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Bell Will Appeal

DALLAS (AP)—Southwestern Bell officials today said they will appeal for a rehearing and may go to the courts to overturn a Public Utility Commission order that granted the company only a minor portion of the rate increases it requested.

In an official statement, Doyle E. Rogers, Southwestern vice president for Texas, said he was "shocked" and "sickened at the evident disregard for indisputable facts. I was sickened by a seeming disregard for the future of telephone service in Texas, the welfare of employes, customers and owners of the business.

Huge Wheat Buildup Seen

WASHINGTON (AP)—A new government analysis shows that the U.S. wheat stockpile by next June 1 will be the largest since the huge grain surpluses of the early 1960s.

The Agriculture Department said Monday that the wheat left over from 1976 and earlier harvests will total nearly 1.02 billion bushels, some 70 million bushels more than experts had forecast a month ago.

Wheat prices at the farm have dropped sharply as a result of the buildup. They averaged $2.46 a bushel nationally last month against $3.58 a bushel in November of last year.

As a result, the growing stockpile of wheat and the decline in farmers' prices will be among the top farm problems facing the Carter administration next year.

Oil Ministers Gather

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Sea, air and land security was mounted today for oil ministers of the 13 major oil exporting countries as they gathered for a meeting in which they are expected to raise the price of oil by 8 to 15 per cent.

Ministers of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, who begin their session Wednesday, will argue recommendations ranging from a freeze or token increase to a massive 25 per cent or more. Observers predict they will settle somewhere in the middle.

To avoid a raid similar to that on an OPEC meeting in Vienna a year ago, the 4,000-man police and armed forces of this Persian Gulf sheikdom are taking stringent security precautions.

Ruling Pleases Gilmore

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A "somber and reflective" Gary Gilmore has instructed his attorney to enter into no new tactics that might delay his execution by firing squad, the attorney said.

Gilmore, said to be "very happy" the U.S. Supreme Court acted quickly to lift its stay of his execution, broke his 25-day hunger strike after hearing the news.

The high court action threw his fate back to Utah's courts, which have twice set death dates for the inmate. But an obstacle of Gilmore's own making stood between him and the firing squad - his bid for freedom on a legal technicality.

The SDN Column

If you are one of those who think politicians are over-paid, perhaps you should just be thankful that you are not getting as much government as you are paying for.

The cactus patch philosopher says that it may be true that you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear, but a nice calf can do a lot for a nylon stocking.

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We notice that the Scurry County Museum people got a real tree to decorate for the Christmas season. We are for that, although the synthetic Christmas trees and decorations may be easier to handle and less bother. But you don't get the tree scent from plastic.

We are told that the Christmas tree business is booming, and has been for several years. Factories are turning out the synthetics, while growers are cutting more and more of the real thing each year.

Down there in East Texas, back in the pre-World War II days, there was never any question as to where the Christmas tree was coming from. It might be a cedar, a holly, or even a pine. The latter was usually favored at our house because of the pine scent. It just make the house smell more like Christmas. Someone simply went out in the woods and chopped one down.

The horticulturists and botanists tell us that these coniferous evergreens that grow here are not really cedars, but they are close enough to be accepted as the real thing. And they are what was available here back in the days before plastic and imports from other regions.

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And speaking of Christmas foliage, J. D. Hinton reminded that only the female youpon bushes in downtown Snyder produce the red berries. The town would have been more colorful in the fall and winter if they had left the "men" outof the picture in this case.

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And if you want a good, mature Christmas tree, you might try one of the bristlecone pines growing in California's White Mountains. They are estimated to be more than 4,600 years old, making them the oldest living trees in the world.—WACIL McNAIR.

There's More In Store for shoppers During Snyder's Santa Spectacular $3,800 In Free Gifts

NEW PROBATION OFFICER BRIEFED—Paul Hurt, left, who will become adult probation officer for the 132nd Judicial District on Jan. 1, is being briefed by Earl Abercrombie, who will retire at the end of the year after serving in the post since 1965. Hurt's appointment was announced Monday by District Judge Wayland G. Holt. (SDN Staff Photo)

ABERCROMBIE RETIRING

Paul Hurt Is Appointed Adult Probation Officer

Beginning Jan. 1, Paul D. Hurt will supervise the probations of approximately 175 persons. Hurt, currently a deputy sheriff in Scurry County, will resign his current post to become the adult probation officer for the 132nd Judicial District which includes Scurry and Borden Counties. His appointment was announced Monday by District Judge Wayland G. Holt.

Hurt will succeed the incumbent probation officer, Earl Abercrombie. Abercrombie, 69, will retire.

Hurt will be only the third adult probation officer in the history of the 132nd Judicial District.

The first adult probation officer, H.L. Wren, served from the post's inception in the mid 1950s until his death in 1965. He was succeeded by Abercrombie, a former Scurry County Sheriff.

Hurt, 29, comes to the post with a 4-year service record in law enforcement. He was a patrolman with the Snyder Police Department for two years and has been a deputy sheriff for two years.

Hurt was graduated from Killeen High School in 1966. He received his Associate of Applied Science degree in law enforcement from Central Texas College and his Bachelor of Applied Science degree from Mary Hardin-Baylor College.

He and his wife, Donna, have two children and are expecting their third child in March. They reside at 4008 Avenue U.

The adult probation officer for the 132nd Judicial District is appointed to the post by the 132nd District Court Judge.

Carter Picks Blumenthal, Adams For Cabinet Posts

By FRANK CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Jimmy Carter has chosen W. Michael Blumenthal, chairman of the Bendix Corp., to be his treasury secretary and Rep. Brock Adams to be his secretary of transportation. Carter sent word of the choices to key senators today.

The President-elect, pushing to complete his Cabinet by Christmas, is announcing at least four Cabinet-level choices this week, with a woman likely to be the first commerce secretary in history.

