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Violent Weather Hits State

The SDN Column

Comptroller Bob Bullock reported the other day that state revenue for the first six months of the fiscal year has hit $3 billion, an increase of about 12 per cent over last year. Expenditures are up, also, but the increase in revenue tends to make Gov. Dolph Briscoe's "no new taxes" doctrine even more attractive.

Speaker of the House Bill Clayton and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby also are talking a hold-the-line game on state taxes. The idea is that if the state cannot make the grade on its actual growth, there should be a remedy besides increased taxes.

The governor seems to have an amazing slice of the general public in his corner on this, and other state problems. Texas Monthly, the lively magazine that seems to relish the blunt approach to state issues so much that it possibly loses some of its impact, found out in no uncertain terms how a lot of Texans felt about the governor. Although TM assesses everything from the Austin viewpoint, it makes interesting reading, and one of its big features in its February issue dealt with the governor and the alleged barrier between him and the people, especially the press (the press around here never had any trouble conversing with him whenever he was in the area) and the time he spends on his ranch at Uvalde. The title of the article was "Why Does Dolph Briscoe Want to be Governor?"

The magazine published 14 letters from readers in its April issue concerning that article. Twelve of them were overwhelmingly on the governor's side, one thought there might be grounds to impeach him and another made no clear-cut case either way. Typical of the "landslide" supporting the governor was a letter from a woman who began her letter by saying that she did not know why Dolph Briscoe wanted to be governor, but she could think of plenty of reasons that she wanted him for her governor.

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But, getting back to Bullock's report, he noted that expenditures also are up, but his figures indicate that the state is keeping its head above water with its present sources of revenue.

The biggest expense the state has these days is education. Bullock said that so far this fiscal year, 54 per cent of the state's total expenditures has gone to education.

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At about the time we were looking over Bullock's report, Ford Caperton called and wanted to know if we could remember when school teachers were paid $80 per month and principals $90 per month for the months they taught. And on top of that, they were paid with vouchers which were discounted when they were cashed.

Caperton also recalled that in those days when a "medicine show" came to town it usually was a big enough event for a holiday, or at least for school to dismiss early. And everybody took off to go to a carnival when one came along.—WACIL McNAIR.

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Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, March 30, the 90th day of 1976. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1867, Russia agreed to sell Alaska to the United States for $7.2 million.

On this date:

In 1822, a territorial government was established in Florida.

In 1842, ether reputedly was used as an anesthetic for the first time by Dr. Crawford Long in Jefferson, Ga.

In 1870, the 15th amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified. It declared that voting rights could not be denied because of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

Also in 1870, Texas was readmitted into the Union after the Civil War.

In 1940, Japan established a puppet government in occupied China.

In 1962, nearly 1,200 prisoners captured in the Bay of Pigs invasion in Cuba were being tried by a military court at a baseball stadium in Havana.

Ten years ago: The French government notified the United States that U.S. bases in France must be closed within 12 months.

Five years ago: The 24th Congress of the Soviet Communist party opened in Moscow.

One year ago: The big South Vietnamese city of Da Nang and other northern coastal strongholds fell as the North Vietnamese made a rapid advance southward.

Bicentennial footnote: Two hundred years ago today, Brigadier General William Heath arrived in New York with a brigade of troops to defend the city against any British attack.

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The Weather

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Monday, 71 degrees; low, 37 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 41 degrees.

Northwest and Southwest Texas: Clear and colder tonight. Sunny and warmer Wednesday. Low tonight near 20 Panhandle to 40s Big Bend. Highs Wednesday 50s Panhandle to 70s Big Bend.

North Central and Northeast Texas: Decreasing cloudiness tonight. Fair Wednesday. Continued cool. Low tonight 33 to 42. High Wednesday in 60s.

South Central and Southeast Texas: Slight chance of showers and thundershowers south otherwise partly cloudy and a little cooler or turning cooler most sections tonight. Cool Wednesday. Low tonight low 40s northwest to upper 50s south. High Wednesday mid 60s northwest to 79s elsewhere.

Tornadoes Kill 11 In South

By The Associated Press

Tornadoes have cut a swath of destruction across Arkansas and Mississippi, killing 11 persons, injuring more than 220 and leaving hundreds of others homeless.

State police said six persons were killed in Arkansas and more than 70 were injured. Five were killed and at least 150 were injured in Mississippi, state Civil Defense officials said.

"This is unbelievable, just unbelievable," said Arkansas Gov. David Pryor as he toured the devastated town of Cabot, hardest hit by the twisters that roared through the two Southern states Monday.

Five died in Cabot, a community in central Arkansas 20 miles northeast of Little Rock. The sixth victim in Arkansas was killed when a tornado struck the town of Dresco, about 100 miles north of Little Rock.

State police earlier said six persons had died in Cabot, but officials reported today that a man listed as dead was later found alive there.

Most of Cabot's business district was demolished, and state police said 65 buildings on an eight-block stretch of Main Street were either destroyed or heavily damaged.

In Mississippi, five persons were killed when a tornado tore through the town of Canton.

In Texas, authorities said high winds and tornadoes hit towns near Austin and San Antonio before dawn today, overturning mobile homes, knocking down trees and communication lines and injuring about a dozen people.

A spokesman for the Southeast Travis County fire control district said 40 to 60 persons were left homeless in Garfield, 12 miles southeast of Austin, after a twister "went right through the middle" of the village where there are many trailer and frame homes.

Six persons were taken to an Austin hospital for treatment, the spokesman said, adding that two of them appeared to be in serious condition.

Kerrville police dispatcher Tom Rankin said a tornado later whirled across part of Center Point, about 15 miles south of Kerrville and 45 miles northwest of San Antonio, injuring seven persons. He said the injured were taken to a Kerrville hospital but none appeared to be badly hurt.

Tornado warnings were issued today for 56 counties, primarily in south-central and southeast Texas.

Mississippi National Guard troops joined local police late Monday in patrolling the debris-lined streets of Canton and enforcing the 10 p.m. curfew ordered to prevent looting of the town's demolished businesses.

In Arkansas, the Lonoke County sheriff's office said, "The whole main street of Cabot has been flattened."

The Arkansas governor, who arrived in Cabot a few hours after the tornadoes hit, ordered 60 National Guardsmen to the storm-ravaged town.

Boyd Service Here Today

Funeral service was set for 2 p.m. today at the Bell-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Mrs. Gladys Boyd, 49, who died unexpectedly Monday at her home.

The Rev. L.W. Hatfield was to officiate at the funeral service and burial was to be in the Snyder Cemetery, under direction of Bell-Seale Funeral Home.

Justice of the Peace Bobby Goodwin returned a coroner's verdict of death from natural causes in Mrs. Boyd's death.

A native of Rule, she was married on Feb. 17, 1967, at Colorado City, to Warren Boyd.

She is survived by her husband; a daughter, Carol Watkins of Colorado City; her father, D. L. Wright of Plainview; three brothers, Lee Wright of Plainview, Novell Wright of Stamford and Charles Wright of Beaumont, and one granddaughter.



GOODWILL VISIT—Members of the Snyder High School Student Council welcomed a delegation from Brownfield High School this morning. The Brownfield students were here on a goodwill visit, which will be returned soon by an SHS delegation. Seated, from left, are Kathy Sperry, Billy Bass and Debbie Davis of Brownfield; standing, from left, D'Anna Myers, William Sullenger and Sarah Coleman, all of SHS, Leslie Thurman of Brownfield, and Dane Witherspoon of SHS.

US WARNS AGAINST INTERVENTION

Moslems Close In On Christian Headquarters

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Leftist Moslems and Palestinian guerrillas closed in on the Christian militia headquarters today and Lebanese politicians expressed public fears that Syria might send troops and armor across the border to force an end to the civil war.

There were Arab press reports that Syrian President Hafez Assad had sounded out the United States, France and the Vatican as to whether they could guarantee that Israel would stay out if Syria moved to reign in the Lebanese combatants.

The United States issued a warning Monday that anyone contemplating military intervention in Lebanon should stay out.

Leftist Moslem-Palestinian forces were moving in on the Beirut headquarters of right-wing Christian Phalangists behind artillery in a day of heavy fighting with Christians losing ground. Tank battles flared in north Lebanon.

Apparently fearful of a Syrian-Israeli confrontation, Palestinian guerrilla leader Yasir Arafat proposed a one-week "military moratorium" to help bring a peaceful settlement in the 11-month-old civil war that has taken an estimated 14,000 lives.

A guerrilla spokesman said Arafat's plan called for a cease-fire in place to help the 99-man parliament amend the constitution and elect a new president before the term of President Suleiman Franjieh expires Sept. 24.

Franjieh, a Christian whose resignation has been demanded for weeks by leaders of a coup by Moslem army members, would then submit his resignation and the new chief of state would introduce political reforms to lay the foundation for lasting peace, the spokesman added.

Lebanese Moslems are fighting the war for a larger share of economic and political power, a majority of which is now concentrated in the hands of Maronite Christians, a sect aligned with the Roman Catholic church.

The guerrilla spokesman said leftist warlord Kamal Junblatt called the leftist Moslem allies to a meeting later today to decide on the Arafat proposal.

Junblatt has resisted Syrian pressure to stop fighting and has insisted that only when Franjieh resigns uconditionally and the Maronite Christians agree to radical reforms can a truce be considered.

Action Delayed On Line Request

In a special session last night, the city council delayed a decision on a request made by Prentis Bass, representing National Homes, for the city to extend water and sewer lines to the site of a proposed housing development.

National Homes is interested in developing a housing project involving 64 lots in the Parkplace Addition to the City of Snyder. Bass, representing National Homes, requested that existing water and sewer lines be extended to the lots at city expense.

Mayor Bill Vestal said that Bass' request would require the city council to abandon a 20-year-old policy of non-intervention in extending water and sewer lines to housing projects.

City Manager, George Patterson, cited case histories of developers who successfully extended water and sewer lines at their own expense.

The city council decided to delay decision until its regular session next month.

In other action last night, the Panhandle Construction Co. was awarded a $65,000 contract for the construction of water and sewer lines to five locations in the city. The Panhandle Construction Co. won the contract by submitting the lowest bid from a field of six bidders.

The city council decided to buy a new police vehicle from Wilson Motor Co. to replace a police car which received extensive damages in a major accident.

Wilson Motor Co. was awarded a $4,900 contract by submitting the lower of two bids.

