonsman; 715 fwl, 2,902 fwl sec 250, blk 2, H&TC, 12 ne Snyder, 7,500.
JEM Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Beck; 1,350 fwl, 1,700 fwl sec 53, blk 3, H&TC, 6 n Hermleigh, 7,500.

TERRY COUNTY
Union Texas Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Minton; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 61, blk D-14, C&MRR, 7 w Wellman, 13,700.

YOAKUM COUNTY
ARCO Oil & Gas Co. No. 1 Long-Thomas; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 320, blk D, J.H. Gibson, 10 sw

Plains, 12,000.

DISTRICT 7-B

NOLAN COUNTY
R.L. Adkins Corp. No. 1 E.M. Wight; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 83, blk 22, T&P, A-290, 5 s Sweetwater, 6,700.
R.L. Adkins Corp. No. 1 Stanley (OWWO); 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 71, blk 22, T&P, 3 s Sweetwater, 6,050.

STONEWALL COUNTY
Harvey Heiser No. 1 Mathews; 710 fwl, 2020 fwl sec 8, blk D, H&TC, A-1063, 7 se Aspermont, 4,730.
Jr. Drilling Co. No. 1 Page-Childress; 1,750 fwl, 990 fwl sec 161, blk F, H&TC, A-383, 10 n & 5 w Swenson, 3,000.

DISTRICT 7-C

CROCKETT COUNTY
J.C. Thompson No. 3 University "20-28"; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 28, blk 29, ULS, 23 w Ozona, 9,500.
Transcontinental Oil Corp. No. 1 University "55-22A"; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 22, blk 55, ULS, 40 ne Ozona, 8,250.

JEM Petroleum Corp.
No. 1 Robertson "19"; 1,655 fwl, 600 fwl sec 19, blk M, GC&SF, 18 sw Ozona, 7,200.
JEM Petroleum Corp. No. 1 Shannon "B"; 2,650 fwl, 600 fwl sec 35, blk 1, BC&SF, 19 n F. Lancaster, 9,500.

McCULLOCH COUNTY
Chanco Inc. No. 1 Chandler; 413 fwl, 302 fwl sec 280, M.Eubanks, A-1547, 1 w Mercury, 1,000.

MENARD COUNTY
Terra Resources Inc. No. 1 Luckenbach; 1,320 fwl, 600 fwl sec 167, Frederick Burkhard, 4 se Menard, 1,850.

RUNNELS COUNTY
El Rayo Oil Co. No. 1 Wood; 2033 fwl, 467 fwl sec 27, Domingo Diaz No. 352, 10 sw Crews, 4,200.
E.D.C. No. 1 Kerby; 3,183 fwl, 1,900 fwl, Isaac P. Wallace No. 139, 3 se Crews, 4,500.

SUTTON COUNTY
J.C. Thompson No. 6 Mayer; 3,961 fwl, 1,595 fwl McMullen CSL No. 5, 16 nw Sonora, 9,500.
J.C. Thompson No. 7 Mayer; 414 fwl, 3,008 fwl McMullen CSL No. 6; 16 nw Sonora, 9,500.
J.C. Thompson No. 8 Mayer; 1,320 fwl, 1,323 fwl McMullen CSL No. 6, 17 nw Sonora, 9,500.

TOM GREEN COUNTY
Sunex Energy Corp. No. 1 Hohenstein Estate; 1,900 fwl, 1,900 fwl sec 155, blk 11, SPRR, 4 s Wall, 4,400.

NEW MEXICO
EDDY COUNTY
Lawbar Petroleum Inc. No. 1 Mee Federal; 600 fwl, 600 fwl sec 6-106-30, 10 n Loco Hills, 2,650.

CHAVES COUNTY
Coronado Exploration Group No. 1 Aqua Negra; 2,310 fwl, 550 fwl sec 8-9-28-9 sw Elkins, 8,000.

Depco Inc. No. 3
Apache Springs Unit; 1,900 fwl, 600 fwl sec 10-11-30e, 5 ne Dester, 10,200.

Assad willing to meet Habib

By FAROUK NASSAR
Associated Press Writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — President Hafez Assad of Syria today threatened retaliation if Israel attacks Syria's anti-aircraft missiles in eastern Lebanon but left the door open for U.S. diplomatic efforts to end the crisis, Damascus Radio reported.

"It will not be easy for Israel to try to destroy the missiles in the Bekaa Valley," Assad was quoted by the state-run radio. "We shall destroy the Israeli forces and planes that try to attack these batteries and we may destroy even more than that."

DAMASCUS RADIO also reported Assad said he is prepared to receive Philip C. Habib if President Reagan's special Mideast envoy wants to visit Damascus.

There was no elaboration, but Assad's willingness to see Habib was taken as a sign Syria wants U.S. peace efforts to continue.

Assad has been meeting with Lebanese government leaders and representatives of Moslem and Christian factions since Tuesday in an effort to still hostilities between those factions.

The four-day cease-fire continued to hold in central

and eastern Lebanon between Syria peacekeeping forces, sent here to enforce an armistice after the 1975 Moslem-Christian civil war, and rightist Christian militias.

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Jordan's media urge embargo

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Jordan's major newspapers today called for an Arab oil embargo against the United States to protest the Israeli bombing of a nuclear power plant in Iraq.

"Relations between the Arabs and the United States are very strange," the leading daily al-Dustour said. "If this were a relation between two lovers, they would have broken their relationship a long time ago."

Afghan warplanes hit Pakistani bus

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Three Afghan MiG warplanes flew into Pakistan and rocketed a passenger bus in the southwestern province of Baluchistan, wounding the vehicle's conductor, a government spokesman said today.

After the rocket attack Wednesday morning, the planes strafed the bus for about three minutes, spokesman Farhatullah Babbar said.

An official announcement said the aircraft penetrated seven miles into Pakistan and attacked the bus outside Umer Shah Nawar village, near Nushki, about 100 miles southwest of Quetta, the provincial capital.

At least 15 people were aboard the bus, but only the conductor was hurt, the government said. The extent of his injuries was not known.

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Secrecy shrouds Israel's attack

EDITOR'S NOTE — Many details of the Israeli bomb raid on Iraq's nuclear reactor are classified and probably will remain so for years in a country that depends heavily on military secrecy. The following reconstruction was written from information from the Pentagon, Western European authorities, the Israeli and Arab press and sources in Israel. The Israeli military censor ordered minor changes in the following story.

By MARCUS ELIASON
Associated Press Writer

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — The long hot Sunday was drawing to a close as a fleet of camouflage-painted Israeli warplanes took off from their base and wheeled eastward over the desert expanse of the northern Arabian peninsula. It was 4:45 p.m., June 7.

