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The SDN Column

City officials say that over half of the complaint calls –to police and city hall as well—involve stray animals.

They hope to improve the situation with additional help in animal control. Lloyd Merritt, a veteran peace officer, has been employed as a part-time animal control officer, which will enable the city to have someone available to respond to complaints on weekends. Heretofore, the animal control work had been limited to a five-day week.

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State Sen. Ray Farabee, who is a member of the Senate Finance Committee down at Austin, says he believes Lt. Cov. Bill Hobby's plan to create a reserve fund for state government deserves support.

"The creation of such a fund is good business sense, and that's the kind of thinking needed to keep this state out of financial trouble," said the 30th District Senator.

Farabee also praised Gov. Dolph's Briscoe's proposal to reduce state employes by five per cent, with such reductions being accomplished through attrition rather than firings.

Farabee also reminded that citizens of Scurry County, and those elsewhere in the state, may obtain information on the status of legislation by calling 1-800-292-9693. That is a new information service made available by the state government.

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A new list just out shows that Massachusetts now has the most officially recognized Bicentennial communities, with a total of 169. Until a few days ago, Louisiana held that honor with 158. Texas ranks third in the number of communities planning officially-recognized Bicentennial celebrations with a total of 130.

Scurry County joined that group the past week.

The total number of celebrations planned across the entire country stood at 2,374 as of Jan. 23. Of that number, 1,432 were in communities with population under 25,000. The over-all total is expected to reach at least 5,000 communities during the Bicentennial era.

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The Texas Energy Report, distributed from the governor's office, shows that tax-supported colleges and universities in the state reduced evergy consumption significantly during the month of September, 1974, except for gasoline. Gasoline consumption was up by 15.8 per cent over the same month in 1973.

Incidentally, Western Texas College was one of several that showed an overall increase in the comparison of energy consumed in September of 1974 and 1973. That is because it is one of the institutions undergoing significant physical growth, the governor's report noted, and does not necessarily indicate there was no effort to conserve fuel. Another institution in the same category was the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, which showed a 651 per cent increase in use of electricity and a 160 per cent increase in use of natural gas.—WACIL McNAIR.

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Today In History

By The associated press

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 1975. There are 330 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

In 1789, George Washington was elected the first U.S. president, with all 69 presidential electors casting their votes for the general.

On this date in 1776, during the American revolution, American troops occupied New York City.

In 1783, hostilities ended between the United States and England.

In 1861, delegates from six seceding Southern states formed the Confederacy at Montgomery, Ala.

In 1887, the Interstate Commerce Commission was established.

In 1901, a campaign to wipe out yellow fever in Cuba was begun by U.S. Army Maj. William Gorgas.

In 1948, the island of Ceylon became a free, self-governing dominion within the British Commonwelath.

Ten years ago: President Charles de Gaulle of France proposed a five-power conference, which would include Communist China, to resolve problems of the United Nations. The United States reacted cooly.

Five years ago: American and British space experts said they believed the Soviets had built and successfully tested a satellite capable of intercepting and destroying other orbiting spacecraft.

One year ago: Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko began talks in Washington with President Nixon and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

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The Weather

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Monday, 45 degrees low, 40 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 44 degrees; precipitation, .15.

Northwest and Southwest Texas: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Cooler tonight with low near 30 north and near 40 south to mid 50s Big Bend. High Wednesday near 50 north to near 60 south and near 70 Big Bend. Low tonight near 30 north and near 40 south to mid 50s Big Bend.

North Central and Northeast Texas: Considerable cloudiness tonight. Occasional light rain or drizzle ending northeast portion late tonight. Mostly cloudy Wednesday. Continued cool. Low tonight 38 to 47. High Wednesday 54 to 62.

South Central and Southeast Texas: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday with warming trend. Low tonight 38 north to 62 south. Highs Wednesday 67 to 77.

Upper Texas Coast: Northeast to east winds 12 to 22 knots tonight and Wednesday. Winds variable and briefly higher in scattered showers and thundershowers.

FORD PROMISES BETTER '76

Cheap Energy Era Ended

A SNOWY RUN—Despite a snow fall of two inches in parts of the Washington area this lone jogger gets his usual exercise morning by the Reflecting Pool on the Washington Mall. (AP Wirephoto)

Sees More Hardships

By R. GREGORY NOKES
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans face further erosion of their standard of living, higher unemployment and perpetually higher energy costs, President Ford's economic report to Congress said today.

"The American economy was built on the basis of low-cost energy ... this era has now come to an end," Ford said in a message accompanying the report.

The report also said the decline in the nation's economy was so steep in the fourth quarter of last year that the administration cannot promise a quick rebound in the nation's economy this year.

But the President's Council of Economic Advisers, which prepared the report, still expects the economy will "move on to the road to recovery" in the second half of 1975, following another steep decline with high unemployment and high inflation in the first half.

"The most pressing concern of policy is to halt the decline in production and employment so that growth of output can resume and unemployment can be reduced," they said.

But the report left no doubt that the Ford administration has given up hope of bringing world oil prices anywhere near the lower prices of just 18 months ago. In fact, Ford said most domestic oil is at "artificially low prices" that must be raised.

His advisers said some protection must be established to keep domestic prices high enough to protect new investment in other costly energy sources.

The consequences of the higher energy prices will mean further hardship for Americans, the report said.

"A reduction in standards of living and potential output compared to what we would otherwise enjoy is inevitable ..." the report said, although it added that the economic and energy program is designed to hold such effects to a minimum.

Like Ford's $349 billion fiscal 1976 budget that was submitted to Congress Monday, the 384-page economic report painted a gloomy outlook for the economy.

Ford, who refused to recognize the economy was in a recession until two months ago, said in the first words of his message, "The economy is in a severe recession. Unemployment is too high and will rise higher."

Unemployment is expected to rise to an average 8 per cent in 1975, up from an average 5.6 per cent in 1974. Ford said despite this, the nation must live with higher unemployment than it would like because of the danger of inflation.

"It is vital that we look beyond the unemployment problem to the need to achieve a reduction in inflation not only in 1975 but also in 1976 and beyond," Ford said.

School Aid Bills Are On House Calendar Thursday

AUSTIN (AP) — Speaker Bill Clayton said today the House probably will vote Thursday on an $80 million emergency aid bill for the state's financially strapped school districts.

The House Calendars Committee planned an afternoon meeting to set the measure down for debate.

An $18 million relief bill for junior colleges also is expected to go on the Thursday calendar.

The measures also are eligible for debate in the Senate.

Meeting simultaneously Monday, the House Appropriations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee sent to the floors of their respective chambers bills that would:

—Add $80 million to this year's state aid to local school districts.

—Increase state support for public junior colleges by $18 million. Vocational-technical education would get $12 million, and general academic programs would receive $6 million.

Asst. Supt. Hector Garcia of the Laredo Independent School District said things had gotten so bad that fire insurance money on a burned building was used for general operating expenses.

Other witnesses told the House committee that school districts have been especially hard hit by rising costs of utilities and gasoline.

The school aid bill, recommended by Gov. Dolph Briscoe, would provide between $7.32 and $39.74 per pupil in average daily attendance. The exact amount depends on the wealth of the district, measured by the much criticized economic index system, and will average $32.60.

State Education Commissioner Marlin Brockette reminded the House committee that a major issue of this legislative system is replacement of the index with market value of real estate as the measurement of a district's need for state aid.

Rep. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, noted that using the economic index would give the affluent Eanes School District near Austin $35 while the relatively poor Cotulla Independent School district would get only $33 per pupil.

Spokesmen for junior colleges said they needed additional state funds because enrollments had grown more rapidly than they anticipated when the legislature last appropriated funds, in 1973.

Area Gains Moisture, But Clearing Due

Five days of drizzle and mist had produced approximately an inch and a half of moisture in the Snyder area and intermittent precipitation continued this morning.

The official gauge at the city water plant measure .15 inch during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. This made a total of 1.48 inches in the official gauge since the wet spell began last Thursday.

Just when it appeared that the clouds might begin breaking up this morning, light showers set in again, this time mixed with soft sleet at around 10:30 to 11 a.m.

However, forecasters said skies should begin clearing gradually from west to east throughout the state, bringing some relief to East Texas and South Texas regions which have been plagued by flash flood threats for several days.

There was a broad band of fog early today stretching from the Panhandle through the South Plains and southward into the Hill Country of Central Texas. Also, it was still rather cold in most areas. Early morning temperatures ranged from 32 degrees at Dalhart to the 40s and 50s in other areas.

Farabee Backs Jr. College Aid

AUSTIN—Emergency supplemental aid for Junior Colleges was approved by the Senate Finance Panel Monday by a unanimous vote. Voting in favor of the measure was 30th District Sen. Ray Farabee who explained that the action was to provide for programs that had been only partially funded by the last session of the legislature.

Farabee noted that "Junior colleges are providing an educational opportunity at the lowest possible cost. Furthermore in a district such as ours where a potential student may not live within reasonable commuting distance of a senior college, these schools provide the sole means of higher education for many students."

Sen. Farabee said the increased enrollment in junior colleges are indicative of the fact that these institutions are virtually meeting every identified needy of the students.

Farabee related that, "Western Texas College in Snyder is a good example of this growth. Its enrollment has risen over the 1,000 mark and now stands at 1,013 this semester."

Junior Colleges statewide had over 50 per cent of all freshmen and sophomore students in 1973 and enrollments have continued to increase since then.

The great interest in this legislation was indicated by the number of officials and dignitaries on hand at the committee hearing. One of those attending was Dr. Robert Clinton, president of Western Texas College.

Sen. Farabee expressed appreciation for the information furnished by Dr. Clinton concerning Western Texas College and the need for emergency allocation. Emergency allocations will alleviate the tax burden which would otherwise be carried by local taxpayers and will prevent reduction of courses offered to the students.

Strong Quake Rocks China

TOKYO (AP) — A strong earthquake rocked the southern region of the Liaotung peninsula in northeast China on the Bay of Korea at 6:38 a.m. EDT today, Japan's Meteorological Agency said.

The agency said the quake registered 7.6 on the open-ended Richter scale.

There were no immediate reports from China on the severity of the quake.

The Japanese agency said there was a related minor tremor on Japan's southernmost main island of Kyushu.

The Chinese quake was earlier reported by the Uppsala Seismological Institution in Sweden and the U.S. National Earthquake Information Service at Golden, Colo. The Swedish institution located the quake on the north China coast near the Soviet border and the U.S. agency said it may have been centered in a populous area somewhere near Hong Kong.

Tickets For Banquet Ready

Tickets to the annual banquet of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce, scheduled for the night of Feb. 21, are now on hand at the Chamber office in Cogdell Center.

The tickets are priced at $7.50 each. Reservations may be made by calling the Chamber office at 573-3558 and business firms and groups may reserve their own tables with a minimum of 10 places each.

The banquet will feature an address by Lt. Gov. George Nigh of Oklahoma, who is now known as a "new Will Rogers," and special entertainment features. Also, the banquet will be the climaxing event for observances of "Grant Teaff Day" in Snyder. The former Snyder schoolboy athlete who coached Baylor University's football team to its first Southwest Conference title in 50 years, will be here for the banquet.

Eight Governors Support Ford's Energy Program

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — President Ford, after winning support from eight Southern governors in his opposition to gas rationing, heaped ridicule today on calls by some Congressional Democrats for rationing.