The new police car will replace a police vehicle extensively damaged in a collision March 10 at Thirtieth Street and Avenue G.

In its final action of the night, the city council agreed to redirect the city's sewage discharge from the Thompson farm. The city's sewage will now be dumped to Deep Creek at a point to the west of the Thompson farm.

The mayor was authorized to exchange quit claim deeds with John Voss covering a portion of a five acre tract of land located adjacent to the southwest corner of the city's sewage treatment farm off Deep Creek.

11 Injured Near Austin

By The Associated Press

Tornadic winds dipped into a commuters' village near Austin and a community northwest of San Antonio before dawn today as a cold front set off violent weather in a slow trip through Central Texas.

About a dozen persons suffered injuries but attendants said only two were believed to be in serious condition.

At the same time light rain mixed with snow fell from around Childress to near Lubbock in the Panhandle-Plains sector, and cold north winds whipped across the state behind the frontal system.

Southwest Travis County Fire Control Dist. Chief Gordon Swenson reported an apparent twister "went through the middle" of the hamlet of Garfield, 12 miles southeast of Austin, about 3:45 a.m. Six persons were taken by ambulance to an Austin hospital and two were said to be in serious condition.

Officials estimated 40 to 60 persons were left homeless at Garfield. It consists mainly of trailer houses and frame dwellings, and some were smashed beyond repair. Most of the residents are commuters who work in Austin.

Swanson said the violent weather struck first near Buda, which is south of Austin, and spun eastward toward Garfield. There was no report of injuries at Buda.

Kerrville police dispatcher Tom Rankin reported that a tornado a bit later whirled across part of Center Point, which is 15 miles south of Kerrville and 45 miles northwest of San Antonio.

Of the seven injured taken from Center Point to a Kerrville hospital, five were treated and dismissed. Nurses said the other two did not appear to be hurt seriously.

Deadline Is Near For Car Tags, Voters

Lines were growing longer today as the county tax office faced two deadlines.

Most of the traffic now involves motor vehicle licenses. Texas motorists must have the new tags on their vehicles by Thursday. The Scurry County Tax Office will remain open until 7 p.m. Wednesday to take care of those who still do not have their license tags, announced Don Adams, tax assessor-collector.

Lines have been building up at the auto license department of the tax office, located on the first floor of the courthouse and they are expected to become even longer the last two days of the vehicle registration season.

Also, voters who want to cast ballots in primary elections on May 1 must have their voter registrations by April 1. Registration of voters also is handled at the county tax office.

Secretary of State Mark White reminded Texas voters today that applications for new voting certificates must be in the tax office before 5 p.m. Thursday. He also reminded volunteer deputy registrars that any application which had been collected must be turned in to the county office by the 5 p.m. Thursday deadline. White said applications postmarked before 5 p.m. Thursday would not be eligible, unless they were physically in the county tax office by that time.

Teamsters Talks In Critical Stage

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill. (AP) — The trucking industry's contract talks resumed today after Labor Secretary W. J. Usery described them at "a critical stage" in the race against a Teamsters strike threatened for midnight Wednesday.

Usery and James Scearce, acting director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, met until 1 a.m. today with labor and management negotiators and resumed sessions about eight hours later.

Usery, who said a strike would be bad for the industry, the union and the nation, said late Monday that the talks were "at a very critical stage" but refused to elaborate on their progress.

The Teamsters, who earn $7.18 to $7.33 an hour and $44 a week in benefits under the current National Master Freight Agreement, originally sought a $2.50 hourly hike and $36 weekly more in benefits over three years. They have cut their demands to $1.75 an hour and $17 a week.

Callaway Resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Howard H. Callaway has resigned as President Ford's campaign manager and will be succeeded by Rogers C.B. Morton, a White House source said today.

Morton is the White House counsel who handles liaison with the President's campaign committee.

White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen said he might be able to give details later today about a meeting Monday between Callaway and Ford at the White House. The meeting lasted nearly an hour.

Callaway had been suspended at his own request pending an investigation of questions raised about his role in promoting a Colorado ski resort he owns.

Monday Debate Takes On A "Get Carter" Flavor

NEW YORK (AP) — For almost an hour the candidates took turns suggesting remedies for the financial plight of the big cities — things like more federal aid for education, help with welfare costs, some kind of national health insurance.

Before they finished Monday night, the debate that began as a polite exchange had taken on something of a "get Carter" flavor.

The target was Jimmy Carter, winner of five of six Democratic presidential primaries. He and Sens. Henry Jackson of Washington and Frank Church of Idaho, Arizona Rep. Morris Udall and former Oklahoma Sen. Fred Harris talked urban troubles for 90 minutes in a forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

All but Church, who entered the race for the Democratic presidential nomination only recently, are vying with Carter for a share of the 274 delegate votes at stake in next Tuesday's primary election in New York.

Activity elsewhere Monday was at a minimum:

—Ronald Reagan, challenging President Ford for the Republican nomination, prepared to tape today a 30-minute speech to be telecast nationally by NBC at 10:30 p.m. EST Wednesday night.

Plans for the taping in Hollywood were announced shortly after Reagan persuaded NBC to reverse an earlier position and sell him 30 minutes of time, reportedly for $100,000. All three networks initially turned down his request for time.

—Carter said in Roanoke, Va., before heading for New York City that he regretted having said last week that Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, at 64, is too old to be president. Humphrey is not an announced candidate for the Democratic nomination but has said he would accept a draft.

—Democratic National Convention planners voted to open the convention floor to all of the party's members of Congress, governors and lieutenant governors.

—In Washington, the controversy-loaded bill to revise the federal election campaign act, which would resume public financing of presidential campaigns, was cleared for House action today. A vote was not expected until Wednesday.

The Democrats' views on "Who is Responsible for the Cities" were aired before an audience of 1,000 in a Manhattan hotel ballroom. The forum was televised by the Public Broadcasting System.

Jackson proposed a big hike in federal support for education, saying that because Americans move so often — he said "40 per cent move to another state every 10 years" — states should not carry as much of the responsibility. He also favored guarantee of municipal bonds "up to three-fourths of a given issue."

Udall proposed that the cities issue small denomination bonds with the federal government "picking up 40 per cent of the interest costs." It would be an alternative to tax free bonds that cost the federal government $2.5 billion and enrich "one and a half per cent of the population."

He did not say what the new bonds would cost the federal government.

Harris proposed a national development bank that would make loans directly to the cities and "guarantee loans for housing and for small and medium-sized businesses." He blamed urban problems on "maldistribution of wealth and income and power."



TURNER MAKES POINTS—Larry Turner of Western Texas College added points in the New Mexico Junior College Rodeo over the weekend. Turner now is in second place in bull riding in the region.

Cointelpro Victims May Be Notified

By MARGARET GENTRY
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Atty. Gen. Edward H. Levi may soon instruct Justice Department officials to notify perhaps thousands of Americans that they were victims of the FBI's harassment campaign, according to knowledgeable department sources.

"I think the attorney general is looking very favorably on the plan," a ranking official said in response to questions Monday.

Levi expects to receive written recommendations this week from officials developing the plan.

The FBI conducted 12 counterintelligence programs, known as Cointelpro, at various times between 1956 and 1971 to harass and disrupt militant political groups on the left and right.

The targets included the nonviolent Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the more militant Black Panthers and Students for a Democratic Society, old-line Communist and Socialist groups, and the Ku Klux Klan.

Court documents made public earlier this week show that one Cointelpro target, the Socialist Workers party, also was the target of numerous FBI burglaries to obtain information about the party.

The tactics were intended to disrupt activities of the target groups and harass and discredit their members. The operation involved sending derogatory letters anonymously to the employer, parents or spouse of an individual targeted for harassment.

Under the Cointelpro label, the FBI also manufactured and distributed phony political tracts in an effort to stir dissension among various political groups.

The late civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., may have been the most prominent victim of the concentrated harassment effort. The FBI wiretapped King's home and office and whispered tales of his sexual conduct in an effort to discredit him, according to testimony before the Senate intelligence committee.

King's SCLC was a Cointelpro target, but the activities against King were broader than the counterintelligence program alone.

Some groups and individuals have learned that they were Cointelpro victims through lawsuits against the FBI and requests for FBI files under the Freedom of Information Act.

But many other victims may not have the money, the patience or the interest to pursue a lengthy battle for information.



RESIDENTIAL CRUSADE—Snyder Jaycee-Ettes are making final plans for the city wide residential cancer crusade to be held in Snyder April 3-9. Anyone wishing to help in the crusade is asked to contact the Jaycee-Ettes by calling 573-8341 or 573-0016. Pictured above are (from left) Cindy Ferguson, Nancy LaRoux, Mary Burton and Billie Smith.

WTC Is Third In Hobbs Rodeo

The Western Texas College men's rodeo team took third place in the New Mexico Junior College rodeo in Hobbs over the week end and now trails Texas Tech by seven points for first place in the Southwest Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA).

Tarleton won the NMJC rodeo with 216 points, while Tech finished second with 215 points. WTC had 171 points for third, and Eastern New Mexico was fourth with 157 points.

WTC went into the NMJC rodeo trailing Tech by 14 points, Van Rigby, WTC rodeo sponsor, said, and the points made at the rodeo boosted WTC to within seven points of first place.

Rick Bradley, WTC steer wrestler, won second place at the rodeo with a time of five seconds and has now assured himself a spot in the College National Finals Fodeo in Bozeman, Mont., this summer. He has a total of 359 points for the season, best in the nation, and has a 123-point lead over the nearest contender in the Southwest Region.

WTC entries in other events included Brady Crumpler who placed third in bull riding with 68 points and fourth in saddle bronc riding with 55 points. He is the leading saddle bronc rider in the Southwest Region. John Crain, who finished sixth in the saddle bronc event at Hobbs, is in third place in the region.

Larry Turner, who holds second place in regional bull riding, marked 62 points on his bull. Keith Rowan, holding second place in calf roping for the region, tied his calf in 12-5 seconds. Joel Carter roped his calf in 15 flat.

JoAnn Whitehead placed fourth in the women's barrel race with a time of 17.1 seconds and now holds third place in barrel racing in the region.

New Mexico State University will sponsor the next NIRA rodeo on April 1-4 in Las Cruces. The rodeo will open Thursday night and the finals are to start at 1 p.m. Sunday (Mountain Standard Time).

WTC will sponsor an NIRA rodeo April 29-30 and May 1 in the Scurry County coliseum.

