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Carter's coal efforts 'double-barreled'

By DAVID ESPO

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter is prodding negotiators and meeting with a dozen governors in a double-barreled effort to deal with the increasingly disruptive 73-day coal strike.

Carter called bargainers from both sides to a rare White House session Wednesday night in an attempt to get the strike settled before it seriously harms the country.

Officials said the session, which lasted slightly more than an hour,

went smoothly and that talks would resume today at the Labor Department. However, sources who asked not to be identified emphasized that large differences remain.

The session, the first nighttime labor talks at the White House in a decade, established ground rules for today's bargaining.

That session was expected to focus on narrowing union-management differences. Labor Secretary Ray Marshall said the talks will be "almost continuous."

United Mine Workers President

Arnold Miller also expressed satisfaction and said he was "most anxious to get down to business." Asked whether he believes industry bargainers are ready to do the same, he replied, "they don't have any choice."

Industry officials left the meeting without talking to reporters.

Carter, meanwhile, called in governors from the states most directly affected by the strike for a late afternoon discussion of measures

to alleviate hardships. Officials said the talks would range from moving coal into areas of shortage to lifting environmental curbs on use of some fuels in certain areas.

Governors from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Maryland and Wisconsin were invited.

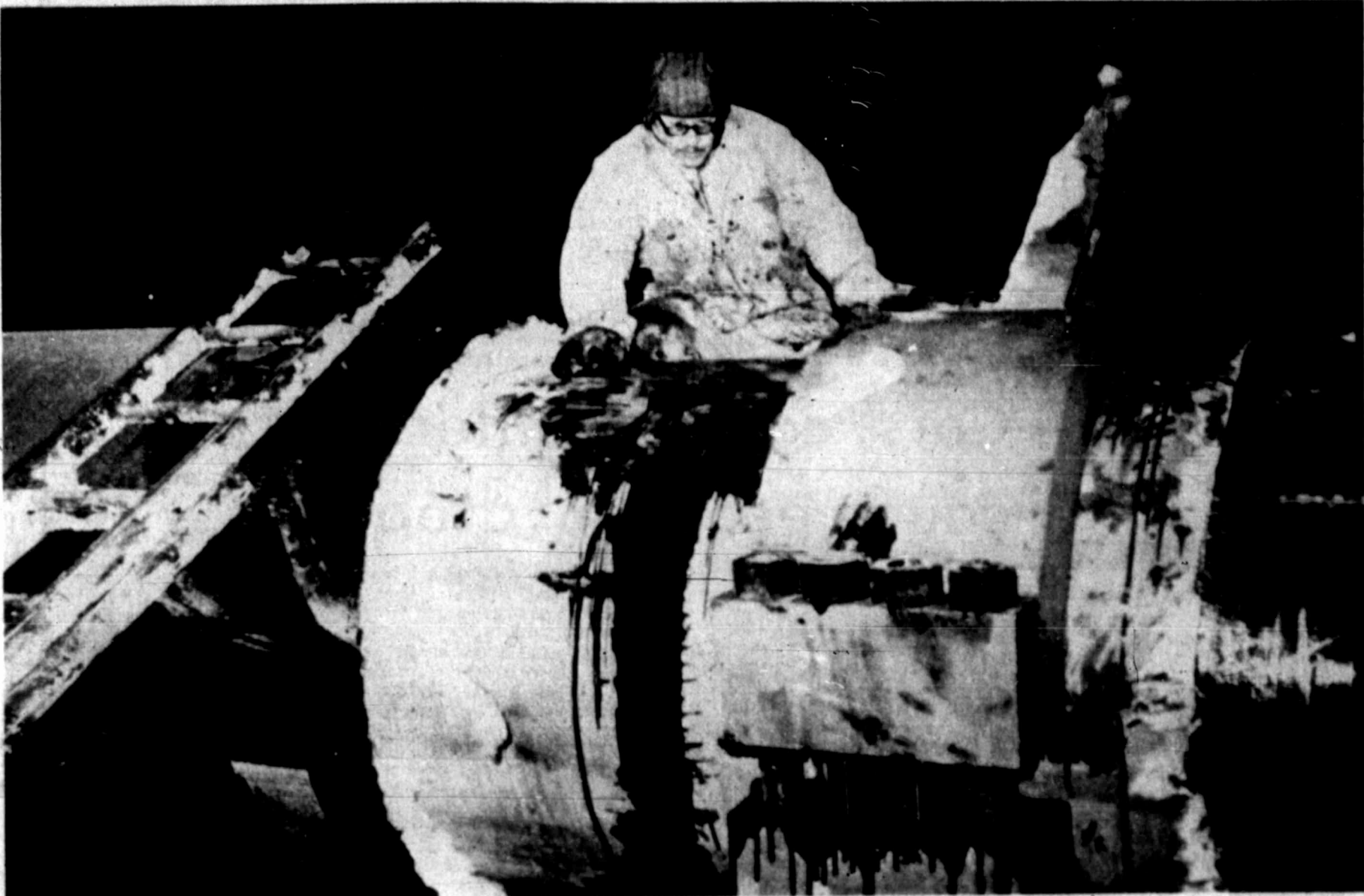
Although Carter has broad emergency powers to deal with the strike, ranging from sending the

military to dig coal to giving Americans free firewood, energy officials said the president prefers to let negotiations continue and urge the states to take what action they can, such as curtailing non-essential electricity usage.

Carter personally kicked off the negotiating session in the Roosevelt Room, telling bargainers for the union and Bituminous Coal Operators Association that the nation is "looking to you men" to find a quick settlement in the longest continuous coal strike in

history. White House spokesman Jody Powell said Carter emphasized to bargainers the importance of coal in satisfying the nation's energy needs and the importance of having a dependable supply in the future.

The coal operators at first rejected Carter's call to return to the bargaining table, but relented after heavy pressure from the White House. Administration sources described the president as outraged over the industry's initial refusal.



A WORKMAN watches intently as a sleeve is positioned over a hole in the trans-Alaska pipeline. The sleeve will be welded into place,

covering a two-inch gash which spewed thousands of gallons of crude oil onto the tundra about six miles east of Fairbanks. Police

suspect the line was sabotaged. See story, Page 9C. (AP Laserphoto)

Political races generate turmoil

By LINDA HILLSCHAFFRINA

Political turbulence in county government this week has spawned a variety of charges and counter-charges about the manner in which candidates for the spring primaries were recruited.

The county judgeship is one of only two Midland County races this year for which there is both a Democratic and a Republican candidate. The Democrat is Blake Hansen, an assistant county attorney.

There are conflicting accounts about the role of county commissioners in his decision to run.

With speculation rampant about the possibilities of County Judge Barbara Culver being appointed this year to the now-vacant 318th District judgeship, an office for which she is a candidate, there has been discussion about whether the commissioners might have a chance to appoint her successor.

Hansen said Wednesday he had first been approached by 10 to 15 people who suggested he run for the job of county judge. That number included a lot of courthouse employees, but none of the county commissioners.

Then, Hansen said, two commissioners — Durward Wright and Charlie Welch — contacted him. "They said, 'We would like for you to run for county judge,'" Hansen said. He said they told him he would make a good Democratic candidate and could work well with the court. (There are three Democratic commissioners and one Republican.)

"I said, 'Let me think it over,'" Hansen recalled Wednesday. Wright said this morning Hansen called him for the initial contact.

"I did not call Mr. Hansen. He came to my office. I did not contact Mr. Hansen initially," Wright said.

Wright said he discussed with Hansen the possibility of Hansen's running "as I discussed the possibilities with many people."

Welch said his first meeting with Hansen was by chance; "I didn't call him. He didn't call me," Welch said. He said the two "met on the street."

Welch said he Hansen told him he was considering being a candidate, "and I said it was a fantastic idea... The end result was he said he was pretty sure he was going to run, but he had to talk to his boss."

"I talked to anybody who wanted to talk. I even talked to Judge (William) Ahders (the Republican candidate). ... He and I met on the street, and we discussed it," Welch said.

All three said the commissioners did not promise Hansen that he would be appointed to the job if it came open.

"I was told that I would be considered," Hansen said. "I felt like I was talking to a Democratic (Commissioners) Court," and had "a good chance" of receiving any appointment made, he said.

Hansen said that possibility was discussed with the two commissioners both before and after he decided to run. "I couldn't make a promise, because who in the world knows what Gov. Briscoe is going to do (about the appointment to the 318th District Court)?" Wright said.

"All things being equal, and if this occurred, I think you could safely say that all things were discussed relative to his candidacy, including how soon he should run his campaign, which, again, is standard procedure for anyone interested in politics," Wright said.

Wright said if the judgeship becomes vacant, all possible persons to fill it will be considered, whatever their party.

"After all, we're not running for the presidency. We're running for local office and good local government," he said.

Woman dies in accident

CRANE — A Crane resident died early this morning as the result of a head-on collision five miles north of Crane on U.S. Highway 385.

A Department of Public Safety spokesman said today the Joyce Young Long, 41, of Crane was driving a car northbound on U.S. 385. The second vehicle, a truck-tractor driven by Joe Glen Pickett, 30, of Odessa was southbound on the highway when the collision occurred.

Ms. Long was pronounced dead at the scene by Crane Peace Justice Clara Cromer. Her body was taken to Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home in Crane.

Haldeman: Watergate was Nixon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Richard Nixon's one-time chief aide, H.R. Haldeman, says in his new book he believes the former president "caused those burglars to break into" the Democratic Party's Watergate offices, and later personally tried — but failed — to erase an incriminating

tape recording that became known as the "18½-minute gap," the Washington Post reports.

One of the White House tapes that was subpoenaed during the Watergate investigation contained an 18½-minute gap, which became a major issue during the trials and con-

gressional hearings.

Haldeman's book, "The Ends of Power," is scheduled to be published Feb. 27. It provides an inside account from Nixon's most powerful lieutenant on the events that led to the only presidential resignation in American history.

Haldeman, formerly Nixon's White House chief of staff, is in prison for his Watergate crimes.

The Post said in Thursday's editions that according to Haldeman's account, Nixon was determined in the spring of 1972 to strike back at political foe Lawrence O'Brien then Democratic Party chairman, with of-

fices in the Watergate complex.

Haldeman said it was public knowledge that O'Brien, lawyer, was getting a large retainer from millionaire recluse Howard Hughes, "which leads me to my own theory of who initiated the Watergate break-in," the Post quoted from Haldeman's book. "Richard Nixon, himself, caused those burglars to break into O'Brien's office."

Haldeman said he believed that Nixon passed the word to White House adviser Charles W. Colson to "get the goods" on O'Brien, the Post said.

On the 18½-minute gap, the Post quoted Haldeman as saying: "My own perception had always been that Nixon simply began to erase all of the Watergate material from the tapes when he started to worry that they may be exposed."

"But Nixon was the least dextrous man I have ever known: clumsy would be too elegant a word to describe his mechanical aptitude ... so I believed that Nixon had started trying to erase the tape himself, but realized — at the rate he was going — it would take him 10 years."

Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, has said she may have accidentally erased four to five minutes' worth of the tape containing the 18½-minute gap while transcribing it, but she said she had no explanation for how the remaining minutes were erased.

The Post said it based its report on the latter two-thirds of the book, which the newspaper said was made available to it. The Post did not elaborate on how it obtained the book.

The book will be serialized next week in newspapers that include The Washington Star, The New York Times and The Los Angeles Times. Newsweek magazine plans to publish excerpts.

Haldeman, 51, was convicted in 1975 of conspiracy, obstruction of justice and perjury. He was sentenced to 2½-to-8 years in prison, but U.S. District Judge John Sirica, who presided over the Watergate trials, reduced his sentence late last year to 1-to-4 years.

Haldeman, who will be eligible for parole June 20, is serving his sentence at a minimum security federal prison camp at Lompoc, Calif., where he performs clerical work in the camp's sewage treatment plant.

Dayan travels to U.S. to protest arms sale

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, in a tightly planned one-day visit today, is registering his country's protest over proposed U.S. warplane sales to Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

Dayan also is promoting peace negotiations during a nine-hour schedule that crammed in talks with Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance, a brief courtesy call on President Carter, a news conference and a meeting with members of Congress.

Israel is hoping its friends on

Capitol Hill will block the arms sales. The administration, having proposed for the first time to sell jets to Egypt and to equip Saudi Arabia with 60 of the world's best fighters, now appears eager to paper over Israeli vexation over Carter's decision.

But even if administration minds are made up, Dayan is still conveying his government's concern that the sale of 50 F-5E Tigers to Egypt and F15 Eagles to Saudi Arabia would pose a peril to Israel's security and threaten to tip the Mideast arms balance in the Arabs' favor.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin told the Israeli parliament on Wednesday that there was "a crisis" in U.S. relations, but he reaffirmed his support for a peace settlement.

The State Department, meanwhile, reaffirmed "enduring and strong ties" with Israel and insisted that peace prospects were enhanced by the arms sale decision.

"Clearly, Israel and we differ on some issues," said a statement read by spokesman Ken Brown. "Part of that relationship, as is always the case between close friends, is a frank airing of differences."

"But these differences do not in the least detract from our common search for peace and the lasting commitment of the United States to the security of Israel."

Assistant Secretary of State Alfred L. Atherton, who soon may be endowed with the title of ambassador-at-large, will return to the Middle East next weekend and stay "indefinitely," according to U.S. officials.

His assignment is to foster agreement on a "declaration of principles" that can serve as the basis for a peace treaty — and also draw Jordan into the negotiations.

Travel advisory in effect

Today will not be a good one for traveling, according to the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Air Terminal.

Although the weatherman said a travelers' advisory was to be cancelled at 10 a.m. today, the forecast is for foggy and cloudy weather all day, with some drizzle and a chance of rain, mixed with snow tonight and Friday.

The high today will be in the mid-40s and the low tonight near 30. There will be southeasterly winds today of from 10 to 15 miles per hour, shifting to northeasterly tonight.

The high Friday will only be in the upper 30s, said the weatherman. The possibility of precipitation will be 30 percent tonight and 20 percent Friday.

Cities and towns in the area reported cloudy, foggy and cool weather. Big Spring reported a trace of rain early today, and Lamesa a light mist. Temperatures in the area cities ranged from 33 in Andrews to 41 in Rankin.

Dense fog reduced visibility to less than a mile over much of West Texas from the Pecos Valley eastward into the Concho Valley and northward through the Panhandle. Some fog also developed in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, but it was not as dense as the fog in western portions of the state.

'Spice and sparkle' added by gimmickry

How do you feel about gimmicks? Probably amused, if not a bit put out. More than not, it's just another facet of much of the business world.

Remember in the late 1950s and into the 1960s when trading stamps were at their pinnacle? About every service station, drug store and supermarket was ripping out those stamps from magazine-size books and were giving you a stamp for each 10-cent purchase.

The cost of the stamps, you well knew, was reflected in your bill.

But if the idea and fact of hoarding these stamps and pasting them in the little booklets appealed to you, you somehow figured that the little extra you paid for the stamps at the store was worth the price.

You could—and still can—thumb through the slick catalogue and think in terms of books of stamps and fractions of books instead of dollars and cents.

And probably you could have kicked yourself for not waiting until double-stamp day to buy those groceries.

By this time, the sprawling and voracious supermarkets were gobbling up the neighborhood grocery stores, which were about the only places where you could get credit on food and the such.