In remarks prepared for a convention of representatives of Opportunities Industrialization Centers, which provide job training and placement, Ford said rationing recommendations remind him "of the difference between washing a car and having it tuned up.

"Washing a car will make it look shiny, but it will not make it run better."

Ford contended rationing would penalize lower income Americans "because those who needed extra gas would be forced to buy coupons from those who use less than the allotment."

He estimated that such transactions would mean that some Americans would have to pay up to $1.75 a gallon for gasoline.

"Even if it were workable, gasoline rationing would not go to the heart of the problem, which is reducing total oil consumption," the President said.

"Gasoline is only about 40 per cent of a barrel of crude oil. The gasoline rationing advocates offer no solution on how to save on the other 60 per cent of that barrel of crude."

The eight governors were unanimous in opposing rationing at the consumer level, but many of them remained skeptical about Ford's own energy proposals.

This was the view expressed by the state executives following a four-hour meeting with Ford Monday night.

At a briefing session for newsmen that wound up early today, only Republican Gov. James E. Holshouser Jr. of North Carolina said he was in basic agreement with all facets of Ford's interrelated energy-economic blueprint.

Democratic Govs. George C. Wallace of Alabama and William L. Waller of Mississippi, among others, expressed misgivings that Ford's plan to discourage petroleum use by raising prices, through an increase in oil import tariffs, would bear too heavily on lower income groups.

But all the governors who talked with newsmen after the meeting gave Ford high marks for initiating a dialogue with them, and most said they agree with the President that the next move is up to Congress.

Wallace said Ford "was not trying to put a hard sell" but rather conducted a free-wheeling exchange of views that Wallace called historic.

"We've got to forget partisanship," he said. "It's up to Congress to act within a reasonable time."

ETHOPIAN FIGHTING RAGES

Americans Leave Asmara

By HILMI TOROS
Associated Press Writer

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — Wives and children of U.S. citizens were airlifted to Addis Ababa today from the war-torn city of Asmara.

They flew out as intermittent machine-gun fire and artillery duels were reported raging outside Asmara, capital of Eritrea province, between Moslem rebels and Ethiopian troops.

Two Ethiopian Airlines jets evacuated more than 100 wives and children of American citizens after days of heavy fighting.

Evacuees said they were under orders from U.S. officials not to talk about the fighting and their experiences as long as their men remained in Asmara and until they left Ethiopian soil.

But they said none of the 300 Americans in the provincial capital figured among casualties.

All the Americans looked healthy and cheeful.

Some evacuees said it was likely their men would be airlifted too, but could not say when.

U.S. officials declined comment on the airlift operation.

Ethiopia's military regime today asked the rebels to lay down their arms after five days of fighting. But it vowed that it would never permit the northern province to secede.

The statement issued by the military regime termed the rebels of the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) "a handful of bandits." It offered amnesty "to people who committed murder due to private or other causes, robbery and other offenses and have gone to the bushes."

Foreign observers viewed the amnesty offer as an attempt to reduce the ELF's strength by weaning away Eritreans who joined the guerrilla army recently to escape punishment for common crimes.

The government also proposed a "peaceful dialogue to solve the Eritrean problem."

Meanwhile, the rebels claimed they shot down an air force jet fighter with an antiaircraft missile near Asmara, the center of the battle that began last Friday. The insurgents also claimed they downed two reconnaissance planes.

There was no comment from the government on the rebel claims.

Diplomatic sources in Asmara, which is the country's second largest city and the capital of Eritrea, reported the city was quiet today.

Bids Accepted On Ag Barn Projects

County Commissioners yesterday accepted two bids for construction work at the agriculture barn near the Scurry County Coliseum.

The bid of $4,850 by Bob Head Heating and Air Conditioning was to provide heating for the barn. The bid of $7,056 by Central Texas Iron Works of Waco was to provide steel bleachers at the barn. They were the only two bids submitted.

OUTSTANDING TEAM—The Snyder Future Farmers of America grass judging team won first place at the Midland Soil & Water Conservation District grass judging contest Jan. 25 and second place in grass judging at the Fort Worth Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show Feb. 1. Team members are, from left to right, Paul Wilson, Sandra Cumbie, Lee Allan Jarrell, Traci Brice, Tammy Maxfield and Lesa Minyard. Not pictured is Billy Proctor. Paul Wilson was high individual with a perfect score of 400 out of 400. Sandra Cumbie was sixth high with a 390 out of 400.

Some Bonds May Be Reconsidered

AUSTIN—Comptroller Bob Bullock said today that some sales tax permit holders who had to post bonds because their businesses changed legal status in 1974 may request that their bond requirements be reconsidered.

Bullock said reconsiderations would apply to businesses which had been in existence without bond requirements prior to 1974 but during 1974 underwent changes in legal status without actually changing management or ownership.

These could include such changes as a small business becoming a corporation, a single ownership becoming a partnership, a merger of two businesses or a former permit holder applying for reinstatement.

"If our review shows the bond is unnecessary, we'll release it," Bullock said. "As I've said before, it's wrong to penalize a business with a good taxpaying record just because the business changes its name."

Bullock said businesses which think they might qualify for review should contact the Comptroller's district office where their bonds were assessed originally.

Several types of securities have been used to fulfill bond requirements. Cash or securities put up as bonds can be refunded by the Comptroller, but surety bonds can only be released, meaning that any premium refund is a matter between the merchant and the bonding company.

The big test in all reviews will be the past tax payment records of the business before it underwent its legal change, Bullock said. There will also be a close check made to determine that there was no substantial change in management and operations.

The right to review does not apply to bond requirements on sales tax permit holders who started new businesses for the first time in 1974.

The reconsiderations are a follow-up to Bullock's announcement recently that in the future the Comptroller's Department will take a taxpayers previous payment record into consideration when businesses make technical legal status changes and have to apply for a new sales tax permit.

Air Crash Is Probe

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — A twin-engine plane which crashed and killed five persons near Houston "obviously was flying too low," George Clark, director of the National Transportation Safety Board's office here, said Monday.

He sent the agency's investigator T.W. Finch to Houston to probe into why the craft hit an electrical transmission tower.

Eleven other persons in a party of prospective land buyers at a Lake Livingston resort suffered injuries Saturday when the propeller-driven DC3 crashed about three miles west of Houston Intercontinental Airport while trying to land in fog and mist.

"Our job is to find out why the plane was so low, Clark said. "We have recovered instruments from the wreckage and sent them to a lab in Washington. They may provide us with some clues."

A check showed airport radio and navigation equipment was working properly, Clark said.

Federal Aviation Administration personnel said the pilot — James E. Mathews, 45, of Dallas — radioed that he was having trouble with localizer equipment used to line up the plane with a runway.

Ten More Disaster Counties Declared

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Dolph Briscoe said today he was notified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture that 10 more Texas counties have been declared disaster areas because of adverse weather.

The counties are Andrews, Crosby, Dickens, Gaines, Glasscock, Hall, Hockley, Lubbock, Midland and Yoakum.

Briscoe said 67 counties have now been declared disaster areas because of prolonged drought and other bad weather.

He said farmers and ranchers may make loan applications through March 21 for physical losses and through Oct. 21 for production losses.

Americans will buy 165 million new automobile tires in 1975, enough to circle the earth more than four times.

Two Mishaps Are Reported

Minor damage resulted from two motor vehicle mishaps here yesterday.

The first one occurrred at 11:16 a.m. at Twenty-sixth Street and Avenue V. Involved were a 1974 Model Ford driven by Anita Brooks Molina, 2904 Avenue V, and a 1954 Model Chevrolet pickup operated by Vicki Lynn Davis, 2305 Twenty-sixth Street.

The other one occurred on the parking lot at Ballard's Cafe on the East Highway at 2:53 p.m. Involved were the 1968 Model Ford of John Morris Petkovsek, 416 Thirty-fourth Street, and the 1967 Model Ford of Rickey Thomas Graham, Route 1, Box 122B, Snyder.

MIDDAY STOCKS

By The Associated Press

AT&T	48⅝	off ¼
Atl Rich	81¼	off 1½
Beth Stl	30½	off ¾
Borden	23⅛	
Brit. Pet.	7⅝	off ¼
Chrysler	10⅝	off ⅝
Cities Svc	40¼	off ⅝
Coca Cola	68	off 1⅝
Cont Oil	43⅝	off [illegible]
Dow Chem	60½	off 1
Eastman	72⅝	off 1⅞
Exxon	73⅜	off ⅞
Fairchild Cam	26⅜	off 1
Gen Elec	38⅝	off ¾
Gen Foods	22⅝	off ⅞
Gen Tel	20¾	off ¼
Gen Tire	13¼	off ⅛
Goodrich	14⅞	off ⅛
Great A&P	9⅜	
Gulf Oil	20	off ¼
IBM	189¾	off 3¼
Int Paper	38	off ¼
Jhn-Man	22⅞	off ¾
John Joh	78¼	up ¼
Litton	6⅝	up ¼
Marathon	34⅜	
Marcor	18⅝	off ⅛
Mobil Oil	40⅞	off ½
Monsanto	46	off ⅞
Penn Cent	1¾	
Pénney	48	off 1¼
RCA	13¼	off ½
Safeway	38⅜	off ⅜
Sears	58⅝	off ¼
Sony	6¾	
Stand Ind	41⅞	off ⅜
Sun Oil	33¾	off 1
Texaco	25¼	off ⅜
Texas Inst	73⅜	off ½
Un Carbide	45⅝	off ⅜
Uniroyal	7⅜	off ⅛
US Steel	47¼	off ⅞
Woolwth	12½	off ⅛
Xerox	71⅞	off ⅞

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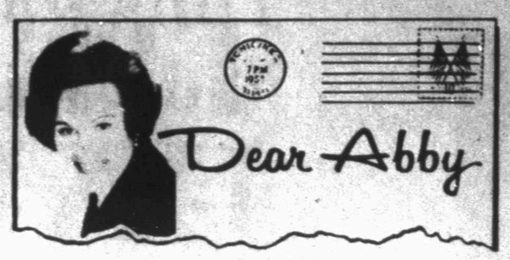
LAFF - A - DAY

"Boy, did the taxpayers have a tough day today."



They came to dinner but their hosts didn't

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My husband is a construction worker. George rarely meets a man on his job with whom he cares to socialize, so I was quite surprised when he told me he had become friendly with a co-worker who wanted us to come to his home for dinner on Saturday night.

I told George that I thought a dinner invitation ought to come from the man's wife, so he mentioned it to the man, and his wife called me and made it official for 7 o'clock.

George and I arrived promptly. They live in a lovely new home, nicely furnished. She served a cocktail, then ushered us into the dining room where the table was beautifully set—for TWO!

I couldn't believe my eyes, so I asked: "Aren't you people eating, too?" She said: "Oh, no, we always eat at 6 and are in bed by 10."

She served my husband and me while her husband sat in the other room. I've never felt so uncomfortable in all my life.

After dinner, we all had an after-dinner drink and talked. I kept my eye on my watch, remembering their 10 o'clock curfew.

At 9:30 we said our goodbyes, thanking them for the lovely evening.