7 Arabs Killed In Israeli Riot

By DAVID LANCASHIRE
Associated Press Writer

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Security forces killed seven Israeli Arab rioters today in clashes during an Arab general strike called by the Communists.

The government said the clashes were the first fatal skirmishes between Israeli troops and the nation's 500,000 Arab citizens in the 28 years since Israel became a state.

The strike was called to protest the government's takeover of about 1,600 acres of rocky, unused Arab land in Galilee for Jewish and Arab development projects. The government is to pay for all the land.

The Arabs were shot to death in four villages as rioters fought troops and police with stones and kerosene bombs, police said.

More than 20 soldiers and police and an unknown number of Israeli Arabs were reported injured. Security forces arrested about 200 rioters and suspected agitators. Most of the violence was centered in Galilee.

Border police battled rioters at the home of Nazareth's Communist mayor, Tewfik Zayad, a member of parliament who was regarded as the strike leader.

Violence erupted in about a dozen Arab villages inside Israel. Towns in occupied west Jordan, swept by anti-Israeli riots for the past month, joined the strike in sympathy.

Israeli troops in Arab Jerusalem and west Jordan ordered striking merchants to reopen their shops, breaking open the iron shutters of some stores and welding others shut as punishment.

The government had said earlier that most Arabs appeared to be rejecting the strike call and working as usual.

The strike was centered in Nazareth, in Galilee, and much of the initial violence occurred in two Arab villages north of there, Deir Hanna and Sakhnin.

A police communique said villagers in Deir Hanna attacked an army truck and security patrol Monday night with bottles and burning kerosene tins.

Adult Education Classes Resume

Adult Education classes will resume tonight at Western Texas College following the spring break, Gerald Corkran, instructor, said.

The classes meet in room 203 of the Learning Resource Center from 6:30 to 9 each Tuesday and Thursday night. Students may enroll at any time, and there are no fees. Persons interested in further information are invited to attend the class tonight or to call Kay Holland at extension 274 at the college.

Classified Ads—Call 573-5486.

MIDDAY STOCKS

By The Associated Press

Atl Rich	89	up	¼
Beth Stl	42½	off	⅝
Borden	28⅞		
Brit. Pet.	11¾		
Cat Trac	80½	off	⅜
Celanese	51½	off	⅛
Chrysler	18⅞		
Cities Svc	44⅛	off	⅛
Coca Cola	87¼	off	¼
Cont Oil	67⅜	off	⅜
Dow Chem	105½	up	⅝
duPont	145½	off	1½
Eastman	115⅛	off	⅛
El Paso NG	14⅛		
Exxon	92¾	off	⅛
Ford	56¼	off	¼
Gen Elec	52⅝	off	⅛
Gen Foods	30		
Gen Mtrs	68¾	up	¼
Gen Tel	26	off	⅛
Gen Tire	21¾	up	¼
Goodrich	27¾		
Great A&P	15½	up	¾
Gulf Oil	24⅜	off	⅛
Glf St Ut	13⅜		
Hous. Lp	21¼		
IBM	259½	off	¾
Int Paper	72	off	⅛
Jhn-Man	31½	off	⅜
John Joh	89⅝	up	¼
Litton	15⅞		
Marathon	51¼	off	⅛
Marcor	35⅛		
Mobil Oil	57¼		
Monsanto	88⅜	off	⅜
Penney	58¾		
Phill Pet	54⅝		
RCA	27¾	off	¼
Safeway	44⅜	off	⅛
Sears	76⅞		
Sony	9	off	¼
Stand Ind	47	off	⅜
Sun Oil	30½	off	⅛
Texaco	26⅞	up	⅛
Texas Inst	124½	up	¾
Un Carbide	71½		
Uniroyal	9½	off	⅛
US Steel	79¼	off	⅛
Woolworth	26	up	¼

HOSPITAL NOTES

ADMISSIONS: Tammie Doan, 4008 Ave. R; Pauline Hill, 1207 Twenty-sixth; Tammy Doty, Rt. 2, Roby; Valdean Riley, 2911 Ave. M; Cherry Hembree, 2806 Ave. X; Pamela Hester, 216 Thirty-sixth Pl.; John Hammit, Leisure Lodge.

DISMISSALS: Rosa Gauna, Tony Thomason, Edna McConnell, Mary Helen Green, Jose Benitez, Shirley Burrus, Pamela Hester, Merle Williams, Visenta Villa.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McCathern, 3719 Ave. U, are the parents of an 8 lb. 1 oz. son, born at 5:46 p.m. March 24 in Malone-Hogan Hospital in Big Spring. He has been named Kurtis Andrew. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Porter and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McCathern, all of Pampa.

An industrial revolution in the textile industry followed invention of the spinning jenny which could make many threads at one time compared to the single thread produced by the spinning wheel.

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Four Mishaps Are Reported Here Monday

Four traffic accidents, one theft, and an act of criminal mischief were reported by city police.

One accident occurred yesterday afternoon at Thirty-seventh Street and College Avenue. A 1966 Chevrolet driven by Manuel Reaozola collided with a gasoline pump. Damages to the pump were estimated at $800.

A three-car accident occurred yesterday evening at Twenty-fifth Street and College Avenue. Involved in the accident were a 1966 Chevrolet driven by Ronald Brown, a 1972 Pontiac driven by Terry Arnold, and a 1966 Chevrolet driven by Ricky Highfield.

A mishap occurred yesterday evening in the 3300 block of El Paso. Involved in the mishap were a 1974 Mercury driven by Alan Floyd and a 1967 Chevrolet by G.L. Autry.

Mrs. Sherry Witcher reported that a vehicle struck her car while it was parked at the Leisure Lodge and left the scene.

A theft was reported at the Busy Bee Grocery last night. A man reportedly put $1.50 worth of gasoline in his car and left without paying for it.

An act of criminal mischief was reported at the Northeast Elementary School. Three windows on the east and north wings of the school were shot out, apparently with a pellet gun.

Solar Energy Has Drawbacks

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Solar energy is free, clean and inexhaustible, but "there are drawbacks," says associate director Joe Ventura of the Governor's Energy Advisory Council.

A Fort Worth utility executive, Howard Drew of Texas Electric Service Co., agreed.

They spoke Monday at a conference on solar heating and cooling, which was sponsored by the University of Texas.

Ventura said solar energy "is diffuse and must be collected over wide area. It is intermittent in nature. It would do little for our security to exchange our current dependancy on Arab oil for orbiting solar reflectors."

"Solar power is not, in fact, a tried and proven technology which is suitable for widespread immediate application," he said.

Drew, director of research for Texas Electric, said electric utility companies would have to maintain full facilities as a backup for peak demand periods when solar energy was not available.

"We would have to make up for the lost revenue. There are no free lunches," Drew said.

Drew warned, too, that even solar energy would have "environmental consequences."

He mentioned that reflectors would cover hundreds of thousands of acres and that transmission lines and vast amounts of cooling water would still be needed.

"Solar energy is not without possible environmental and esthetic problems," Ventura said, but he added "they pale by comparison with oil spills, black lung disease, acid rains, plutonium theft, radiation poisoning and a multitude of other dangers we must face in using other fuels."

He said although solar energy cannot be plugged in across the nation overnight, "It could be, if we, as a society, were willing to spend enough money on research and development to bring solar on line."

Ventura noted that the federal Paley Commission "uncannily" predicted nearly 25 years ago that there would be an energy shortage by 1975, but the report also said the United States would be using "solar energy to supply 10 per cent of its needs and that some 13 million solar systems would be in existence."

"We all know," Ventura said, "that in 1975 the solar share of our energy budget was virtually non-existent and the number of solar systems was numbered in the hundreds at best."

"I would like to re-emphasize," he said, "that solar energy is one answer to the energy crisis, but is not the answer."

Firemen Called Three Times

Three fires were reported by the fire department.

A grass fire occurred yesterday at 10:45 a.m. approximately 20 miles southwest of the city. A cotton burr fire was reported yesterday afternoon about eight miles northeast of the city. A trash fire occurred yesterday afternoon approximately one mile south of Dunn.

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AUTOGRAPHED FOOTBALL—Merilou Moore (left) and Kellye Crenshaw check to see if the signature of their favorite Cowboy Football Player is on the football which the team autographed and sent for the Cystic Fibrosis Drive which is being conducted here. The football, donated by Snyder Athletic Center, will be presented to the person who makes the largest donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Drive. It will be awarded during the CF Dance to be held Saturday at the National Guard Armory.

WIN AT BRIDGE

No honor in Harold's play

NORTH (D) 29
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♥ A 9
♦ K Q J 6 5 2
♣ J 10 9

WEST
♠ K J 6 4
♥ J 7 3
♦ 8
♣ 7 5 4 3 2

EAST
♠ Q 9
♥ 10 8 5 4 2
♦ A 10
♣ K Q 8 6

SOUTH
♠ A 10 8 5 2
♥ K Q 6
♦ 9 7 4 3
♣ A

Both vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	3 N.T.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead — 3 ♣

By Oswald & James Jacoby

Jim: "There have been several recent articles about Harold Vanderbilt and his invention of contract. Tell us something about him and the giants of the early days of contract."

Oswald: "Glad you asked. 'Mike' Vanderbilt did invent contract and was one of the great bridge players of the early days. He played very little tournament bridge, but won the Vanderbilt cup twice playing with Waldemar von Zedtwitz and one pair and one team title playing with me. The hand in the box led to our team victory."

"I don't think much of South's jump to three notrump — five diamonds spreads."

Oswald: "Our opponents did bid five diamonds. I opened the three of clubs against three notrump. Mike thought for two minutes and played the eight on dummy's nine. Had he played an honor South would have made at least four notrump and won the board. As it was he went down and lost the board and the tournament."

Ask the Jacobys

A Pittsburgh reader wants to know if it is a misdeal when the dealer has a card left over at the end and, if it is not a misdeal, is it correct simply to give that card to the player who is one card short.

The answer is that it is a misdeal and the same dealer should redeal.