It was, in part, the lure of the stamp that took much of the trade away



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from the smaller businesses. And the bigger stores, which by this time, were trying to "out-stamp" each other, offered that innovation called "shopping convenience" you're always hearing about.

There were the purists among the free-enterprise retailers who shunned the stamp program. Stamps were costly and troublesome.

And if the retailer didn't use the stamp gimmick to help his business, he could always use the old no-gimmick gimmick.

Somehow, the retailers would imply — or say outright — that by not "giving away" stamps, the could out-do their competitors in pricing.

Gimmicks? They're fine. They add spice and sparkle to the chore of buying.

And as long as you know what the gimmick is, what can you complain about?

WEATHER

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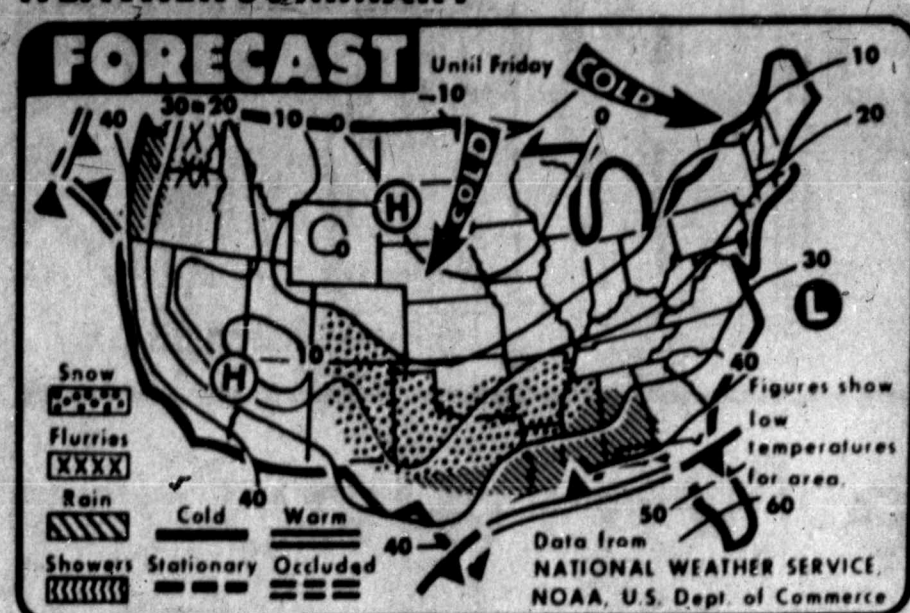
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WEATHER SUMMARY



A BELT of snow and rain is forecast today by the National Weather Service from the Southwest to the eastern Gulf states. Rain is forecast for the northern Pacific coast and snow flurries are expected in the northern Rockies. Mild weather is expected on the Pacific coast, but most of the nation will be cold. (AP Laser-photo Map)

Midland statistics

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NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE READINGS: Yesterday's High 47 degrees, Low 33 degrees. Noon today 45 degrees, Low 35 degrees.

Sunrise today: 6:36 a.m. **Sunset today:** 6:02 p.m. **Sunrise tomorrow:** 6:35 a.m. **Sunset tomorrow:** 6:03 p.m.

Precipitation: Last 24 hours: 0.1 inch. This month to date: 0.1 inch. 1978 to date: 0.1 inch.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES: Noon 34, 1 p.m. 35, 2 p.m. 36, 3 p.m. 37, 4 p.m. 38, 5 p.m. 39, 6 p.m. 40, 7 p.m. 41, 8 p.m. 42, 9 p.m. 43, 10 p.m. 44, 11 p.m. 45.

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES: Abilene 34, Amarillo 32, Big Lake 30, Big Spring 32, Brownsville 34, El Paso 32, Garden City 32, Houston 34, Lubbock 32, Midland 34, Odessa 32, Pecos 32, San Angelo 32, San Antonio 34, Wichita Falls 32.

The record high for Feb. 14 is 81 degrees in 1845. The record low for today is 17 degrees set in 1936.

Texas area forecasts: North Texas—Mostly cloudy through Friday. Few snow flurries mixed with freezing drizzle extreme northeast this morning. Snow beginning extreme east by early this evening, spreading across all but extreme southeast by Friday morning. Mixture of sleet and snow southwest, late tonight, changing to snow during the day. Friday snow ending across northwestern half of area by Friday afternoon. A little warmer most of area today, colder tonight and Friday. Highs 35 to 47. Lows tonight 24 to 31. Highs Friday 37 to 55.

South Texas—Considerable cloudiness and cool today tonight and Friday. A light shower of light rain or drizzle tonight and Friday. Highs mid 40s north to near 60 south. Lows mid 30s northwest to mid 30s south. Highs Friday near 60 north to mid 60s south.

West Texas—Travelers advisory area of the Pecos today and Friday. Mostly cloudy today with scattered rain southwest and snow north. Cloudy tonight and Friday with scattered snow north and rain south, except rain ending southwest tonight. Snow accumulations of 1 to 3 inches across the Panhandle by early Friday will cause hazardous driving conditions.

Central Texas—Continued cold north through Friday. Colder southeast Friday. Highs mid 30s north to mid 40s south. Lows mid 20s except middle 30s Big Bend valleys. Lows middle teens north to near 30s south.

Extended forecasts: Saturday through Monday—North Texas—Rain and snow east portion ending early Saturday. Cloudy and cold Saturday through Monday. A chance of rain or snow Monday. Low temperatures upper teens northwest to the lower 30s southeast. Highs in the 30s and the lower 40s.

South Texas—Chance of rain east early Saturday. Rain spreading over the area from the west Sunday and continuing Monday. Continued mostly cloudy and rather cold. High temperatures mostly 40s north and 50s south. Overnight minimums low and mid-30s north to 40s south.

West Texas—Continued unseasonably cold most of Saturday through Monday. Chance of light snow north and rain possibly mixed with snow south first of the week. Highs 30s north, 40s southeast to 50s and 60s extreme southwest. Lows near 10 north to 30s south.

Midland to host business group: Midland was to be the host city for the Texas Association of Business planning meeting for Region Three at noon today at the Midland Hilton.

Politics and state legislative issues will dominate the discussion at the meeting, which is being held to map out the 1978 year of work for the region, according to Paul Linnevoel, regional director.

The association's statewide chairman, Paul Kerr, will be spokesman for the meeting.

Further information may be obtained from Linnevoel at 684-7881.

Best speaker picked: Best table topic speaker at the Tall Town Toasters meeting this morning was Jim Humphrey. Most improved was Don Eckert, best speaker of the morning was Roger Freidline and best evaluator was Charles Latch. Sparkplug was Bill Keaton.

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New County Court at Law Judge Willie DeBose, left; his wife, Gloria, and children, Denise and Bryan, are congratulated by 142nd District Court

Judge Perry D. Pickett after DeBose was sworn into office Wednesday. (Staff Photo)

County has new judge as DuBose takes oath

Midland County has a new judge — County Court at Law Judge Willie DeBose, who took the oath of office Wednesday, the first day of the new court's existence.

The swearing in took Midland's four county commissioners by surprise. None had been informed in advance by DuBose, although two, told of it by newsmen, attended the ceremony.

The commissioners Monday, in a split vote, had activated the court effective Wednesday and appointed DuBose as judge, conditional upon his acceptance. DuBose was out of town Monday and not present at the meeting. The commissioners had not been notified officially of his acceptance.

Neither County Judge Barbara Culver nor the commissioners Wednesday were able to give a date the group might meet to set the salary for the job and handle other administrative details. County Treasurer Dee Thompson said Wednesday her office needs to have a salary set before the commissioners' next regular meeting, Feb. 28 in order to do end-of-month payroll. Mrs. Thompson said DeBose did fill out the necessary forms to start on the payroll Wednesday.

"I assume they'll pay me," DeBose said after the ceremony.

He is the only candidate for the post in the Democratic primary, and there are no Republican candidates.

DeBose's office will be on the

second floor of the courthouse, next to County Judge Barbara Culver's.

Judge Culver said DeBose will handle half of the guilty pleas scheduled for Friday afternoon. The two county courts will have the same criminal jurisdiction, but the court at law can handle civil cases involving up to \$5,000. The limit on civil cases in

the regular county court is \$1,000.

The oath of office was administered to DeBose by 142nd District Court Judge Perry D. Pickett. Lloyd MacDonald, representing the Midland County Bar Association, and Leslie Acker, representing the Young Lawyers Association, congratulated DeBose and praised his abilities.

Cars, coal, weather cause economy drop

JAMES L. ROWE Jr.
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The economy faltered last month under the combined impact of the coal strike, bad weather and declining demand for automobiles.

The Federal Reserve Board reported Wednesday the largest one-month drop in the output of the nation's factories, mines and utilities since the 1974-75 recession. And January retail sales fell 3.1 percent — the biggest decline since the Commerce Department began compiling sales information this way in 1967.

Most of the fall in industrial production was caused by a reduction in automobile output, not by the coal strike. In fact, administration economic officials said Wednesday they do not think the 72-day-old strike will cause severe disruptions in the economy at least for another month.

Severe snowstorms across the northern half of the country plagued retailers in January but declining automobile sales also hit hard, too.

Commerce Department chief economist Courtenay M. Slater said that 40 percent of the drop in sales was caused by declining consumer demand for automobiles. Some of that was due to the weather, which kept buyers out of showrooms, but much was caused by consumer resistance to higher prices and to the new 1978 models themselves, she said.

Major automobile makers, including General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co., have announced that anticipated electricity shortages

caused by the coal strike in some states like Ohio will force them to curtail auto production and lay off thousands of workers.

But government economists said many of those layoffs will happen regardless of whether generating companies cut back industrial power supplies because manufacturers and dealers have too many cars on hand and want to reduce inventories.

General Motors chairman Thomas A. Murphy said Wednesday in Akron that he thinks 1978 will be the best sales year in history for automobiles. Nevertheless, he said production of automobiles was trimmed by 175,000 units during last month's bad weather and that even with a prompt settlement of the coal strike and "maximum overtime, GM's first quarter production could still be more than 100,000 units lower than scheduled originally."

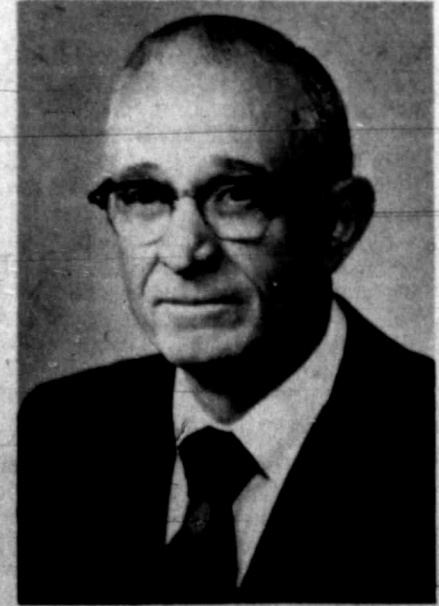
Automobile makers have been reducing output for the last several months, however, before bad weather and power shortages were a problem.

The Federal Reserve Board said that the 0.7 percent decline in industrial production was the largest since a 0.9 percent fall in the output of mines, factories and utilities in March 1975 during the worst days of the worst recession since the Depression of the 1930s.

"Severe storm activity over much of the United States — which caused widespread absenteeism, shorter work weeks, and some supply disruption — contributed significantly to the decline in output," the central bank said.



Wm. P. "Bill" Franklin



Frank Cowden Jr.

Two announce for posts on hospital district board

Frank Cowden Jr. and Wm. P. "Bill" Franklin announced today that they will seek election to two-year terms on the Midland Hospital District board of directors.

Two vacancies will be filled in the April 1 election.

Cowden and Franklin were appointed to the five-member board by the Texas legislature when the hospital district was approved by Midland citizens last November.

Cowden is a member of the board of directors of the First National Bank of Midland. Franklin is executive vice president of The Midland National

Bank. In his announcement, Cowden said, "Because I have served on the board of trustees for four years and helped organize the hospital district this past year, I feel I have the knowledge and interest to continue."

Franklin said, "I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve the hospital district during this crucial state of its development."

Candidates for the two vacancies on the board are required to file a petition with signatures of 25 qualified Midland County voters with the hospital board by March 1.

Davis trial judge probe reported

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The State Commission on Judicial Conduct is investigating complaints involving certain decisions by State District Judge George Dowlen of Amarillo during the Cullen Davis murder trial, the Dallas News reported today.

Davis was acquitted after one of the longest criminal trials in Texas history. He was charged in the shooting death of his 12-year-old stepdaughter.

Tarrant County District Attorney Tim Curry, who prosecuted the Fort Worth millionaire, told the News that an investigator for the commission had interviewed him.

"He wanted to know how I felt regarding Judge Dowlen's decision in connection with the trial," Curry said. "I do not think it would be proper for me to go into our conversations."

The News said the commission apparently is looking into complaints that Dowlen allowed Davis too much freedom during his trial although State District Judge Tom Cave of Fort Worth, who transferred the trial to Amarillo, had ordered him held without bond.

Dowlen allowed Davis to use his office for conferences with lawyers, friends and business associates but Dowlen said he did so because the courtroom lacked a conference room.

U.S. support for Israel reaffirmed

By JOHN M. GOSHKO
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The State Department, moving quickly to soothe the anger of Israel and its congressional supporters at the Carter administration's Middle East arms package, Wednesday reaffirmed America's "lasting commitment" to Israel's security.

It took this conciliatory step as Speaker of the House Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill Jr. warned that the administration faces a formidable hurdle in getting congressional approval for its decision, announced Tuesday, to sell advanced U.S. warplanes to Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Israel.

Congress can block the sales by a majority vote in either house, and O'Neill said a move in the House to block the sale of F-5E jets to Egypt and F-15s to Saudi Arabia would produce a "very, very close" vote.

State Department sources said administration concern about congressional opposition helped to prompt yesterday's statement defending the proposed sales. However, the statement was couched in language carefully crafted to reflect an upbeat tone about the "enduring and strong" nature of U.S.-Israeli relations.

The sources said the statement had been drafted "at the highest levels" and was intended to counter press speculation about the arms deal creating a new crisis in relations between Washington and Jerusalem.

The aim, the sources said, was to calm Israeli fears that the sales — greatly boosting U.S. military support of Egypt and Saudi Arabia, while giving Israel less than it wanted — will tip the Middle East military balance in favor of the Arab side.

O'Neill referred to these Israeli arguments when he said that congressmen from areas with large Jewish populations could be expected to oppose the deal. But, he added, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace initiatives have greatly boosted his popularity in the United States and might give him substantial congressional backing.

He expressed concern that a debate on the issue could be "damaging" to the chances for Middle East peace and said he hoped the matter can somehow be kept out of Congress.

Also Wednesday, Rep. Clarence D. Long, D-Md., chairman of a House appropriations committee on foreign operations, introduced a resolution urging Congress to reject the sale of warplanes to all three countries.

Calling the administration's proposal "short-sighted" and inconsistent with moves toward a Middle East peace settlement, Long said: "One day, we could be watching Israelis, Egyptians and Saudi Arabians killing each other with American weapons."