My question: Should I return the dinner invitation, and, knowing they eat at 6, should I specify that time? And if so, should I serve them separately and have a late lunch ourselves? Or should we all eat together? DUMB ME

DEAR DUMB: Reciprocate with a 6 o'clock dinner. Eat together, and be sure you don't forget their 10 o'clock curfew. After you reciprocate, you should know whether you and your husband have enough in common with this couple to want to see them again.

DEAR ABBY: Can anyone possibly have too many friends? We are both near 80, and have a big house because we raised a big family. We dearly love to have our children and grandchildren come back to visit, and we'd be lonesome if they didn't, but our relatives bring their friends, and our friends bring their relatives and I'm lucky if I get a chance to change the sheets before another crowd appears.

We have a good garden but I have to give away the surplus because all this company never gives me a chance to can.

We do love them, Abby, but I am dreadfully tired from all that marketing, housekeeping and cooking. Is there a tactful way to slow down their visits without stopping them completely? TIRED IN VERMONT

DEAR TIRED: Your problem isn't the number of guests you have, it's the number of non-contributing guests. Tell them you dearly love their visits, but they will have to pitch in and help with the marketing, cooking and housekeeping. And anyone who's there during canning season can expect to help with the canning, too!

DEAR ABBY: This is in reply to "TORN," who resisted accepting her husband's 12-year-old son into the second-time-around family. (His real mother didn't want him because he was a problem.)

Although I've never been asked to accept a stepson, I've been a foster mother, and have taken several "problem" adolescent "sons" into my home to mingle with my own teen-agers. It can work out well for everyone, but it takes a lot of love, love, and more love.

I mean the kind of love that makes a boy know that he is a worthwhile person—not just a problem kid who had come to be "reformed" by us. We are even more patient with a foster child because we realize that he's been through a lot of unhappiness for his young years. (Otherwise why would he need a home?) But we let him know that we think he's got the stuff to overcome the problems of his past.

You can bet there is always plenty of jealousy and in-fighting among the children, but we apply the same rules to our "new" sons as we apply to our own. When foster children gain confidence and security it does wonders for their behavior.

I hope "TORN" reads this, and opens up her heart to her problem stepson. BEEN THERE IN GEORGIA

DEAR BEEN: So do I. You're a real Georgia peach!

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

For Abby's booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding," send $1 to Abigail Van Buren, 132 Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. Please enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped (20¢) envelope.

Russia Delivers Arms To Egypt

WASHINGTON (AP) — Russia has delivered military cargoes to Egypt for the first time since last summer, U.S. intelligence sources report.

Two Soviet ships unloaded more than 7,000 tons of ammunition and spare parts in Egypt in recent weeks, sources said.

These were the first such deliveries since last August when 8,000 tons of spare parts and ammunition for previously supplied Soviet weapons were landed at the port of Alexandria.

The January shipments included no new equipment, although there have been reports the Russians agreed in December to send some MIG21s and other warplanes promised to the Egyptians before the flow of Soviet weapons was halted in April.

For months, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has been publicly accusing the Soviet Union of going back on promises to replace all the arms and equipment, including about 120 planes, that Egypt lost in the 1973 war with Israel.

Egyptian-Russian relations began to cool last year when Sadat grew friendlier to the United States, which acted as a peace broker after the Mideast war.

U.S. officials said the recent Soviet shipments of spare parts and ammunition are unlikely to mollify Sadat, who last week negotiated an arms deal with France reported to be worth about $2.3 billion.

The Russians have supplied virtually all Egypt's arms for about 20 years and since last year's break, Egypt has been attempting to broaden its sources of military gear.

Mexican Oil In Demand

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican oil is in great demand with five giant multinational oil companies and The Netherlands vying for crude from this country, which only last September had to import oil to meet its own demand.

Petroleos Mexicanos (PEMEX), the state-owned oil monopoly, confirmed that Mobil Oil, Exxon, Shell, Arco and Phillips Petroleum have signed contracts to export between 60,000 and 70,000 barrels of oil daily in 1975.

Prince Bernhard of The Netherlands, on an unofficial visit to Mexico as head of a trade mission, said his country is willing to buy as much oil as Mexico wants to sell at the current world market price.

The Prince made his offer to President Luis Echeverria during a meeting Monday. He did not quote any oil figures, but he said an oil deal could be closed "very soon."

A government source said Mexico will sell the oil to Holland but no figures were given.

The Netherlands has been hard-pressed for oil because the Arab-inspired oil embargo was aimed against that country and the United States for their seemingly pro-Israel policies.

Mexico changed from an oil importer to an oil exporter last September after discovery of major deposits in the southeastern states of Tabasco and Chiapas. Foreign oil experts estimate unproved reserves may well reach 20 billion barrels, double Alaska's North Slope and comparable to the Persian Gulf.

Pemex has said it sold 4.7 million barrels of crude between Sept. 20 and Dec. 31, an average of about 35,000 barrels per day.

During 1974, Mexico exported to the United States, Israel, Uruguay and Brazil. President Echeverria has indicated Mexico will sell oil also to the Philippines, Cuba and other Latin American countries.

HOSPITAL NOTES

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Deficit Budget Reaction Split

NEW YORK (AP) — The federal budget deficit estimated by the Ford administration at $52 billion in 1976 has drawn approval from more liberal economists and dismay from conservatives.

Reaction also appeared divided along ideological lines to Budget Director Roy L. Ash's weekend statement that the deficit, when measured as a percentage of the nation's Gross National Product, is much smaller than those racked up during World War II.

He said the 1975 deficit of about $35 billion would equal only 2.4 per cent of the $1.43 trillion estimated Gross National Product, while the 1976 deficit would come to 3.2 per cent of the estimated $1.6 trillion GNP.

He pointed out that in the midst of World War II the deficits ran up to 20 per cent or more of the GNP.

"I don't find this reassuring at all," says Raymond L. Saulnier, chief economist to former President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

"With interest rates where they are these days, it is increasingly difficult to repay this big a government debt," adds Michael Sumichrast, economist for the National Association of Home Builders.

Both economists expressed fear that the government will be forced to flood the bond markets in the next 18 months with billions in new borrowings. They say this will set off another round of higher interest rates at the very least, and probably will stifle any recovery in the housing industry — a heavy relier on borrowed money.

With the government thus an unbeatable competitor for borrowed money in the credit markets, corporations needing funds this year to pull themselves out of the recession may find that credit sources have been exhausted, they say. It could also mean another serious bout of outflows at the nation's savings banks such as occurred this past year.

"Either that, or the Federal Reserve will have to expand the nation's money supply to enable banks to buy these government bonds," says Saulnier.

"Either way, there is a potentially serious inflationary situation."

Liberal economist Walter Heller, former adviser to Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson, praised Ash's remarks as "typical of the candor that marks this budget.

Heller said he would favor an even greater level of deficit spending.

Leif Olsen, economist for First National City Bank, argues that the deficit in large part is a function of the recession, which has the side effect of reducing tax revenues.

He and Heller believe that in the past, notably in 1964, the government has succeeded in trimming its budget deficits by cutting taxes and thereby stimulating the economy.

Heller also notes, "In past recessions, when deficits were at their highest, interest rates were at their lowest, simply because the economy was flat on its back."

He thus disagrees with conservative economists that interest rates are about to soar, or that a federal deficit endangers the housing recovery that most feel is essential to prosperity.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Taylor, 2806 Avenue Y, are parents of a son weighing 7 lb., 6 oz., born at 12:08 a.m. Feb. 1 in Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City. He has been named Brandon Lee.

Plea Is Heard

Camillo Jasso pleaded guilty in county court yesterday to a charge of driving while intoxicated. He received a $100 fine plus court costs and a 3-day jail term. He was arrested Feb. 1 by Highway Patrolmen.

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You're looking for ways to save on your food bills. But you can't serve macaroni and cheese seven days a week. And your kids won't go for lentilburgers—ditto soy loaf. Would you believe, they still want steak and potatoes? Okay. Make it tuna steak and potatoes. Just open a can of tuna, serve it in a "nest" of delicious, cheese-sauced mashed spuds--and your youngsters will have something super to lick their chops over.

Canned tuna in vegetable oil has always been one of your best food buys on the market–and certainly, one of the most convenient. Now, the nation's top unutrition experts are advising consumers to use more tuna in main meals because it has the same complete protein as lean beefsteak. One 7-ounce can of tuna actually provides 100 percent of the required daily dietary allowance for complete protein, as well as important vitamins and minerals. And it's easily disgested.

Here are the basics for fixing the Tuna Steak in Potatc Nests. As you can see, the recipe's easy enough for beginner cooks. The individual tuna "steaks" in potato nests are a great dish for parties. But to make this dish more economical, you can use the regular size cans of tuna and divide each "steak" in half.

TUNA STEAKS IN POTATO NESTS

1½ pounds (about 4 medium) potatoes
Boiling water
3 teaspoons salt, divided
1-3 cup of milk
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1½ teaspoons chopped chives
4 cans (3½ ounces each) or 2 cans (6½ or 7 ounces each) tuna in vegetable oil (each steak halved)

Pare and quarter potatoes. Place in a saucepan with 1 inch boiling water and 2 teaspoons salt. Cover and cook until soft, about 15 minutes. Drain. Turn into large mixing bowl and mash well. Add milk, butter, chives and remaining 1 teaspoon salt. Keep potatoes warm. Turn out tuna, keeping in single piece. Spoon mound of mashed potatoes on each of 4 plates. Top with Cheese Sauce and one small can of tuna or half of a large can.

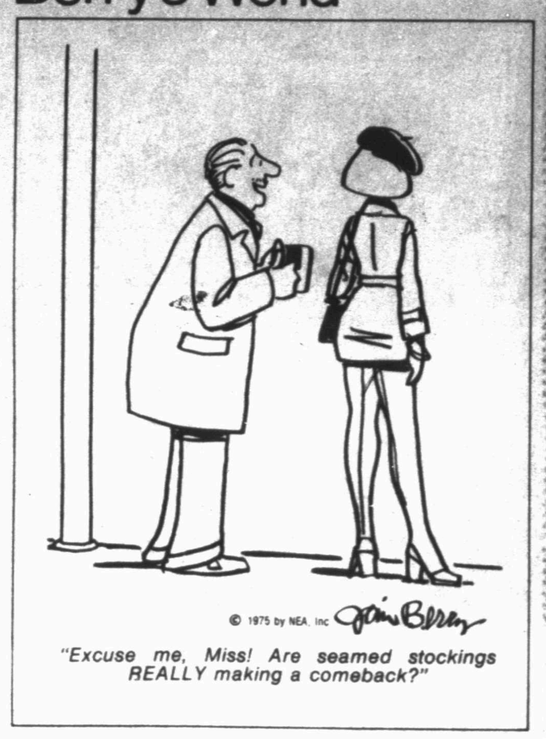
YIELD: 4 servings.

CHEESE SAUCE

2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons flour
⅛ teaspoon salt
1½ cups milk
½ cup shredded American cheese

In medium saucepan melt butter; blend in flour and salt. Remove from heat and stir in milk. Return to heat and cook, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and comes to a boil. Add cheese and stir until melted.