(For a copy of JACOBY MODERN, send $1 to: "Win at Bridge," c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019)

Fill Up On Fresh Corn

By Aileen Claire
NEA Food Editor

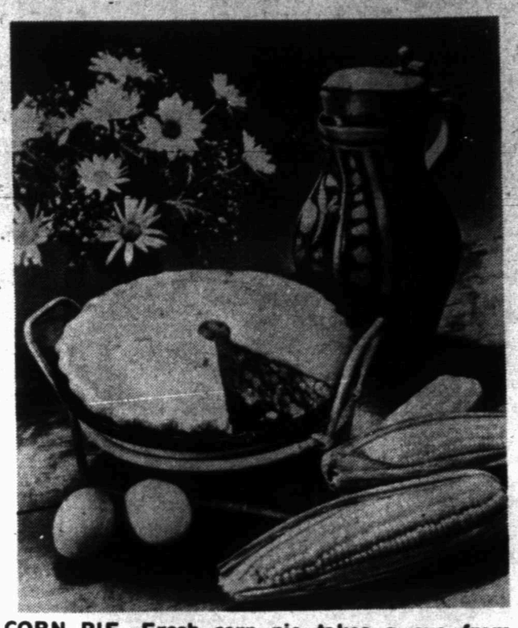
The Pennsylvania Dutch are known for providing a plentiful table full of main dish pies, relishes, vegetables and desserts. A fresh corn pie would be right at home in such surroundings. Use this as a main dish with relishes, fresh lemonade and a fruit pie for dessert.

LANCASTER FRESH CORN PIE

1 package (10 ounces) pie crust mix
6 ears fresh corn
3 hard-cooked eggs, sliced
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley
1 tablespoon flour
1 tablespoon sugar
1½ teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
4 tablespoons butter or margarine
¾ cup light cream or half and half

Prepare pie crust following package directions. Roll half of the pastry one-eighth-inch thick. Line a 9-inch pie pan with rolled pastry. Remove kernels from cob with a sharp knife (makes about three and one-half cups of kernels). Combine corn, eggs, onion and parsley; pour into pie pan. Combine flour, sugar, salt and black pepper. Sprinkle over corn mixture. Dot with butter and pour cream over all. Roll remaining pie crust one-eighth-inch thick. Place over corn mixture. Seal edges firmly. Make a gash in center of crust for steam to escape. Bake in preheated 450-degree over for 8 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 degrees and bake until crust is browned, 50 to 60 minutes. Makes 6 portions.

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CORN PIE—Fresh corn pie takes a cue from Pennsylvania Dutch cooks.

Students Are Eager To Learn

By SUSANNE BURKS
Albuquerque Journal

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (AP) — Nineteen-year-old Donna Jean Nodine is handicapped and has never been to school — but she's bright and "eager to learn."

Kindergartener Mark Abeyta is confined at home to recover from rheumatic fever, and Paul Lapierre, a sixth grader, has been hospitalized for weeks with fractures received in a football game.

Suzy Mound, a high school sophomore, faces a six-week stay at home to recover from a stubborn, extended illness.

And Mitzie Morrato, a senior, partially paralyzed after a gymnastics accident, still needs minimal help from teachers in the program, also teaches a third grader with emotional problems, a 10th grader with mononucleosis and an eighth grader on chemotherapy.

Together they're representative of the people and situations with which homebound — this year renamed "home and hospital" — teaching deals: school youngsters of all grades in circumstances ranging from the mundane to the tragic, in settings ranging from the well-to-do to the poverty-stricken to the sterility of hospital rooms.

Mrs. Peloquin said she had had students who graduated directly from the program and several students who later died.

"Even when they're terminal, we take them. It means a lot to these students," she said.

Regardless of how serious the circumstances may be, the objective is education and Mrs. Peloquin, though kind, is firm and all business with the students.

Of one of her wheelchair-bound students the teacher said, "She has a great attitude and is an inspiration. It makes one impatient to see those with lesser disabilities being so careless about their education."

SCHOOL MENU

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: All we can do is make the best of each day...Cantor
Sausage & Cheese Pizza
w-Grated Cheese garnish
Buttered Mixed Vegetables
Carrot-Celery Stick-Pepper Ring
Pineapple Pudding
Milk

THURSDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Defeat is a school in which truth always grows strong...Manners
Tigerburger on Toasted Bun w-Condiments
Catsup, Mustard & Salad Dressing
Lettuce, Tomato, Onion & Pickle
French Fries
Apricot Cobbler
Milk

FRIDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: I count more strength in a true heart than in a walled city...Lyle
Chicken & Dumplings
Buttered Carrots
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Cornmeal Twist Rolls
Banana Pudding
Milk

SECONDARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY

Deep Fried Perch Filet
Tartar Sauce & Catsup
French Fries
Red & Green Salad
Hot Roll & Butter
Special Cake
Milk

THURSDAY

Bar-B-Que Beef Sandwich on Bun
Pickle Relish
Picked Beans
Tossed Salad w-French Dressing
Corn Chips
Fruit Cocktail in Gelatin
Milk

FRIDAY

Poor Boy Steak w-Country Gravy
Spiced Crabapple Garnish
Rice Pilaf
Celery, Carrot and Raisin Salad
Cherry Cobler
Hot Rolls & Butter
Milk

Top Country-Western Hits

Best-selling Country-Western records based on Cashbox Magazine's nationwide survey:

"Angels, Roses and Rain," Dickey Lee
"Till The Rivers All Run Dry," Don Williams
"If I Had To Do It All Over Again," Roy Clark
"You Are The Song," Freddie Hart
"Broken Lady," Larry Gatlin
"Faster Horses," Tom Hall
"('Til) I Kissed You," Connie Smith
"You'll Lose A Good Thing," Freddy Fender
"If I Let Her Come In," Ray Griff
"Remember Me," Willie Nelson

An orange sponge cake tastes delicious frosted with orange icing. Use a little butter, confectioners' sugar and orange juice for the icing.

TODAY'S TREASURES

What's in a medal? A colorful history

By Jean Barnes

It's a hidden treasure - unbelievably tucked away in a quiet, comfortable corner of a bustling and efficient medical complex.

The treasure is a collection of medals and decorations representing many foreign countries. They date from the 17th century to the present time.

Assembled by Dr. Earl Mills, a well-known physician, the medals are part of his personal collection which included icons, crufixes, early lithographs and other artifacts. After his death several years ago, friends and coworkers furnished a room adjacent to the hospital library in his memory. It is in the Mills Rooms that Mrs. Mills has placed his extensive collection.

The giving of medals or decorations has its roots in ancient times, perhaps beginning with ancient Greek civilization. And, they were undoubtedly military honors awarded for merit rather than membership in an order.

The Romans also used the medallion to be worn on the breast of a noted warrior as a mark of distinction. The Latin term for these decorations is Phalarae.

However, it wasn't until the Middle Ages that we find the real beginning of orders as they are known today. Knights joined together by religious vows formed an order and each order was distinguished by its insignia. Thus, at the time of the Crusades, decorations or insignia was worn, not for merit or for historic deeds, but for membership identification.

The Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem (Knights of Malta) is the oldest of these orders.

Later in history, when sovereign power was well established, these orders were conferred not as a military appointment, but as an award of distinction. Perhaps the best known and oldest is the English Order of the Garter. Founded in 1348 by Edward III, King of England, it is today still highly regarded and exclusive.

For clarity, the field of decorations is categorized into badges, collars and stars. A badge is any medal that is worn on a ribbon, sash, collar or bar. A collar is a chain worn on the shoulder; generally given only to heads of state. A star is a badge fastened by a screw or a pin.



COLORFUL HISTORY—Montenegrin Order of Independence or Order of Dilano is red, white and blue enamele with Dilano cypher in the center. The white ribbon is bordered in red.

In all medals, the ribbon is an important and distinguishing complement. Most early decorations were suspended from solid color ribbons. But the proliferation of orders and awards made it necessary to combine colors. The colors were symbolic.

Blue is used on the English Order of the Garter to represent royal honor and virtue. Red often symbolizes love, blood and royal majesty. Green characterizes hospital orders; black for religious orders.

In a future column on medals and decorations, we will explore those of more recent times and give you the names of reference books you can use to explore the field more fully if you are interested.

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Alpha Study Club will meet at 3 p.m. at Martha Ann Woman's Club with Mrs. Vera Holsinger, hostess.

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club will meet at 9 a.m. at Martha Ann Woman's Club with Mrs. Dillard Teas, Mrs. C.C. Miller as hostesses. The group will go to the Ranch Headquarters at Texas Tech and have lunch at the Harrell House at Headquarters.

Newcomers Salad luncheon will be held in the home of Mrs. Ruth Fleer, 2912 Thirty-second St. at 11 a.m.

FRIDAY

Open duplicate bridge at 1 p.m. at Snyder Country Club.

SUNDAY

Open duplicate bridge at 1 p.m. at Snyder Country Club.

Second Grade Students Present Musical Program

"American Heritage," a bicentennial musical production was given a standing ovation by a large audience at the Martha Ann Woman's Club following the March dinner meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Mrs. Warren Fargason introduced the sponsors of the program: Mrs. Troy Scott, music teacher at West Elementary; Mrs. Frances Groseclose, second grade teacher; her daughter, Mrs. Becky Evans; and Mrs. Billie Walker, co-sponsor.

Featured in the production were all the second graders at West. Roy Overton, in dialogue with Chad Bullard as Uncle Sam, traced the history of the USA, discussing what makes the nation great, interspersed with musical episodes. Teresa Beurlein and Lynn Sands were outstanding Puritans; Darrell Dancan performed as a drummer in the American Revolution; eight students displayed large posters illustrating great industrial inventions; Denise Derrick charmed the group with her impersonation of Elvis Presley; Steven Lee, as a western cowboy, sang a cowboy ballad, accompanying himself on a guitar.

The "Gay 20's" were portrayed by Shirley Rasche, Joleigh York, Darla Ketchum, and Stephanie Weaver dancing the Charleston.

The program was ended with the audience joining the performers in singing "God Bless America."

Nellie Smith, assisted by Ethel Mae Sturdivant, performed hostess duties. Tables were decorated in an Easter theme.

Faye McCollum presided for the business meeting at which time a nominating committee was elected.

A donation of books by Mrs. Hasket Beard was reported, and a note of thanks was expressed.

CHINA GROVE NEWS

BY MRS. N.F. HALL

Mr. and Mrs. C.E. (Bus) Laster of San Angelo visited Mr. and Mrs. O.N. Laster over the week-end.

Lois Lee of Colorado City was a week-end guest in the home of Mae Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Rayburn White of Abilene were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete White.

Mr. and Mrs. N.F. Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rainey of Colorado City Saturday.

The Dunn Canasta Club met Thursday afternoon at the Dunn Community Center. Mrs. Flossie Hall was hostess. She served refreshments of cake, coffee and cokes to Bertha Cotton, Bertha Ellis, Alma Williams, Billy Maddison, Hettie Taylor, Mae White, Iva Crabtree, Eileen West, Janet West, Hazel White, and guest Lelia Richardson.