Carter called at 2:30 p.m. EDT news conference here to announce two of the choices. Carter aides relayed word of the Blumenthal and Adams choices to senators in Washington who will consider the nominations.

Sen. Carl Curtis of Nebraska said he was informed of the Blumenthal choice in a telephone call from Atlanta. Curtis is ranking Republican on the Finance Committee. Carter needs the committee's approval for his Treasury nomination.

Curtis said he could not comment on the choice because he does not know Blumenthal, an economist with experience in international trade negotitions.

The senator said he was told of the choice by Frank Moore, a key Carter aide handling the President-elect's liaison with members of Congress.

New York Mayor Abe Beame, among big-city mayors who asked Carter earlier in the day for a $12.3-billion federal spending plan to create new jobs, said the President-elect told him: "I've got my secretary of the treasury today and one of the first things he will look at is New York's problems."

The city is trying to reduce its long-term debt through a program of budget cutbacks aided by three years of interim federal loans.

A Senate source who asked not to be identified said members of the Commerce Committee, who will be asked to approve the Adams nomination, were told of the choice before the news conference.

Adams, a Democrat, served as chairman of the House Budget Committee during the last session of Congress. He traveled from New York, where he had a speaking engagement, to Atlanta before the President-elect met with reporters.

Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, D-Wash., told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer that Carter telephoned him to tell him about his choice. Magnuson said Carter's gain is "the state of Washington's loss."

Sen. Carl Curtis of Nebraska said he was informed of the Blumenthal choice in a telephone call from Atlanta. Curtis is ranking Republican on the Finance Committee. Carter needs the committee's approval for his Treasury nomination.

Carter, it was learned, also has asked Jane Cahill Pfeiffer, a former IBM Corp. vice president, to serve as his commerce secretary. She would be the first woman to occupy the post since it was created in 1913.

John Dunlop, who resigned as labor secretary in the Ford administration, is a leading candidate to return to that post under Carter.

Mayors Pushing Jobs Program

ATLANTA (AP) — A $12.3-billion federal spending plan designed to create more than a million new jobs is being laid before Jimmy Carter by a group of hopeful big city mayors.

Leaders of the U.S. Conference of Mayors and the National League of Cities were providing Carter today with an extensive laundry list of legislation they say is needed to revitalize the nation's cities.

A conference plan calls for a $20-billion economic stimulus, including a $7.7-billion tax rebate.

Several favorable economic and political factors have raised the mayors' hopes.

Carter is known to be weighing several spending and tax packages to stimulate the sagging economy. He has made it clear that job creation is his top priority.

The President-elect won huge pluralities throughout the nation's cities en route to narrow presidential victory, with key support from several of the mayors who gathered here today — especially Abraham Beame of New York, Coleman Young of Detroit and Henry Maier of Milwaukee.

"The $20-billion economic stimulus must be acted upon immediately to get the economy moving," said Newark Mayor Kenneth Gibson.

He outlined a plan that included $4 billion for public works, $3.5 billion in antirecession aid to the cities, $2.5 billion for public employment, $1 billion for education and a total of $1.3 billion in several other areas.

"The $12.3-billion jobs-producing program would be used for rehabilitating cities through a deferred maintenance plan," said Gibson, the conference president.

9 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Pesticide Traces No Threat

HOUSTON (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency reported today traces of a controversial pesticide still are being found near a Galveston bay chemical plant where it was produced until last January.

"Preliminary findings of the samples analyzed so far, however, indicate the traces are well below any level of threat to the environment at the present time," said John C. White, EPA regional administrator from Dallas.

Federal investigators have said they suspect the pesticide leptophos caused nerve damage to at least 10 workers who helped produce it under the trade name Phosvel at the Velsicol Chemical Corp. plant at Bayport from 1971 until last January.

White said traces of leptophos were found in soil samples taken at the plant site but that no detectable levels were found in water samples taken from the Bayport industrial channel.

He said small traces had been detected in oysters taken from Red Bluff Reef near the channel but that none were found in samples taken from the nearby Red Fish Reef. Red Bluff is closed to oystering, but Red Fish is an open oystering area.

"We do not feel there is a severe problem at this time," White said, adding that the final report and conclusions based on the sampling should be completed by mid-January.

White and other EPA officials discussed the preliminary findings at a news conference that preceded the opening of the first of a series of hearings on Texas air quality controls.

The EPA wants Texas industries to install special vapor recovering devices on large gasoline and crude oil tanks.

Other meetings will be held Wednesday in San Antonio and Thursday in Dallas.

The EPA proposal to install the vapor devices would eventually be extended to service station operations when storage tanks are being filled from trucks.

School Choirs Sing Tonight

The Snyder High School and Junior High School choirs will give a combined concert this evening at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

The choirs will present traditional music and some non-traditional pieces.

The concert is free to the public.

Machines Are Added

Walls Industries, which has been operating a sewing plant here since last July, is preparing for a major expansion of its work force, it was announced today.

Don Finnell, manager of Walls' Snyder plant, said machinery is being installed now for additional sewing machine operators.

"The number of machines we put into operation will depend on the number of qualified operators we can hire," said Finnell. "We hope to hire about 30 more, which will put us up to around 90 to 100 operators."

Finnell said that Walls has been employing as many operators as possible who worked for Aileen, Inc., when that firm operated a sewing plant in the same facilities now used by Walls.

"These people are fantastic sewing machine operators," Finnell declared. "In less than five months, this plant has reached second place in efficiency rating among seven Walls plants. Now, we are going for first place."

Finnell said that the Walls plant in Snyder had reached 92 per cent efficiency, and he expects it to continue to improve its rating and become No. 1 in the Walls organization.