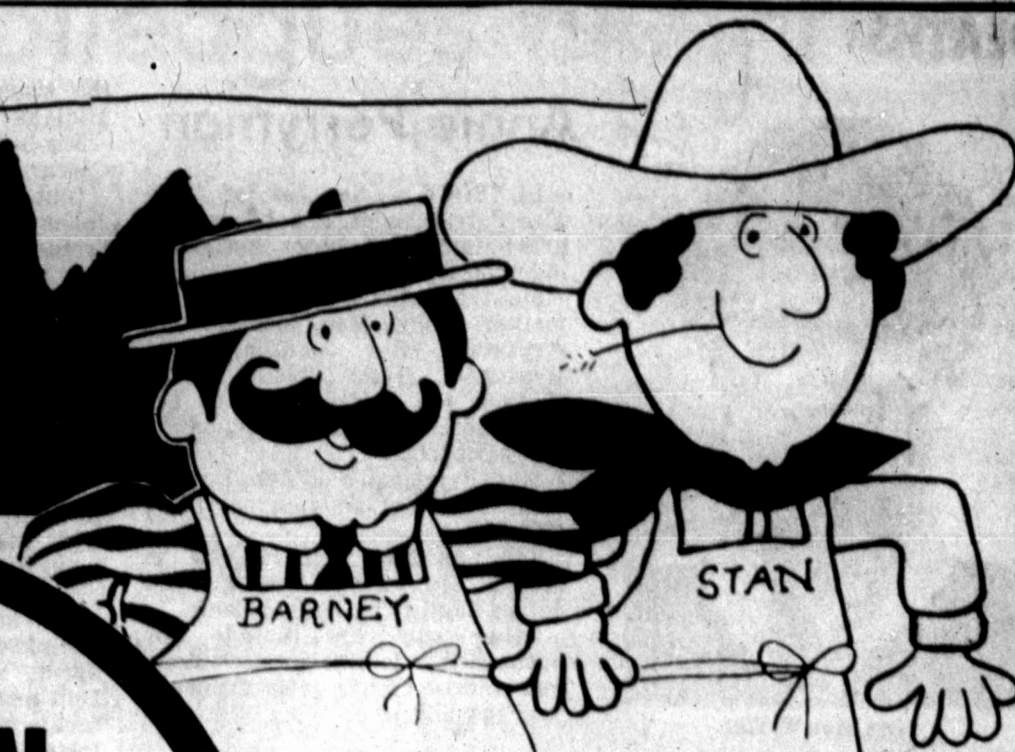
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1 12-oz. bottle of beer
1 T. chopped parsley
1 bay leaf
1/4 t. thyme

Combine flour, salt & pepper. Dredge the meat in seasoned flour. Heat oil in skillet; add onion & garlic. Cook until tender but not brown. Remove onions from skillet. Add meat & brown, adding a little more oil if necessary. Return onions to the skillet. Add the remaining ingredients. Cover and cook over low heat until meat is tender, about 1 1/2 hours. Serve hot with boiled potatoes and a salad.

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Services for Mrs. Bill (Oza Mae) Walker, 54, of 3201 Cimmaron Drive were to be at 2 p.m. today in the North A and Tennessee Street Church of Christ with Ross Dawkins and Thane Akins officiating.

Burial will be at 4 p.m. Friday in Memorial Park in Lawton, Okla., directed by Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Walker died Thursday in a hospital in Kakinada, India, following a sudden illness. Mrs. Walker and her husband were on a missions trip to India when she became ill.

She was born Feb. 18, 1923, in Lawton, Okla., and spent her early life there. She attended schools in Lawton. She married Bill Walker of Lawton in 1943. They moved to Arkansas City, Kan., and lived there two years. In 1947, they moved to

Charles Wright

BIG SPRING — Graveside services for Charles H. "Sonny" Wright, 50, of Odessa were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Wright died Tuesday in a Big Spring hospital.

He was born in Batavia, Ill., in 1927. He served 18 years in the Navy and Air Force.

Survivors include a son, Troy Wright of Stanton, Calif., and a daughter, Yvonne Wittler of Stanton, Calif.

Annie Perryman

LUBBOCK — Services for Annie Mae Perryman, 44, of Lubbock were held Saturday in Lubbock. Burial was in Lubbock also.

Survivors from Midland include her mother, Willie Mae Johnson; her stepfather, Roy Johnson; three stepdaughters, Jessie Niblette, Myrtle Niblette and Louise Hall, and her grandmothers, Eddie Washington and Mary Dockett.

Mrs. Perryman died Feb. 7 at her home following an apparent heart attack.

She was born June 24, 1933, in Martin. She was a member of St. James Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Other survivors include her husband, her father, seven children, four stepdaughters, five stepbrothers and 11 grandchildren.

Ray T. Boggs

RANKIN — Ray Thomas Boggs, 70, died Wednesday in a Rankin hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church in Rankin. Burial will be in Rankin Cemetery directed by Larry D. Sheppard Funeral Home.

Boggs was born Aug. 11, 1907, in Rising Star. He married Sug Scott June 7, 1946, in Del Rio. He owned and operated Boggs Grocery in Rankin for 32 years. He was a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows, Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Claudine Warren of McCamey, Brenda Boggs of Houston and Gaynelle McFadden of Rankin; two sons, Don Boggs of Monahan and Johnny Boggs of Houston; two sisters, Ellen Brooks of Lometa and Lorena Cates of Dimmitt; two brothers, Dixon Boggs of Rising Star and Roma Boggs of Kress, 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Lillie Smith

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Calvary Baptist Church for Mrs. Lillie Smith, 77, of 1005 S. Weatherford St., who died Wednesday in an Odessa hospital after an illness of several weeks. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park directed by Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

She was the mother of Mrs. Myrtle Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth Paulk, and

the sister of Annie Conine, all of Midland.

She had been an active member of Calvary Baptist Church for 24 years.

Other survivors include a son, Johnny Smith of Florence, Ala.; two brothers, Ed Birdwell of Tahoka and Roy Birdwell of Athens; two grandsons, two granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

Danny Birdwell

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — Services for Danny Birdwell, 37, formerly of Big Spring, are pending with Pierce Brothers-Smiths' Mortuary in Huntington Beach.

Birdwell died Tuesday of an apparent heart seizure.

Birdwell played football for the Big Spring Steers. He enrolled at the University of Houston and was a tackle for the Houston Cougars. He joined the Oakland Raiders and appeared in Super Bowl II. He was named to the Big Spring High School Hall of Fame two years ago. Recently, he had been doing promotional work for a Southern California firm.

Survivors include three children; his mother, Mrs. W. S. Birdwell of Madera, Calif., and three brothers, Bill Birdwell of Madera, Calif., John Birdwell of Big Spring and Huey Birdwell of Fremont, Calif.

Lonnie Dixon

McCAMEY — Lonnie Jefferson Dixon, 75, died Wednesday in an Andrews hospital.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Iraan First Christian Church. Burial will be near Johnson City, directed by Larry Sheppard Funeral Home of Crane.

Dixon was born April 5, 1902, in Llano County. He married Carrie Coleman Oct. 26, 1921. He worked for Marathon Oil Co. for 35 years.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Archie J. Dixon of Goldsmith; two sisters, Zelma Latham of Burnet and Mrs. Roy Rosa of Johnson City, and five grandchildren.

Jackie has new job

NEW YORK (AP) — Jacqueline Onassis has a new editing job, this one with Doubleday.

Mrs. Onassis quit her two-year-old job at Viking Press last October when it announced plans to publish a novel depicting Sen. Edward Kennedy, her brother-in-law, as president and the target of an assassination plot.

Former astronaut to be main speaker at Boy Scouts fete

Former Skylab IV astronaut Gerald P. Carr of Houston will be the featured speaker in Midland Friday night when 42 Eagle Scouts in the Buffalo Trail Council will be honored for achieving in 1977 the Boy Scouts of America's highest rank.

The Eagle Scouts to be recognized at the 7:30 p.m. banquet in the Midland Hilton Hotel are from nine West Texas cities and towns and represent the Lone Buffalo, Sand Hills, Comanche Trails, Lone Star, Big Bend and Chaparral districts in BSA's Buffalo Trail Council.

Carr, 46, was the prime crew commander of Skylab IV's 84-day mission in its orbit around the Earth in late 1973 and early into 1974.

He was a pilot-astronaut for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) from May of 1966 until June of 1977, when he resigned.

He left NASA to become vice president of Bovay Engineers, Inc., a diversified consulting engineering firm. He is Bovay's corporate manager of business development.

Before his 11-year stint with NASA, Carr was an aviator and aircraft maintenance officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. However, during the first nine of his 11 years with NASA, Carr was a Marine Corps assignee to NASA.

He retired from the military as a colonel in 1975.

Transplant patient remains 'critical'

HOUSTON (AP) — A Texas oil field worker was reported in critical but slightly improving condition today after receiving Houston's first heart transplant in eight years.

The 21-year-old man also received a kidney in the four-hour double transplant operation early Wednesday.

The Texas Heart Institute and St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital would not reveal the name of the recipient whose medical problems were said to have started with an abscessed tooth.

The name of the donor was not released by the hospital but the Houston Post identified her as Leona Singleton, 38, of Houston who died in

Carr, a native of Denver, Colo., was an Eagle Scout by age 14 in 1947. In 1954, he earned the bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from The University of Southern California. Later, he earned degrees in aeronautical engineering from The U.S. Naval Post-graduate School and from Princeton University.

In addition to his talk to the Scouts, their Scoutmasters, parents and guests, Carr is to hand the Eagle Scouts autographed letters on Scouting.

In his message to the Scouts, Carr writes that "Honor, God, and Country... are three of the most important concepts that influence a man's life. I learned their meaning in the oath as a Scout."

The Eagle Scout badge represents a lot of work," writes Carr, who is holder of the Distinguished Eagle Award. "Nailing down 24 merit badges is no easy task, and it can't be done without sweat, teamwork, and a desire to live in the spirit of Scouting."

Presiding over the Friday night program will be D. D. Dorris of Midland, chairman of the National Eagle Scout Association. Oley Hedrick Jr., president of Buffalo Trail Council, will present the Scoutmaster-of-the-Year award. Special award presentations will be made by Ike Carroll.

The Eagle Scouts, listed by



Astronaut Gerald P. Carr

districts, to be recognized at the Friday night event are:

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relations at the hospital, said the gift heart was "beating beautifully" and required no electrical stimulation after the operation.

Mrs. Pearson said events leading to the transplant began a few weeks ago when the patient developed an abscessed tooth.

She said she was told that the man could not obtain prompt dental attention since he was at work in the oil field and that his tooth problem turned into a massive bacterial infection which caused endocarditis, a severe inflammation of the valves or lining membrane of the heart.

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Congressmen use courts when colleagues disagree

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressmen are always complaining that the courts are treading on their turf. But when they can't get their way in Congress, where do they run? To the courts.

Time and again, lawmakers try to work their will through a single federal judge after they fail to convince a majority of their colleagues in their own, equally powerful branch of government.

Some recent examples: —After President Carter announced he planned to return Hungary's Crown of St. Stephen, opponents failed to get a congressional resolution against it.

Sen. Carl Curtis of Nebraska and 16 congressional colleagues filed suit in Washington claiming only Congress can dispose of U.S. property. Sen. Bob Dole went to Kansas City, Kan., and filed a similar suit. They lost and the crown was returned.

—Rep. Mickey Edwards of Oklahoma and 59 House colleagues asked a federal judge to declare that the House, like the Senate, be allowed to vote on the Panama Canal treaties. Their case, also based on the property-disposal argument, awaits a ruling. A similar suit by several anti-treaty senators was refused a hearing by the Supreme Court.

—Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, who complained as a presidential candidate that the Supreme Court

lacked "restraint with respect to acts of Congress," and Sen. Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio argued in court that they were being deprived of their vote in a Navy purchase of airplanes. A hearing is scheduled for Thursday.

The irony is that ever since there's been a Congress, members have gripped about courts "making" law. When judges set racial balance quotas for schools or order busing, congressmen are the first to accuse the courts of stepping across that fuzzy constitutional frontier called separation of powers.

Yet, by filing these suits, congressmen are not only inviting intervention, they seem to be demanding it.

Congress needs no help from the

other branches. Why then the rush to sue?

"Most of those who do are in the minority," says one congressional staffer, a lawyer. "They do it for publicity reasons or political effect. After all, Congress can pass a resolution saying 'this is terrible' or it can say 'do this or we'll cut out your money.' And that usually settles the matter."

As an institution, Congress seldom goes to court. When it does, it relies on the Justice Department — a creature of the executive branch — for representation.

The department has acted for members, officers and committees of Congress in at least 56 cases during the last five years.

Members who bring lawsuits have to prove "standing" — a complicated legal concept around a simple proposition: that only one who is hurt by government action can challenge it in court.

The landmark case is a 1974 Supreme Court decision involving Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and a pocket veto by President Nixon. The court ruled Kennedy had standing to sue because Nixon's conduct amounted to illegal nullification of a senator's vote.

In a 1976 case brought against the secretary of the treasury by Rep. Larry Pressler of South Dakota, the court said a congressman could sue "so long as there is no attempt being made to interfere with internal

workings of Congress itself."

In law, standing is called "a threshold issue." Without it, there's no lawsuit. Standing, therefore, was the first thing argued in the Panama Canal suit.

There are now two bills in the House to create an office of congressional legal counsel. The Senate already has approved such a measure. The counsel would handle legal matters for Congress, its committees, members and employees.

In offering one of the bills, Rep. John Breckinridge, D-Ky., said: "Unlike the executive branch of government, Congress does not generally attempt to effectuate its will and perform its duties by initiating lawsuits in the courts."