Berry's World



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School Menu

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY

Barbecued Pork on Bun
Pickle Relish
Popeye Salad w-Russian Dressing
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn
Yellow Cake w-Strawberry Jello
Milk

THURSDAY

Manager's Choice

FRIDAY

Tacos Espano w-Garnitures of Cheese, Lettuce, Tomatoes
Spanish Rice
Sopapillas
Mexi Pinto Beans
Whipped Honey Butter
Milk

SECONDARY SCHOOL
February 3rd - 7th

WEDNESDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Never Give Advise in a Crowd
Pigs in Blankets
Baked Beans
Cabbage-Green Pepper Slaw
Purple Plums
Chocolate Brownies
Milk

THRUSDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: It is Always in Season for Men to Learn
Chuck Wagon Stew
Celery Sticks w-Peanut Butter & Nuts
Bell Pepper Wedge
Peach Slices
Cowboy Bread w-Butter
Milk

FRIDAY

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: An Angry Man Opens His Mouth and Shuts Up His Eyes
German-Polish Sandwich on Bun
Relishes to Include:
Cheese Stick, Tomato, Carrot & Celery Sticks
Hash Brown Potatoes
Orange Jello w-Orange Sections
Milk
OR—MANAGER'S CHOICE

Sonny Names Cher In Damage Suit

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Entertainer Sonny Bono has asked for $24 million in damages from his estranged wife, Cher, and her new companion, recording executive David Geffen.

The suit filed Monday by Bono's attorneys in Superior Court here accuses Cher, Geffen, and Cher's lawyers with conspiring to "destroy Sonny and Sonny and Cher's business."

Cher filed a suit a year ago which said that Bono had "unlawfully dominated and controlled her business interests and career."

The couple's divorce trial is scheduled to begin Feb. 26.

Miss Jackson, Too Chic To Be Funny

NEW YORK (AP) — There are more comedians than comediennes and singer Millie Jackson, who'd like to be a comedienne, thinks it's because most women who have an urge to go on stage want to be beautiful and glamorous.

"If you talk down somebody else, the audience will think you're ego tripping. And you can't very well down yourself if you're standing there looking like a million bucks.

"Women try to look their best. That's probably why they don't go into comedy. Look at the ones who do. Totie Fields is fat. Martha Raye has a big mouth. Phyllis Diller is funny looking. Joan Rivers is nice looking but she talks about her past when she was fat. Carol Burnett is about the nicest looking comedienne. She has a very good voice, too."

Miss Jackson is pleased that when she started performing, some people called her "Carol," telling her she reminded them of Carol Burnett.

"I had two front buck teeth then. I looked like a nice little rabbit. My comedy career wasn't doing too well, though, so I had a dentist file them off." Miss Jackson says with a laugh that maybe now, if she becomes a comedienne, she'll have to get him to give her caps to give her "rabbit teeth" again.

Miss Jackson, now 30, is divorced, with daughters 8 and 10, and has just bought a house in New Jersey. She signed with Spring Records in 1972, having previously made only one single, in 1969, for MGM. It was "A Little Bit of Something." She laughs at its lack of sales, "That's just what it did — a little bit. But I keep thinking someday I'm going to turn on the radio and hear the song I did on the other side of it, 'My Heart Took a Licking but It Kept on Ticking.'"

Miss Jackson's fourth LP for Spring, "Caught Up," is her first gold record, having sold $1 million in manufacturer's sales. Her singing of a song from it, "If Loving You Is Wrong," is one of seven nominees for the best female rhythm 'n' blues vocal performance Grammy Award, for 1974.

"Caught Up" has Miss Jackson on one side being a girl who's having an affair with a married man. On side two, she's the man's wife.

So what are her views of that kind of triangle? "As scarce as men are these days, somebody is bound to be going around with a married man. Women are just like men. They need companionship.

"A girl has to study the man and find out whether he is just having a fling or whether he is really searching for something because home isn't correct.

"I don't think the girlfriend should tell the wife, like I did in the record, though.

"Say, I'm not an authority on this. I just came up with an idea to do a story musically.

"I wanted to do 'If Loving You Is Wrong.' That's a Luther Ingram song. It sold almost two million for him about three years ago. I thought it would be a good album cut; it had been popular in my nightclub act and I follow it with some talking, which I call 'The Rap.'"

Soon Miss Jackson will make a sequel album to "Caught Up," telling further developments of the same three people.

WOMAN'S CALENDAR

TUESDAY

TOPS No. 56 meets at 7 p.m. at Stanfield Elementary cafeteria.

Twentieth Century Club meets at 3 p.m. at 2306 Thirty-second St. Hostess is Mrs. Fred Davis.

Beta Sigma Phi meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Alpha Study Club meets at 3 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Hostess is Mrs. Esther Boren.

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters meet at 3:30 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Hostess is Mrs. Ruby Stinson.

Sparkle City Squares will have a workshop at 8:30 p.m. Sleepy Browning is caller.

THURSDAY

Snyder Writer's Guild will meet at 7 p.m. at the West Texas Bank Community Room. Ina Fargason and Lucille Bynum are leaders and Genia Grizzle is hostess.

Snyder Garden Club meets at 9:30 a.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Mrs. Travis Rhoades is hostess.

SATURDAY

Sparkle City Squares will have a dance at 8 p.m. Rex Coats is caller.

Porcelain Still Made By Hand

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeatures Writer

After 200 years of making porcelain by hand, holding on to the skilled labor in times of inflation and recession can be a major worry.

"So far we have been lucky, and we haven't had layoffs," says Steen Vedel, director of the Royal Copenhagen Porcelain Manufactory. He is in the United States in connection with the Danish company's 200th anniversary exhibit which will begin in April at the Smithsonian Institution and be circulated to major cities through 1976.

"For us layoff would mean letting go labor that couldn't be replaced," he continued. "There is no way workers can learn the techniques of painting on porcelain except with us, so we do the training, perhaps for four years. In Denmark we have had full employment and they could go to other jobs that offer more money. If we were to compete with higher wages, we might price ourselves out of the market.

"Many employes are women — in some operations they have more patience — who begin at 17 or so, train and work with us for awhile, then return after they have had children."

Of their 2,000 workers, 900 or so paint on porcelain. Many are generations removed from ancestors who did the same work. The most difficult jobs may be held by artists who create master models for figures and make the master molds. A very steady hand is required in using the special knives. And there are people who assemble 50 or so handmade pieces into one figurine, another complicated performance.

Founded by a chemist, and owned by the Danish Crown from 1779 to 1868 when it was given its present name, the factory makes 17,000 different things. More than 180 people turn out the blue fluted dinner service, the first thing the company ever made.

"Some time-consuming or costly things have been discontinued. We once took commissions for portraits on porcelains, but we no longer do that as it was too complicated. But we still do things to order and do unique pieces, and we provide replacements or any piece — cup or whatever — even if it is out of production."

The machine is used sometimes in initial steps such as in making a plate or something that could be done as well or better with it. Other than that everything is handmade, including molding the delicate petals on some dinner services.

Many people think of their porcelain as the familiar bluish — it was the least costly to fire — or grayish tones of commemorative plates or little figures, he says, but some of the company's outstanding porcelains are decorated in yellow, blue, rose, green, gold, purple, on pale backgrounds. It is mainly these porcelains that will be seen in the Smithsonian display.

Even in our casual age the company finds a demand for quality tableware even though they make the "rustic things." However, they "can't cater to the whole world, so production must be limited." The United States is the second largest importer.

"Two hundred years ago the porcelain was far more expensive in comparison to the average income than it is today," Vedel insists. "Only the few could afford it."

In the last 10 years prices have gone up by 150 per cent, he explained, and labor has risen 150 per cent.

Here's the Answer

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

Q.—I have an unfinished piece of furniture to which I intend to apply a penetrating resin finish. The wood is lighter than I want, so I'd like to put on a stain first. Can a stain be used under this type of finish?

A.—Yes, but for best results use a penetrating stain rather than a pigmented one. However, you'd better do some testing first, since the penetrating resin finish will darken the wood somewhat and you may find it unnecessary to use any stain.

Q.—As a veteran, I know I can get a home mortgage guaranteed by the Veterans Administration. However, my wife and I have decided we want to purchase a condominium. Are there any VA mortgages for condominiums?

A.—Until recently, the answer would have been no. But, under the recently signed Veterans Housing Act, loan guarantees up to $17,500 can be obtained by veterans for the purchase of condominiums.

Q.—My husband and I recently bought an older home that is going to require some modernization. We plan to start with the kitchen. Since he is an avid do-it-yourselfer, he intends to install the cabinets himself, but has left the selection of them up to me. Our building supply dealer has a good selection of cabinets and I have found one that appeals to me. But the brand name is unfamiliar to me. Is there any way I can tell if the cabinets will give good service?

A.—Look for an NKCA certification seal. The seal indicates that the cabinets have been tested by the National Kitchen Cabinet Assn. for compliance with the standards of the American National Standards Institute. Certified cabinets are subjected to a series of tests to assure that they will withstand years of normal punishment in the kitchen. This does not mean that cabinets without the seal might not be of high quality. In that event, get an opinion from someone (perhaps your husband) who knows something about good workmanship.

Q.—I want to put up an extra clothes rod in one of our closets. What's the best way to attach it to the sides of the closet?

A.—Take a piece of wood 5 or 6 inches in each direction and cut out an arc into which the end of the rod will fit. The arc should be at what will be the top of the wood when it is attached to the wall with screws, nails or whatever type of fastener is suitable for the wall. Do the same with a similar piece of wood, except that this time, instead of cutting an arc, cut a hole in the center the size of the end of the rod. Attach this wood to the wall opposite the other. The rod is put in place by inserting one end into the hole at one side while resting the other end of the rod on the bottom curve of the arc.

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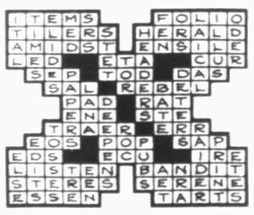

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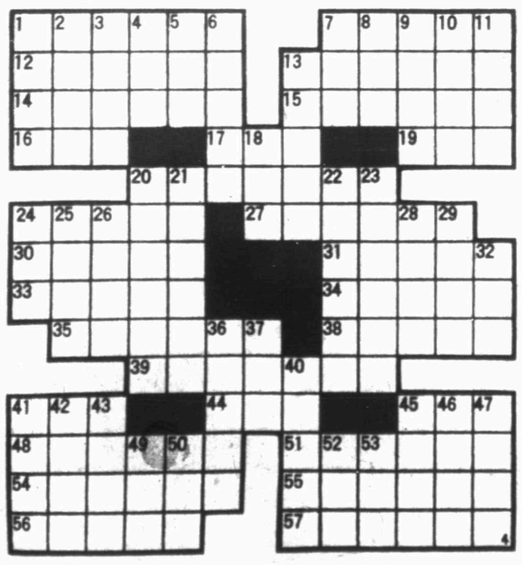