Lindy Merket of Colorado City was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Merket Monday.

Classified Ads—Call 573-5486.

4-H Members Learn Textile Painting

Beginning lessons on painting with roll on tubes of paint were presented to 38 4-H'ers, mothers, leaders and guests in Central Elementary Cafeteria Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Cynthia Darlin, who taught the group lessons, was presented to the group by Miss Ruby Butts, County Extension Agent.

Lesson 1 on how to use the roll on tubes of paint taught the techniques of handling, using and caring for the tubes. Each painter got to put into practice the things they had learned on a colorful fruit or vegetable picture.

Mrs. Darlin then demonstrated techniques of blending colors and feathering, creating dark shadows and highlighting with white or light color. Again each participant put these new skills into practice.

Techniques for creating contour by placing the light and dark shades properly to create illusions of depth and dimension were shown and practiced.

Each painter went home with several samples of their work, some of which will be applied to garments with an adhesive.

This 4-H activity developed from an interest expressed by 4-H'ers in learning to paint shirts. Non 4-H'ers are working with the 4-H'ers; there will be more painting sessions.

4-H'ers attending were Dolly Riggins, Lisa McNew, Pam Smith, Monica Becerra, Kelly Farquhar, Michelle Barnes, Sabrina Robinson, Christy Ballard, Carmen Rios, Kim Baldwin, Dianne Horsley, Michelle Ostrander, Jamie Harbin, Mary Luera, Patricia Luera, Judy Velasquez, Susan Velasquez, Martha Beavers, Benny Sauceda and David Rios. Leaders attending were Mrs. Ann Parnell and Mrs. Elizabeth Beavers. There were as many non 4-H youth as 4-H members.

Snyder Jr. 4-H Club Meets

Snyder Jr. 4-H Club met in the County Extension Office on Tuesday, March 23. The program on "Let's Keep Food Safe" was presented by Miss Ruby Butts, County Extension Agent.

The 4-H'ers discussed the role of bacteria in our food. Good bacteria are used in making such foods as sauerkraut, sour cream, buttermilk, yeast breads and cheese; the bad ones cause food spoilage and food poisoning.

They learned that probably many of the illnesses with upset stomach, and a general ill feeling, are mild cases of food poisoning.

Proper storage of food is important in keeping food safe. Food should not be allowed to sit out on the table at room temperature for long periods after meals.

Following the club meeting some of the 4-H girls practiced their entries for the team demonstration contest.

Those present for the meeting were Carmen Rios, Rosemary and Isabel Rios, Jean and Margaret Anderson, Kim Baldwin, Kelly Farquhar, Thelma Garza, Jamie Harbin, Diane Horsley, and Judy Velasquez.

A new member at this meeting was Lori Swigert.

Couple Honored On 25th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hall were honored on their 25th wedding anniversary at a dinner party held in the home of their daughter Mrs. Dennis Snyder. Hosting the event were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Hall of Snyder; Lt. and Mrs. Gary Bundy of Lubbock; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones of Breckenridge.

Out-of town guests included Mrs. Hall's father and step mother Mr. and Mrs. A.T. Childress of Hico.

Gourds to be used for home decoration should be washed in soapy water and rinsed in clear water to which household disinfectant has been added. The gourds should then be dried in a warm dark room for at least three weeks before applying water wax or white varnish to highlight the beautiful fall colors, Mrs. Janice Carberry, family resource management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, says.

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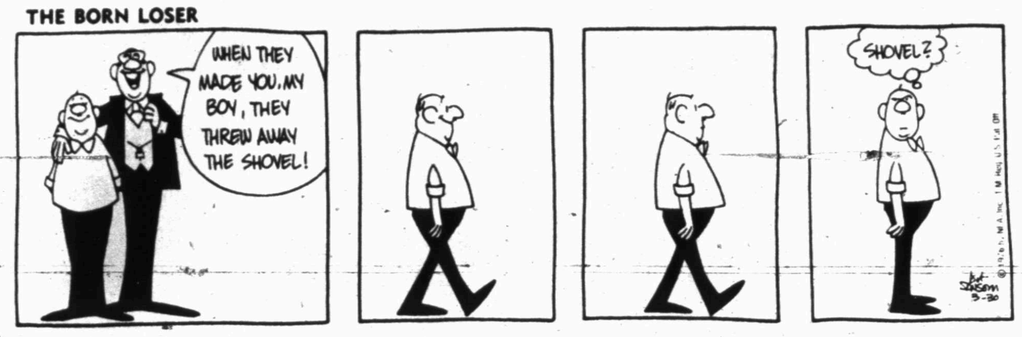
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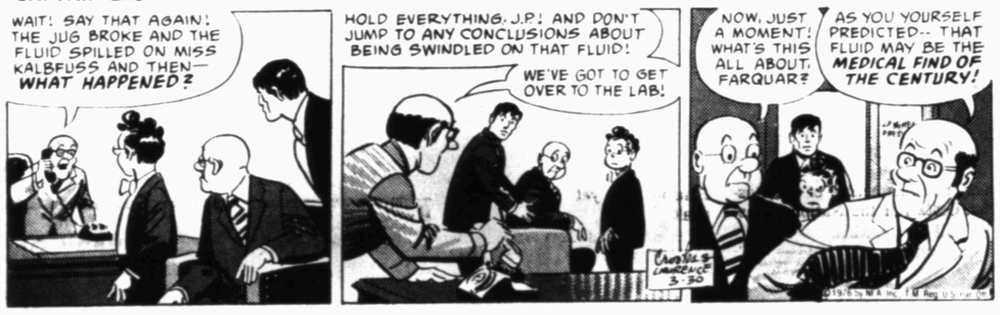
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CAPTAIN EASY



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

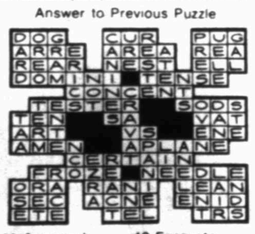


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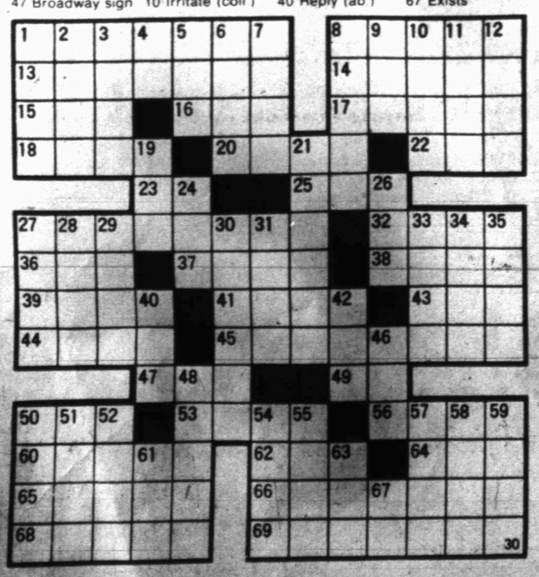


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12 Strays
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28 False god
29 Horn (comb. form)
30 Buy out of bondage
31 Arrow poison
33 Shield bearing
34 Mortgage
35 Bluepencil
40 Reply (ab.)
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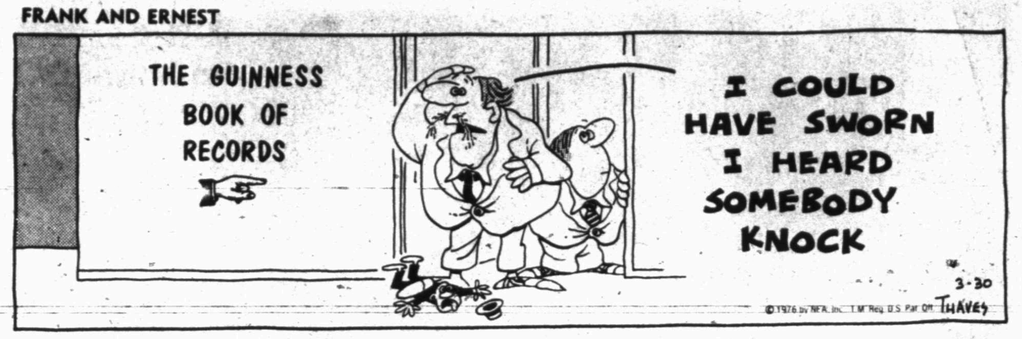


SIDE GLANCES — by Gill Fox



"This is a beautiful plant, but it's slightly hard-of-hearing!"