Laden with 2,000-pound bombs, their fuel-tanks brimming, they set out on a 600-mile flight to attack a nuclear reactor on the banks of the Tigris River in Iraq.

Less than an hour later the bombers moved in over their target. In three minutes the reactor lay in ruins and the jets were turned toward home.

As the planes headed out on their mission, Prime Minister Menachem Begin invited his ministers to his house in Jerusalem. Elsewhere in Israel, in a secret war-room, the country's top generals began their vigil.

Radio contact with the planes was broken. There was little idle chatter in the war-room where Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan, military chief of staff, and Maj. Gen. David Ivri, the air force commander, presided.

FEW ISRAELIS knew the mission was under way. Many were camping in the countryside, enjoying a sunny long weekend because of the Jewish harvest holiday of Shavuot.

Thousands settled into sites along the Red Sea, not far from the Eilat air base, which Arab sources say was takeoff point for the bombers. Israel would not say what base was used but the Arabs said it was Eilat in the Sinai at the northern tip of the Gulf of Eilat, across from Aqaba.

The Israelis say they decided to attack the reactor because they believed it would soon be used to make atomic bombs for use against the Jewish state.

The French, who supplied the reactor, insist the Israelis never intended to make A-bombs. But the Israelis say they saw all the warning signs of Iraq planning to produce nuclear weapons. And why, asked the Israelis, would an oil-rich country need nuclear power so urgently?

IN OCTOBER 1980 a decision was taken in principle by the Begin government to destroy the reactor. A small group of Cabinet ministers went to work in top secrecy. They faced crucial questions like the scope

of international outcry over a raid, the threat of Arab retaliation and the danger of radioactive contamination. The air force had to find a way to get to Baghdad and back undetected, nearly an hour's flying time each way and entirely over hostile territory.

Somewhere in Israel a mockup of the reactor was built and the planes began practicing attack runs and unorthodox bombing techniques that would accomplish three objectives: hit the reactor's core, cause a minimum of casualties and get away without being hit by the Soviet-supplied

anti-aircraft missiles bristling around the installation. The attack was put off repeatedly. Then May 10 was set as the attack date, but was canceled because it was the French election day and Paris might have taken insult.

SO JUNE 7 was chosen. The government took off late say they could not have waited longer because "within a short time the Iraqi reactor would have been in operation and hot. Bombing would have released a huge wave of radioactivity over the city of Baghdad

Massive manhunt underway

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Embarrassed security chiefs directed a massive manhunt today for eight Irish Republican Army men who escaped from a high-security jail in the heart of Belfast with handguns smuggled in to them.

Seven of the men were on trial for murder and attempted murder in the Crown Court across the road from the jail, and the verdict was expected Friday. The eighth was awaiting trial on a murder charge.

More than 12 hours after the escape Wednesday, the eight men were still at large. Unidentified IRA supporters issued a statement saying they were safely hidden in pro-Republican neighborhoods of Belfast. There was speculation they were in the Falls Road section, an IRA stronghold.

Troops and police searched houses of IRA sympathizers. Roadblocks were set up along the border with the neighboring Irish Republic. Police kept a close watch at airfields, harbors and ferry ports.

The breakout occurred Wednesday afternoon at the Crumlin Road jail, shortly after the seven men on trial had been returned by underground tunnel from the Crown Court across the street.

A spokesman for the government's Northern Ireland Office said the escape appeared to have been planned from the outside, with cars waiting to pick up the men and speed them off. He said two prison guards were injured, one hit over the head, the other wounded in the hand.

Persons in the vicinity of the jail reported heavy firing, and a police spokesman said there was "an exchange of gunfire." A police spokesman said one of the getaway cars was hit and later abandoned.

The statement from the IRA supporters gave this account of the escape: The eight men had all arranged for visits from their lawyers at the same time so they would all be together in the visitors' room. Using handguns smuggled in to them earlier, they took 10 guards and lawyers hostage and forced two of the guards to hand over their uniforms which two prisoners donned.

The prisoners made their way to the main gate, 100 yards away, in two groups, with each group holding guards as hostages. A squad of prison officers tried to stop them, but the prisoners opened fire and got to the getaway cars. The first car got away, but police and troops opened fire on the second, and the prisoners returned the fire, commandeered another car and made their escape.

Police said seven of the escapees were defendants in the five-week-old "M-60 Trial," charged with killing a member of the British Special Air Service Regiment in May 1979 with an M-60 machine gun and a police constable several months earlier. Six were charged with murder and the seventh man with attempted murder.

The eighth escapee was awaiting trial on a charge of killing a member of the Ulster Defense Regiment, the local militia, in December 1979.

Residents living near the jail said loud cheering erupted from the other prisoners apparently as news of the escape spread.

The escape was another propaganda setback for the British government. It already is under growing pressure in England to find a way out of the morass in Northern Ireland because of the IRA hunger strike in Belfast's Maze Prison and the sympathy it has aroused in the United States and Western Europe for the guerrillas' cause.

Four IRA prisoners in the Maze have starved themselves to death, and five are fasting in support of the IRA's demand for political status for imprisoned guerrillas.

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Day before, young mechanic builds engines in sleep

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 ted until installation. McMurry added, "An engine comes from the shop ready to go and after it is in the car and in the race there is little a mechanic can do to help if something goes wrong."

SATURDAY WAS the worst day according to McMurry. He said, "I worried all day long. I went home late Friday night and tried to get some sleep but I woke up every hour or so. I must have built a half dozen or so engines in my head during the night."

Race day was anti-climatic. There was little for McMurry to do. He said, "You are really better off staying home and watching the race on television. I don't think that there is a spot at the track that you can see all of the race from." McMurry added, "Don't get me wrong, I love to go to any of the races. But they can be dull. Especially Indianapolis, there are no good-looking girls around there."

For an Indianapolis car, McMurry gets the engines used for qualifying ready. According to McMurry, there isn't as much involved in that. All a race driver wants in a qualifying engine is to be able to go fast for four laps. He doesn't care how long its last after that.

Then comes the job of prepping the actual race engines. When a Cosworth comes from the factory it is capable of running in a race. There are some things that VDS and other engine shops due to increase the performance level. According to McMurry, getting an engine ready to race in the Indianapolis 500 takes about a three weeks of solid work.

PRESENTLY, McMurry is rebuilding the engines used in this year's race and is getting some engines ready for the Psachie/Garza team to use at the Pocono 500 in about two weeks.