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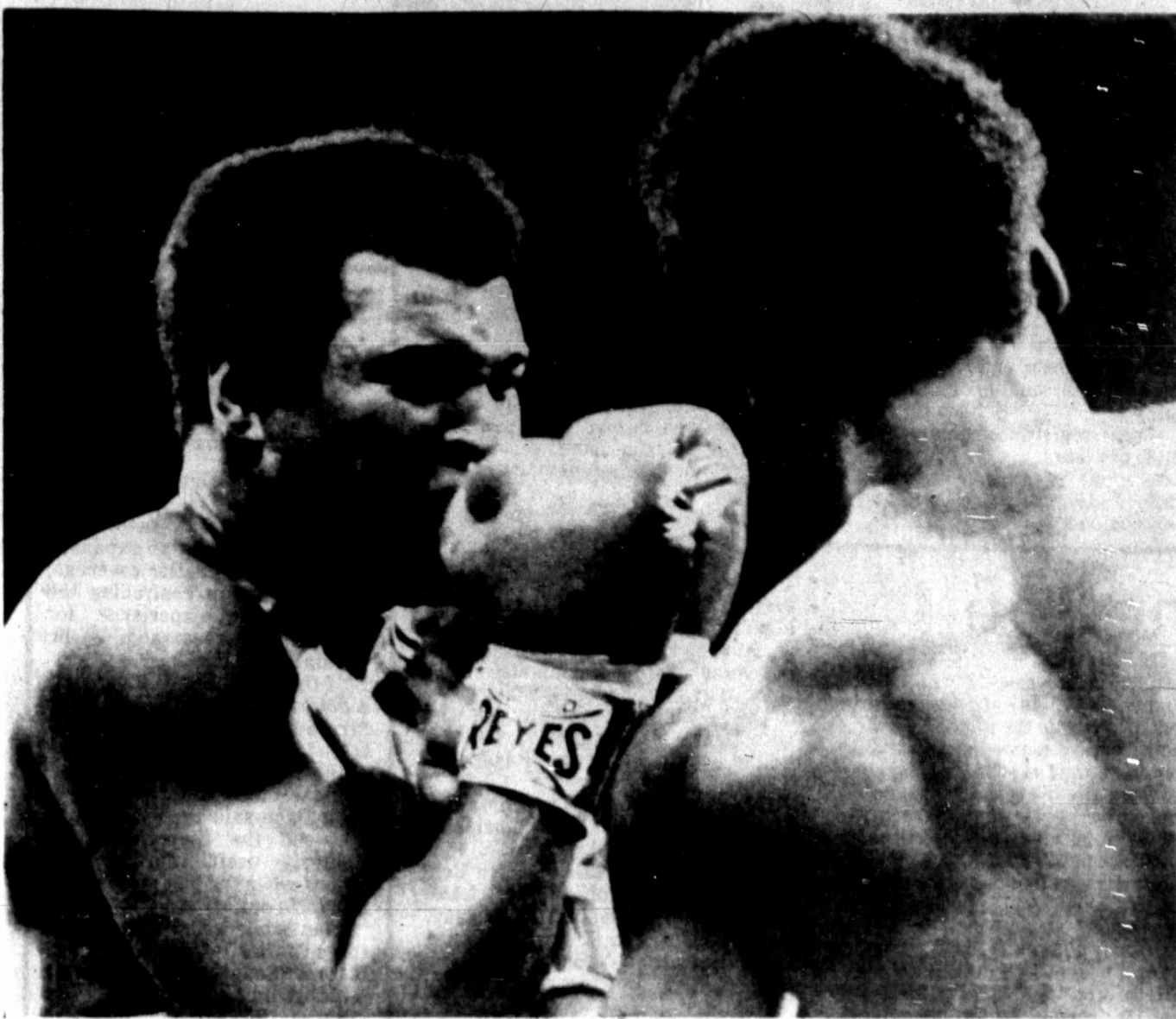
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Great Stone Spinks silences aging Ali



Leon Spinks, right, slips Muhammad Ali's guard to land an uppercut in heavyweight title fight.

By JACK HAWN
The Los Angeles Times

LAS VEGAS — As the world was saying, Leon Spinks doesn't stand a chance.

"There's a new heavyweight champion," a ringsider remarked moments before the decision was announced.

"I'll bet anyone right now Muhammad Ali walks out of this ring as the heavyweight champion," another said. "I gave the fight to Spinks but . . ."

The roaring began to subside as a Hilton Pavilion crowd of 5,298 — a flea speck among the millions watching on television — awaited Wednesday night's decision.

"It was a split decision," were the announcer's first words, and he then began to read the judges' point totals as fans filled the arena with booing.

After revealing Art Lurie's card (143-142 for Ali) and Judge Lou Tabat's total (145-140 for Spinks), the announcer said, "Judge Harold Buck: 144-141. The new . . ."

AND THAT was it. Justice finally prevailed, the crown has fallen off the head of a legend and a virtual amateur is king of the world of boxing — Leon Spinks, Olympic 1976 light-heavyweight champion, now 7-0-1 as a professional and a 24-year-old believer of miracles.

It was "Rocky" in full bloom in the 15th round as the 10-1 underdog battled toe-to-toe with the 36-year-old man and it was one of Ali's most electrifying finishes.

Still, all three officials gave the final round to the new champion, a former Marine from St. Louis, now

living in Philadelphia.

Ali, who first won the title in 1964 when he knocked out Sonny Liston Feb. 25 in Miami Beach in the seventh round, knew the end was at hand long before the official verdict was rendered.

After the 14th round, he sat wearily on his stool, his head heavy, his eyes on the floor. It was pathetic, actually, as he contemplated what he must do to retain the crown he had successfully defended 19 times. His only hope was to knock out this brash young man who had shown such unexpected endurance.

Ali, huffing and puffing as he

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lumbered into action, gave it one of his most honest efforts, ripping hooks and firing jabs and taking equally damaging blows in return. It was a slugfest in which both were close to going down. But they continued punching dramatically as the crowd roared.

"I DIDN'T know he could fight that type of fight after 10 rounds," Ali said later in an interview room that was not void of laughter or even a bit of wisecracking.

Ali, who has no intention of quitting, at least at the moment, told the roomful of reporters, "You didn't know it either."

And he smiled. He had proved the press all wrong.

Years and young foe turn Ali's feet to clay

By KENNETH DENLINGER

The Washington Post

LAS VEGAS — Finally, it happened. When Muhammad Ali needed feet of clay, the speed and stamina of his youth, all he had were feet of clay Wednesday and he lost the heavyweight championship to a long shot even by the standards of this long-shot town.

They will give you odds on nearly everything here, it is said. But no one was taking any action on this angular fellow named Leon Spinks. Even his mother thought his was a hopeless cause, another Ali con that would reward him with millions and allow him to stay champ as long as he stayed on his feet.

Well, Ali stayed on his feet, if barely. But judges Harold Buck and Lou Tabat voted their eyes instead of their hearts after a wildly exciting 15th round and gave the title to Spinks on a split decision. It was the saddest of moments, because it marked the athletic end of the dominant sports figure of his generation, arguably the greatest heavyweight ever.

Ken Norton was sad for other reasons.

"Am I happy?" he said several minutes after the verdict. "I just lost a lot of money. But I thought it was a just decision."

This was supposed to be on-the-job training for Spinks, the Olympic champion who entered the ring with a 6-0-1 record against less than Olympian competition. At the end, after Ali's 36-year-old punches failed to keep him from boring in, Spinks had realized a dream even he might not have dared to consider.

Still, as in all upsets of this magnitude, the Jets over the Colts in the third Super Bowl and others, the favored figure must help the underdog to a great extent. And Ali did. He could not tire Spinks with his rope-a-dope tactics early — and he was unable to finish the young challenger when that seemed possible.

Spinks won the final three rounds by all three judges — and nearly every unbiased eye in the land — including as stunning a final three minutes as anyone could possibly imagine. Here was the champ giving it his best shot, seemingly ready to put Spinks on the canvas for good. And Spinks took everything Ali had — and gave out more.

There had been several fine flurries the two rounds before — and, when Ali failed to deliver a knockout blow as early as the 10th round, doubters began to realize Spinks had a chance. Spinks, though, opened the 15th round seemingly in desperation, as though he believed he needed a knockout to win.

THE CROWD of 5,298 was beside itself in the final 30 seconds, as Ali would try to summon strength for a knockout — and just when that seemed possible, when Spinks seemed incapable of throwing another punch, there he was with one more flurry.

Who had been doped on the ropes this time?

At the bell, the Spinks cornermen leaped into the ring in joy. But veteran witnesses had seen this before — Ali apparently losing but gaining the decision anyway. How many times had it been? Twice with poor Norton. Once against Jimmy Young.

So, of course, it would be the same this night — and ringsiders began composing leads that had Ali escaping once more against a less than worthy opponent. As he had against Earnie Shavers, the champ had fought gallantly in the final round.

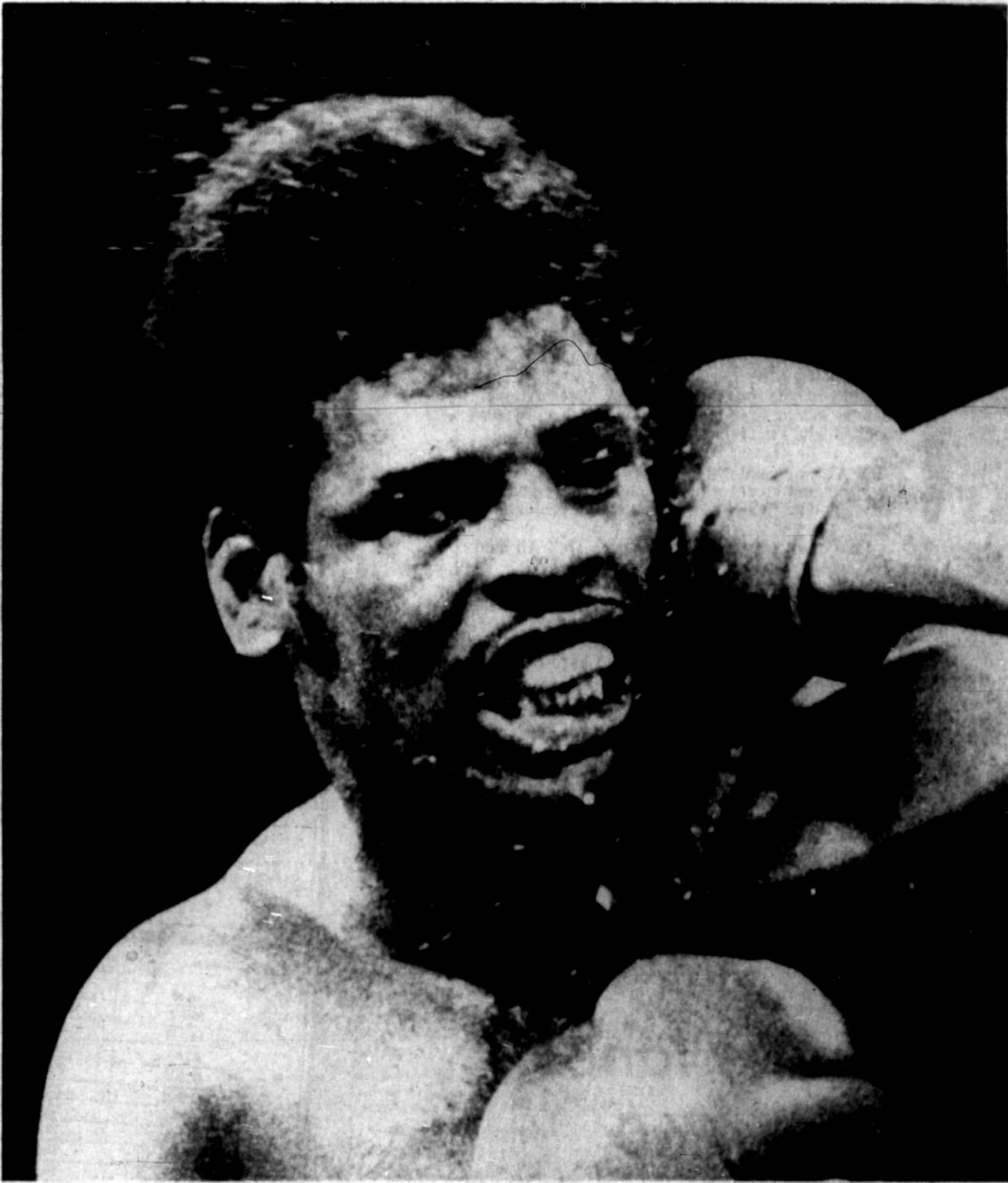
And then the ring announcer said there had been a split decision. Fine, so one courageous judge made matters a bit more spicy. Judge Art Lurie scored it 143-142 Ali, and, when it became known Tabat scored it 145-140 Spinks, the crowd exploded with anticipation.

IN TRUTH, few in the live audience could hear the final judgment (it was Buck's 144-141), but at 8:15 p.m. Pacific time came the words . . . new heavyweight champion of the world, Leon Spinks. There was what seemed like a collective gasp — and then a huge roar of approval.

And, reflection, when one's wits had come together once again. Why shouldn't it end like this? Ali's doctor, Ferdie Pacheco, had all but forecast it in his recent book, "Fight Doctor." Though Ali lost his title tonight, Ali had reached the end against Norton Sept. 28, 1976, in Yankee Stadium.

"This was the night that Ali stopped being Ali," Pacheco had written. "It was the night all fighters dread. The night when the body can no longer do

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Muhammad Ali's left shakes up Leon Spinks a bit, but the challenger came on to win the world heavyweight crown in a stunning upset. (AR Laserphoto).

Bears settlebye question

By GREG THOMPSON
AP Sports Writer

There is no need to fret anymore about having to use a coin flip to determine whether Arkansas or Texas gets the bye to the finals of the Southwest Conference post-season tournament, says Texas' Abe Lemons.

The Baylor Bears took care of that Wednesday night by stunning 12th-ranked Texas 79-77 in Waco and giving top-ranked Arkansas sole possession of the SWC lead for the first time this season.

"It solves a lot of problems for Arkansas," said Lemons. "It had to end sometime. It's too bad the Baptists don't drink in public. It'd be a nice night for them to celebrate."

But the Razorbacks, who have a 12-1 SWC mark compared to Texas' 12-2 slate, aren't home free. They must travel to Dallas tonight to play Southern Methodist, journey to Houston Saturday to take on the hot Cougars and host third-place Texas Tech next week.

THE HOGS and the Longhorns had traded losses to each other and ap-

peared to be headed for identical 15-1 SWC ledgers this season. SWC officials voted to use a coin flip as the method to decide which team got a free trip to the finals.

Both Lemons and Arkansas Coach Eddie Sutton claimed it would be unfair because the losers in the coin flip would have to win three games to get back where they started.

Jim Vaszauskas calmly canned two free throws with eight seconds remaining and Vinnie Johnson, the SWC's leading scorer, collected 29 points to spark Baylor's upset.

Baylor took a 74-69 lead with 5:20 remaining in the see-saw game and held a 75-73 margin when Texas' Ron Baxter tipped in what appeared to be the tying basket. Baxter, however, was called for interference.

THE BEARS held a shaky 77-75 margin with eight seconds remaining when Vaszauskas went to the line for a pressure-packed one-and-one situation, sinking both shots to put the game out of reach.

"I have never had a feeling like this before," gushed Baylor Coach Jim Haller, whose Bears are battling SMU

for fifth place and the home-court advantage in the tournament's first round.

"I didn't have them ready to play," said Lemons. "I don't know what I did wrong. When your team takes the floor and is not ready, that's the coach's fault."

TEXAS (77): Baxter 8-5-17, Brannon 7-5-16, Goodner 5-1-11, Krivats 6-0-16, Moore 5-0-10, Shepard 3-1-7, Stephens 0-0-0. Totals 34-8-127. BAYLOR (76): Edwards 3-3-9, Oliver 7-3-17, Mayo 5-0-16, Nunley 4-2-10, Johnson 13-3-28, Vaszauskas 12-4-24, Zeller 0-0-0. Totals 33-19-179.

Halftime—Texas 37, Baylor 42. Fouled out—Goodner, Mayo. Total fouls—Texas 17, Baylor 18. A-4995.

TCU (72): Marion 7-1-25, Scales 3-6-12, Prevett 6-5-11, Taylor 1-4-6, Hund 2-4-11, Bates 0-0-0, Luke 2-2-6, Hoyt 1-1-5, Dreyssing 0-2-2. Totals 23-26-55. TEXAS A&M (80): Foreman 8-5-21, Wright 8-0-14, Smith 8-1-17, Goff 4-0-8, Robinson 3-1-7, Sylvester 4-2-19, Schlicher 1-0-2, Williams 2-0-4, Cullen 1-0-2, Swanson 0-0-0, B. Berrett 0-0-0. D. Berrett 0-1-1. Totals 38-10-23.

Halftime—Texas A&M 47, TCU 28. Fouled out—Foreman. Total fouls—TCU 18, Texas A&M 27. Technical—Marion, TCU Coach Somerville, Foreman. A-3457.