FRANK AND ERNEST



CAMPUS CLATTER with BIMO BURNS



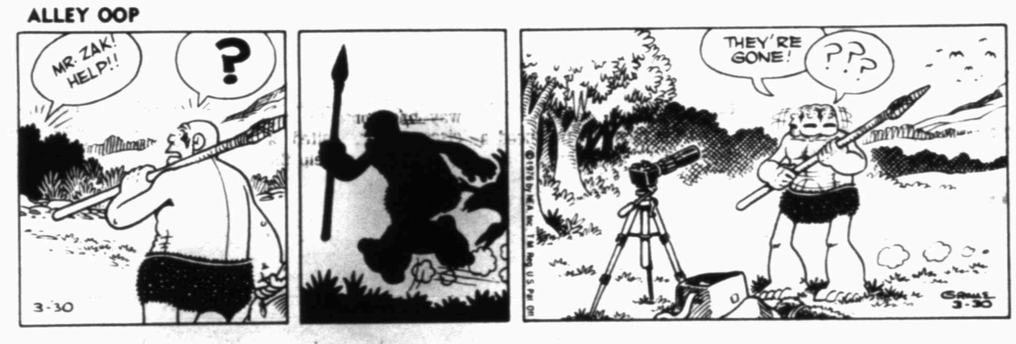
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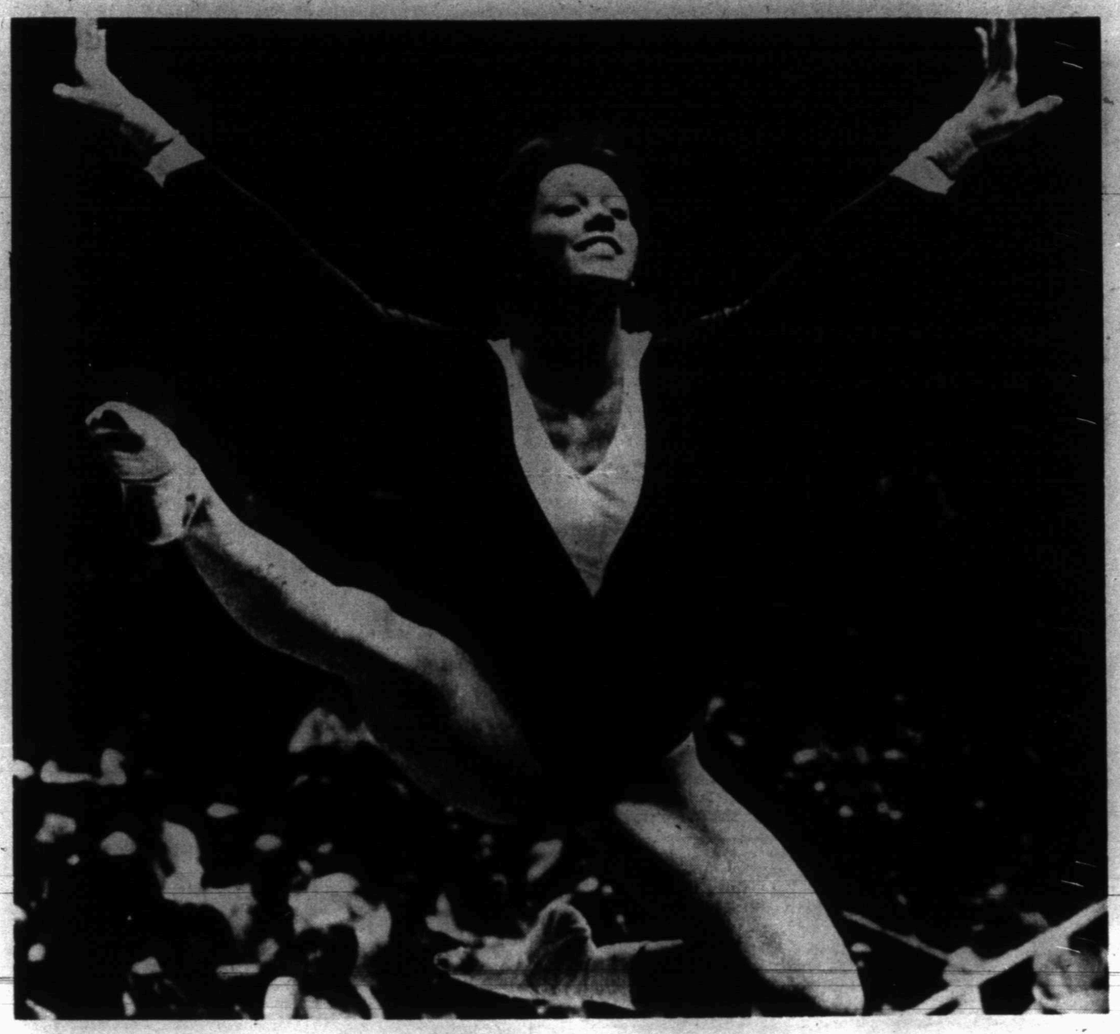
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"OKAY, SO YOU KNOW A LOT MORE THAN ME. TELL YA WHAT I'M GONNA DO...WHEN I GET OLDER, I'LL HIRE YOU AS MY SECKATARY!"



INTERNATIONAL GYMNASTICS COMPETITION OPENS—Kathy Howard of Oklahoma City leaps through the air at New York's Madison Square Garden as the first American Cup International Gymnastics Competition opened for the first two days. Miss Howard compiled a 9.70 score in the women's floor exercises event after replacing injured gymnist Ann Carr. (AP Wirephoto)

Indiana Proved It Was No. 1 Team 32 Times

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Indiana Hoosiers were handed the No. 1 ranking at the start of the season, but that doesn't mean anything unless you can earn it on the court.

They did — 32 times.

The "perfect" Hoosiers capped a glorious 32-0 season Monday night with a businesslike 86-68 victory over Michigan in the NCAA finals, ending a long quest for college basketball's Holy Grail.

"If we don't deserve to be national champions, then I don't know who does," said Indiana's superlative guard, Quinn Buckner. "We won all our games. What else can you do?"

The Hoosiers survived several pitfalls on the road to the championship — including a mild mid-season slump that relegated Buckner to the bench. During this time, they struggled to beat Michigan twice by close scores.

Despite what Buckner called "peaks and valleys," Indiana made it through the Big Ten season undefeated, a performance that Michigan Coach Johnny Orr called "unbelievable."

What happened thereafter was even more impressive. The Hoosiers, playing in one of the toughest regional tourneys in NCAA history, defeated St. John's, Alabama and Marquette to win the Mideast and advance to the gold-plated Final Four in Philadelphia.

"It was very physical all through the Big Ten and just as physical in the regionals," pointed out Indiana strongman Kent Benson. "It was as physical as I can remember."

UCLA's Bruins, the defending champions, presented no problem to peaking Indiana in Saturday's semifinals at the Spectrum. The Hoosiers, who had beaten UCLA by a shocking 20 points on opening day, handled them with almost as much ease the second time.

For a change, Benson and Player of the Year Scott May took a backseat to two lesser lights — Tom Abernethy and Bobby Wilkerson. Abernethy scored 14 points and shut down UCLA's Richard Washington and Wilkerson grabbed a career-high 19 rebounds. And Indiana won, 65-51.

While the Big Ten champions were disposing of tall and talented UCLA, Michigan was belaboring Rutgers. Indiana's Big Ten colleagues handed the Scarlet Knights their first defeat of the season after 31 victories, 86-70, and set up a unique NCAA finale. It was the first time in NCAA playoff history that two teams from the same conference met in the championship game.

"It'll probably be the last time in our liftime that we ever see something like this again," said Orr. "Take a good look at it."

Indiana's brightness didn't shine until after the Hoosiers were hit by adversity. Wilkerson, one of the few starting guards in the country at 6-foot-7, suffered a concussion in the early going and had to be carried from the court on a stretcher.

"When Bobby got hurt we knew we had to go at it tougher," said Buckner. "Bobby's a big part of our team. We did go at it."

Actually, the Hoosiers didn't really "go at it" until after the start of the second half. The Wolverines kept ahead of their Big Ten colleagues with a brilliant fast break and by intermission, led 35-29.

Benson, a blond giant with a pacifist temperament off the court and a killer instinct on, blamed his first-half timidity for the Hoosiers' uncharacteristic performance before intermission.

Benson pulled himself together in the second half — and in the process, pulled Michigan apart. The All-American center took charge of things, scoring 15 of his 25 points and collecting six of his nine rebounds.

With the help of their tower of strength, the Hoosiers went from a 51-51 tie with 10:15 left to a 73-59 lead at the 3:51 mark. Indiana only had to run out the clock after that overpowering 22-8 burst.

May also had a high-powered second half for Indiana, scoring 18 of his game-high 26 points and pulling down all of his eight rebounds.

"We just couldn't get the running game going in the second half," said Rickey Green, Michigan's high scorer with 18 points. "They were making their shots and we couldn't get the rebounds. We've got to get the rebounds to run. I think we ran pretty well in the first half and that was the difference."

Orr, who almost beat Indiana during the regular season, found the Hoosiers much stronger in their third meeting — in fact, downright indestructible in the second half.

"They played a great second half," noted Orr, bitterly disappointed. "I don't know what else we could have done."

The splendid season matched the 32-0 perfection of North Carolina in 1957, the best undefeated record in NCAA history.

"For two years, this (NCAA championship) has been our objective," said Indiana Coach Bobby Knight. "Not just this year, but for two years these kids have worked hard — and no one knows how hard any better than I do."

Michigan's Good News Is On Baseball Diamond

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON
AP Sports Writer

For the State of Michigan, there was some good news out of Florida to go with the bad news from Philadelphia Monday night, which is the route you might expect Florida-Philadelphia news to go.

While the University of Michigan Wolverines were winding down the basketball season by bowing to Indiana in the national championship game, the Detroit Tigers prepared for the upcoming baseball season by sweeping a pair of seven-inning games from the Chicago White Sox, 8-3 and 1-0.

And the nightcap produced a near-perfect no-hitter by Ray Bare and Billy Laxton while most of the sports writers in the press box at Lakeland, Fla., were watching the basketball on television.

Bare hurled five innings and only one Chicagoan reached base when shortstop Tom Veryzer committed a throwing error on Alan Bannister's third-inning grounder. Bannister was rubbed out attempting to steal and Billy Laxton finished up with two perfect rounds.

Laxton, who came with Rusty Staub from the New York Mets in the Mickey Lolich deal, became the winner when Staub led off the bottom of the seventh with a home run off Cecil Upshaw. In the opener, Ben Oglivie and rookie Bob Molinaro each drove in three runs.

The good news-bad news syndrome also hit the Boston Red Sox camp. Cecil Cooper hit a two-run homer and Bill Lee pitched five scoreless innings in a 5-1 decision over the Houston Astros. But Jim Rice spiked himself in the left ankle trying to make a diving catch.

Rice, who missed the 1975 playoffs and World Series with a broken wrist, suffered a deep puncture and needed three stitches. Trainer Charlie Moss said the slugging outfielder would be out for two or three days barring complications.

Texas' Jeff Burroughs raised his spring average to .500 with three singles and a three-run homer in the Rangers' 12-7 triumph over the Kansas City Royals.

Don Sutton, rumored bound for the Mets in a swap for Tom Seaver, allowed one run and six hits in seven innings as the Los Angeles Dodgers bowed to the Montreal Expos 3-2 on Bombo Rivera's ninth-inning pinch double.

Ex-Dodger Jimmy Wynn hit his first spring homer, a three-run shot that helped the Atlanta Braves defeat the winless Mets 8-4.

Ted Simmons drove in two runs with a homer and single in a seven-run third inning that lifted the St. Louis Cardinals over the Cincinnati Reds 11-4. Brent Strom and Bil Greif combined on a five-hitter and Willie Davis and Dave Winfield homered to lead the San Diego Padres over the Cleveland Indians 7-0.

The Oakland A's posted their first spring triumph, downing the Chicago Cubs 8-6 as Bill North collected a single, double, triple and four RBI. Chris Arnold, trying to win his way back onto the San Francisco roster, belted a grand slam homer to help the Giants beat the Milwaukee Brewers 9-3.