Next year, McMurry's interest will be shifted from the Cosworth engine to the standard stock blocks. According to new rules at Indianapolis, that is the only kind of engine that will be allowed to run in the race next year. McMurry said, "I don't think it will make a big difference in the speed. There are a lot of things that you can do to get the needed horsepower out of a standard block engine." He added, "Actually, it's too bad because I really like working with the Cosworth engines."

McMurry doesn't spend all his time with the Cosworth. VDS has a car running on the Cam-Am circuit and that is of main concern to the engine shop people. VDS' car has been very successful in the past, and McMurry thinks that it should be better this year. He is planning on attending several of the Cam-Am races but said, "That is up to my bosses. If they think I am caught up with my work I should be able to get away."

How did McMurry get interested in the mechanics field? McMurry said it started when he was a youngster. His dad, Dale McMurry, had some antique cars and they would work on the cars together. As he got older, he and his dad started racing motorcycles and they would work on those engines.

When he was sixteen, McMurry decided he would like to get a job working for Jim Hall. McMurry called but was told that there were no openings at the time. About a week later, Laddy heard that Hall's Cam-Am car had been in an accident and figured that they might need some extra help. Laddy said, "I called and told them I would like to come out and learn more about engines. I said that I would be willing to work without pay. Well, they said no their budget couldn't afford anyone else."

ABOUT A week later, he got a call from Hall and was hired on. McMurry said, "For the first few weeks all I did was wash parts. Then I

started doing little jobs and pretty soon I was helping on most of the major work." He added, "I started going to Cam-Am races with them. We got permission from my parents and I stayed in Chicago then went to races on the weekends."

During the rest of his high school years, McMurry, took the minimum of classes. As soon as he was out of class, he would head to Hall's and work. According to McMurry, "I just graduated by the skin of my teeth. I

really wasn't interested in school. School is OK if you are planning on going on to college but I knew what I wanted to do. I do wish that I had taken some shop classes, body working, that would come in handy now." McMurry said, "I have never really learned much about mechanics through books. I have also learned by doing. Of course, when I went to work for Hall, Franz was there and he is one of the best in the business in my book. He is easy to work for, but

I have learned a great deal from him. My goal is to become as good as Franz."

Working for VDS is great says McMurry. "I have more freedom then I did at Hall's. I like to work on my own and Franz trusts my work. He just comes in and checks on me periodically to make sure very thing is going alright." said McMurry. He added, "I enjoy working at nights and on weekends. I really don't have any other hobbies. I usually come out here

and work on Saturdays until 2 or 3 p.m. and then came back out on Sundays."

McMurry added, "I don't even like to work on my own car. Some of my friends ask me to work on their cars and then don't understand when I say no. But, you know, if you do something for a job, it isn't as much fun to do in your spare time. Of course, working with engines is what I want to do and I hope to continue working for VDS for a long time."

Holmes promises knockout in Friday championship bout

DETROIT (AP) — The dishes on the menu at Larry Holmes' Four Corner Lounge in Easton, Pa., are named after fighters. The proprietor plans on adding an entree for Leon Spinks — whipped potatoes.

Holmes will defend the World Boxing Council heavyweight championship against Spinks Friday night at the 21,000-seat Joe Louis Arena, he predicts that "I'm going to stop Leon."

"He's definitely going to get knocked out. It don't matter. He's been knocked out before."

The 27-year-old Spinks was knocked out in the first round by Gerrie Coetzee June 6, 1979. But last year he knocked out Alfredo Evangelista, drew with Eddie "Animal" Lopez and knocked out Kevin Isaac and Bernar-

do Mercado to earn his second shot at the heavyweight title in only his 15th pro fight.

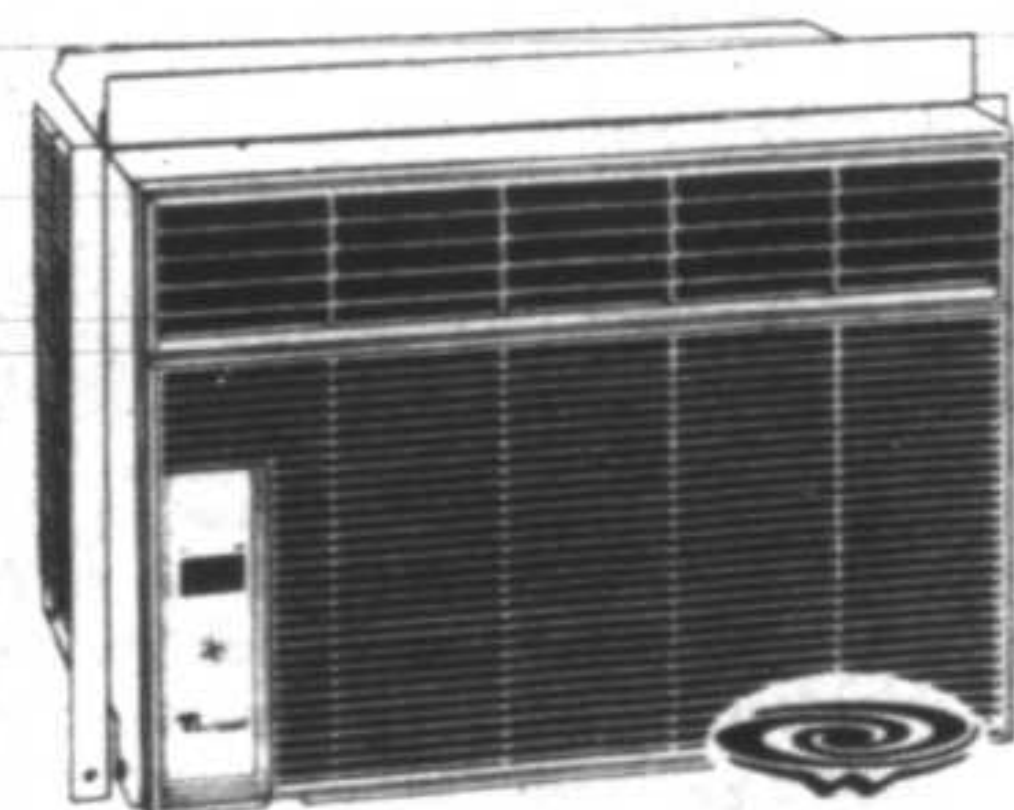
The 1976 Olympic light-heavyweight champion got his first title shot in his eighth fight, and he upset Muhammad Ali on a split decision Feb. 15, 1978. Stripped of title recognition by the WBC for his failure to fend against Ken Norton, Spinks then lost the World Boxing Association title to Ali Sept. 15, 1978.