SWC coaches like 3-man cage crew

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The proposed three-man team of basketball referees got a trial run Wednesday night at the Texas Christian-Texas A&M Southwest Conference game, and the experiment drew applause from officials and coaches alike.

Although the Aggies drew 27 of the game's total 45 fouls en route to a 88-72 victory, A&M Coach Shelby Metcalf said having an extra official was an improvement.

"It gets all areas covered, and the officials don't get caught out of position," he said. TCU Coach Tim Somerville had some reservations, but he said a three-official policy would be "good for the league."

"They were trying to prevent a fight or an outbreak, and they overdid it at first," said Somerville. "They just need to

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SWC recruiters find talent outside state

By The Associated Press
Ohio, Colorado, New York, Kansas, Alabama, and Oklahoma proved fertile recruiting grounds Wednesday for Southwest Conference teams — particularly the University of Texas — on national letter-of-intent signing day.

The only bluechipper that remained unsigned in the state of Texas was massive 280-pound lineman Maceo Fifer of Kerrville, who failed to sign with West Texas State as expected, putting the Longhorns and Southern Methodist back into the picture.

Texas Coach Fred Akers, seeking to replace Heisman Trophy winner Earl Campbell at tailback, flew to Youngstown, Ohio to sign Anthony J. Jones, who rushed for 1,200 yards and was named to four different high school All-America teams.

Jones was in Austin last weekend where he met Campbell.

Southwest Conference champion Texas overcame pressure from Gov. David Boren and Oklahoma Coach

"When I fought Sonny Liston, I upset the world," Ali said, turning to Spinks. "You upset the world, too."

"I gave away too many rounds in the beginning," said the deposed king, his face puffed and hurting, a cut inside his mouth. "It was hard to catch up. He didn't tire."

Spinks, giving away 27 pounds at 197-1-4 (the biggest weight gap of any Ali title fight), came up firing. Aggressive, hammering at Ali at every opportunity, sometimes scoring effectively, sometimes not, Spinks clearly was in command for the first six rounds.

Ali, who had lost to only Joe Frazier and Ken Norton in 57 professional fights since 1960, used all of his well-known tactics — rope-a-dope, backpedaling and flicking jabs. But the points were beginning to add up lopsidedly for Spinks.

And it was Ali who was tiring. His loose skin quivered like jello as the blows landed, hurting him. He tried a few facial twists, too, but Spinks wouldn't be intimidated. Rarely was he not in motion, almost climbing Ali's frame at times as the old man rested on the ropes.

"HE WAS on offense and I was on defense," Ali recalled. "I just got behind."

But he did attempt to catch up and made some good headway midway in the fight. He appeared to win the seventh, ninth, 10th and 12th rounds, scoring particularly well in the 12th, despite being rocked by a right at the bell. Blood colored his mouthpiece in the 12th rounds, scoring particularly well in the 12th, although the cut was inflicted in the fourth.

Perhaps not since Ali's last fight with Frazier, in 1975 in Manila, has the onetime Louisville Lip been so desperate in a defense. But he simply was unable to pull it out as he had so many times in recent years.

"I have no excuses," Ali said. "I wasn't robbed . . . You can't go and die because you lose. I did my best. I just lost. You feel the age. At 25 or 26 years old, I know I wouldn't do much better."

"The loss can be good if I can ever get it back. I don't know if I can ever get it back, but I'm going to try."

Curiously, it was Ali who still looked like the champion as he sat next to Spinks, elated, of course, but not too talkative.

He was asked how it felt to be the new king.

"It feels good," he said through a gap where his two front teeth should be. "It feels very good."

Odessa to conduct Slow Pitch meet

ODESSA — The Odessa Evening Lions Club will hold an ASA sanctioned Slow Pitch softball Tournament March 31, April 1, 2. Deadline for entry is March 15.

The tournament is open to all comers and trophies will be awarded to the top four teams, individual trophies to members of the top three teams plus plaques for the leading home run hitter and the player with the highest batting average.

For entry forms, contact Cliff Sumar, 222 N. Dixie 241, Odessa, 79761.

Junior high gymnasts invited to workouts

Although gymnastics is a varsity sport at Midland and Midland Lee high schools, any seventh, eighth or ninth grade student who is interested in competitive gymnastics is invited to attend workouts.

Practice sessions are from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at North Annex, N. Carrizo and West Ohio streets.

Supervised workouts for freshmen and junior high students include floor exercise, parallel bars, vaulting, horizontal bar, horse and still rings.

Park Center signs up softball teams

The Park Center YMCA is registering teams for the fourth season of Women's Slow Pitch Softball. For additional details, contact (682-0533).

Barry Switzer to sign speedy running back Rodney Tate of Beggs, Okla.

Switzer went on a statewide radio show Monday night to encourage Sooners fans to send Tate telegrams. He got 40 to 50 mailgrams.

"He (Boren) called me last night and asked me how I was and encouraged to play at OU," said Tate. Texas ousted Southern California for Jones.

Texas Tech signed Randy Page, a 58 per cent passer from Oklahoma City Southeast. Tech Coach Rex Dockery was on hand personally to do the honors.

Arkansas went to Littleton High School in Colorado to sack Chip Beard, a wide receiver, and lineman Steve Korte. Alfred Muhammad, a 240-pound lineman from Youngstown, Ohio also signed with the Razorbacks. Coach Lou Holtz outbattled Bear Bryant for the services of highly regarded running back Thomas Brown of Montgomery, Ala.

Willie Wright, a 165-pound running

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Kansas wraps up title

By The Associated Press

Having won the Big Eight, the Kansas Jayhawks now have their sights set on the Big One.

"We have three more goals to go and we're going to get them," freshman guard Darnell Valentine said after the sixth-ranked Jayhawks knocked off Iowa State 80-70 Wednesday night and nailed down the Big Eight crown when runnerup Nebraska obliged by losing to Oklahoma 74-68.

Valentine identified Kansas' next goal as the Big Eight Conference post-season tournament next month. "Then we win the NCAA Regionals and the NCAA finals," he said.

However, the Jayhawks will have plenty of competition for NCAA honors, including third-ranked Kentucky, No. 11 North Carolina, No. 15 Illinois State, No. 16 Syracuse, No. 19 Detroit and No. 20 Duke, all winners Wednesday night.

THE ONLY members of The Associated Press Top Twenty to taste defeat were 12th-ranked Texas, a 79-77 loser to Baylor, and No. 17 Virginia, which fell to Clemson 63-55.

Kentucky polished off Tennessee 90-77, North Carolina crushed Kent State 92-59, Illinois State turned back Northern Illinois 79-67, Syracuse walloped Buffalo 113-66, Detroit outlasted Western Michigan 113-91 and Duke downed North Carolina State 76-64.

Kansas' Valentine scored 17 points — 12 in the second half — to go with John Douglas' 21, offsetting 25 by Iowa State's Andrew Parker, the Big Eight scoring leader. Kansas let the Cyclones whittle a 25-point deficit to eight before deciding enough was enough.

"We might have let up a little bit in the second half," said guard Clint Johnson. "But after we saw what Oklahoma had done, there was no way they were going to stop us."

MEANWHILE, Kentucky snapped a five-game losing streak to Tennessee and gave Coach Joe B. Hall his 200th career victory. Rick Robey, who scored 18 points, helped the Wildcats stretch a 40-30 halftime bulge to 51-34 with a pair of lay-ups and a free throw.

Still, Hall wasn't satisfied. "I know they tried hard and made a conscious effort," he said, "but our execution was not good. I'm not down on my players. I'm just trying to shake them out of it. That's a coach's job."

Clemson's Greg Coles scored all 14 of his points in the second half to lead the Tigers past Virginia. A zone defense also helped, holding Virginia to a 43.6 percent average from the floor and forcing the Cavaliers to gun mainly from outside.

"I DON'T guess there's much question about what kind of defense we'll

see the rest of the year," said Virginia Coach Terry Holland. "Obviously we're psyched. We're not even shooting the ball well in practice."

"We've tried it all — more shooting in practice, less shooting in practice, giving the kids the day off and practicing for three hours. We haven't found the answer."

Despite the absence of two starters, North Carolina had no trouble with Kent State as Phil Ford led the way with 20 points. Illinois State jumped to an 11-0 lead and breezed past Northern Illinois behind Billy Lewis' 18 points.

Roosevelt Bouie and Dale Shackelford had 19 apiece as Syracuse buried Buffalo for its 26th consecutive homecourt success and John Long netted 28 points — giving him 2,013 for his career — in Detroit's triumph over Western Michigan.

Ali bows to years, young foe

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what the mind dictates. When thoughts cannot be translated into instant action, when reflexes fail and the body begins to feel the punishment and the exhaustion.

"WHEN OLD talents fail and all that is left is guile... I look at this exhausted warrior. His body has died... I hope I never have to look at Ken Norton's face again across the ring from Ali... It was the night that Ali stepped into the past."

And Wednesday night was the night a fighter not experienced enough as a pro even to be called a journeyman punched his way into history, not with any special flair, but surely with courage against a champion whose ego would not allow what so many around him had said was necessary

for so long. Now Ali will not see Norton across the ring again. We hope.

AS NORTON later suggested, cash registers throughout the world will shortly click off. If Ali planned some \$18 million bonanza of a last fight, and might well have been able to command something approaching it, Spinks vs. Norton will have no more than one number to the left of the second comma.

Norton was as stunned as anyone. Less than an hour before the fight he simply had been begging for a rematch with Ali — anyone, on Ali's terms — and saying: "Does Spinks have a chance? Is there a chance God'll appear, right here right now, and say, 'Hi, how are you?'"

But Ali entered the ring much more subdued than usual — and his antics

It's time to sign up for softball

A tentative registration date has been set by the Midland Women's Softball Association. Any team wishing to participate this year must submit at least a \$50 deposit to the association no later than Feb. 27. Deposits should be mailed to the Midland Women's Softball Association, in care of 104 N. Bentwood St., Midland, 79703.

Registration will be open to the first 16 teams to enter. Only those teams will qualify for league play.

Total registration this year is \$160 per team. Anyone desiring additional information may call 683-4281, extension 352.

Sooners sign up 8 from Texas

By The Associated Press

Oklahoma was expected to add more high school prep football players to its list of recruits today as coaches fanned out across the nation in search of signatures on national letters of intent.

The Sooners lost a top state running back to Texas Wednesday, but then replaced him with one of the Lone Star state's top runners.

Rodney Tate of Beggs signed a national letter with the Longhorns while Willie Wright, a 5-10, 185-pounder who rushed for over 1,400 yards last season, joined seven other Texans on the Sooners' list of 18 signees.

Oklahoma State reported nine players signed to national letters, also getting two from Texas, and Tulsa University had the names of 20 players, 12 from junior colleges and eight from high schools.

Although the Sooners lost Tate, they did land Tate's teammate, back Bobby Grayson, 5-foot-11, 170.

The Sooners also won a tug of war with Texas for Don Key, a 6-4, 245-pound lineman from Pasadena, Texas.

Others signed by Oklahoma included quarterback Kelly Phelps of Putnam City; linemen Elbert Graham of Greenville, Texas; Herman Williams of Dallas Lake Highland; Jerry Sanders of Garland, Texas; and Kevin Ormand of Ponca City, and ends Steve Holmes of Yukon and Robert Dewberry of Tyler, Texas.

Before the day was over, the Sooners also got the signatures of backs Rod Pegues of Gainesville, Texas, Gary Lowell of Sherman, Texas, and Dale Wilson of Ventura, Calif., junior college, and kicker John Hoge of Dallas Bishop Dunne.

Coaches like three officials

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learn how to rotate and work together."

The officials saw several advantages to having an expanded crew, including better coverage, greater ease in controlling the bench, more experience for younger referees and a intimidation factor.

"I think the three-man crew is a deterrent to fouling," said Bob Straface, who was working with a trio for the first time. "The players are aware that they are being watched closer."

Straface said the extra set of eyes on the court was particularly useful during transitions when the ball moves back and forth quickly.

Alan Winters had worked with three officials on the court before. "Some coaches feel more fouls would be called, but that's not true," he said.

"The coverage off the ball is 90 percent better. The spare can watch blocking and control behavior on the bench better. I think it's tremendous," he said.

Surprised Ali admits he simply suffered good 'butt kicking'

By PATRICK ARNOLD
Associated Press Writer

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Leon Spinks surprised a lot of people, including Muhammad Ali.

"Hell yes, he surprised me," Ali said following the loss of the heavyweight boxing title he had held for the past 14 years.

"You know he surprised me, and I'm in there," Ali said following the 15-round bout he lost by a close decision at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel Pavilion. "You're sitting over there drinking beer and you're shocked, and I'm in there getting my butt kicked."

BY ALL accounts, the 24-year-old ex-Marine and Olympic gold medal winner shouldn't have gone the distance. The fight was only his eighth professional bout.

"That man was the most aggressive," Ali said. "He threw the best punches." Spinks, though taking the title from Ali, showed a low profile at the post-fight news conference, leaving most of the talking to the former champion.

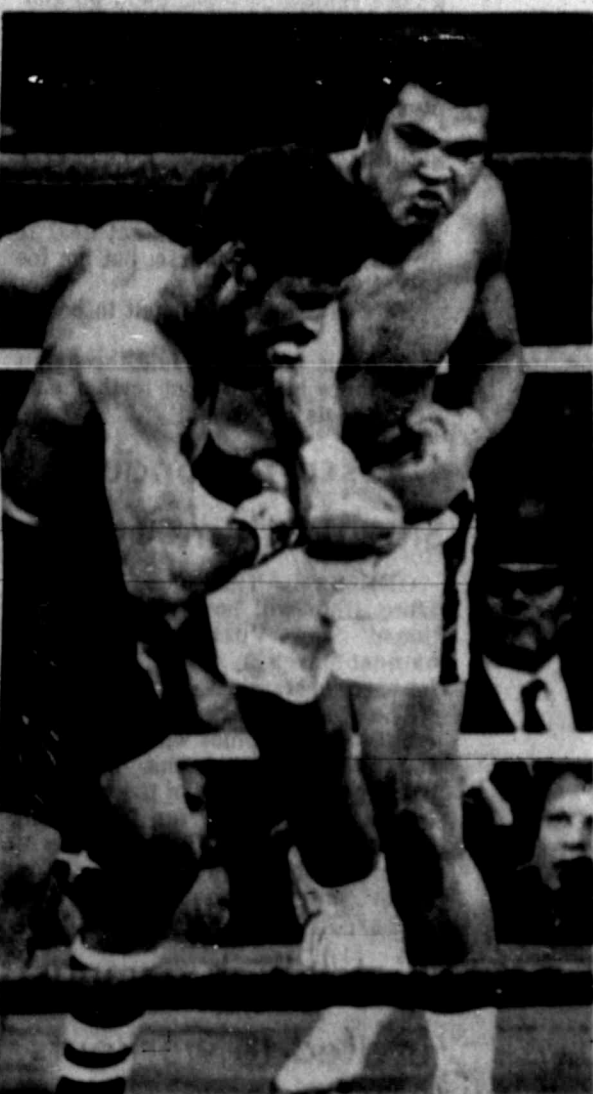
"It feels good, very good," Spinks said. "I was really ready for him. I had to train hard to beat a great man."

Spinks allowed as how the win was "my second goal — my first was winning the Olympics."