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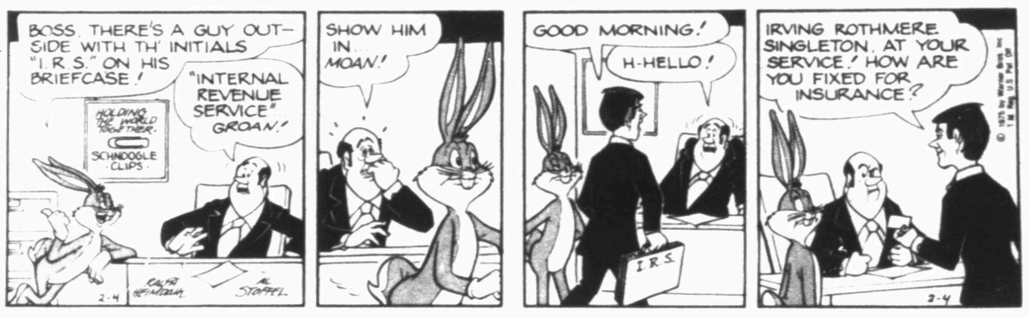

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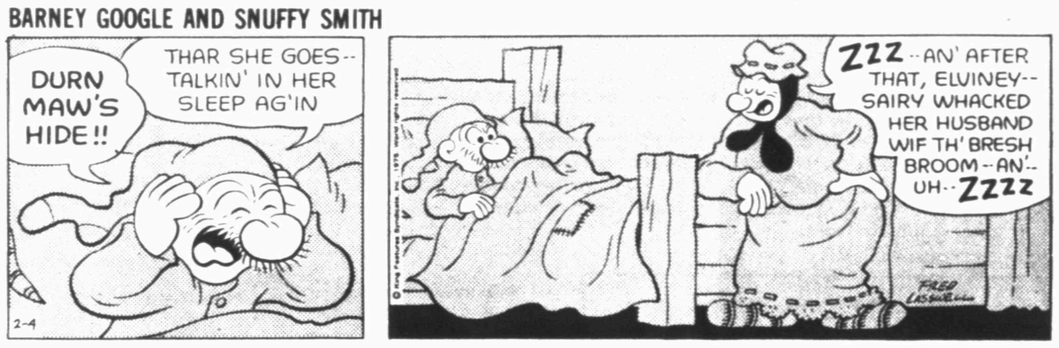

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Dusters Triumph, Host Clarendon

Tightening their zone defense and hitting better from the field in the second half, the Western Texas College Dusters broke open a tight game and defeated Howard College's Womens basketball team, 63-42, here last night to boost their conference record to 2-0. The Dusters now are tied with South Plains for the lead.

The Dusters led by only two points, 23-21, at halftime, but outscored its opponent, 40-21, in the second half.

"We only hit 8 of 31 for 23 per cent from the field in the first half," explained Coach Sid Simpson of the Dusters.

He said the Dusters made a few offensive adjustments and put up a tougher defense in the second half.

Melisa Taylor, 5-7 freshman wing from Gail, got the ball to rolling for the Dusters in the second half by hitting five of her first seven shots. She played an outstanding game and was the leading scorer for the local lasses with 16 points.

The Dusters' first team hit 55 per cent in the second half to completely change the complexion of the game. As a team, they hit 47 per cent in the second half and put in 26 of 73 for 35.6 per cent overall.

For the first time this season, the Dusters' opponent beat them on the boards, holding a 37-31 edge in rebounds. Marilyn Payton, 5-11 freshman wing from Lubbock, was runnerup scorer for the Dusters with 12 points. She also led in rebounds with seven. Dale Mitchel and Sandra Jimenez each collected 10 points.

Howard had two girls in double figures. Delma Gomez of McCamey hit 17 points, and Sheree Griffin of Coahoma notched 15 points.

Taylor got the first three fouls of the game in the first five minutes of play and sat out most of the first half on the bench. But, she sparked the second half comeback. Theresa Beal, 5-10 freshman post from Coahoma, was covered by two girls most of the night. Consequently, she only hit 2 of 4 floor shots in the first half, but finished the night with nine points.

The Dusters used a 1-3-1 zone all the way, and Howard employed a 1-2-2 zone.

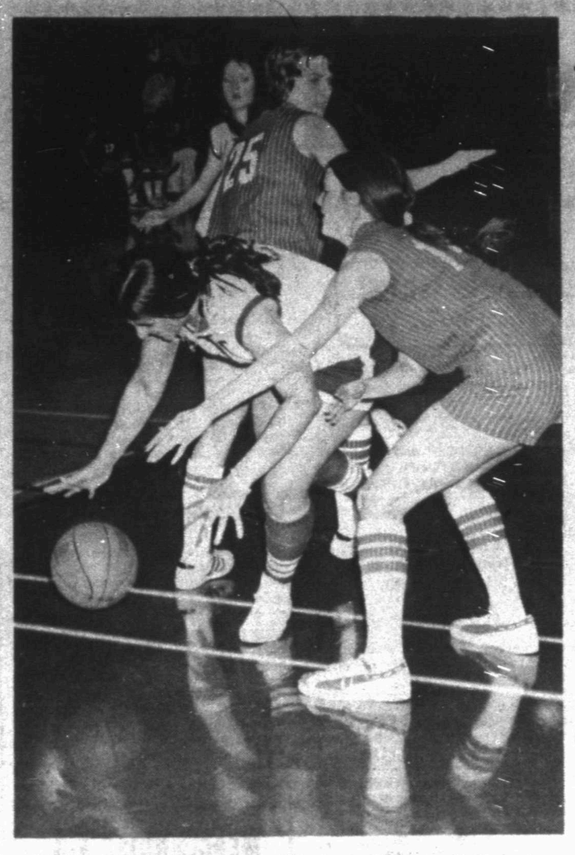
"They've got a real quick team and will be tough to beat on their home court," said Coach Simpson.

The Dusters host Clarendon Junior College in another conference clash at 7:30 tonight in the Western Texas College gym. Earlier in the season, the Dusters beat Clarendon there, 56-25.

Coach Simpson said he will probably start Payton and Taylor at wing, Beal and Jimenez at post, and Mitchel at guard. Possible starters for Clarendon are Teresa Condren, Ann Vincent, Nancy Reynolds, Linda Garza and Kay Murdock.

HOWARD (42)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Gomez	6	5	2	17
Echols	2	0	2	4
Griffin	7	1	5	15
Lambert	1	2	2	4
Caffey	0	0	2	0
Pipes	0	0	2	0
Knight	1	0	2	2
TOTALS	17	8	17	42
DUSTERS (63)	**FG**	**FT**	**PF**	**TP**
Taylor	8	0	3	16
Sterling	0	0	1	0
Klepper	0	0	0	0
Mitchel	5	0	0	10
Michulka	0	0	1	0
Beal	2	5	1	9
Stewart	2	0	1	4
Speck	)	0	0	0
Payton	5	2	1	12
Sharp	0	2	0	2
Jimenez	4	2	2	10
TOTALS	26	11	10	63

HC 21-21--42
WTC 23-40--63



GOES AFTER BALL—Western Texas College's Sandra Jimenez (in white jersey) goes after the ball although she is contested by Howard College's T.C. Caffey (25) and Sheree Griffin (13) during the college women's basketball tilt here last night. Sandra consistently plays well for the Dusters. She is a 5-9 freshman post from Victoria. The Dusters won, 63-42. (Photo by Paul Gilbert)

Lamar 9th Grade Wins

SWEETWATER—Lamar Junior High split a couple of basketball tilts here yesterday with the 9th grade winning, 51-47, after Sweetwater beat the 8th graders, 31-28.

Lamar 9th overcame a 10-12 first period deficit with a 25-21 halftime lead and never tailed after that. Randy Courtney tallied 14 points, and Ken Bagley pitched in 12. For Sweetwater 9th, Aenson was high point man with 15.

Lamar 8th fell behind 4-8, in the first quarter and outscored Sweetwater, 24-22 in the next three frames but couldn't catch up.

Fred Davis led Lamar 8th with 13 points.

LAMAR 9TH (51)—Courtney 6-2-14; Bagley 4-4-12; Peterson 3-0-6; Moore 3-0-6; Witherspoon 3-3-9; Williams 1-0-2; Hagelstein 1-0-2; totals 21-9-51.

SWEETWATER 9TH (47)—Patterson 4-1-9; Aenson 6-3-15; Carrington 3-2-8; Parkhurst 2-2-6; Lynford 2-5-9; totals 17-13-47.

Lamar 10 15 11 13—51
S'Water 12 9 11 13-47

LAMAR 8TH (28)—Everton 0-2-2; Davis 5-3-13; Hinton 1-4-6; Duncan 2-0-4; Forbes 1-1-3; totals 9-10-28.

SWEETWATER 8TH (31)—Everett 3-3-9; Patterson 3-1-7; Elliott 2-1-5; Hillis 2-0-4; Garrett 0-2-2; Medlock 2-0-4; totals 12-7-31.

Lamar 4 7 8 9—28
S'water 8 7 7 9—31

Coahoma, Travis Split

COAHOMA—Travis Junior High School split a couple of basketball tilts here yesterday with Coahoma winning the 9th grade A game, 87-65, and Travis 9th grade "b" winning, 60-21.

Coahoma outscored the "A" team in every quarter as Moran pitched in 29 points, to spark the hosts. Griffin, Greenfield and Roberts each contributed 13 points, and Dougleas added 10. For Travis "A", James Wells, Richard Willis and Hubert Thompson tallied 19,16 and 11 points, respectively.

Travis "B" outscored Coahoma in every period with Carl Clayton sparking the attack with 16 points. None of the Coahoma "B" boys hit in double figures.

TRAVIS 9TH "A" (65)--Jeffery 3-3-9; Wells 9-1-19; Thompson 4-3-11; Ollison 3-1-7; Willis 5-6-16; Clayton 0-2;2; Velasquez 0-1-1; totals 24-17-65.

COAHOMA 9TH "A" (87)—Dickson 4-1-9; Moran 11-7-29; Griffin 4-5-13; Greenfield 5-3-13; Roberts 6-1-13; Douglas 5-0-10; totals 35-17-87.

Travis 22 17 12 14—65
Coahoma 23 25 19 20—87

TRAVIS 9TH "B" (60)--Pitts 4-0-8; Velasquez 4-0-8; Terry 3-0-6; Clayton 8-0-16; Fleming 2-1-5; Rios 4-0-8; Chapman 1-0-2; Tate 3-1-7; totals 29-2-60.

COAHOMA 9TH "B" (21)—Shaw 2-0-4; Speer 0-2-2; Marvin 0-3-3; Fryrear 1-0-2; Brown 2-2-6; Beennett 2-0-4; totals 7-7-21.

Travis 8 13 16 23—60
Coahoma 2 2 7 10—21

Snyder Girls Win At Midland

MIDLAND—The Snyder High School volleyball girls won two matches over Midland Lee here last night with the varsity winning 6-15, 15-10 and 16-14 after the junior varsity had triumphed 15-1 and 15-9.

Scoring for the varsity: Retha Davis 14, Regina Lewis 7, Pam Head 5, Tracey Moore 4, Kathy Williams 3, Debra Davis 3, and Ruth Ann Fagin 1.

Debra Davis played the best all-around game, and Kathy Williams was outstanding on defense.

"I was well pleased with our first game, but we still have a lot of work to do on defense," said Coach Joyce Elrod.

Scoring for the JV: Rhonda Nunley 9, Patti Ayers 7, Jeana von Roeder 5, and Della Braziel 5, Mitzi Ayers and Susan Walker both played good offensive games.

The Snyder girls will be at Big Spring Thursday for 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. matches.

Lamar 7th Grade Wins

Lamar Gold beat Travis Black 41-33 and Lamar White bested Travis Blue 49-37 in 7th grade basketball action here yesterday.