"Leon has a lot going for him," said the 31-year-old Holmes, noting that while Spinks is getting is second championship bid in only 15 fights, he took him over five years and 27 fights before he got a title shot. He the WBC crown on a split decision over Norton June 9, 1978.

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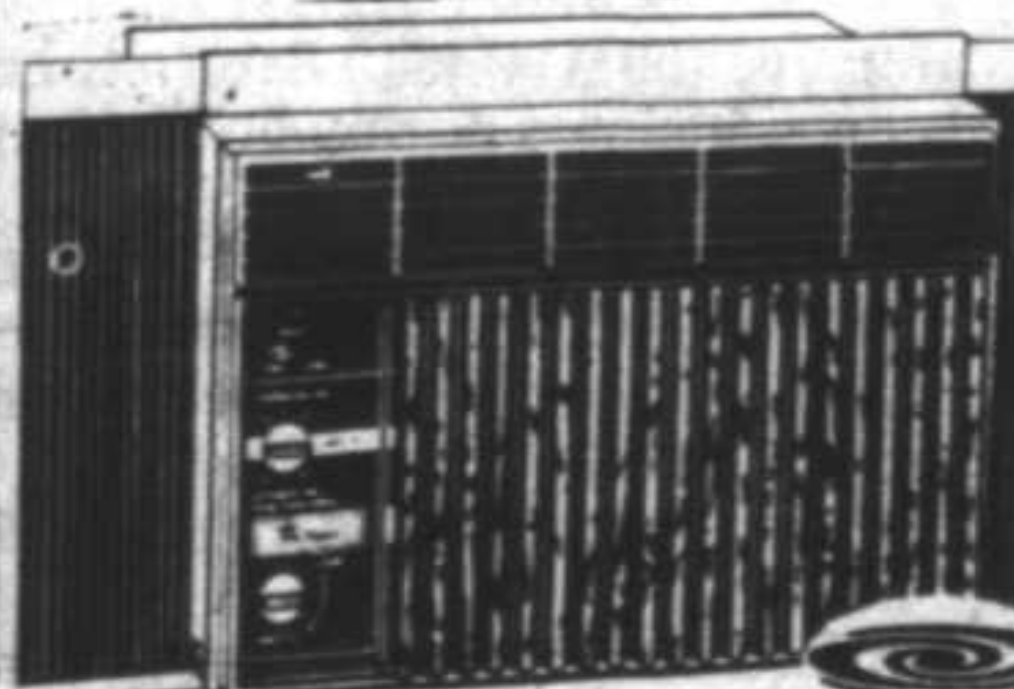
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Interest rate watchers studying inflation gap

By JOHN CUNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — Interest rate watchers have been studying the gap in recent days, and now they declare they've never seen anything to match it. They suggest that if you want to guess where the economy is headed you too should view the Grand Canyon of the monetary world, the gap, or the difference between the inflation and interest rates.

Here is one measure of its vast breadth: Inflation, averaged over the past 12 months or so, has been about 10 percent, but the current prime rate is around 20 percent. That makes the gap 10 points. The gap is dramatized even more by comparing the prime interest rate and the 4.9 percent annual rate of consumer price inflation in April. Measured that way, the gap comes to about 15 percentage points.

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However measured, the gap is the "widest in memory," says Albert H. Cox Jr., president of Merrill Lynch Economics Inc. "Something's got to give."

Which is to say, the gap is bound to grow narrower. But how? More inflation? Lower interest? Fortunes are won and lost on such guesses, but Cox, for one, thinks interest rates will fall. And, in fact, there are indications the drop may have begun from the recent prime rate high of 20.5 percent.

"Interest rates are bound to give," he says, "and probably soon." He lists these reasons: "Lower monetary growth is necessary and a prerequisite is likely to be met in the months ahead. Look also for the following relevant items: a price freeze by OPEC, downward revisions of food and price forecasts, a string of weak economic reports, and a tax cut, compromise by the White House accompanied by lower prospective budget deficits."

AND FINALLY, "single-digit inflation is likely to be reported during most months of this year's second half."

Cox will get some arguments about his views which, of course, is par for the economics craft. There are some, for example, who feel the gap might be narrowed by higher prices, and they are prepared to defend their views. Inflation, they say, will again flow like the Colorado.

And there are some who agree with Cox that the gap will be narrowed by falling interest rates, but they feel that isn't very good news. Rates will fall, they say, because tight money is strangling businesses and, in general, ruining the economy. No way to close the gap, they say.

Whatever, something big is likely to happen in the gap over the next few weeks. History imposes itself on aberrations, and the gap, it is argued, is a mammoth one, double or triple the long-term norm.

Gov. Brown ends two-day jury duty

By DOUG WILLIS
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Gov. Edmund Brown Jr. returned to state business Wednesday after a two-day stint on a Municipal Court jury that found a Yugoslavian immigrant innocent of malicious mischief.

The trial of Stamenko Rodoljic marked the first time a sitting California governor ever served as a juror — the result of a law signed by Brown repealing jury exemptions for a long list of occupations, including elected officials.

Municipal Court Judge John V. Stroud described the trial as "a noteworthy and newsworthy event" because of the celebrity juror.

The Democratic governor received a round of applause from fellow jurors Tuesday when Stroud presented him a certificate of jury service. He later spent several minutes autographing the certificates of the other jurors.

The jury, which elected Brown as its foreman, took 35 minutes to find Rodoljic innocent of slashing the car tires on brother-in-law Michael Rodanovich's car and making a threatening call to him after an argument at a Serbian Orthodox Church social last Jan. 16.

In two days of testimony, Brown and the other jurors heard conflicting accounts — much of it in halting, broken English — of how Rodoljic and Rodanovich, who grew up in the same Yugoslavian town near Belgrade, had known each other 39 years but started feuding when Rodanovich began helping his sister file for divorce from Rodoljic.