SPINKS HAD been the new champion for only a few minutes before the action began.

Bob Arum, head of Top Rank Inc., which promoted the Ali-Spinks fight, announced that he had a contract with the new champion "for his next six title defenses."

Arum wouldn't say how much money was involved but said it was in "a very good neighborhood... it starts at seven figures."



Muhammad Ali turns the head of challenger Leon Spinks with a crisp right cross, but the aging champ didn't have enough of these in his arsenal to stave off the inevitable flow of youth. (AP Laserphoto).



BOWLING BEAT

Buckalew burns lanes with scorching 660

By RANDY KENBERG

Chris Buckalew soared to the top of the town last week, stringing together games of 235-221-660 for an 836 four-game series while bowling in the Air Park Classic scratch Sunday night.

Meanwhile, continuing to pace the women bowlers in the city of Midland is Nancy Martin whose week best was a 621 series and a 245 game while bowling in the Hopeful League.

Walt Schuyler tossed games of 201-234-213-648 in the Sugar & Spice League and Oil Star bowler Ross Graham totled 222-224-639 to round out the fine bowling for the men.

Glenda Williamson rolled games of 201 and 223 for a 608 series among the women.

THE TOP women's team highlight for the week was the Sparette League team of Noble Wyrick, 200, Cookie Brasher, 201, Wanda Robertson, 176, and Becky Graves, 236, for an 813.

Air Park Classic Scratch League of Guy Conley, Chris Buckalew and Mark Poteat posted a 603 team game (three members) and four-game scratch series of 2,357, which if broken down on an individual basis averages out to better than 106.

Other 600s and big games: Clint Benefield, 604; Charlie Lacy, 603; Ronnie Beadle, 606; Jim Rodgers, 249-604; Bill Thorsen, 600; Emmett Adamson 243.

THE LADIES City Tournament entry forms are at the bowling centers. Entry deadline is Feb. 22. The Tournament will be bowled the first two weekends in March at the Super Bowl.

On the League Front:
Primo Middle: Rick Noble, 224-572; Lyndon Nutt, 200-531; Phil Anderson, 217; Brenda Alldredge, 188; Donna Halstead, 170; Barbara Smith converted the 5-10.
Potters: Mary Walter, 201-543; Evelyn Galtrey, 181; Sheri Burns, 198; Ingrid Williamson converted the 5-10; Anita Harkman converted the 5-10; Ginny Schellman converted the 5-10.
Sugar & Spice: Walt Schuyler, 201-234-213-648; Rob Edwards, 235; Warren Tutschmann, 217; Frances Grewer, 215.

Teachers: Orvil Mitchell, 215-573; Dee Hines, 180-481; Pat Brabham, 180-537; Chris: Commercial: Mac MacCurdy, 215; John Green, 121 average, 215; Les Cobb, 208; Larry Blaine, 208; Carl Whigham, 204; Jim Ledbetter, 203; Glen Riecke, 202; J.N. Campbell, 202; Bill Riecke, 200; Jim Reeves, 200; Gary Farnum converted the 6-14-10 split.
Sho: Terry McMillan, 220; Jim Burnett, 223; Jerry Henderson, 216; Chuck Knows, 247; Kay Henderson, 190-478; Freda Prince, 488.
Petroleum National: Emmett Adamson, 243; Doug Cunningham, 233; Howard Shelton, 233; Bartie Tyson, 223; Bob Hays, 212; Joe Rendon, 208; Arthur Correa, 208; Luis Galan, 201; Hal Thompson, 203; Guy Conley, 200; Randy Lewis, 200.
Chileno: Cruz Velazquez, 211; Joe Cruz, 208; Mike Torres, 202.
Aces: Harold Schultz, 216; Theresa Buys, 203; Mary Lou Haver, 180; Cindy Smith, 188; Harold Schultz converted the 5-14 split.
T2 & KMG: Vince Herrera, 197; Bob Morgan, 200; Ronnie Hopkins, 201; Lora Raven, 199-487; Ann Baker, 182-528; Lorna Raven converted the 5-10.
Air Park Men's: Ricky Matthews, 218; Vernon Williams, 210.
Tuesday Potters: Fran Poteat, 202; Mary Bejcek, 208; Diana Truitt, 212; Rosay Reyes, 203-510; Joan Graves, 202; Anna Vee Wilcox, 208; Janette Palmer, 205; Cindy Arbuckle converted the 5-10; Denise Brasher, 1-4-1; Gloria DeGroot, 5-10.
Morning Glory: Ida Calaway, 185-185-535, in her first week following Learn to Bowl class; Ruth Brown, 3-4-10; Carole Van Veen, 4-1-4; Gladys Meredith converted the 5-14.
His and Hers: Bob Bole, Jr. 235; Randy Morris, 235; Tommy Linton, 211; Connie Staton, 228; Mary Day, 185; Nita Duncan, 188; Diana Dickey, 200; Nicki Nichols, 191-201; Mary Day, 3-5.
Oil Stars: Ross Graham, 222-224-639; Clint Benefield, 200-404; Mike Unfried, 244; Charlie Lacy, 232-403; Tommy Gammage, 206-201; David White, 225; Forest Riggs, 200-208; Steve Henley, 216; Jim Truitt, 216.
Scraper: Four member team of Noble Wyrick, 200; Cookie Brasher, 201; Wanda Robertson, 176; and Becky Graves, 236 for a scratch team game of 813.
Map & Brown: Martha Gordon, 182-493; Laverna Ledbetter, 189-510; Monica Adkins, 181-508; Mary Day, 488; Audrey Baker, 481; Brenda Weeks, 184-488; Sharon Robbins, 203; Karen Schommer, 182-518.
Tuesday Morning Ladies: Gail McCabe, 201 her first 300, and 470 series; Barbara McNeil, 171-444; Wynette Way, 175.
Scratch Trio: Paty Wallis, 203-207-777; Sheila Wood, 214-200-753; Jo Ann Brown, 203; Edith Hall, 218-207-788; Jo Randolph, 203-201; Mary Taylor, 204; Lily Lacy, 212; Elise Shelton, 204; Joanna King, 202; Dot Piddling, 204; Betty Melburn, 238.
Rogers: Nancy Martin, 203-243-421; Margarita Pallares, 201; Martha McTier, 220-537; Bonnie Adkins, 214-208; Laverna Ledbetter, 213; Lou Shreve, 214-519; Sherilyn Hill, 190-180-506; Brenda Sanders, 207-518; Cliffs Hogue, 180-538.
Texas Turnouts: Sandra McKnight, 212; Joy Wimberly, 208-201; Janie McKinney, 238; Norma Stewart, 202; Mollie Wilson, 207-202; Linda Rea, 204-520; Janette Palmer, 217-501; Nancy Martin, 223.
High Six: Glenda Williamson, 201-223-404; Frances Nobles, 225-208; Jevelly Burleson, 200-209; Kathy McKnight, 208; Lorraine Cruise, 233-242; Norma Hill, 222; Annette Justice, 201; Anna Masterson, 200.
Downtown: Ronnie Beadle, 216-203-406; Jim Rodgers, 200-404; Randy Prince, 223-208; Duwayne King, 204-203; Gene Baker, 232; Jack Little, 233; Ray Hays, 200; George Loran, 201; Dan Deemer, 201; Tom Christen, 200; John Belcher, 200.
Petroleum Association: Bill Thorsen, 200-210-400; Jim Keener, 233; C.W. Anderson, 226; Dick Johnson, 215; Ray Nelson, 213; Louis Sanchez, 211; Ray Bishop, 200; Miller Price, 200; Mel Leister, 200; K.O. Nix, 203; Jim Warner, 202; Lowell Darling, 201; Don Aldridge, 201; Ningo Valencia, 200; Jim Thompson, 200.
Youth League: Darrell Hopkins, 211-183-417; Paul Cox, 215-533; Scott Gunt, 203; Mike Valencia, 200.
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121 oil, gas operations scheduled in Basin areas

Operators in the Permian Basin Empire of West Texas and Southeast New Mexico, last week, filed permit applications for 29 wildcat and 92 development tests, for a total of 121 projects.

The 121 total is slightly more than the 112 staked in the two-state area two weeks ago.

Railroad Commission District 7-C, headquartered in San Angelo, was the leader in wildcatting activity with 18 projects planned in that category. The Midland office reported five wildcat applications, while District 8-A at Lubbock drew three.

RRC District 8 processed 45 pool development applications. Development sites planned in District 7-C totaled 16 and District 8-A had 13.

The county-by-county tabulation:

County	Wildcat	Field
District 8		
Andrews	0	1
Crane	0	5
Ector	1	7
Glasscock	0	2
Howard	0	6
Mitchell	1	4
Pecos	0	5
Reeves	0	2
Sterling	1	2
Ward	1	7
Winkler	1	0
Total	5	45
District 8-A		
Borden	0	2
Cochran	0	2
Dawson	1	0
Gaines	0	2
Hockley	0	3
Kent	1	0
Terry	1	0
Total	3	13
District 7-B		
Fisher	0	2
Nolan	0	0
Total	0	2
District 7-C		
Coke	1	1
Concho	2	1
Crockett	4	9
Kimble	6	0
Runnels	2	3
Schleicher	0	1
Terrell	3	0
Tom Green	0	2
Total	18	16
Southeast New Mexico		
Chaves	2	1
Eddy	0	9
Lea	0	6
Total	2	16
GRAND TOTAL	29	121

District 8

Andrews County
Fullerton (Ellenburger) — Tenneco Oil Co. No. 1 Bitler, 2,500 feet from south and 2,100 feet from east lines of section 8, block A-32, PSL survey, 15 miles northwest of Andrews, 11,000.

Crane County

Sand Hills (Jenkins & McKnight) — amended — Exxon Corp. No. 142-J. B. Tubb, 660 feet from north and 1,900 feet from east lines of section 22, block B-27, PSL survey, 16 miles west of Crane, 4,408, (amended to change zone).

Sand Hills (McKnight) — Exxon No. 150-J. B. Tubb, 1,900 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 7, block 32, PSL survey, 18 miles northwest of Crane, 3,550.

Sand Hills (Jenkins) — Exxon Corp. No. 151-J. B. Tubb, 1,300 feet from south and west lines of section 10, block B-27, PSL survey, 16 miles northwest of Crane, 3,300.

Armer (Clear Fork) — W. M. & A. P. Fuller No. 14 Ewell McKnight, et al., 1,200 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 23, block 46, G&M&B&A survey, 11 miles southeast of Monahans, 5,000.

McElroy — Shell Oil Co. No. 60 McClintic Unit, 1,650 feet from south and 330 feet from west lines of section 26, block F, CCSD&RGNG survey, two miles east of Crane, 3,100.

Abell (upper McKee) & Abell, Northwest (Clear Fork) — OWWO — P. T. Production Co. No. 1 D. L. Asbury, 6,678 feet from northeast and 660 feet from northwest lines of section 24, block 1, H&TC survey, six miles northeast of Imperial, 5,400.

Ector County

Jordan — amended — Texaco Inc. No. 3-13 West Jordan Unit, 400 feet from north and 1,720 feet from west lines of section 26, block B-16, PSL survey, four miles south of Penwell, 3,710, (amended location).

Jordan — Texaco No. 5-4 West Jordan Unit, 2,380 feet from north and 990 feet from east lines of section 28, block B-18, PSL survey, four miles south of Penwell, 3,710.

Foster — Shenandoah Oil Corp. No. 5-3 J. L. Johnson Unit, 2,310 feet from south and 1,300 feet from west lines of section 11, block 43, T-2-S, T&P survey, one mile west of Odessa, 4,550.

Foster — Shenandoah Oil Corp. No. 1-21 J. L. Johnson Unit, 1,650 feet from north and 1,150 feet from west lines of section 11, block 43, T-2-S, T&P survey, one mile west of Odessa, 4,550.

Foster — Shenandoah Oil Corp. No. 1-22 J. L. Johnson Unit, 1,650 feet from north and 2,310 feet from east lines of section 11, block 43, T-2-S, T&P survey, one mile west of Odessa, 4,550.

Johnson (Holt and Glorietta) — Sun Oil Co. No. 7-D J. L. Johnson, 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 39, block 43, T-1-S, T&P survey, seven miles northwest of Odessa, 5,700.

Andertor (Yates) — OWPB — Phillips Petroleum Corp. No. 2-B Queen, 660 feet from south and 673 feet from west lines of section 46, block 6, T-1-N, T&P survey, 45 miles west of Goldsmith, to plug back to 6,340 feet.

Gomez (Wolfcamp) — Exxon Corp. No. 2-B John May, 1,980 feet from south and 1,320 feet from west lines of section 67, block OW, R. Maxwell, 12 miles northwest of Fort Stockton, 11,300.

Coleman Ranch — Bruce A. Wilbanks No. 4 L. M. Coleman, 990 feet from east lines of section 75, block 97, H&TC survey, 10 1/2 miles northwest of Westbrook, 3,200.

Jameson, North (Strawn) — Sun Oil Co. No. 6-A V. T. McCabe, 550 feet from north and 69 feet from west lines of section 231, block 1-A, H&TC survey, four miles north of Silver, 6,300.

Foster — Shenandoah Oil Corp. No. 1-22 J. L. Johnson Unit, 1,650 feet from north and 2,310 feet from east lines of section 11, block 43, T-2-S, T&P survey, one mile west of Odessa, 4,550.

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Andertor (Yates) — OWPB — Phillips Petroleum Corp. No. 2-B Queen, 660 feet from south and 673 feet from west lines of section 46, block 6, T-1-N, T&P survey, 45 miles west of Goldsmith, to plug back to 6,340 feet.

Gomez (Wolfcamp) — Exxon Corp. No. 2-B John May, 1,980 feet from south and 1,320 feet from west lines of section 67, block OW, R. Maxwell, 12 miles northwest of Fort Stockton, 11,300.

Wildcat — International Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1-64 P. C. Coates, 660 feet from south and 1,600 feet from west lines of section 64, block 2, CCSD&RGNG survey, 25 miles south of Bakersfield, 14,000.

Glasscock County
Spraberry Trend Area — Mewborn Oil Co. No. 1-A Chaney, 1,320 feet from south and west lines of section 32, block 35, T-4-S, T&P survey, 12 miles southwest of Garden City, 8,300.

Black Lake, E (Wolfcamp) — Diamond Shamrock Corp. No. 4-B Sieve Calverley Jr., 1,980 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 14, block 35, T-3-S, T&P survey, eight miles northwest of Garden City, 8,000.

Howard County
Howard-Glasscock — Continental Oil Co. No. 103-A W. R. Settles, 330 feet from north and 1,030 feet from west lines of section 134, block 29, W&NW survey, three miles south of Forsan, 2,550.

Howard-Glasscock — Sun Oil Co. No. 17 W. R. Settles, 880 feet from south and 990 feet from east lines of section 135, block 29, W&NW survey, three miles south of Forsan, 2,550.

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Rhoda Walker (5900 Canyon) — HNG Oil Co. No. 1-125 Black, 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from southeast lines of section 135, block 34, H&TC survey, eight miles southwest of Pyote, 6,700.

Howard-Glasscock — Samedan Oil Corp. No. 24 Chalk, 1,700 feet from west lines of section 94, block 29, W&NW survey, 12 miles southeast of Coahoma, 3,000.