Morris Anderson and Bryan Vincent each tallied 12 points to pace the Gold while Johnny Simmons was high point man for the Black with 10 points.

Rollen Nunley led the White with 15 points, and Thomas Selmon sparked the Blue with 16.

The 7th grade season will conclude at Lamar Thursday afternoon.

Mount Snow Classic Set

MOUNT SNOW, Vt. (AP) — A field of 30 of the world's top professional skiers, led by current sensation Henri Duvillard of France and defending champion Hugo Nindl of Austria, was set today for the $30,000 weekend Mount Snow classic.

The giant slalom was scheduled for today, with the pro dual challenge slalom Sunday. The races are worth $4,000 to the winners and $2,500 to the runnersup.

A&M, HOUSTON LAND PREP STARS

By The Associated Press

Linebacker David Hodge of Brazoswood, the most sought after schoolboy football player in the state, signed with the University of Houston today but Texas A&M stole some of the limelight with a rich bag of running backs.

Hodge was the bluest of the bluechippers, receiving eight of nine votes from Southwest Conference football coaches.

The Aggies landed bluechip running back Eddie Hardin of Houston Madison then followed that in quick order with All-State backs George Woodard of Van Vleck and near bluechipper Gary Young of Dickinson. Woodard made the Texas Sports Writers Association Class 2A first team.

Billy Sims of Hooks, the top back in the state, was not expected to sign today with Oklahoma, Texas, Texas Christian and Baylor apparently still in the running.

Baylor, the defending SWC champion, did well, signing such highly regarded linemen as David Sledge of Midland Lee, Greg Zulkowski of Rosenberg and Billy Joe Butler Jr. of Arlington High.

Perennial power Texas raked in its share of the chips, signing All-State defensive back Stan Singleton of Mesquite. Johnny Jones, an All-State running back from Hamlin, also decided to hook it up with the Longhorns.

L.Z. Bryan, coach of state 4A champion Brazoswood, said Hodge decided to join the Cougars Monday night after seriously considering going to Waco to join Grant Teaff's Baylor Bears. The 6-foot-4, 225pound Hodge, defensive catalyst in a 14-1 season, was sought by every school in the SWC plus numerous colleges outside the conference.

Coach Al Conover of Rice signed Jay Seely, an All-Metro tackle from Irving.

Westerners Win, Meet F. Phillips

AMARILLO—Overcoming a first half deficit, the Western Texas College Westerners nipped a fired up Amarillo Junior College team, 78-77, here last night to take a full three-game lead in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference basketball race.

The Westerners now are 21-1 for the season and 10-0 in conference play while Amarillo is 14-4 for the season and 7-3 in league action.

"They shot exceptionally well in the first half while we only hit 17 of 40 for 42.5 per cent," said WTC Coach Mike Mitchell.

He said Amarillo netted 20 of 36 from the field for 55 per cent in the first half. The Westerners didn't rebound well in the first half, Mitchell pointed out. This combined with the poor shooting enabled the hosts to take a 41-38 halftime lead.

The Westerners came out shooting much better in the second half while Amarillo cooled off. This combined with the Westerners' dominance of the boards in the second half enabled the local lads to rally for the victory.

"The big factor in this close game was the Westerners' big edge in rebounds in the second half," said Coach Mitchell. The Westerners beat Amarillo "real bad" on the boards in the final half.

WTC hit 17 of 36 from the field in the second half and were 37 of 76 overall. WTC had 44 rebounds, led by Norman Barnes with 13. Brian Minor grabbed 11, and Eugene Harris claimed 10.

"We got several tipins and follow up shots in the second half," he pointed out.

The Westerners actually won the game at the line. Trailing 34-36 in field goals, they had a 10-5 edge at the line.

Each team had four men in double figures. Bob Miller led Western with 26 points. Eugene Harris contributed 16, Ken Fowler 14, and Norman Barnes 10. For Amarillo, Alonzo Campbell roped 18, Mark Creighton netted 17, Doug Scott pitched in 13, and Darryl Holloman put in 12.

The Westerners will meet Frank Phillips JC there at 7:30 tonight in another conference game. Phillips is 7-10 for the year and 3-6 in conference play. They are led by Charles Smith, 6-5 forward from Dallas, who is the second leading scorer in the conference with a 25.2 point average.

WTC (78)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Covington	1	0	0	2
Fowler	4	6	2	14
Harris	7	2	2	16
Barnes	5	0	5	10
Miller	12	2	1	26
Hill	3	0	1	6
Minor	2	0	2	4
TOTALS	34	10	13	78
AMARILLO (77)	**FG**	**FT**	**PF**	**TP**
Campbell	9	0	4	18
Bowers	1	0	0	2
Cook	2	1	0	5
Creighton	7	3	4	17
Freeman	2	0	0	4
Holloman	6	0	5	12
Kenon	3	0	1	6
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TOTALS	36	5	16	77

WTC 38-40--78
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Mustangs Host Tigers Tonight

The Snyder High School Tigers will be out to protect a perfect 2-0 record in second half play in the District 3-AAA basketball race when they take on the dangerous Sweetwater Mustangs in Sweetwater at 8 o'clock tonight. The program will begin at 6:15 p.m. with the junior varsity squads of both schools meeting.

Coach Bob Moore's Tigers are 21-5 for the season while Sweetwater is 10-11 for the campaign and 1-1 in second half action. The Mustangs lost to Dunbar, but they beat Lake View. Snyder's second half victories are over Brownfield and Estacado.

"We expect a physical game," declared Tiger Coach Bob Moore.

Although the Tigers beat Sweetwater by a lopsided 75-29 count in the first round, tonight's contest could be much closer.

"They've improved considerably," Moore pointed out. With an all-senior starting alignment, the Mustangs haven't reached their potential this season, but they could make things tough for the Tigers. They lost to Dunbar in the first round in overtime, and Dunbar beat Snyder earlier in the season.

Coach Moore said he probably would start Chester Cobb and Roy Lee Carter at wing with Welton Cobb and Larry Johns at post and Robert Alderete at point.

Other Tigers expected to see action are Sid Perry, Randy Gressett, Greg Gafford and Johnny Eicke.

Sweetwater probably will start Alfred Hunt, 6-2 senior Mike Thomas, 6-3 senior; Carroll Kearney, 6-4 senior; Daniel Johnson, 6-0 senior; and, James Thompson, 5-9 senior.

Jinx Ends

KINGSTON, R.I. (AP) — An old Yankee Conference basketball hex has ended.

Vermont, beaten 30 consecutive times since 1959 by Rhode Island, snapped the jinx by rallying for a 77-68 victory over the Rams Friday night.

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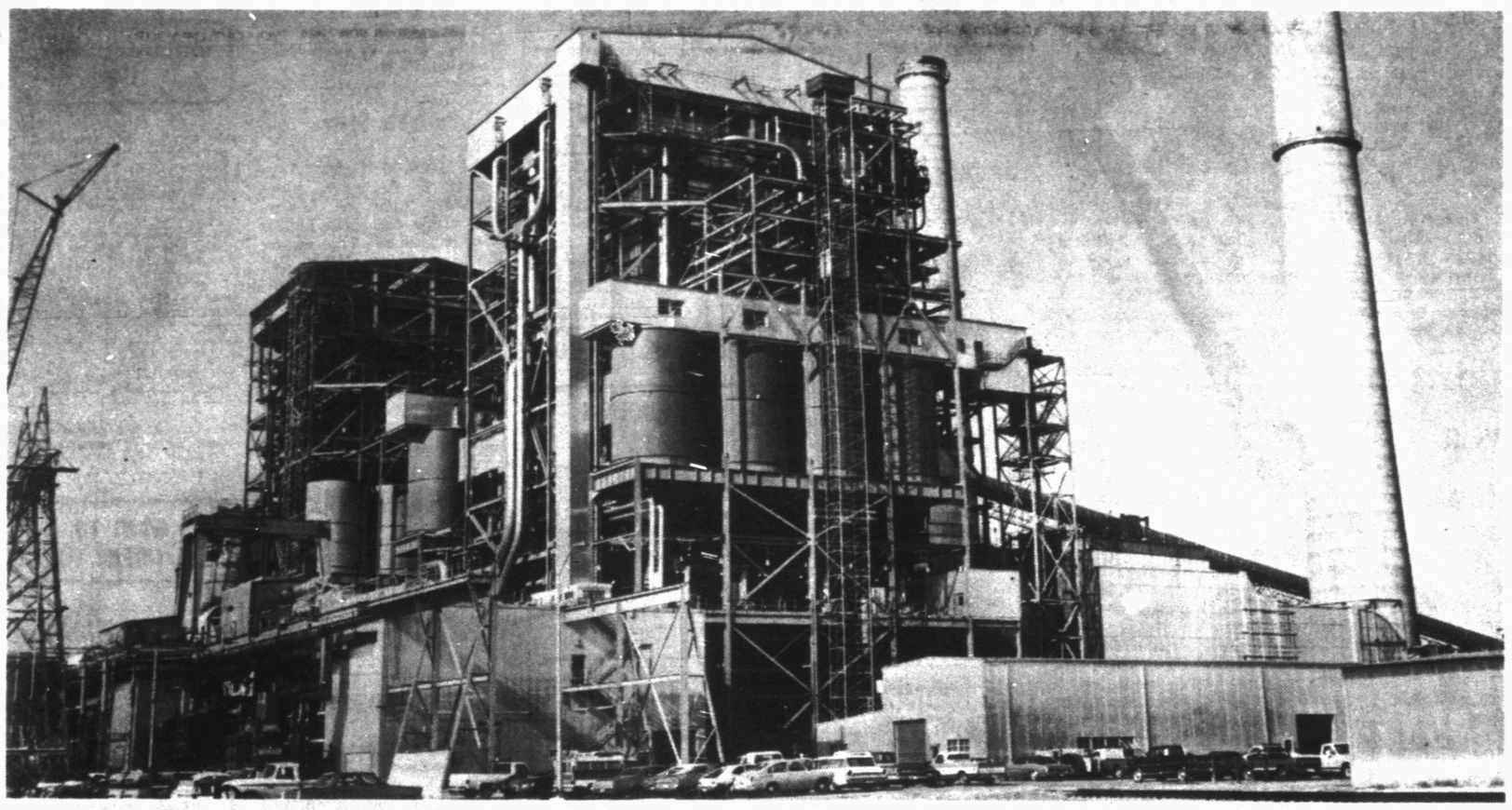

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Indians Claim Victory, End Armed Take-Over

GRESHAM, Wis. (AP) — Indians claim victory even though members of the Menominee Warrior Society were taken in handcuffs to the Shawano County jail after ending a 34-day armed take-over of a religious estate.

A crowd of more than 100 sympathizers filled air with victory chants and drum beats Monday night as the band of 39 Menominee Indians arrived at the jail in nearby Shawano.

The society's members had agreed to surrender as a condition of an settlement under which the unused former Alexian Brothers novitiate they seized at gunpoint Jan. 1 would be deeded to the Menominee tribe.

Sheriff Robert A. Montour and Dist. Atty. Richard J. Stadelman said the group included 15 men, 15 women and nine juveniles. They said members of the group had been charged with criminal trespass to a dwelling as parties to a crime and disorderly conduct.

They also said other charges are being considered.