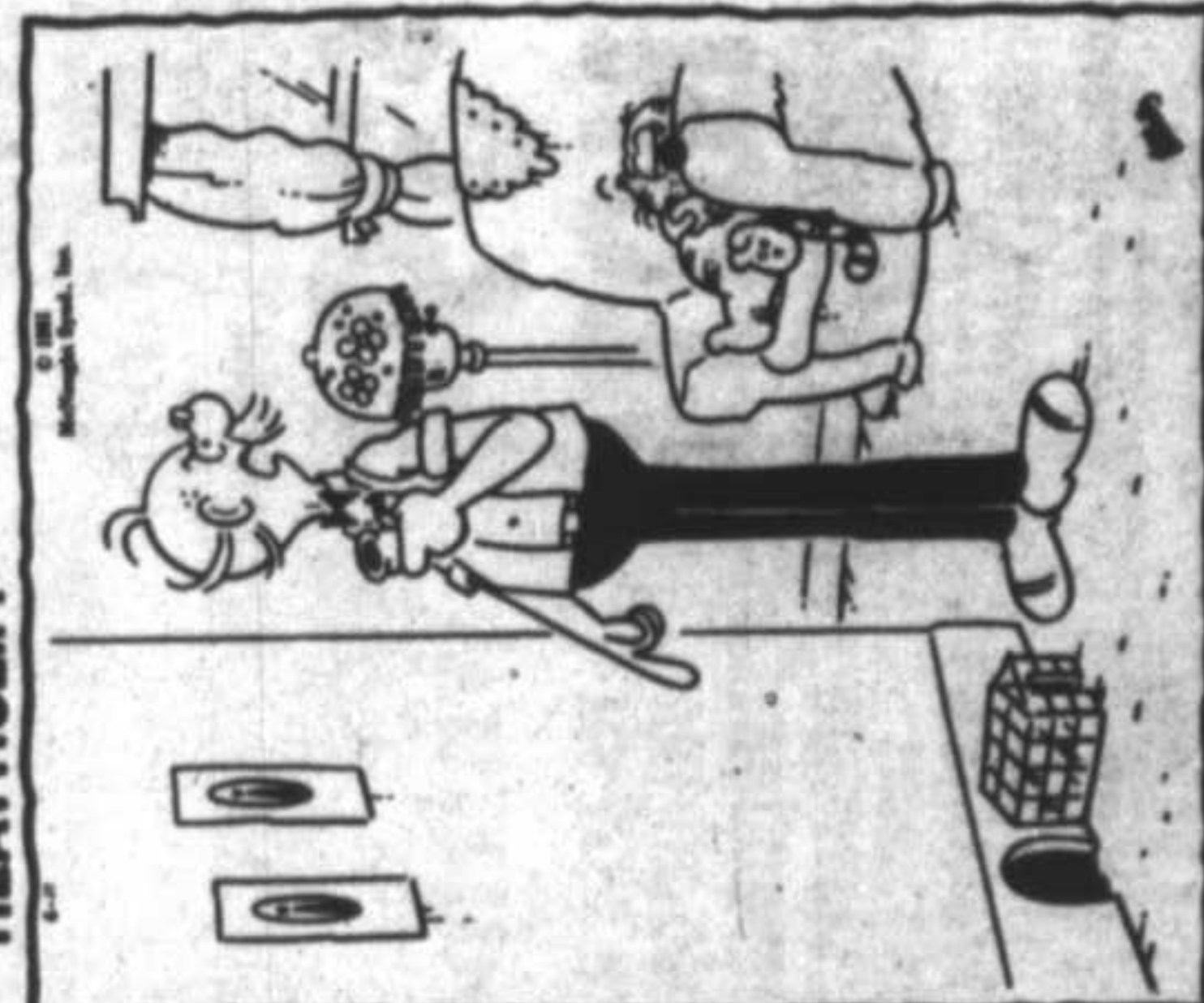
"It was fairly obvious it wasn't a well-prepared case," Brown said, adding that it "is the duty of the jury to protect citizens against unsubstantiated charges."

Several aides attended the trial with Brown to keep him in touch with state business during breaks in the testimony.

Brown, who initially asked to be excused from jury duty, withdrew that request and later said it was important for those who make the law to see how it is carried out in court.

"It's an unusual experience that won't be forgotten for a long time," he said.

After the trial, jurors said Brown's presence had no particular effect on their deliberations, except for a couple of complaints about the lights of the television cameras.



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Midlander's composition scores well

District XII of the Texas Federated Music Clubs launched a new project this spring — a festival for adult non-professional composers. The festival was dedicated to the recognition and encouragement of district composers.

Participating composers had to be senior members of District XII, TFMC and non-professional in that they never had a work published by a recognized publishing company. Each was allowed to enter six compositions, none of which could be longer than 15 minutes. Each score was unsigned and identified only by a pre-assigned number.

The event was designated a festival rather than a contest because the composers were not competing against one another. An evaluation system was used and the judge, Dr. Grant Fletcher of Tempe, Ariz., was asked to write a commentary on each composition thus availing the composers of an opportunity to have their works analyzed by a well established composer.

Fletcher has over 300 compositions to his credit, including two operas, 50 to 60 short choral works, 60 songs, various chamber works, 15 commissioned band works and 35 or 40 works for orchestra. He received his doctorate at the Eastman School where he studied under the late Howard Hanson, who later premiered several of his works.

He was twice chosen as the representative composer for the United States to attend the International Wind Conference in Zurich, Switzerland. His last work to be premiered there, "A More Proper Burial Music for Wolfgang," was played in international competition by a 95-piece band from Bulgaria.

Today, Fletcher is a professor emeritus of music at Arizona State University, where he taught theory and composition and was Composer-in-Residence for many years.

Out of the 13 compositions submitted to Fletcher, Anna Maitland of Midland was the composer earning the highest number of points as accorded by Dr. Fletcher. She will present the composition, "Sonnet No. 9" from a 17-poem cycle titled "Without Flame," by George MacKaye, for performance at the district's annual meeting in Midland Oct. 17.

Mrs. Maitland, a well-known local musician, is currently working toward her doctorate in music. She was one of the organizing members of The Musician's Club of Midland; a long-time member and past president of the Midland Music Teachers Association; recipient of the Teacher of the Year award of the Midland MTA in 1975; an accredited judge in the National Guild of Piano Teachers; and a member of the American College of Musicians.

The composition, "Soliloquy," by Beverly Fabrygel of Pecos earned the second highest number of points. Mrs. Fabrygel is a graduate of Texas Christian University and has completed graduate work at Texas University and Julliard School of Music. She teaches piano in Pecos and is an adjudicator for the National Guild of Piano Teachers.

Two compositions received the third largest amount of points. They were "Lullaby," by Mrs. Wayne Matthews of Midland and "Boogie Blues," by Mrs. Fabrygel. Mrs. Matthews, a graduate of Texas Women's University at Denton, teaches piano and is active in the Midland Musician's Club.

Bell ringers to present concert at local church

The Kirk Ringers, a handbell choir from the First Christian Church of Wichita Falls, will present a concert at Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the parish hall.

The group, which was established in 1962, is returning from a West Coast tour. Most of their selections are organ or piano compositions played from the original scores. While precision is one of the goals in performance, the choir strives for overall musicality.