The manager of the Snyder plant said that the present work force is now producing over 100 per cent of its production goals. He said the plant is turning out down jackets, and vests, and more machines must be put into operation to keep pace with orders.

Finnell said he believed that Walls now is employing virtually all of the sewing machine operators who worked for Aileen, and that some of the former Aileen employes who performed other tasks, such as table work and bundling, may be sought if they are interested in becoming sewing machine operators.

"They would at least know something about factory work," he said. "And we may have to hire some people who have never been near sewing plant."

If they turn out as well as those trained by Aileen, the Walls firm will be happy, Finnell declared. Walls took over the facilities in Northeast Snyder when Aileen halted its operations here last July.

Blood Drive Set For Wednesday

A blood drive for South Plains Blood Services of Lubbock will be conducted here Wednesday under sponsorship of Snyder Jaycees.

South Plains Blood Services provides blood for hospitals over a big area, including Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder.

Ron Kelly, who heads the project for Jaycees, said the drive will begin at 2 p.m. and continue to 8 p.m. tomorrow in Cogdell Center.

Donations of blood will be accepted from persons 18 to 65 years of age, provided they weigh over 110 pounds, have never had a history of hepatitis, internal cancer requiring surgery, or coronary heart disease. Persons 17 years old may donate blood with parental permission.

During the last fiscal year, which ended Aug. 31, South Plains Blood Services provided 466 units of blood for patients in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. During the same period, donations of blood here amounted to 173 pints. Also, a number of Snyder patients in Lubbock hospitals received blood from this source during that same period.

Kelly said Jaycees hoped that Snyder area residents would do their part in helping maintain an adequate supply of blood for the area supplier.

Goodfellows Donations

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Contella	$20.00
Mrs. F.G. Sears	25.00
Bill Clayton	10.00
Roger Valley	5.00
Wayne Moore	10.00
Clifford Chambers	5.00
Bill Shipp	5.00
Spanish Inn	25.00
Mrs. Esther Weaver	5.00
O.R. LaRoux	2.00
Jr. Dept. Of North Side Bapt. Church	20.00
Bob Hood	5.00
Hiram Thompson	2.00
Bentley Baize	10.00
Jerry Clift	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Blocker	5.00
Anonymous	3.00
Day's Total	$158.00
Total to date	$3,463.10

CLEAR WEATHER

SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Monday, 47 degrees; low, 34 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 39 degrees; precipitation, trace.

West Texas: Fair through Wednesday. Cooler southeast portion tonight and north Wednesday. Low tonight low 20s Panhandle and mountains to mid 30s extreme south. High Wednesday low 50s Panhandle to upper 60s Big Bend valleys.

Ford Indicates Pay Hike Okay

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford indicated to congressional leaders today he will approve a pay increase plan covering high-ranking federal officials and members of Congress, a participant at a White House meeting said.

Ford held separate sessions with Democratic and Republican leaders to discuss the pay raise issue and whether to call for tighter ethical standards for all three branches of government.

The meetings come less than two weeks after a government commission urged that salaries for members of Congress, federal judges and top government executives be increased — but that the raises be tied to a stiffer code of ethics.

After the sessions, Rep. Morris Udall, D-Ariz., said Ford has made no final decision about a pay hike but that "the indication was that he would like to submit some over-all pay raise plan for the 2,500 top people in government.

"I think some plan affecting all of them will be submitted before he leaves office," Udall added.

Udall said any salary increase plan probably would be tied to a stiffer code of ethics for all three branches of government.

Sen. Robert Griffin, R-Mich. said it was the general feeling of most of those at the meeting of GOP leaders that some salary adjustment is needed along with a tightening of the code of conduct throughout government.

Rep. Jim Wright, D-Tex., the new House majority leader, raised the question that any attempt by Ford to prescribe certain standards might be an unconstitutional abridgement of the separation of powers of government.

Ford has the authority to approve the raises or pass the recommendations on to his successor, President-elect Carter.

Many members of Congress believe that Carter would be politically unable to authorize early in his presidency the $37.6-million annual salary increase for some 2,500 officials who would be affected. They believe the only hope for the increases is for Ford to approve them.

But there is concern on the part of congressional leaders that the outgoing Republican administration might try to dictate ethical standards that Congress should adopt.

Chains Suggest Coffee Boycott

By LOUISE COOK
Associated Press Writer

Soaring coffee prices have prompted officials of at least two supermarket chains to suggest that their customers switch to other beverages to try to bring costs down.

In a move reminiscent of the sugar boycott two years ago, Kenneth Knese, area manager for the nine Justrite stores in Kansas City, Mo., posted signs in his outlets reading:

"We at Justrite feel coffee costs have become ridiculous. Therefore, we are asking you to select a substitute until coffee suppliers reduce their cost to you."

A similar message came from Neil Golub, head of the company that runs the Price Chopper chain in the Albany, N.Y., area. Golub has been running full-page advertisements urging customers to try tea, boullion, hot chocolate or hot cider.

"We did the same thing when the price of sugar went up ... and we think it might work again," he said.

Spokesmen at stores in other areas of the country said they did not plan to encourage any formal boycott, but expected that consumers would revolt without any urging.

"The consumer is smart enough to know," said Ted Simmons of Colonial Stores in Atlanta. "I assume that when the price gets high enough, they'll say the hell with it."

Sugar prices climbed to record levels in late 1974, prompting consumer groups and some stores to urge a boycott. The higher prices — more than $3 for a five-pound sack of sugar — were blamed on increased demand. Consumption dropped and so did prices. By this fall, the average retail price for a five-pound bag of sugar was about $1.15, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Coffee prices, meanwhile, started rising in the summer of 1975 after a frost in Brazil destroyed much of the crop that would have been harvested this year. Political unrest in Africa also cut the world supply.