The New York Yankees turned back the Philadelphia Phillies 5-3 on 14th-inning RBI singles by Willie Randolph and Fred Stanley. Another band of Phillies bowed to the Pittsburgh Pirates 12-1 as Bill Robinson slugged a three-run homer.

Phil Roof hit a two-run homer as the Minnesota Twins defeated the Baltimore Orioles 8-5 and the California Angels managed only three hits off a trio of collegians and bowed to UCLA 2-1 in 10 innings.

Rangers Maul Royals, 12-7

FORT MEYERS, Fla. (AP) — Manager Whitey Herzog minced no words in describing his Kansas City Royals' 12-7 exhibition baseball loss to the Texas Rangers Monday.

"Just lucky to get off the field without anyone getting hurt," Herzog remarked wryly.

The Rangers routinely pounded three Kansas City hurlers for 18 hits, although the Royals did not help matters by contributing six errors.

Bearing the brunt of the Texas assault was starter Al Fitzmorris, who whitewashed the Chicago White Sox on two hits in five innings the last time out.

"Maybe this was good for me," said Fitzmorris, who surrendered seven runs on 11 hits. "The other day it was easy, and I didn't have to reach back, try to get out jams. I can't say I'm satisfied. Today I threw 75 pitches in five innings, the other day I only needed 49."

Jeff Burroughs led the 18-hit Rangers charge, bashing in five runs on four hits, including a three-run home run. He also scored another run.

Kansas City took a 1-0 lead in the first inning, but the Rangers tied it, then put the game away with eight runs over the middle three frames.

George Brett had three hits and three runs batted in to help the Royals, who picked up six late runs after Bill Singer held them to one run on three hits in the first five innings.

Tulsa Hires Charles Frazier

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Charles Frazier, who played professional football for nine seasons, has been named an assistant football coach at Tulsa University.

Frazier replaces Jerry Rhome, who resigned recently to become an assistant with the Seattle Seahawks of the National Football League.

Frazier, 36, was an assistant at Rice University last year in charge of wide receivers.

Aggies Join Beaten List In SWC Race

By The Associated Press

The last unbeaten team has fallen in the Southwest Conference baseball race.

The Texas Aggies can now take their seats along with Texas and Houston. Each has one loss in conference play.

And it was Baylor — which turned the same trick on the Texas Longhorns earlier this spring — doing it again Monday to the Aggies, formerly undefeated and leading the SWC title chase.

Buster Turner's pinch-hit, three-run homer capped a five-run seventh inning as the Aggies opened a doubleheader with a 6-3 victory over Baylor, but the Bears downed the Aggies 5-2 in the nightcap.

Rain forced postponement of the only other games involving SWC teams Monday — a twin bill taking Southern Illinois to Arkansas.

The Aggies took a spotless 6-0 SWC mark into the Waco series, which ends today with a single game. Their league mark is now 7-1 with an overall record of 24-3.

Baylor carried a 6-5 SWC mark and 14-13 overall record into today's game.

Texas and Houston now share the conference lead with 11-1 records, while the Aggies are a step behind in the win column with their 6-1 mark.

Other games today match conference teams against outsiders — Southern Illinois at Arkansas for a doubleheader, Houston at Lamar for a twin bill and Southern Methodist at Dallas for a doubleheader.

To get in its rained-out games with Southern Illinois, Arkansas rescheduled a pair of games with Oral Roberts for Wednesday at Tulsa.

New boaters are reminded by the Coast Guard that the stern of the boat responds first to a turn of the steering wheel.

Tigers Face Lubbock Team

The Snyder High School Baseball Team headed for Lubbock today to face the Monterey Plainsmen in the last outing for the locals prior to conference action.

The game was set for 4 p.m. on Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

Gary Greenlee was to pitch for the Tigers this afternoon, while Coach Bobby Moegle of the Plainsmen indicated he would go with Richard Bowles.

The Tigers went into today's action with a .500 mark in non-conference play, nine wins and nine losses. They will be back in Snyder on Thursday afternoon to host the Brownfield Cubs in the first conference game of the season.

Kent Benson Operates In Dave Cowens Fashion

By RALPH BERNSTEIN
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Kent Benson, the Most Valuable player of the 1976 National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball Championship, might best be described as a Dave Cowens in a college uniform.

The 6-foot-11 Benson bulls to the basket and seems to have a nose for the ball, just like Cowens, the star center of the Boston Celtics of the National Basketball Association.

Benson, a 245-pounder with the moves of a guard, scored 25 points, grabbed nine rebounds and handed out two assists as he muscled the unbeaten Indiana Hoosiers to the national collegiate basketball championship.

Indiana crushed Michigan 86-68 Monday night to complete a march through one of the toughest brackets in NCAA tournament history. The Hoosiers beat four of the Top Ten ranked teams en route to their third title in eight postseason ventures.

Both winning Coach Bobby Knight and loser Johnny Orr put the finger on Benson as the major difference between the two Big Ten rivals.

Knight observed that Benson deserved the MVP accolade.

"He played an outstanding game," said the Indiana coach. "He did an outstanding job on the boards. He got the ball for us."

Benson, a junior from New Castle, Ind., didn't allow a little thing like a cast on his left wrist to deter him. He's been playing with torn ligaments, and has plans for an operation during the off season.

And to hear Knight tell it, Benson has yet to reach his peak.

"Benson has developed well at Indiana," observed Knight, who has encouraged the big guy to be aggressive.

"He'll develop even more next year," Knight said. "He's done an outstanding job and he'll do even better," the coach advised.

It's hard to envision Benson any better than he was against Michigan Monday night. He was devastating. Phil Hubbard, the talented Wolverine center, fouled out trying to stop the Indiana crasher.

Benson scored 10 points in the first half as Indiana left, trailing 35-29.

"It was just a matter of gathering myself (together)," Benson said. "I was a little tight in the first half. I knew I had to take the ball stronger to the hoop. I had to do my job rebounding and defending."

Then, Benson provided the understatement of the night.

"I guess I just played harder in the second half," he noted.

Benson credits God with his development as the best center in college basketball.

"Coach Knight helped me considerably, but everything I've done goes back to my faith in Jesus Christ. I played tonight (Monday) not for myself, or for my teammates, but for the glory of God. I get my emotional energies from Jesus Christ. He's my only audience. I try to play for him."

Austerity Hits Italians

ROME (AP) — Austerity has struck the Italian team for the Montreal Summer Olympics. The Italian Olympic Committee said Friday only a restricted and carefully selected number of athletes would be named for the Games in the wake of the country's persistent economic crisis.

Only 13 teams have entered the NCAA championship tournament with unbeaten records. UCLA did it four times and each time won the title.



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Consumer Seems To Feel Economic Spring In Air

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — Like a crocus peeking out of the snow, the ordinary consumer, an extraordinary specimen, seems to feel an economic spring in the air, even if there might be a nip of frost from time to time.

The supermarkets are getting into price wars and the surveys show people growing more confident and electricity consumption is rising and the banks have money to lend and the unions are talking stiff bargaining terms.

Normalcy, abnormal as it might seem to be, is returning, the consumer seems to say, as surely as warm weather is headed north, and you need not await its arrival, because it's the direction not the destination that counts.

Yes, the supermarkets in some areas are fighting among themselves to see who can make the biggest price cuts, and that's the right direction in the view of the consumer, even if some food chains consider it abnormal and even dangerous.

Supermarket chains seldom have been big earners on the basis of profits to sales, although the figures are better when measured by the return on investment. On the former basis, earnings are less than 1 cent per $1 of sales.

Price wars, some fear, eventually destroy competition by forcing some of the smaller, weaker chains out of business, leaving consumers with fewer choices and less of an opportunity to exercise choice.

Of immediate importance to the consumer, however, seems to be that the direction of prices is back to "normal," which in most minds means a return to the good old days that never were until memory and imagination created them.

That same feeling is behind the sudden upturn in our use of electricity, which in 1974 and 1975 grew only by a total of 2 per cent, the result of fears about shortages, rebellion against prices and a general recession.

In the first 11 weeks of this year, however, consumption has risen 5.7 per cent.

Car sales are up too. And to the chagrin of Detroit, which tried to accommodate consumer demands for more efficient vehicles, some of the strongest sales are in the bigger, heavier, more energy-consuming cars.

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NICHOLSON, FLETCHER WIN TOP OSCARS

"Cuckoo's Nest" Named Best Picture Of Year

By LEE MARGULIES
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," a movie whose message of hope and perseverance has special meaning to the people who fought for 15 years to get it made, became the first film since 1934 to sweep the four most prestigious Academy Awards.

"Cuckoo's Nest" was named best picture of the year.

Jack Nicholson, as the leader of a rebellious group of mental hospital inmates, and Louise Fletcher, as the strong-willed nurse who keeps them in line, won the top acting Oscars for 1975. Milos Forman was named best director. In addition, Lawrence Hauben and Bo Goldman took best screen adaptation honors at the 48th annual presentations Monday night.

"To anybody who's got a dream and there's a possibility that it's not going to be a reality, just hang on, it'll be all right," said "Cuckoo's Nest" coproducer Michael Douglas, accepting the Oscar for best picture. That was the message of the film and of making the film.

Comedian George Burns, 80, became the oldest actor ever to win an Oscar. His supporting performance in "The Sunshine Boys" was his first motion picture part in 37 years. Lee Grant, whose NBC television series "Fay" was canceled three weeks after it debuted last fall, was named best supporting actress for her role as an adulteress in "Shampoo."

"It Happened One Night," with Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert, was the only other film to walk off with the top Academy Awards, in 1934.

Douglas' father, actor Kirk Douglas, tried to turn Ken Kesey's novel of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" into a movie 15 years ago, but he was never able to get the project off the ground. Michael got interested in it five years ago and with coproducer Saul Zaentz fought to get financial backing amid a widely held feeling that the project couldn't be a success because it was depressing and dealt with crazy people.

Their dream paid off and so, in other ways, did those of Miss Fletcher, Nicholson and Forman.

Miss Fletcher, who had given up acting for 11 years to raise her children, won the role as Nurse Ratched only after five big name actresses had turned it down. Accepting the Oscar, she provided the most touching moment of the evening as she faced a national television audience and said, her voice breaking with emotion:

"For my mother and my father, I want to say thank you for teaching me to have a dream. You are seeing my dream come true."

She delivered the message in sign language at the same time. Her parents, both deaf mutes, were watching from their home in Birmingham, Ala., she told reporters later.