Brent Stratten, the choir's director and founder, has a bachelor and masters degree in organ performance from Southern Methodist University and Midwestern State University respectively. In addition, he has studied at the Royal School of Church Music, Surrey, England, Oklahoma University and the Orff Institute of the Mozarteum, Salzburg, Austria. He has been the minister of music at First Christian in Wichita Falls for 27 years.

The public is invited to attend this free concert.

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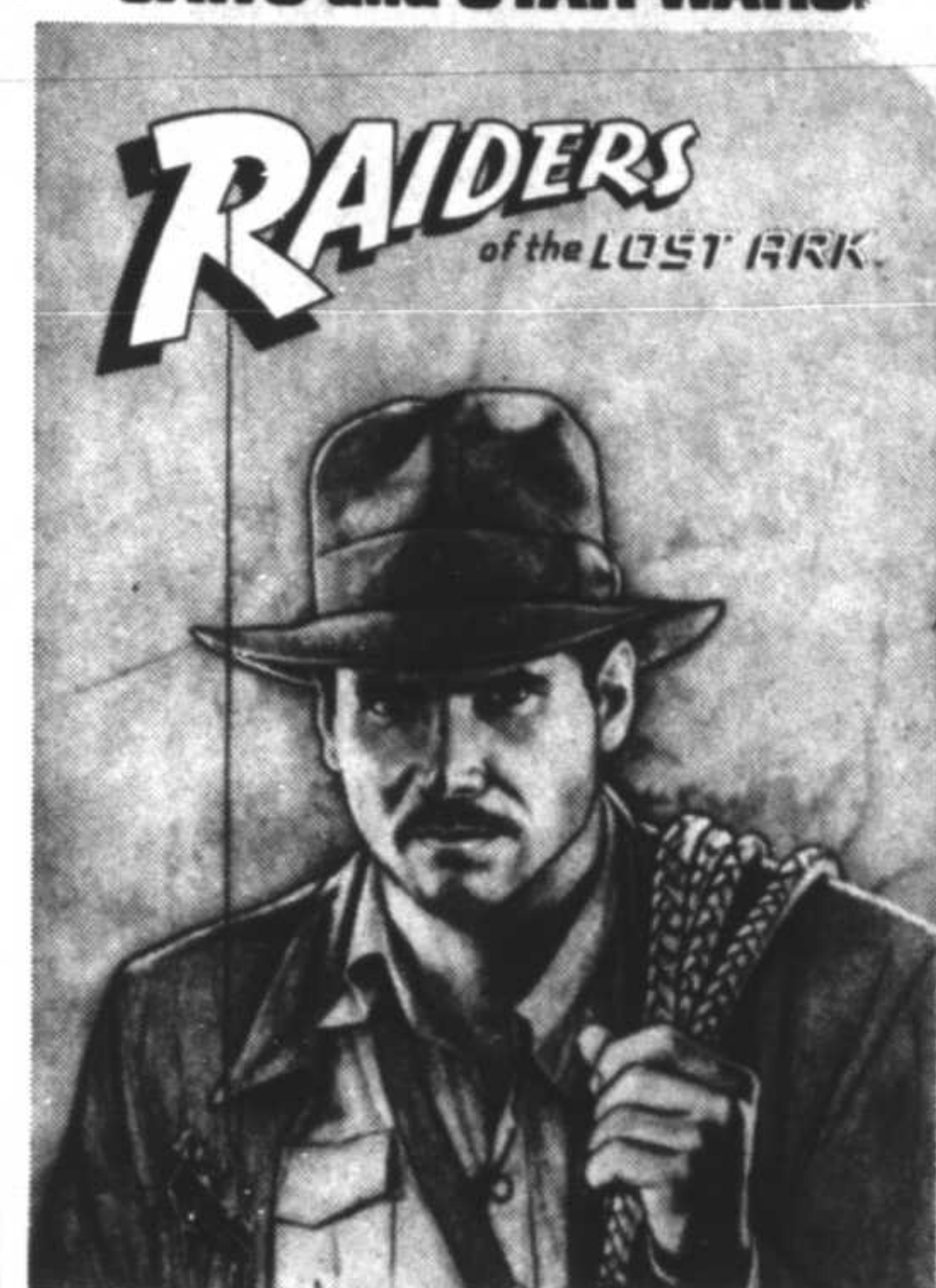
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hold their breath in this scene from Ernest Thompson's "On Golden Pond." Tickets are available for the last three performances —

tonight, Friday and Saturday. Reservations may be made by going by Theatre Midland, 2000 W. Wadley Ave., or calling 682-4111.

CBS plans defense series

NEW YORK (AP) — CBS devotes an extraordinary five hours of prime time, an hour at a clip on consecutive nights, to a documentary project called "The Defense of the United States."

The series, nine months in production, considers the prospect of survival in the nuclear age — a question made even more timely by the raid by Israeli jets this week on the nuclear facility under construction in Iraq.

Dan Rather anchors the series, 9-10 CDT each night, Sunday through Thursday, with Walter Cronkite, Bob Schieffer, Harry Reasoner, Ed Bradley and Richard Threlkeld the principal reporters.

Howard Stringer, executive producer of "CBS Reports" who coordinated the series, credits his boss, Bill Leonard, CBS News' president, with the idea for the project.

Snyder museum to open quilt show

SNYDER — The Scurry County Museum at Western Texas College has scheduled a quilt show which opens Sunday and runs through July 31. The public is invited to attend a reception marking the opening of the show from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

A demonstration workshop "Quick Techniques for Making Quilts" will be held from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday. Participants are asked to pay a \$2 registration fee. Frances Daniel, an experienced quilt maker, will serve as instructor.

The museum is open each weekday and from 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays without charge. Other features in the museum include a photographic exhibit from the National Park Service and paintings by the Scurry County Artist of the Month. For more information call the museum at 1-573-6107.

Reruns win Nielsen race

NEW YORK (AP) — Only a dozen of the 63 programs broadcast in prime time in the week ending June 7 were on the air for the first time, and ratings for the period reflected the heavy menu of repeats.

CBS won the race with an average rating for the seven-day period — 14.2 — that was the lowest recorded by a winner in nearly a year, figures from the A.C. Nielsen Co. showed. CBS won the weekly competition for the week ending Aug. 17 with a 12.4 score.

CBS' first-place finish was the network's third

in a row and was accomplished with help from "M-A-S-H," "House Calls" and "Lou Grant," the week's three most-watched programs.

NBC finished second for the week with a rating of 13.9, and ABC was third at 13.6. The networks say CBS' rating means in an average prime-time minute during the week, 14.2 percent of the nation's TV-equipped homes were tuned to CBS.