Recent increases have boosted prices to about $3 a pound at the wholesale level. Retail prices still are under $3 a pound in most areas — partly because merchants are selling cheaper, existing supplies and partly because they are using coffee as a "loss leader" to get customers into their stores.

The Albany and Kansas City stores aren't the only ones urging a boycott. U.S. Rep. Benjamin S. Rosenthal, D-N.Y., head of the subcommittee on commerce, consumer and monetary affairs, launched an inquiry into the increase in the price of coffee.

He noted that there had been several special promotions on coffee recently and said: "If there is a shortage, why are there discounts? The quickest and surest way for consumers to avoid being squeezed to the last drop is to vote with their dollars — refuse to pay the prices."

EMS Seminar Is Scheduled

A West Central Texas Emergency Medical Service Nurse-Physician Seminar has been set for Jan. 7-8 in Abilene, Ms. Mickey Hubbard, program coordinator for Emergency Medical Services in Public Health Region IV.

The seminar will deal with trauma and critical care emergency patients, emphasizing the best treatment both medically and legally.

It will begin at 1 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 7, and continue until 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, in Room 100 in the Sid Richardson Science Center on the Hardin-Simmons University campus.

There are no fees for participants, since the seminar is sponsored by the Texas Department of Health Resources, the Anson Jones Memorial Medical Foundation, and Southwestern School of Medicine and West Texas Medical Center. Professional credit will be available.

HOSPITAL NOTES

ADMISSIONS: Wilburn Hunter, 2405 Gilmore; E.L. Kinney, 423 Twenty-eighth; Verna Sellars, 2705 Twenty-fifth; Kathy Rhodes, 3503 Fortieth; Steven Talbott, Box 619; Delbert Hataway, Arah Rt.; Venita Dorman, 4100 Ave. U; Rosemary Juarez, Rt. 1, Fluvanna; Melissa McClain, Skyline Motel; Harold Riley, 408 Thirty-fifth; Betty Jo Eades, 3503 Houston; William Horton, 711 Thirty-second.

DISMISSALS: Mrs. Jimmy Callaway and baby girl, Jeannette Newby, Mary Guerrero, John Roemisch, Rita Dowdy, Minnie Rylander, Chester Guinn.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Juarez, Rt. 1, Fluvanna, are the parents of a 7 lb. 7 oz. son, born at 4:25 a.m. Dec. 13 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

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MIDDAY STOCKS

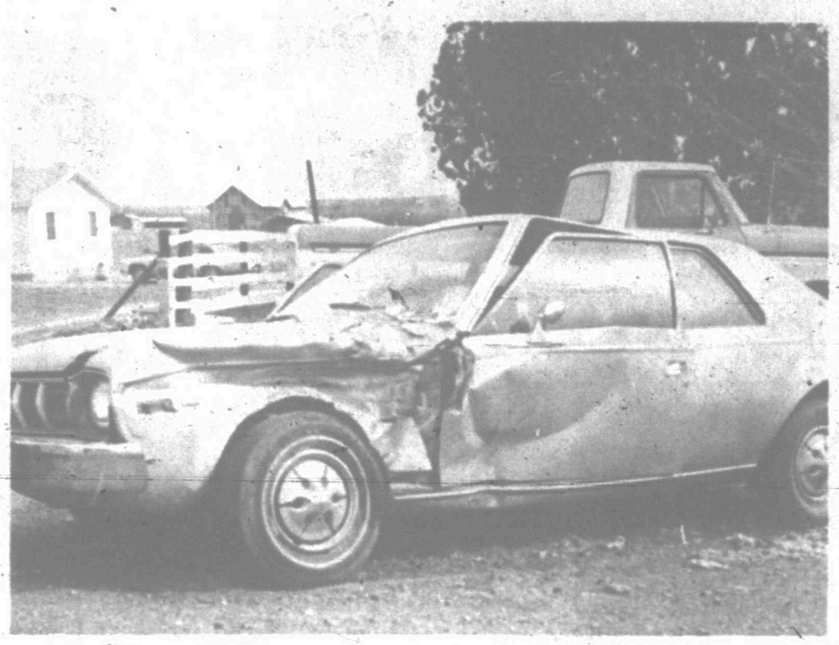
By The Associated Press

Alcoa	55	up	⅝
AT&T	64		
Atl Rich	58¾		
Beth Stl	39½		
Borden	32¼	up	⅛
Brit.Pet.	12½	off	⅛
Cat Trac	54⅛		
Celanese	48⅝	off	⅛
Chrysler	18⅝	off	¼
Cities Svc	57½	off	¼
Coca Cola	76	up	⅛
Cont Oil	38⅛	off	⅛
Dow Chem	40⅛	up	¼
duPont	131¾	off	½
Eastman	83⅞	off	⅛
El Paso NG	14	up	⅛
Exxon	52¾		
Fairchild Cam	41⅞	off	⅛
Ford	58¼	up	¼
Gen Elec	53	off	⅛
Gen Foods	31⅞	off	⅛
Gen Mtrs	74⅛		
Gen Tel	30⅞		
Gen Tire	26	up	⅛
Goodrich	26⅞		
Great A&P	12⅛		
Gulf Oil	29		
Glf St Ut	15⅛	off	⅛
Hous L&P	32⅛	off	⅛
IBM	269½	off	½
Int Paper	67½	up	¼
Jhn-Man	34⅝	off	⅝
John Joh	73¾	off	¼
Litton	14⅜	up	⅛
Marathon	55¼	off	⅛
Mobil Oil	62⅝	up	⅛
Monsanto	84	off	⅛
Penney	54¼	off	¼
Phill Pet	62¾	off	¼
RCA	26½		
Safeway	46⅞	up	¼
Sears	68¾	off	⅛
Sony Cp	9¼	off	⅛
Sou Pac	34⅜		
Stand Oil Sl	38¼	off	¼
Stand Oil Ind	56½	up	⅛
Sun Co	43⅝		
Texaco	27¼		
Texas Inst	104⅞	off	¼
Time Inc	37¾	off	¼
Un Carbide	59¼	off	¼
Uniroyal	9		
US Steel	49⅝	off	⅛