For Nicholson it was the first Oscar win in five tries. He previously had been nominated for "Easy Rider," "Five Easy Pieces," "The Last Detail" and "Chinatown."

"Well," he said with a grin, "I guess this proves there are as many nuts in the Academy as anywhere else."

Oscar Winners

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Here are the winners at the 48th annual Academy Awards Monday night:

Picture — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Actor — Jack Nicholson in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Actress — Louise Fletcher in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Supporting Actor — George Burns in "The Sunshine Boys."

Supporting Actress — Lee Grant in "Shampoo."

Director — Milos Forman for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Foreign Language Film — "Dersu Uzala" (U.S.S.R.).

Live Action Short — "Angel and Big Joe."

Animated Short — "Great."

Sound Achievement — "Jaws."

Feature Documentary — "The Man Who Skied Down Everest."

Short Subject Documentary — "The End of the Game."

Art Direction — "Barry Lyndon."

Costume Design — "Barry Lyndon."

Original Score — "Jaws," John Williams.

Song Score and Adaptation — "Barry Lyndon," Leonard Rosenman.

Cinematography — "Barry Lyndon," John Alcott.

Film Editing — "Jaws," Verna Fields.

Original Song — "I'm Easy," by Keith Carradine from "Nashville."

Original Screenplay — "Dog Day Afternoon," Frank Pierson.

Screenplay — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Special Achievement in Sound — "The Hindenburg."

Special Visual Achievement — "The Hindenburg."

Irving G. Thalberg Award — Mervyn Leroy.

Jean Hersholt Award — Dr. Jules Stein.

Bentsen To Fight For Amtrak Routes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., says he will fight federal plans to discontinue two of the three Amtrak passenger trains currently serving Texas cities.

Bentsen said in a statement that President Ford's new budget for Amtrak would eliminate 19 routes nationwide including the Chicago-Houston and St. Louis-Laredo routes.

Bentsen said the Chicago-Houston train provides daily passenger service to Gainesville, Fort Worth-Dallas, Cleburne, McGregor, Temple, Brenham, and Houston.

He said the St. Louis-Laredo train serves Marshall, Longview, Dallas-Fort Worth, Cleburne, McGregor, Temple, Austin, San Marcos, San Antonio, and Laredo.

Under the President's budget the "Sunset Limited" serving Beaumont, Houston, San Antonio, Del Rio, Sanderson, Alpine and El Paso would not be affected.

"At a time of serious energy shortage, when our nation is searching for ways to conserve fuel, it would be short sighted and irresponsible to reduce passenger train service, one of the most energy-efficient ways of moving people from one place to another," Bentsen said in a letter Monday to Rep. George Mahon, D-Tex., of the House Appropriation Committee.



Babysitting Granddad Beats 6-year-old

By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have two children ages 3 and 6. My husband doesn't like to hire sitters. He says it's too expensive, but I notice he has money for his boat and a storeroom filled with the latest in hunting and fishing equipment.

Anyway, the last time we went out for an evening we left our kids overnight with his parents. The next day, our 6-year-old had welts and bruises all over his little body. He told us that his Granddaddy had whipped him with a leather belt for telling a fib!

My husband didn't seem at all upset. He said whoever kids are left with has a right to punish them any way he sees fit.

Abby, we have never whipped our kids with a belt, and I say nobody else should, either. Please settle this.

MONTANA MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: I agree with you 100 per cent. NEVER leave your children with those grandparents again and tell them why. "Granddaddy" sounds as though he needs a thorough checkup. (Physical and mental.) And where was "Grandma" when all this was going on?

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is a beautiful, bright young woman who has a mind of her own. For seven years I have been trying to train her not to overdraw on her checking account, but without success. Have you any suggestions?

GEORGE A. KELLOGG

DEAR GEORGE: If after seven years you haven't been able to train her, give up. At this stage of the game, it's obvious that she has YOU trained.

DEAR ABBY: About that woman who was embarrassed by her boyfriend's bad grammar. My glamorous mother was divorced 20 years ago. When she started dating again, she wouldn't even consider dating a man who said "We wasn't" or "He don't."

For the last six months, her constant companion has been a man who says, "We wasn't" and uses "youse" for the plural of "you." But he is the sweetest, kindest, most patient man she's ever known. He's a big success financially, too.

If Mom had stuck to her original standards, she would have cheated herself out of plenty. Also, this man in her life has made her a lot easier to live with.

HER DAUGHTER

DEAR DAUGHTER: Neither glamour nor grammar guarantees a good relationship.

For Abby's new booklet, "What Teen-agers Want to Know," send $1 to Abigail Van Buren, 132 Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. Please enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped (26¢) envelope.

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Hearing Set On Gas Nominations

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The Texas Railroad Commission staff has set a May 6 hearing to consider switching to purchaser nominations in determining the monthly gas well allowables in Texas.

The staff announced the hearing Monday.

The commission in the past has required purchasers and-or users of natural gas to file for the amount of gas they need from each field from which they obtain gas each month. The commission also has required producers to forecast the amount of gas to be produced in a gas field the following month.

The commission, however, uses only producer forecasts in determining the market demand for gas.

"It is apparent to the commission that the system used is subject to abuse," the commission has said.

The commission's oil and gas division is in charge of the public hearing.

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Dr. Lamb

Twitching heart and tense mood

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—My dad is 58 years of age. He has had atrial fibrillation for two years and takes a digitalis medicine Inderal and Hydrodiuril. The latter is taken for high blood pressure.

Do these medications indicate a serious condition and what do these medicines do for him? Do you think he should change jobs? Dad says he get along well except when he gets uptight or has to talk on the phone for any lengthy period of time. Then the fibrillation comences and he has to stop and relax a bit.

DEAR READER—Atrial fibrillation means that the top collecting sacs of the heart, called the atria, are twitching at a rapid rate, usually around 500 times a minute. Ordinarily the upper part of the heart contracts and squeezes blood into the lower part of the heart before each effective heartbeat. During fibrillation, the upper chambers don't contract and only a few of these twitching movements at a rate of 500 per minute get through to the lower part of the heart. How many get through usually determines how fast the pulse rate is. The pulse is often irregular in these conditions. How a person feels with it also depends on how fast and irregular the pulse rate is. Rapid atrial fibrillation can cause serious disability.

Atrial fibrillation can occur in short attacks like attacks of rapid heart action or be a persistent irregularity. It is not the only cause for irregular heart beats, however. Premature contractions or extra beats, originating from either the atria at the top of the heart or ventricles from the bottom of the heart, can cause irregularities of the heart. For more information about these problems send 50 cents for The Health Letter, number 6-12, Heart Irregularities, Skipped Beats, Tachycardias. Send a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for mailing. Address your letter to me in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 326, San Antonio, Texas 78292.

The importance of atrial fibrillation depends on what causes it. It can occur in relatively healthy individuals with no apparent underlying heart disease. Even in this condition if the heart rate is too rapid, it can be disabling just like attacks of rapid heart action. It can also be caused by acute illness such as severe diarrhea or following a bout of alcoholism or as a complication or a more serious illness such as a recent heart attack or other forms of underlying heart disease.

The fact that your father has high blood pressure and is taking medicine for it implies that he has underlying heart disease. He may be taking the digitalis medicine to strengthen his heartbeat or help control his heart rate and fibrillation. The Inderal is also designed to help prevent irritability of his heart and protect him against such attacks. These are commonly used medicines in this situation.

Only your doctor can tell you for sure what your dad's status is since he has his records and knows the severity of his high blood pressure and other medical factors.

That means your doctor is going to have to tell you whether he should or should not change jobs. It is true that stress and tension can sometimes aggravate underlying medical conditions.

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol

For Wednesday, March 31, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Though your intentions are good today, others may not fully approve of your methods. Consider their views.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have a tendency today to give up too easily if what you hope to accomplish can't be done at once. Hang in there.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't take financial risks today in unfamiliar areas, or on people you know little about. It could prove expensive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may find yourself more in the spotlight than you realize today. Don't do anything to jeopardize your standing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Usually you have a rather optimistic outlook. Today, you could prejudge situations negatively before they even occur.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone who has borrowed from you, and who has not yet totally paid up, may seek to borrow again today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today your actions may be hampered because you're overly concerned with their effect on associates. Try to please yourself first.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Treat co-workers as diplomatically as possible today or you might experience a minor insurrection. Sugarcoat your demands.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In social situations today, put your best foot forward. If you're not on guard you may do something to make a poor impression.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19) Temporarily set aside a task which may have a doubtful outcome. Tackle it in a day or so, when you're in a more positive frame of mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb. 19) Give yourself a little reprieve today from pursuits of a mental nature. Do something that's fun — but physical, as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It would be wise to keep a tight rein on your purse strings today. Don't assume new obligations unless they're essential.

your birthday

March 31, 1976

You're an adventurous soul to begin with, but this year you may even be more enterprising. Look for unusual opportunities that may come your way through family contacts.

Stockholder Suit 'Without Merit'

DALLAS (AP) — ENSERCH Corp., the parent of Lone Star Gas Co., says a class action suit by a Lone Star Gas stockholder against the utility is "without merit."

The stockholder, Bruette White of Houston, filed the suit in U.S. District Court here alleging that Lone Star Gas deliberately misled its stockholers about international exploration ventures that were "destined for failure."

The suit named ENSERCH Corp. as defendant. In late 1975, Lone Star utility operations were reorganized under ENSERCH.

White alleges in the suit that exploratory operations in Australia and Canada wasted several million dollars of corporate funds since 1970.

The suit, filed Friday in behalf of all stockholders, seeks to recover at least $10 million in damages.

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YARDS OF CARPET IN STOCK—Phillip Rayburn, left, manager of the floor covering unit at Hoyt's Furniture Store, is shown displaying a piece of carpet to a prospective buyer. Hoyt's has approximately 12,500 square yards of carpet in stock.

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HANGING PLANTS—Hershel Hinshaw, owner of Hinshaw's House of Flowers, is shown here with some hanging plants. The plants are suspended on macrame pot hangers.

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Hinshaw's House of Flowers, located at 2804 College Avenue, is open 8 a.m. till 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and till noon on Saturday. Hinshaw's carried a full line of plants and plant-care accessories.

Hershel Hinshaw, owner of Hinshaw's House of Flowers, said he carries a full line of plant foods; potting soils; grow lights; moisture meters; fertilizers and insecticides. Hinshaw's also has pots, macrame hangers, and terrariums.

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