The rating for "M-A-S-H," the week's No. 1 show, was 23.9. Nielsen says that means of all the nation's homes with television, 23.9 percent saw

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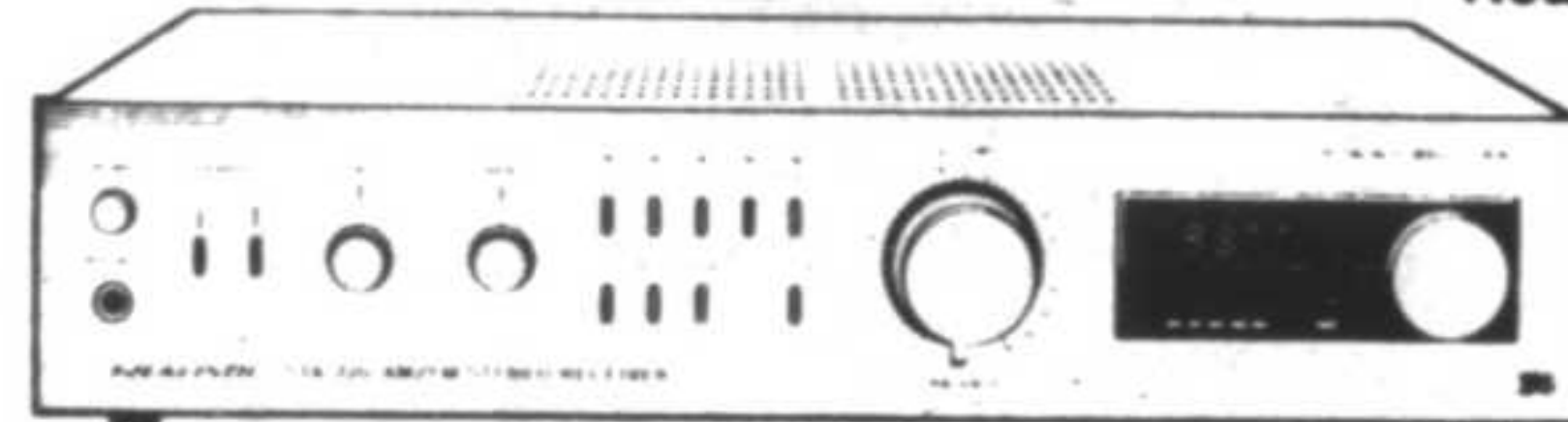
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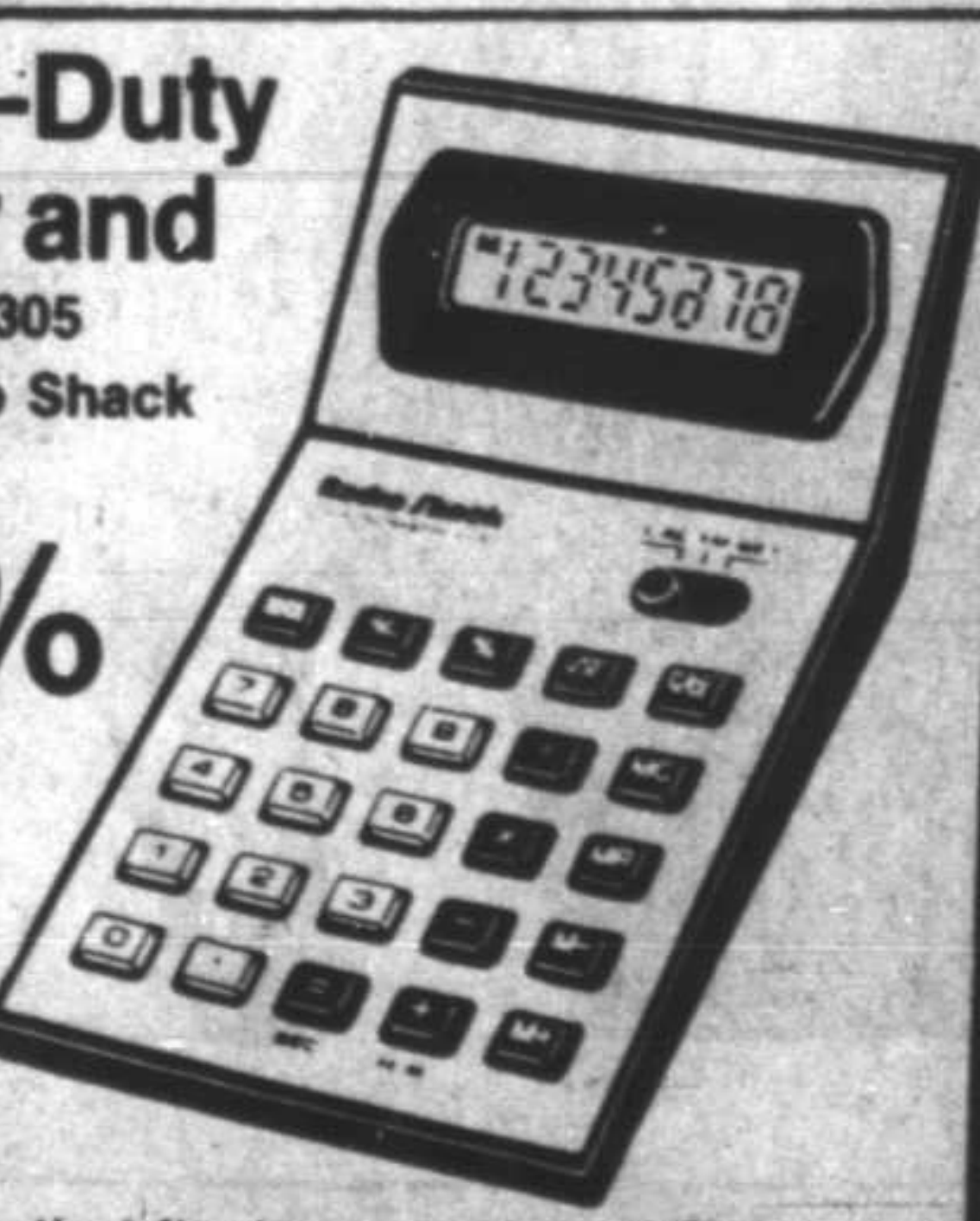