Amended to commingle.
Vealmoor, E — Lario Oil & Gas Co. No. 3 Moorhead, 660 feet from north and 1,787 feet from west lines of section 25, block 25, H&TC survey, six miles northwest of Vincent, 7,500.

Howard-Glasscock — Linda D. Howard No. 20-A W. R. Settles, 330 feet from north and west lines of section 135, block 29, W&NW survey, two miles southwest of Forsan, 2,100.

Mitchell County
Westbrook — Exxon Corp. No. 7 Bonita Phelan, 1,667 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 48, block 29, T-1-N, T&P survey, five miles west of Imperial, 3,350.

Istan, East (Howard) — Rule 37 — Mobil Oil Corp. No. 35 W. W. Watson, 660 feet from north and 3,000 feet from east lines of section 20, block 29, T-1-S, T&P survey, 10 1/2 miles southwest of Westbrook, 3,350.

Cochran County
Levelland (San Andres) — Ard Drilling Co. Inc. No. 6-B D. S. Wright, 467 feet from south and east lines of labor 15, 95, Mills survey, abstract 91, six miles southeast of Lehman, 5,200.

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Rhoda Walker (5900 Canyon) — HNG Oil Co. No. 3-123 Avery, 2,000 feet from northeast and 660 feet from northwest lines of section 123, block 34, H&TC survey, three miles southwest of Pyote, 6,700.

Ward, South — O. H. Berry No. 74 James, 2,018 feet from southeast and 1,552 feet from southwest lines of section 5, block 34, H&TC survey, three miles northwest of Royalty, 2,750.

Howe (Pennsylvanian) — OWPB — Exxon Corp. No. 1 Troy N. Eiland, 1,320 feet from northeast and northwest of section 3, block 33, H&TC survey, 14 miles southwest of Monahans, to plug back to 12,920.

Wildcat (above 7500) — R. L. Burns Corp. No. 1-27 Dunagan, 1,980 feet from northwest and southwest of section 27, block 1, W&NW survey, 12 miles north of Barstow, 7,500.

Estes Block 34 (Pennsylvanian) — Exxon Corp. No. 36 American National Life Insurance Co., 1,980 feet from northeast and 660 feet from northwest lines of section 25, block 34, H&TC survey, nine miles south of Monahans, 9,250.

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President has several alternatives

By STAN BENJAMIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter has broad emergency powers to ease the coal strike's impact, ranging from having the military dig coal to giving Americans free firewood.

But government sources say Carter is not yet ready for any such dramatic role, opting instead to let the states set power curtailments while encouraging negotiators to break their deadlock.

Energy officials, who asked not to be named, said Carter probably will take no major action as long as he believes the negotiations that resumed Wednesday night at the White House might settle the coal strike which began Dec. 6.

The officials also said the federal government would not impose emergency measures until the states have a chance to do all they can.

Carter was meeting with the governors of 12 states today. The officials said it was possible he would urge them to curtail all non-essential electric consumption, a move that could stretch coal supplies substantially.

But, should the situation worsen, the president does have powers to provide at least emergency relief. Here are a few:

—He has legal authority to impose mandatory electricity-saving on the states.

—He can seek a court injunction under the Taft-Hartley Act requiring striking miners to go back to work for an 80-day cooling-off period.

However, that would involve a substantial chance of failure. Union leaders say miners would refuse to work without a contract settlement, even under court order.

—He can declare a national or regional energy emergency and use his authority under the National Energy Act to allocate available coal supplies to areas most in need.

If coal shortages eventually force widespread power reductions, industries and businesses may start shutting down, putting hundreds of thousands of employees out of work.

The latest federal survey, not yet made public, reported that as of Feb. 11, the east-central states had coal stockpiles adequate to meet requirements for anywhere from 47 to 10 days.

Ohio reported only a 47-day coal supply, and Tennessee and West Virginia reported 51 days each.

Missouri reported a 53-day coal supply; Illinois, 54 days; Maryland, 64 days; Virginia, 67 days; and Indiana, 69 days.

However, supplies also vary between companies. Indiana's largest utility says that at midnight Monday it will drop to a 40-day supply, a level that will trigger the first mandatory power cutbacks, covering nonessential commercial lighting. Partial cutbacks will be extended to schools, businesses and homes when supplies reach a 30-day level.

After negotiators reach an agreement, the pact must go to the union's bargaining council for acceptance, which could take a number of days.

Approved there, it goes to the rank-and-file, where a ratification election would take about 10 days. And miners say it will be about two weeks after ratification before coal is moving in substantial quantities.

Field tests scheduled

Mid-America Petroleum Corp. of Dallas staked three projects as steepouts to the north side of the GMR, South (San Andres) field of Gaines County, nine miles northeast of Seminole.

No. 3 James is 1,173 feet from north and 1,750 feet from east lines of section 48, block G, WTRR survey.

No. 4 Jameson is 1,173 feet from north and 1,750 feet from east lines of section 48, block G, WTRR survey.

No. 2 State is 1,173 feet from north and 2,173 feet from west lines of section 48, block G, WTRR survey.

The projects are scheduled for 5,600-foot bottoms.

MITCHELL TEST

TJH Drilling Co. of Midland No. 1 Merritt-Pond will be drilled ½ mile southwest of the Westbrook, West (Clear Fork) field of Mitchell County, 15 miles northwest of Big Spring.

It is 990 feet from north and 467 feet from east lines of section 27, block 29, T-1-N, T&P survey. It is to go to 3,000 feet.

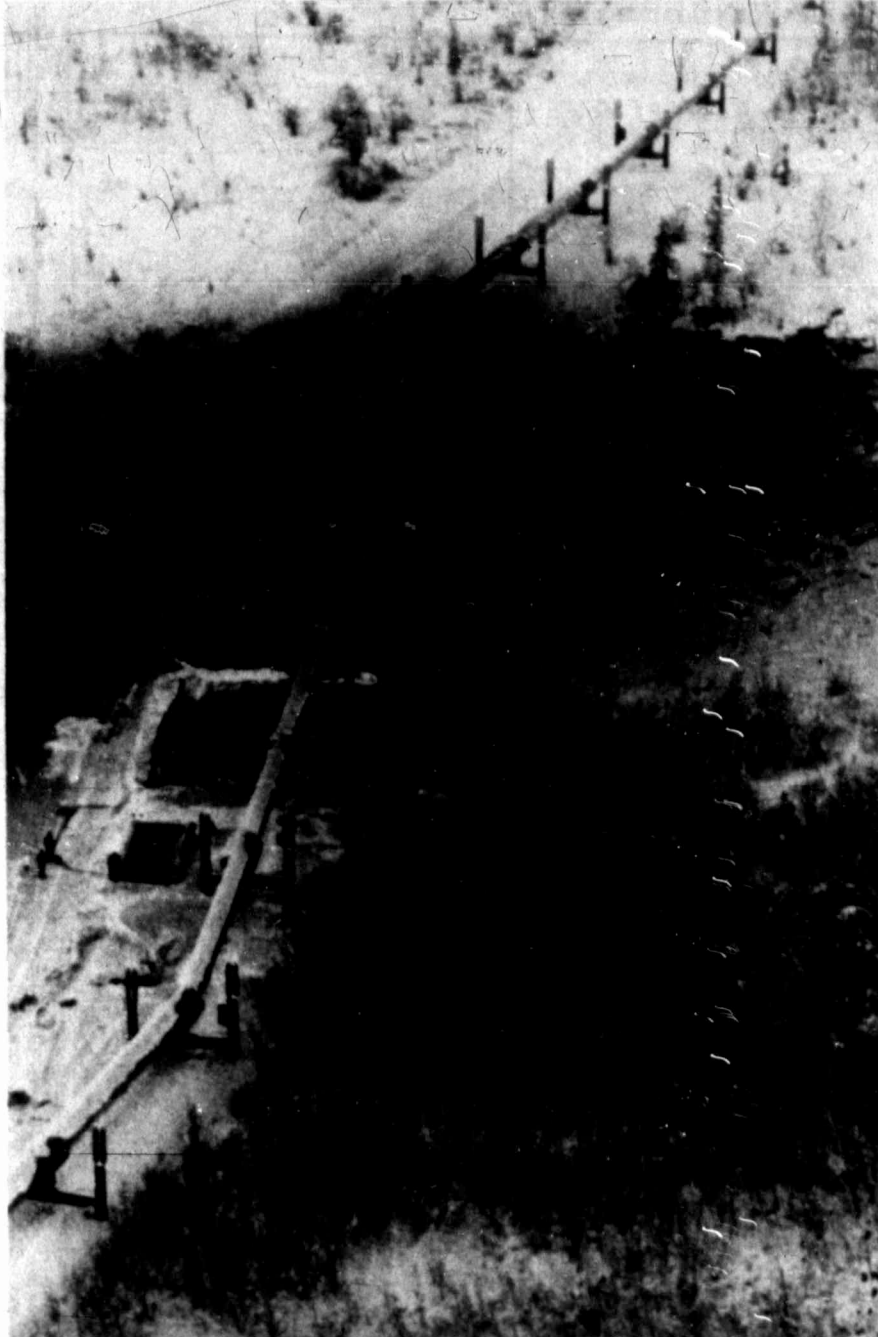
Reasoner on board

WINTER PARK, Fla. — Harry M. Reasoner, a partner in the Houston law firm of Vinson & Elkins has been elected to the board of directors of Florida Gas Co.

Reasoner has been with Vinson & Elkins since 1961, a partner in the firm since 1969, and a member of its executive committee since 1976.

He was co-author with Charles Allen Wright in 1965 of the book, "Procedure-The Handmaid of Justice," and has published articles in numerous legal periodicals.

He has taught as a visiting professor at The University of Texas School of Law, at Rice University, and at the University of Houston.



This aerial view shows area darkened by oil from a break in the trans-Alaska pipeline six miles east of Fairbanks Wednesday afternoon. Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. officials say they are investigating the possibility of sabotage. (AP Laserphoto)

Extenders, discovery take potential tests

Southland Royalty Co. (formerly Aztec Oil & Gas Co.) No. 1 Palmillo-State Communitized and No. 2 Palmillo-State Communitized have been completed to extend the producing limits of the Turkey Track, North (Morrow) field of Eddy County, and to give the field a new pay — the Wolfcamp.

No. 1 Palmillo was completed as a dual producer.

From the Morrow it finished for a potential of 1,950 million cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 11,003 to 11,066 feet after a 40,000-gallon fracture treatment. The flow was through a ¼-inch choke.

From the Wolfcamp, the well completed for a 24-hour flowing potential of 624 barrels of 45-gravity oil and 48 barrels of water, through a ½-inch choke and perforations from 8,660 to 8,672 feet after a 500-gallon acid treatment. Gas-oil ratio was 1,742-1.

Total depth is 11,303 feet and 4½-inch casing is set at 11,303 feet. Plugged back depth is 11,233 feet.

Well site is 1,731 feet from north and 2,310 feet from east lines of section 32-18S-29E. It is ½ mile southeast of the field.

SECOND WELL

One location south of No. 1 Palmillo-State, Southland Royalty completed No. 2 Palmillo-State for a 24-hour potential of 2,250 million cubic feet of gas per day, through a 22/64-inch choke and perforations from 10,972 to 11,082 feet after a 500-gallon acid treatment.

Total depth is 11,307 feet in the Mississippi, and 4½-inch casing is cemented at 11,307 feet.

Location is 1,796 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 32-18S-29E.

The new wells are 20 miles northeast of Carlsbad.

MORROW WELL

Champlin Petroleum Co. No. 2 Reeves-Federal is a new well in the Carlsbad, East (Morrow) field of Eddy County, four miles east of Carlsbad. It is one location west of production in the north side of the pool.

Operator reported a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 4,495,000 cubic feet of dry gas per day, through perforations from 11,510 to 11,538 feet after a 40,000-gallon fracture treatment.

Total depth is 11,881 feet and 5½-inch pipe is set 11,677 feet

Discovery potentials

Traverse Corp. of Wichita Falls No. 1-34 J. F. Lott and others has been completed as a Strawn discovery two miles north of the Trabaw field in Garza County.

Operator finished the strike for a daily flow of 133.63 barrels of 41-gravity oil, no water, through a 14/64-inch choke. Gas-oil ratio was 68-1.

Production is from perforations at 8,207 feet. The zone was treated with 1,000 gallons.

The Strawn was topped at 8,138 feet, the Mississippian at 8,473 feet and the Ellenburger at 8,714 feet on ground elevation of 2,808.2 feet.

Total depth is 8,723 feet and seven-inch casing is set at 8,719 feet.

Location is 2,168 feet from south and 467 feet from east lines of section 34, block 2, T&NO survey and 8.5 miles south of Post.

back depth is 11,622 feet.

Location is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 35-21S-27E.

CROCKETT WELL

American Petrofina Co. of Texas, Big Spring, No. 12 Roy Miller has been completed to extend the Ozona (Canyon sand gas) field of Crockett County 1½ miles east and slightly north.

Operator reported a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 360,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a gas-condensate ratio of 130/71-1. Gravity of the fluid is 56.6 degrees.

Production is through perforations from 6,030 to 6,662 feet after 3,000 gallons of acid and 60,000 gallons of fracture solution.

Location is 1,880 feet from south and 1,370 feet from east lines of section 2, block O, TCRR survey, nine miles south of Ozona.

Indian council adds Alaska membership

The Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Council of Energy Resources Tribes, an Indian coalition with visions of forming a domestic energy combine similar to the Arab-dominated international oil cartel, bolstered its potential influence Wednesday by voting to add Alaskan natives to its membership.

The council's 25 tribes already control 30 percent of the coal in the western United States, 40 percent of the nation's uranium reserves and 4 percent of its oil and gas reserves — not counting the still-uncharted mineral resources held by Eskimos and other Alaskan Indians.

In apparent recognition of the council's possible impact on America's energy future, council chairman Peter MacDonald was invited to the White House Wednesday for a brief meeting with President Carter.

MacDonald, who heads the Navajo Tribal Council, said later that they did not discuss Indian energy resources in detail, but that Carter said he planned to visit the Navajo reservation at some future date.

Before concluding a two-day conference here, the council's ruling committee adopted a series of resolutions Wednesday, including the one granting the request of Alaskan natives for membership.

The 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act established 12 regional corporations, divided geographically on

roughly ethnic lines, to receive a payment of nearly \$1 billion and to select more than 40 million acres of land.

MacDonald said three or four of those corporations — in essence, Indian tribal governments — probably would meet the council's requirement that members control land that contains producing or known reserves of oil, gas, coal or uranium.

The Navajo leader said he could not estimate the mineral wealth controlled by the eligible Alaskan corporations, but Alaska's North Slope alone contains roughly one-third of the nation's proven oil reserves and about one-eighth of its proven natural gas reserves.

Expansion of the council to include the Alaskans "helps us and helps them," MacDonald said. "We're going to help them with legislative matters and they are going to give us additional reason to be respected by Congress and the Administration."

Evidence indicates oil leak made by sabotage

By WARD SIMS

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — A 20-foot length of fuse and a black stain on the snow are evidence in what state troopers say is the second attempt to blow up the trans-Alaska pipeline.

A sabotage attempt last summer did not even dent the \$7.7 billion pipe,

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but on Wednesday a hole was blown in the 48-inch steel line.