The society's attorney, Robert R. Bryan, said he would seek amnesty.

"We had to surrender at Wounded Knee," a teen-age girl spectator said of the 71-day, 1973 South Dakota siege. "This one is a victory."

Dennis Banks, executive director of the American Indian Movement, said the agreement and the society's motto, "Deed or Death," was a moral triumph for all tribes seeking compensation for ancestral lands lost under treaties.

The Alexian Brothers, a Roman Catholic order based in Chicago, ceased using the estate's sandstone mansion in 1968 and had been trying for more than a year to sell it to Indians.

The order originally asked $750,000. But the agreement calls for the Menominee simply to provide a "fair" but unspecified cash reimbursement.

The Menominee, about 2,300 of whom live in nearby Menominee County, want the estate as a health, recreation and schooling facility. The takeover had magnified divisions between the Menominee and some of their Shawano County white neighbors.

White snowmobilers penetrated the farm fields and dense woods around the estate on several nights and fired shots despite a ring of National Guardsmen who sought to maintain a cease-fire buffer.

Two persons were wounded in gunfire which punctuated the take-over.

The important thing is the saving of lives," said Ted Boyd, a society sympathizer and head of a committee of tribal elders which had urged the demonstrators to accept the agreement."

The guard allowed several mediators to leave the abbey under immunity from arrest, including Boyd, Bryan, actor Marlon Brando, a nurse, Dr. Herbert Carr of the U.S. Division of Indian Health and two clergymen, including a civil rights activist from Milwaukee, the Rev. James E. Groppi.

Kissinger Reveals Oil Proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — A minimum price support system for imported oil is being advocated by the Ford administration to insure sufficient financing for development of new energy sources.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger revealed the proposal Monday but said the minimum price has not been determined yet.

In any event, it "will be considerably below the current world oil prices," Kissinger said in a National Press Club speech. "They must, however, be high enough to encourage the long-range development of alternative energy sources."

The current posted price of imported oil is about $11 a barrel. Administration officials talked of an $11 floor last fall when the price support system was first being considered. More recent assessments have put the minimum in the $7 to $9 a barrel range.

Kissinger said the need for a minimum price for petroleum products will be acute in the next few years. Some oil-producing nations already are cutting production and prices, he said.

The U.S. proposal will be outlined when the International Energy Agency meets this week in Paris, Kissinger said. Preliminary discussions already have produced a favorable response from agency IEA members, he added.

Kissinger said imported oil prices are bound to fall as industrialized nations follow through with plans to conserve large amounts of oil and develop new energy sources.

"We must insure that the price for oil on the domestic market does not fall below a certain level" in order to protect the investments needed to bring down the international oil prices, he said.

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Conservation Cuts May Raise Dust Bowl Woes

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Ford administration is seeking less money for soil and water conservation at a time when farmers have put millions of acres back into crop production, thus raising the potential for dust bowl problems in many parts of the Great Plains, according to surveys by the Agriculture Department.

As of Dec. 31, the U.S. Soil Conservation Service said Monday, nearly 6.7 million acres in 10 plains states were "in condition to blow" if wind and other conditions are just right.

The survey, the first of a series by the agency, dealt with 295 counties in the Great Plains area where wind erosion historically has been a problem. Officials said the acreage in potential danger of blowing as of Dec. 31 was up only slightly from a year earlier.

However, during the past two or three years — as federal restrictions on crop plantings were relaxed — the year-end acreage reported in condition to blow has increased about 75 per cent, according to USDA records.

In President Ford's budget proposals Monday, a number of sharp cuts were included for land conservation. One of the biggest involves plans by the administration to terminate the longstanding Agricultural Conservation Program which has provided federal assistance to farmers for carrying out approved soil and water projects since the mid-1930s.

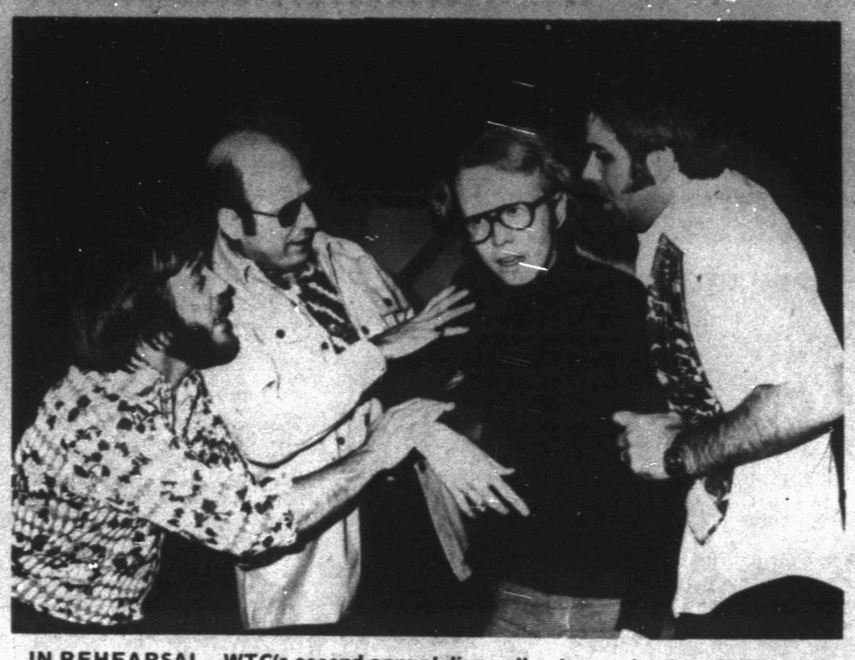
The ACP operation was halted by the administration for 1975, with plans to return $156.3 million to the Treasury from $190 million appropriated by Congress for this year's program. Further, the budget showed, no funds for the program will be sought for the new fiscal year which begins July 1.

Further, the new budget calls for a reduction of 4.2 per cent in funds to operate the department's Soil Conservation Service, from $426.3 million programmed for the current year to $408.6 million in 1975-76. The SCS provides technical assistance to farmers for carrying out conservation programs.

Since the USDA began relaxing acreage controls two years ago, more than 50 million additional acres nationally have been made available for crop production, including much land in the Plains region which is marginal quality and, ideally, should not be tilled.

However, the SCS report Monday showed that land actually damaged by wind erosion during the two-month period, Nov. 1-Dec. 31, was down sharply from a year earlier. Officials said 411,950 acres were reported as wind-damaged, compared with nearly 1.2 million during the same two months a year earlier.

The report said part of the wind damage resulted from a lack of crop residue cover on fields because hard-pressed livestock producers had let animals graze on stubble and grass longer than usual in an effort To trim feed costs.



IN REHEARSAL—WTC's second annual dinner theatre production of "The Odd Couple" is now in rehearsal. In the upper picture, Felix Unger, played by Mike Thornton (third from left), is comforted by Oscar (Glenn Polk), Speed (Ed Thrift) and Vinnie (Warren Cullar). No sooner is Felix rescued from the clutches of overly ambitious friends than Oscar arranges a dinner date with the Pigeon sisters (lower picture), who live upstairs. Emmalie Sleeper and Julie Jones are the "Coo Coo" sisters. Others in the cast are Greg Nelson as Roy and Rex Hopkins as Murray. "The Odd Couple" will be presented Feb. 21-22 and Feb. 28-March 1. Tickets will go on sale on Feb. 10 at both Snyder banks and the WTC business office and will be $7 for adults and $6 for students.

Dr. Lamb

Reader's problem is pain in neck

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—For the past 10 years I have had a condition known as wry neck (it was explained to me as a muscle spasm), where my head hangs to the right of my neck with a constant ache. I have been to very competent orthopedic doctors, and five years ago they put me in a hospital in traction for 10 days. When I came home my condition, if anything, was worse. A therapist was recommended and I went to him for a number of visits. This summer, under a new doctor, I had 10 acupuncture treatments. There was no change in my condition, and actually it made me a nervous wreck.

I'm in my mid-50s and have a responsible job where I must be sharp at all times. I'm seldom absent.

Other than the neck I'm in perfect health, but I am vain. I hate to have people ask me what is the matter with my neck.

This condition bothers me most when I am walking (this is really an effort) and when I am driving my car.

Do you have anything at all to suggest in order to straighten my neck? This is really getting me down.

DEAR READER—Since you have had the problem for 10 years it is not going to be easy for anyone to do much about it.

My suggestion would be to see a good specialist in physical medicine. He can use the information from the orthopedic specialist and also prescribe what you might need from a physical therapist. The first important thing to find out is what is causing the muscle spasm, if that is what you really have.

If the muscle spasm is because of some problem within the neck vertebrae, it may be necessary to correct that.

Usually people like you have some other underlying problem and temporary relief of the muscle spasm helps only a little while unless the underlying cause is corrected.

It might be that you are one of those people with a short leg. These people will have the whole spine, including the neck, canted out of position like a crooked stack of dominoes. The neck is held in an abnormal position to compensate for the poor alignment beginning from the bottom of the spine up. The fact that you have trouble when you walk means this needs to be looked into.

The search for the cause begins literally from the possibility of a short leg, all the way up to the top, including the neck vertebrae.

Acupuncture is not much good for these problems unless one means using a needle to locate small points of muscle spasm and then to needle them. These spots are sometimes injected with novocaine, the same thing the dentist uses, to relieve the spasm. Such treatments by experienced hands are really great in providing sudden relief.

These treatments too, though, are usually temporary unless the underlying disorder is corrected. That is why you can't just treat the muscle spasm.

A lot of short term stiff necks from muscle spasm can be almost miraculously cured by techniques that involve stretching the affected muscle. It is a bit like relieving a muscle cramp, as in the calf muscle, by stretching it. If the cause is something simple like unusual exertion (painting the ceiling) that may not occur again, that may be all that is necessary. Recurrent attacks, though also require a search for the cause.

Send your questions to Dr. Lamb, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. For a copy of Dr. Lamb's booklet on balanced diet, send 50 cents and a long self-addressed stamped envelope to the same address and ask for the "Balanced Diet" booklet.
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Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol

For Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1975

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It's good to be optimistic regarding the outcome of events. It's equally important that your optimism is based upon fact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A worthwhile opportunity will come through another. If you're not on the ball, you'll not realize its full benefits.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Weigh issues carefully before major decisions or you're likely to make an error in judgment difficult to rectify.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Work now for that which offers you an immediate return for your efforts, rather than banking on what the future may bring.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You'll be disappointed with some friends at this time if you expect more than they can give. Appreciate them for themselves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be of service because you're needed, not because you think it will impress another. A job well done is your reward.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You have some good ideas but don't depend on others to supply the muscle. Success comes only if you do it yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You still have impractical urges to spend beyond your means. Pull in your horns today or you'll be sorry.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have a tendency today to exaggerate a bit. It may make a more colorful tale, but you won't be believed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be generous within reasonable bounds to one who needs your help now. Don't boast of your noble deed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You still have to keep a tight rein financially. Don't spend foolishly for things unessential to your practical needs.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't deal in half-measures now or perform less than you know you're capable of. Set your sights on victory.

your birthday

Feb. 5, 1975

You will make two interesting friends this year. Both will add luster and zest to your life. One will stimulate your creative interests; the other, how to gain knowledge.