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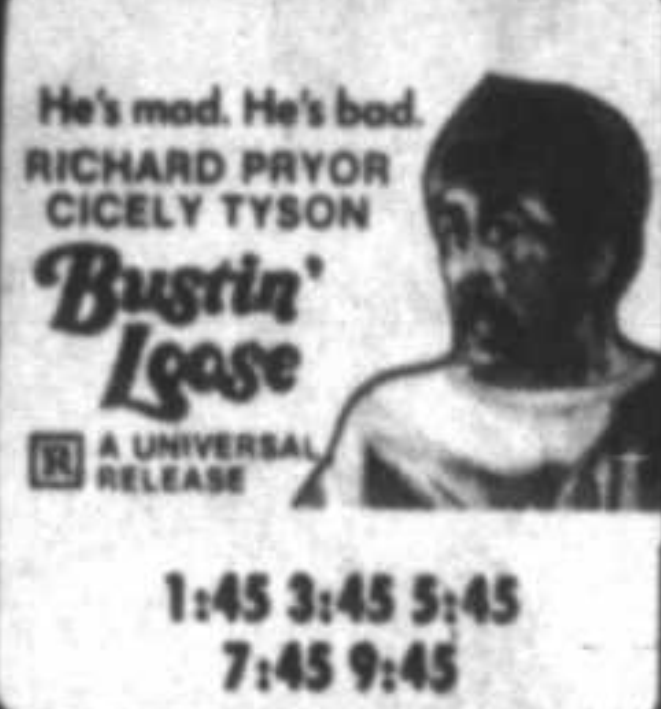
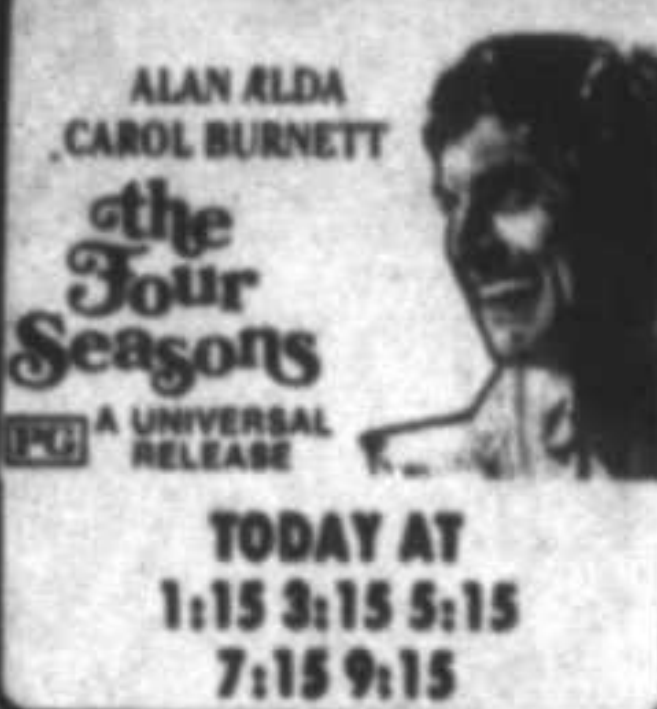
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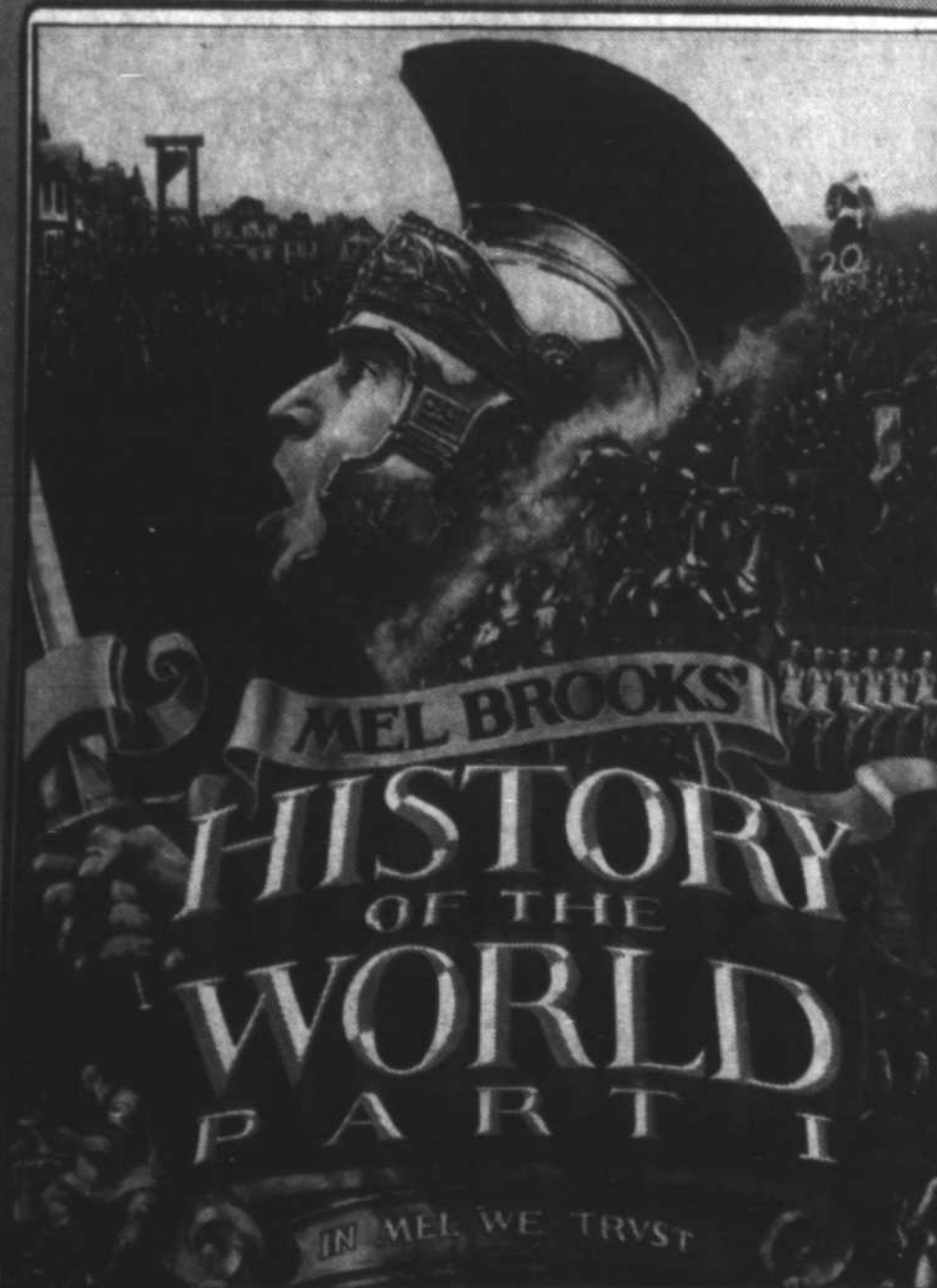
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