Thousands of barrels of thick Prudhoe Bay crude oil — no exact figure was available — gushed over the tundra for hours. The 800-mile-long pipeline was shut down shortly after the spill was reported, and the flow was slowed to a drip late Wednesday.

An Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. spokesman said the line should be operating again in 24 hours. A "sleeve" was being welded over the hole in the half-inch-thick steel.

Asked whether he would describe the explosion as sabotage, state police Sgt. Larry Mix said, "I would describe it as somebody using an explosive device to blow a hole in the pipeline."

Morris "Jack" Turner of the Interior Department's Alaska Pipeline Office had said shortly after the leak was spotted: "There are some indications that it is sabotage. You have to suspect foul play."

No arrests were reported.

The oil was contained in an area 600 feet in diameter around an above-ground section of the pipe about six miles east of Fairbanks, Alyeska reported. The amount of oil lost was not known, but estimates of the peak rate ranged up to three barrels per second. A barrel has 42 gallons.

Clues at the spill site included a length of slow-burning fuse, a hole at the base of a depression in the pipe and a black stain on the snow. Alyeska said the hole was an inch in

Mobile sets Will-O try

Mobil Oil Corp. announced location for a ½-mile north steepout to the west side of the (Ellenburger gas) field in Val Verde County, seven miles northeast of Pandale.

It is No. 2-B Blakeney-Krueger, 500 feet from south and 2,640 feet from east lines of section 28, block Q2, TCRR survey.

It is slated for a 16,000-foot bottom.

diameter, but the troopers said it was two inches.

Alyeska workers, state troopers and a military demolition team searched through the night for additional clues.

This is the fourth significant leak since oil began flowing from Prudhoe Bay to the Valdez pipeline terminal last spring. The previous leaks were attributed to human error.

Last summer, three Fairbanks men were charged in connection with a sabotage attempt that did little but shred the thick layer of insulation on the line.

Turner confirmed that the pipeline's highly sophisticated leak detection system had not picked up the spill. It was reported by a private pilot flying over the line.

Dr. McBride named

AUSTIN — Dr. Earle F. McBride, professor of geology at The University of Texas at Austin, has been named president-elect of the Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists for 1978-79.

Dr. McBride and other new officers will be installed during the 52nd annual SEPM meeting in Oklahoma City April 12.

Dr. Doris M. Curtis, a staff geologist at Shell Oil Co. is the incoming president.

Dr. McBride also has served as secretary-treasurer and as counselor of the 4,700-member group, a

technical division of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

SEPM publishes the bi-monthly Journal of Paleontology and the quarterly Journal of Sedimentary Petrology.

A UT faculty member since 1959, Dr. McBride is a specialist in the origin of sedimentary rocks and is particularly interested in the factors that affect distribution of porosity in sandstones as applied to the exploration and recovery of hydrocarbons.

Last spring, McBride was a visiting professor in the geology department at the University of Perugia in Italy.

DRILLING REPORT

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ING — No. 1-10 University; id 9,980 feet; preparing to swap, through perforations at 9,264-9,337 feet; waiting on completion.

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SCRAM-LETS

That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

Edited by CLAY E. POLLAN

1. Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.

SIPLD

CUTOL

HOPCE

BYNDAR



The school was so tough, they had a course in "How to leave the scene of an accident."

4. Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.

2. PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN SQUARES

3. UNSCRAMBLE LETTERS FOR ANSWER

5. Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.

THE BETTER HALF



"This is the first perfect cup of coffee you ever made. Possibly, that's because I slipped a jigger of brandy into it!"

ANDY CAPP



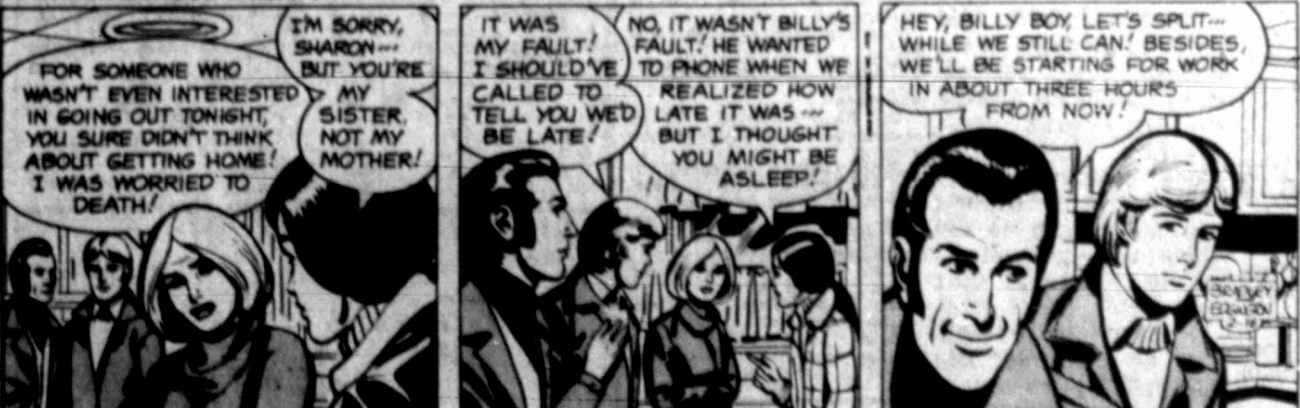
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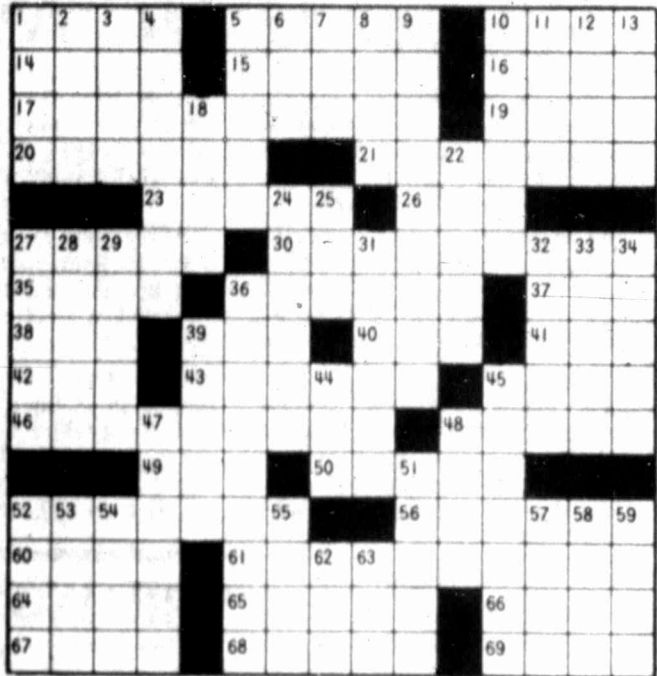


DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Margaret Farrar

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 - 10 Says more
 - 14 Willow shrub
 - 15 Novelist Segal
 - 16 Literary man
 - 17 Slow motion
 - 19 Biblical hunter
 - 20 Name in opera lore
 - 21 May's birthstone
 - 23 Music hall
 - 26 Business letter abbr.
 - 27 Ready to bloom
 - 30 Historic cavalry commander
 - 35 Musical accent
 - 36 Wall decor
 - 37 Weeder
 - 38 Meteorologist's abbr.
 - 39 Cry
 - 40 One or another
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 - 12 Business coup
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 - 18 Actress Cheryl
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 - 24 Indian of Great Lakes region
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 - 27 Pieces of steel
 - 28 Friend, as used by Indians to colonists
 - 29 Fictional deer
 - 31 Cognac
 - 32 Ottoman sultan
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 - 36 Famous sonata
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World population growth slows

By JOANNE OMANG
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The rate of increase in the world's population peaked in 1970 and has begun to decline, scientists monitoring the subject announced.

The world's population, now at 4.1 billion was rising at 1.9 percent per year in 1970, but the rate had fallen to 1.7 percent by last year, said Nick Eberstadt of Harvard University's Center for Population Studies.

But Eberstadt and other population experts cautioned during a symposium at the American Association for the Advancement of Science convention here that it is too early to be sure the shift is permanent.

It is also too early to be sure what caused it. The population experts grudgingly agreed that at least two-thirds of the decline seemed to be associated with, if not necessarily caused by, rising standards of living in underdeveloped countries where the drop was most dramatic. Another large portion of the decline seems associated with intensive family planning programs, they said.

"Nearly all the countries with 20 percent or more decline (in birth rate) between 1965 and 1975) have had a strong or moderately strong family

planning program," said Parker Mauldin, senior fellow at the New York-based Population Council.

Those include China, which claims 24 percent reduction in its birth rate over that decade, South Korea (32 percent), Thailand (23 percent), Colombia (25 percent), North Vietnam (23 percent), Taiwan (30 percent), and Chile (29 percent) among the larger nations.

Developing countries as a whole, with half the world's population, have gone from 42 births per thousand persons per year in 1970 (excluding China) to 36 per 1,000 in 1977, Eberstadt said. The U.S. rate is 14 per 1,000.

The figures mean that the world's population will double in 41 years instead of the 36 years it would have taken at the higher rate, Eberstadt noted.

"The population of the earth is certain to continue growing well into the next century. The momentum is just tremendous and there's no way we could conceivably stop, except for massive catastrophe, short of eight to ten billion persons," said Mauldin.

Whole areas of the earth have not yet begun to reduce their birth rate, he continued: Bangladesh, Pakistan, and most African nations. The decline has been fastest in Asia at 17 percent between 1965 and 1975, excluding

China, and slowest among blacks and Muslim countries, he said.

Although China undeniably leads the world in its determination to control population growth, some of its statistics are suspect for that very reason, said long-time China watcher John Ald of the Commerce Department. Most educated guesses put China's population now at a minimum of 914 million, with a high probability that it is between 930 and 960 million, he said, far more than the 800 million figure used in past population reports.

China claims its birth rate has dropped from 34 per 1,000 persons per year in 1965 to 26 per 1,000 in 1975. "There is lots of commotion (for publicity purposes) of model units and some fabrication of figures in the provinces as government pressure for (birth control) results intensifies," Ald said. "Overcoming the traditional opposition to late marriage and birth control is a slow, difficult task."

Robert Repetto of the Harvard University's School of Public Health told the all-day symposium that distribution of wealth among poor people lowered their birth rate. "The more the large lower fraction of the population is included in the modernization process, the more fertility declines," he said. "This lays to rest the alleged tradeoff between growth and equity.... Efforts to improve the welfare of the poor will contribute to fewer births, more rapid growth in

per capita income, more rapid accumulation of capital."

Repetto cited studies where birth rates fell in nations where income gaps were reduced: China, Taiwan, South Korea, Sri Lanka and Malaysia. Little drop occurred in Brazil and the Philippines, where the rich-poor gap remains wide although overall economic growth has skyrocketed, he said.

High birth rates arise from generally rational causes, Moni Nag of the Population Council said. Parents have more children if many are likely to die in childhood. An uneducated, malnourished child will still earn enough to pay for itself by the age of 15 and will provide for the parents thereafter. "Not until the costs of children rise and their returns drop should one expect birth rates in a nation to come down," Eberstadt summed up.

Other speakers at the conference emphasized the role of improved nutrition and public health services in improving childbearing capacity and therefore making contraceptive distribution more important. William Peterson of Ohio State University attacked government and international agency efforts to promote birth control, saying interference with native cultures and heavy handed approaches had occasionally caused an actual increase instead of a decrease in the birth rate.

BRIDGE

World class players make mistakes, too

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

If our opponents never make mistakes we might all have to give up playing bridge. This holds true even on the highest level, as we see in today's hand, played in the recent world championships in Manila.

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♣	10 9 5 4 3		
SOUTH			
♠	A Q J 8 7 4 3		
♥	8 7 3		
♦	J		
♣	A 7		
South			
1 ♠	West	North	East
4 ♠	1 NT	Double	2 ♠
	All Pass		

Opening lead — ♦ K

East dropped the six of diamonds at the first trick, and West felt encouraged to continue with the ace of diamonds. If I knew what East had in mind, I wouldn't tell you since I'm supposed to be helping my readers. You expect this sort of thing in your Tuesday night game, but world champions are supposed to be above it.

Swedish star Hans Goethe ruffed the ace of diamonds quite happily and led a low spade to build entries to dummy and to see if West was in the mood to make another blunder. As it happened, West stepped up with the king of spades and did the best he could by returning the king of clubs.

GETS RID OF CLUB

Declarer took the ace of clubs, led a spade to dummy's nine, discarded a club on the queen of diamonds and ruffed dummy's remaining club.

Now Goethe tried a finesse with dummy's ten of hearts. East won with the jack of hearts, of course, but could not find a safe return. A heart would give dummy a free finesse; anything else would let dummy ruff while South discarded a heart.

Sun not so hot

By THOMAS O'TOOLE
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The temperature on the surface of the sun fell 11 degrees last year, the first time such a drop has been recorded and it is a change that could trigger variations in the earth's climate in the next few years.

An 11-degree drop in the surface temperature of the sun is a change of only 1-2 of one percent, said Dr. William C. Livingston of the Kitt Peak National Observatory in Tucson, Ariz., where the changes were measured, but scientists have said that a 2 percent decline in the sun's surface temperature over a period of as little as 50 years would be enough to "glaciate" the entire earth.

"We presume the changes we see are cyclic and that the temperatures will stop falling sometime in the near future," Dr. Livingston said. "I can't imagine anything else happening."

The decline in solar surface temperature began in January 1977, around the time the 11-year sunspot cycle passed its period of minimum activity and began to increase. More and more sunspots have broken out on the sun's surface since the start of 1977. The period of maximum sunspot activity is expected late next year or early in 1980.

"We think we're seeing a direct correlation here, that as solar activity goes up the sun's surface temperature goes down," Dr. Livingston said. "It's the opposite of what you might guess, but we believe that when you have a rise in sunspot activity the total temperature must go down as an adjustment to conserve solar energy."

Whatever it is that Kitt Peak scientists have seen they are seeing for the first time: Their observations were made using the McMahon solar telescope, which is the newest and largest of its kind anywhere in the world.

The solar telescope tracks the sun with a 80-inch mirror that delivers an unblurred image of the sun more than three feet across to a device called a spectroscope that analyzes sunlight components. The device breaks down sunlight into a continuous rainbow of color where temperature changes can be identified in individual chemical elements as they burn on the sun's surface.

The most sensitive element on the sun is carbon, which flares up if the sun gets hotter and dims if the sun cools.



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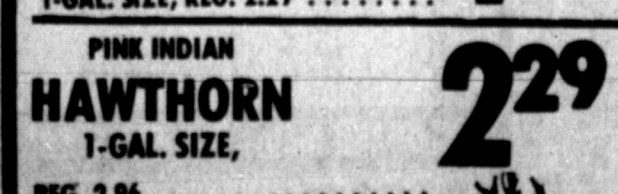
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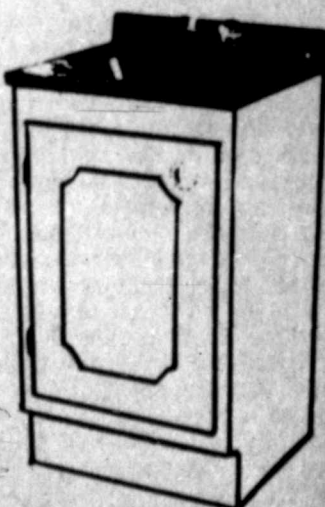
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