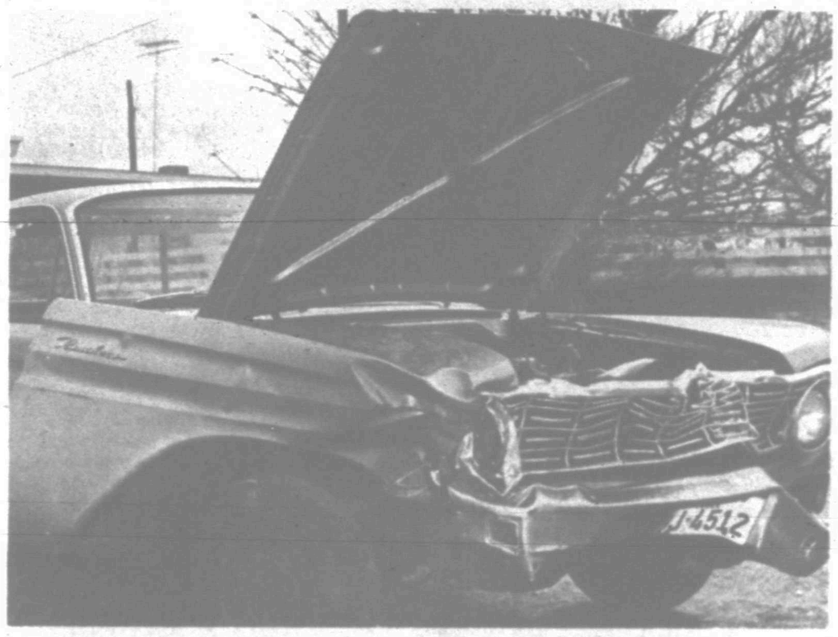
Scholarship To Snyderite

SAN MARCOS—Dan M. Ellington of Snyder is one of 18 persons awarded scholarships worth $100 each by Southwest Texas State University's Institute for the Study of Religion and Communism, a segment of the Department of History.

Criteria for winning a scholarship included interest and the ability to gain admission to SWT's graduate school. Recipients must take one course titled "Religion in the Soviet Union and Communist East Europe." Beyond that they may pursue graduate study in any discipline. The $100 will be applied toward tuition for the course, with the remainder for books, etc.



CRASH SCENE—W.H. Ezell, 28, of Colorado City sustained minor injuries late Monday morning when the 1974 Hornet he was driving (shown above) was involved in a collision with a Ford Ranchero. Two other occupants in the Ezell vehicle, Kathy Grimes and Lisa Ezell, 3, were uninjured. (SDN STAFF PHOTO)



WRECKED VEHICLE—John Houston Cotton, the driver of the Ford Ranchero, escaped injury in the two-car collision. Cotton was attempting to turn into the driveway of his residence about 10 miles south of Snyder on the Colorado City Highway when the mishap occurred about 11:30 a.m. Monday. Heavy damages were reported to each vehicle. (SDN STAFF PHOTO)

MARKETS

CHICAGO (AP) — Wheat No 2 soft red winter 2.68⅝n Tuesday; No 2 hard winter 2.65⅝n. Corn No 2 yellow 2.48n (hopper) 2.43n (box). Oats No 2 heavy 1.73n. Soybeans No 1 yellow 6.89½n.

No 2 yellow corn Monday was quoted at 2.48n (hopper) 2.43n (box).

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — Cattle & calves 1100; slaughter cows steady to 50 higher. Slaughter calves steady. Slaughter bulls not established early. Feeder steers steady. Instances 75 higher on thin choice offerings over 500 lbs. steer calves steady. Feeder heifers 5 heifers calves steady with Mondays advance. Demand good. Trading active.

Slaughter cows: Utility 3-4 22.00-24.00; cutter 20.00-22.50. Slaughter calves: Good & low choice 400-500 lbs 28.50-30.00. Feeder steers: 300-500 lbs 34.00-38.00; 500-700 lbs 24.00-27.00; good 300-500 lbs 22.50-25.00; 500-700 lbs 21.00-24.00. Feeder heifers: Choice 300-500 lbs 22.00-25.50; good 24.00-26.50.

Hogs: 300; barrows & gilts 50 lower. 1-2 200-230 lbs 37.00-37.50; 1-3 190-230 lbs 36.50-37.25; 2-3 200-270 lbs 35.50-36.50.

Sows steady: 1-3 300-600 lbs 26.50-27.00. Boars: 300-650 lbs 18.50.

Youth Hurt In Wrestling Match

A wrestling match between two brothers Monday night resulted in a minor knife wound to one of the contestants.

Reports at the police station showed that a 14-year-old boy had been admitted to Cogdell Memorial Hospital for treatment of a minor knife wound he sustained in a wrestling match with his brother.

A hospital spokesman said the boy was treated and released. The incident was reported to policemen at 11:41 p.m.

Board Finishes Work On Proposed Budget Bill

By LEE JONES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—The Legislative Budget Board, working past midnight, finished its proposed appropriation bill for 1978-78 today, leaving $1 billion available for such things as added state aid for public schools.

The bill will be introduced near the beginning of the 1977 legislative session in January and will be the starting point for House and Senate work on state spending.

It represents something of a setback to Gov. Dolph Briscoe, who wants to spend $850 million of the $3 billion general revenue tax windfall on schools and another $825 million on highways.