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Jury Sought In Williams Murder Trial

ASPERMONT, Tex. (AP) — Jury selection continued today in the capital murder trial here of one of two Colorado prison escapees charged with killing two persons in a crime spree last August.

Eight prospective jurors were questioned on the first day of the trial Monday, with one woman, Mrs. Calvin Johnson, 46, selected for the jury panel.

The jury will hear the case of Dalton Williams, a former Snyder resident who is charged in Stonewall County with the slaying of Rotan rancher T.L. Baker. Williams and another Colorado prison escapee, Jerry Ulmer of Garland, also are charged with capital murder in Erath County in connection with the slaying of a woman there.

Baker was slain during the spree of killing, rape, burglary and assault which ended Aug. 27 near Stephenville when officers captured Williams and Ulmer and killed Richard Mangum of Denver, Colo.

All three had escaped earlier from the Colorado prison at Canon city and were the subjects of an intense manhunt for more than a week.

The trial here is the first of many facing Williams and Ulmer, who have been charged with 16 felonies.

Reagan To Give Papers To Archive

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Ronald Reagan will give about 25 tons of gubernatorial and personal papers to the Hoover Institution, the largest private archive in the United States.

Bentsen Blames Deficit Budget On Jobless Rate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., says a double barrel of decreased revenues and increased spending caused by unemployment is the biggest reason for the $52 billion deficit forecast in President Ford's budget proposal.

Bentsen said the deficit "represents $40 billion in tax revenues lost through high unemployment and $12 billion in additional spending for unemployment compensation."

The senator said Ford's prediction that an average of 7.3 million persons will be out of work the next two years "is far higher than it should be and it means needless suffering for the millions of families deprived of their livelihoods as well as strains on the federal budget."

The budget proposal, Bentsen added, "may be inevitable as a result of the recession brought on by six years of misguided economic policies."

He said the House-Senate economic subcommittee on economic growth, of which he is chairman, would study the economic assumptions underlying the budget projections.

Among his proposals for stimulating the economy were lower interest rates and reduced future budget deficits.

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Opposite words: SANE and GREED.
Mixer word: RENEGADES.

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IN MURDERS

Police, Producer Deny Connection

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Are killers inspired to murder because of television shows and movies?

The long-debated question arose again when the Los Angeles Slasher murders began after a "Police Story" drama about a killer of skid row derelicts.

The Los Angeles Police Department says there is no connection between the TV show and the actual murders.

So does the show's producer. Joseph Wambaugh, the ex-cop and novelist who is consultant on "Police Story," agrees, but he says he has seen criminals imitate TV and movies "dozens of times."

Last Nov. 26, ABC-TV broadcast a "Police Story" drama entitled "Love, Mabel."

It was the story of policeman's wife, played by Michael Learned, who turned to drink. Her husband, William Shatner, was investigating murders of three skid row winos.

On Nov. 30, a skid row inhabitant was beaten almost to death. On Dec. 1, another was discovered with his throat slashed. It was the first of nine similar murders — seven in skid row and the last two in Hollywood.

"We cooperated completely with the police department, setting up a screening for them to review," said Stanley Kallis, executive producer of "Police Story."

"We were completely exonerated of any connection with the Slasher murders; in fact, we received a commendation for the excellent handling of the subject."

Kallis said the TV killer was a wino who was killing others as punishment to himself — "murders leading to suicide."

The script, written by Jerry Ludwig, was based on an actual case, but details were altered.

"The show was really about the problem of a neglected wife of a policeman," said Kallis. "There was only a suggestion of violence, and that came at the first. We showed a bottle raised over a man's head, but didn't show the impact."

Asked if he thought there was a connection between the show and the Slasher murders, Wambaugh replied, "I hope not — my God. I doubt it, really.

"The Slasher started on skid row, but he has now moved out of there, probably because it got too hot.

"TV thrives on shooting, fights and violence to which the network applies the euphemism 'action.'" said the onetime police detective and author of "The New Centurions" and "The Blue Knight."

Wambaugh said he had seen TV and movie crimes repeated in real life "dozens of times.

"I'm afraid Oscar Wilde was right and Aristotle was wrong: life does imitate art."

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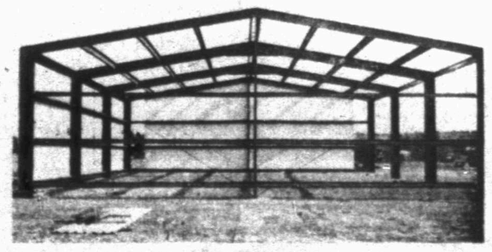

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VALENTINE SUPPLIES—Nancy Dennis, an employe at Bennett Office Supply, displays a decoration book and other Valentine supplies available at the firm, including Hallmark Valentine cards, centerpieces, napkins, plates and box cards for school children.

Hallmark Valentine Cards Are Featured Here At Bennett's

Bennett Office Supply, 1819 Twenty-fifth Street, has a good variety of Hallmark Valentine cards that are ideal for sending to the person you love this Valentine's Day.

"We also have some decoration books, centerpieces, napkins, plates and boxes of cards for school children," said Harold Bennett, owner and operator of the firm.

In addition, Bennett's has Smith-Corona typewriters, Victor adding machines, Texas Instruments and general office supplies.

Bennett's has several other items that would make ideal gifts, such as albums, scrap books, attache cases, Cross and Schaeffer pen and pencil sets, men's billfolds, and Bibles of every description.

Bennett's has a complete line of art supplies as well as candles, and package decorations.

Bennett and his wife both help out in the store. They are always available to help their customers along with the other employes.

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Freddy Costillo, one of the employes, is an expert at typewriter and adding machine repairs.

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BUSY MAN—Jimmy Farmer, operator of Bill's Auto Salvage, is busy working on a motor he just pulled out of a car. Bill's Auto Salvage has motors and all types of used parts for cars as well as a good supply of complete used cars. Farmer also installs motors, transmissions and rear ends.

Good Used Cars, All Types Of Parts At Bill's Auto Salvage

Jimmy Farmer, operator of Bill's Auto Salvage located on the East Highway near the traffic circle, said that he has several top-notch used cars for sale. Included among them are a 1972 Mercury Cougar, 1961 Camaro, a 1971 Chevrolet pickup, a 1974 Pinto wagon and a 1974 Grand Prix.

Farmer has operated the business here for over three years, but it has been in continuous operation for over 20 years. Bill Baldwin is the former owner.

"We have motors and all types of used parts for cars–tires, wheels, rear ends, body parts and glasses," Farmer pointed out. He said he also installs motors, transmissions and rear ends.

Bill's Auto Salvage is a member of Kolt Hot Line Circuit and Texoma Hot Line Circuit.

"These hot line circuits put us in touch with 150 other wrecking yards," said Farmer. "And we're able to get parts from them," he added.

Jimmy said he could get a part for you if he doesn't have it. All it takes, is a 5-minute check with the other wrecking yards.

Jimmy is active in local civic work, and he is married to the former Sharon Kay Vernon of Hermleigh. They are parents of two children.

"We're here just about every day, and always welcome visitors," said Farmer. "Come in and look around," he added. "If we don't have the used car you want, maybe we can fix you up with a part."

Baffling Disease Hits Palms

WASHINGTON (AP) — As many as 175,000 coconut palms in six southern Florida counties are dead or dying of a baffling yellowing disease, the Smithsonian Institution's Center for Short-Lived Phenomena said today.

The disease was introduced from Jamaica or Latin America to Key West in 1955. It was first observed in Jamaica in 1890 and spread to Central and South America, then to Africa and the United States.

Plant pathologists of the Florida Department of Agriculture attribute the disease to a microorganism dispersed by insects, primarily the leafhopper.

Efforts to treat the infection with injections of terramycin have met limited success. The antibiotic has proved effective as a preventive, but of limited efficacy once the plant becomes infected.

The Smithsonian said the disease has spread in just two years from 3,168 cases reported in the Miami area to 13 species of coconut palm in Dade, Broward, Collier, Martin, Palm Beach and Monroe counties.

The most seriously threatened variety is the Jamaican Tall Palm, with 120,000 afflicted trees. Between 40,000 and 50,000 of the common Christmas Palm are diseased.

The disease usually kills a tree in one to three months after the first symptom — loss of coconuts, the Florida specialists say. Newly opened flowers then turn back and shrivel, the fronds turn yellow and die, and finally the brown fronds and other parts fall, leaving only the trunk.

In one control area of about 8,300 acres in Miami, the Jamaican Tall Palm species suffered an 88 per cent kill in the past year and a half.

EARNINGS PLUNGE 60%

GM Cuts Common Stock Dividend

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DETROIT (AP) — Reporting its second worst profit performance in 13 years, General Motors Corp. has slipped behind Exxon as the largest industrial corporation in the world and lowered its common stock dividend for the first time since 1946.

The auto giant said Monday that its earnings plunged 60 per cent in 1974, a year that began with the Arab oil embargo, ended in recession and was marked throughout by double-digit inflation.

Although GM remains the largest manufacturer in the world, its total sales and profits for the year dropped behind those reported by Exxon Corp. for 1974.

"Profits were pushed down not only by the reduced unit volume, but by the burden of higher costs not recovered in price," said GM Chairman Thomas A. Murphy.

"In the highly competitive marketplace, prices could not be increased enough to keep pace with costs and at the year's end, price increases still lagged seriously behind the cost increases."

GM said its profits for the year fell to $950 million on sales of $31.5 billion, compared with record earnings in 1973 of $2.4 billion on sales of $35.8 billion.

The performance, although poor over-all, reflected a major surge in the fourth quarter after the auto makers raised prices an average $400 per car in September.

The October-December period accounted for more than half of GM's annual earnings. Profits in the period were $508 million on record dollar sales of $9.4 billion, compared with $517 million on sales of $9 billion in 1973. GM earned a record $666 million in the fourth quarter of 1972.

American Motors Corp. reported a loss for October-December 1974. The Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. report 1974 figures later this month.

GM's board of directors cut the dividend for the first quarter of 1975 to 60 cents per share from 85 cents a year ago. In the second period of 1946, dividends were cut from 75 cents a share to 50 cents.

GM currently has 115,505 of its 370,000 hourly workers on layoff as the industry continues to suffer through a sales slump that began in October 1973.

Sales in the middle of January, the last period for which the figures are available, were at the lowest pace in 14 years. The auto makers are offering rebates of up to $600 on some models in an effort to reduce record inventories of unsold vehicles.

Nonetheless, Murphy predicted that 1975 would be "a turnaround year," with sales at about the same level as 1974 but rising toward the end. Total 1974 profits for the Big Three — GM, Ford and Chrysler — are expected to be about $1.4 billion, including a modest loss for Chrysler and a profit of about $400 million for Ford.

In 1973, the Big Three rang up profits of $3.6 billion on sales of $71 billion.

American Motors said it lost $5.6 million in the October-December period on sales of $493 million, compared with earnings of $8.7 million on revenues of $479 million a year earlier. The period is the first of AMC's 1975 fiscal year.

Gov. Boren To Address Jaycees

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma Gov. David L. Boren, who at 34 is the nation's youngest governor, will be the principal speaker at the annual U.S. Jaycees' Top 10 Young Men awards dinner.

President Ford and Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller have been invited to speak at the Feb. 22 meeting, but no reply has been received, a spokesman for the Jaycees said.

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