Board members voted to beef up the highway fund with general tax money by only $235 million.

Staff director Tom Keel said, in effect, that highway demands were inexhaustible and could always use a lot more money.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, board chairman, criticized the State Highways and Public Transportation Commission for promising to build $11 billion worth of highways, "which I think is irresponsible."

The board both gave and took away when it got to the $1.3 billion item for state colleges and universities. It restored $26 million in cuts recommended by the staff for off-campus instruction.

"Since 1949, our policy has been to get education to the people who want it," said Sen. A. M. Aikin, D-Paris. He said it was "just common sense" to have a college teacher travel to off-campus students instead of having 14 or 15 students travel the same distance to the teacher.

Comptroller's Representative Due Thursday

State Comptroller Bob Bullock has announced that a representative of his Abilene office will be in Snyder on Thursday to assist local taxpayers and answer questions about state taxes.

Bullock said Enforcement Officers Tom Soto will meet with local taxpayers from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursday in the jury room on the third floor of the courthouse.

"We are trying to cut the red tape in this office and we believe these face-to-face sessions with taxpayers will help do just that," said Bullock. He reminded that taxpayers who are unable to meet personally with his representative may still get their questions answered quickly by calling his toll-free tax information number in Austin. That number is 1-800-252-5555.

Audit Contract Approved By Board At Ira

IRA—The Ira School Board got progress reports on building projects and approved a contract with Bernard Longbotham Jr. to do the school audit for 1976-77 at its regular meeting Monday night.

A new kindergarten building and gymnasium are scheduled for completion on Jan. 19. The metal building which will house the kindergarten is due to arrive late this month and the foundation is already installed.

The board renewed the district's insurance coverage with Sullivan-Stanfield Agency, and a report was presented on delinquent taxes. L.R. Peveler was present at the meeting and he discussed assessed values of land in Scurry County.

Library Course Is Scheduled

The Region 14 Education Service Center has announced that it will sponsor another in a series of library science courses next spring in cooperation with Texas Women's University.

Registration will be conducted at the service center, 3001 North Mockingbird, Abilene, on Saturday, Jan. 22.

The course, titled "Literature for Children," will carry either undergraduate or graduate credit and it will be conducted on alternate Saturdays.

Further information may be from Dr. Robert Maniss, assistant director of the service center.

Firemen Called

A minor heater fire was extinguished Monday evening by city firemen.

The fire occurred in the 2206 Forty-second Street residence of Ted Hanson. The fire was reported at 6:40 p.m.

Kidnap Case Jury Sought

Jury selection was underway this morning in 132nd District Court for the trial of Bobbie Ruth White.

Ms. White is accused of being an accomplice in an aggravated kidnaping incident that occurred Dec. 8, 1975, in the east parking lot of the Scurry County Courthouse.

In that incident, Highway Patrolman Keith Pherigo was jumped by three male jail escapees from the Potter County Jail in Amarillo. One of the men reportedly held a knife to Pherigo's throat while another man seized the trooper's gun in an apparent attempt to take the patrolman hostage to ensure their getaway.

Mrs. White was with the men at the time of the affray and was arrested minutes after she had allegedly tried to escape.

Ms. White lists her home address as Amarillo.

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SHOPPING SPREE—Members of the First Baptist Church donated items such as perfumes, shaving lotions, shirts, socks, vases, candy, stationary, hot pads, jewelery, house shoes, etc., so Leisure Lodge residents could do their Christmas shopping. Each resident chose five gifts, for loved ones, friends, grandchildren, and themselves. Sponsoring the activity were (pictured from left) Katie Jackson, Wanda Smith, Chan Moore, Agnes Bowen, Lovella Stoker and Vera Holesinger. Not pictured were Ima Emerson, Glenna Jones, Betty Andress, Frances Wiman and Annette Smith. Pictured at right are lodge residents as they choose their packages.

LVN Christmas Party Is Held

Division 50 of Licensed Vocational Nurses Association met in the Conference room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital for their annual Christmas party Monday night.

Jean Yearwood, president of the local association, welcomed guests who were served a Christmas dinner prepared by members. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Don Sealy, Donna Ward, Pete Greene, and six members of the current class of LVNs at WTC.

Mrs. Clellia Flournoy was awarded a past presidents pin.

Millie Tutor, Ways and Means Chairman, displayed various articles which the LVN Association is selling during the Christmas season.

Following a short business session, gifts were exchanged.

Members attending were Glenda Thomas, June Taylor, Cheri Derryberry, Ruth Hardin, Wilma Scott, Jean Campbell, Linda Howell and Janet Sutton.

BROWNIES HELPING—Brownie Troop 302 from Northeast Elementary is gathering articles to share with other children during the Christmas season. Each girl brought a toy, a nice dress or other items they will give to the Goodfellows to be distributed during the holiday. Pictured are (from left, front row) Janice Haywood, Reva Gonzalez, Laurie O'Bryan (2nd row) Pamela Hardy, Wendy Johnson, Rebecca Stansell, Cindy Tolbert, Monica Hinojos, Angelia Wilson and Rachel Gonzales (back row) Ann Simmons, Annette O'Bryan, Susie Foster and Lydia Gonzalez, troop leader.

Jaycee-Ettes Have Cookie Exchange

"Cookie Night" was held by Lambda Kappa Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Thursday Night, Dec. 9 in the home of Billie Smith. Each member was asked to bring two dozen homemade cookies. These were then exchanged for an assortment of other cookies which the members took home. Refreshments of chocolate-cherry cake, assorted cheeses and crackers, roasted peanuts, cokes and coffee were served. Assisting as hostesses were Susan Chesser, Margaret White, Linda Moreland, and Laura Greene.

The Smith's home was decorated throughout with lovely holiday motifs, of particular interest was the Christmas tree which was decorated with felt and sequin ornaments made by Mrs. Smith.

The chapter's traditional Christmas party will be held in the home of Barbara Bills on Tuesday, Dec. 21.

COOKIE NIGHT—Beta Sigma Phi members enjoyed "Cookie Night" by bringing and exchanging assorted homemade cookies at a party held in the Billie Smith home. Pictured are (from left) Kay Hickman, Laura Greene, Jeannine Barnes, Kim Warren and Billie Smith.

WIN AT BRIDGE

Nuisance bid aids play

NORTH
♠ A K 9 6 5
♥ 7 4
♦ K 9 4
♣ K 7 5

14

WEST
♠ Q 10
♥ K 10 8 6 5
♦ A 7
♣ J 9 8 2

EAST
♠ J 7 4 2
♥ Q 9 3
♦ 8 5 3
♣ 10 6 3

SOUTH (D)
♠ 8 3
♥ A J 2
♦ Q J 10 6 2
♣ A Q 4

Both vulnerable

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

Opening lead — 6 ♥

By Oswald & James Jacoby

West's one heart bid is what may be described as a nuisance overcall. He does not expect that his side will play the hand unless it turns out that North doubles him and he has to struggle for his life at one heart doubled.

He hopes that maybe his bid will inhibit his opponents or that if North does become the declarer he will have told his partner what to lead. Most of the time these nuisance bids don't affect anything. This time the bid had a bad effect. It told South how to play the hand.

After West opened the six of hearts and East played the queen, South had a problem. He could duck and hold back his ace until the third lead of the suit. That duck play would insure his success provided East held the ace of diamonds. It would lead to failure if West held that all impostant card.

After the nuisance overcall South had no problem. It was almost a certainty that West would hold that missing ace.

So South grabbed the first heart trick and knocked out the ace of diamonds. West was in and had no way to keep South from making four notrump. Actually, West made the desperation lead of the heart king and South made five odd.

Ask the Jacobys

A Michigan reader wants to know if you make a second bid with:

♠ K J x x ♥ x x ♦ x x ♣ A x x x x.

Your partner has opened one diamond and rebid one notrump after you responded one spade.

The answer is that you should pass. One notrump ought to be a very satisfactory contract. Your partner has shown a minimum type opening and there is no reason to explore further.

(Do you have a question for the experts? Write "Ask the Jacobys" care of this newspaper. The Jacobys will answer individual questions if stamped, self-addressed envelopes are enclosed. The most interesting questions will be used in this column and will receive copies of JACOBY MODERN.)

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY

HELPFUL HINTS: Cool cake and remove any crumbs before spreading with frosting.

Bologna and Cheese Sandwich
Lettuce, Tomato, Onion
French Fries
Cole Slaw
Banana Cream Dessert
Milk

THURSDAY

HELPFUL HINTS: Prepared pudding mixes are good cake fillings. Follow directions on package.

Cheese Meat Loaf
Fluffy Steamed Rice
Sliced Harvard Beets
Tossed Salad w-Italian Dressing
Hot Rolls & Butter
Frosted Marble Cake
Milk

SECONDARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY

Cheeseburger w-Condiments, Catsup, Mustard, Salad Dressing
Pinto Beans
Hamburger Salad
Pineapple Pudding
Milk

THURSDAY

Italian Spaghetti w-Ground Beef
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Cabbage & Green Pepper Slaw
Apple Wedges
Garlic Bread
Green Beans
Chocolate Brownie
Milk

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TUESDAY

Art Guild Study Club will meet at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Myron Roe for their Christmas Dinner. Hosting the event will be Mrs. Silas Davenport, Mrs. Myron Roe and Mrs. Bill Teaff. Members are to bring gifts for nursing homes.

Amitie Jr. Study Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Lou Cofsiff. Assiting with hostess duties are Mmes. Cindy McAnally and Nancy Martin.

WEDNESDAY

Sparkle City Squares will meet at 8:30 p.m. at National Guard Armory.

THURSDAY

Snyder Coin Club will meet at 8 p.m. at the West Texas State Bank Community Room.

Eastern Star will meet at 7:30 p.m. for the Christmas Party. Rosa Bigham, Jo Anne Sterling, Loraine Tipping and Ora Wells will be hostesses.

Retired Teachers Association will meet at 12 noon at the Fellowship Hall of Colonial Hill Baptist Church for their Christmas luncheon.

ABWA will meet at 7 p.m. at Martha Ann Woman's Club with Inez Teaff as hostess. The Christmas program and Installation of Officers is slated.

FRIDAY

Covered Dish Luncheon, 12 noon, Senior Center at Western Texas College. All Senior Citizens invited to attend.

RTA Christmas Party Slated

The Scurry County Retired Teachers Association will meet Thursday, Dec. 16, in the Fellowship Hall of Colonial Hill Baptist Church for their annual covered dish Christmas party. Mrs. Ken Andress will present the program entitled "Come Walk With Me and You Will See The Paths That Jesus Trod," a colored slide presentation.

Also present will be Mike Esell, State Legislator, who will give a short resume of the upcoming teachers retirement pay.

Mrs. Travis Rhoades urges everyone to attend the annual event. She stressed the need for all retired teachers to become members of the association in order that they will be better represented.

Plump raisins and add them to tiny white onions braised in butter; serve with meat, poultry or fish.

Potential Tree Thieves Beware

SOMERVILLE, N.J. (AP) — Potential tree thieves beware: there's going to be a real stink if you chop down a tree in Somerset County to decorate in your home at Christmas.

Louis Nickolopoulos, chief of the county park police, said all the trees have been sprayed with deer repellant.

The repellant can't be detected by humans in the open air, said Rudolf van der Goot, the county's senior horticulturist, but when the tree is brought into the house, "It stinks!"

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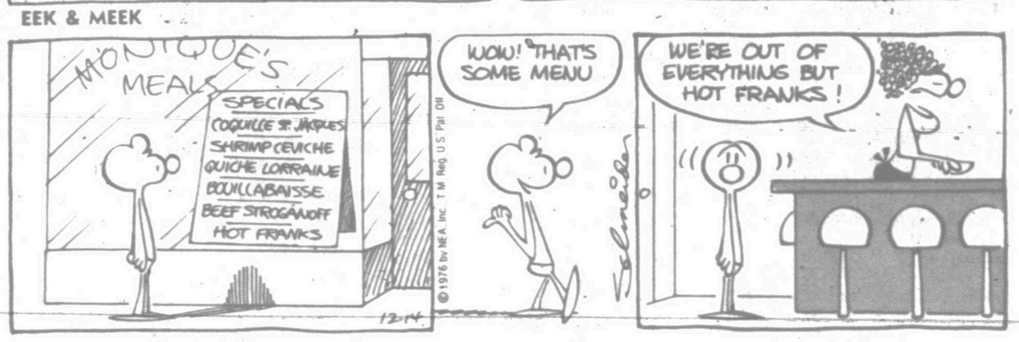

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ACROSS

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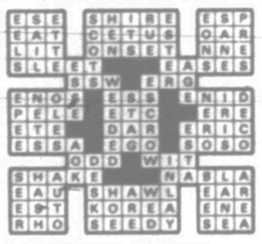
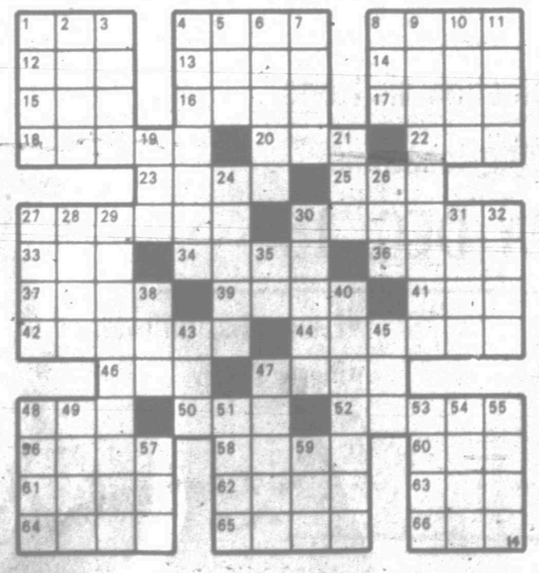
4 Test
8 Montreal world's fair
12 Jesus monogram
13 Pantomime
14 _____ Breckenridge
15 Offer
16 Coffin stand
17 Money opening
18 Entangle
20 Pallet
22 CIA predecessor
23 Russian river
25 Pinch
27 Teel
30 Scented bag
33 Essay
34 Calif. valley
36 Whet
37 One (Ger.)
39 Fiddling emperor
41 Negatives
42 Triangles
44 Earliest born
46 Electrified particle
47 Small whirlpool
48 Spasm
50 King _____
52 Baseball nickname
56 State (Fr.)
58 Japanese volcano
60 Written avowal of a debt
61 Outer (prefix)
62 Scandinavian god
63 Babylonian deity
64 Lose hair
65 Covered with figures
66 Compass point

DOWN

1 Chin shields
2 Not fat
3 Farm agency (abbr.)
4 Logos
5 12, Roman
6 Protozoan
7 Simple
8 Printer's measure (pl.)
9 Percussion instrument
10 Experts
11 Kind of grain
19 Genetic material
21 Genetic material (abbr.)
24 Blood vessels
26 I (Ger.)
27 Irish dish
28 Pennsylvania port
29 Organized criminal society
30 Fathered
31 Son of Seth
32 Quiz
35 First person
38 Personality
40 Former generation
43 Noun suffix
45 Alterant
47 Study
48 River in England
49 Hanker
51 Flying saucers (abbr.)
53 Lies
54 Ballerina's strong points
55 Christmas
57 Bushy clump (Brit.)
59 Actor Backus

Answer to Previous Puzzle





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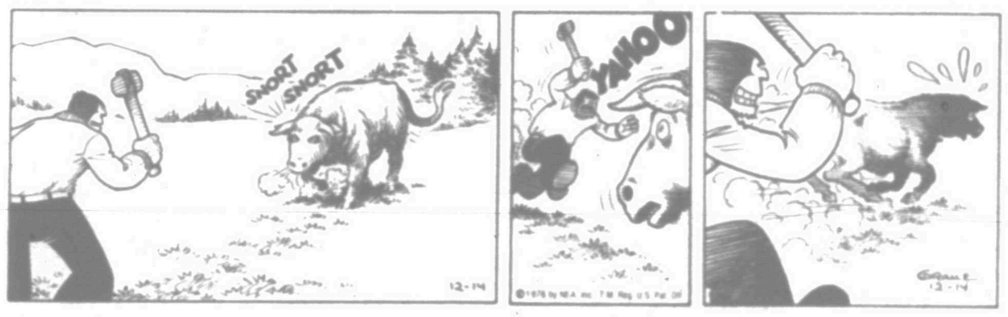

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"WOW! THOSE PRICES ARE CRAZY! I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO GIVE MY MOM THE QUARTER FOR CHRISTMAS."

Pro Playoffs Begin Saturday

By BRUCE LOWITT
AP Sports Writer

It is, in every sense of the word, the meeting of the irresistible force and the immovable object.

On this side, the Baltimore Colts, who pushed around almost everything in their path en route to the American Conference East title. They scored a mammoth 417 points, 58 of them last Sunday in the division clincher.

On the other side, the Pittsburgh Steelers, who can push back better than any other club in the National Football League, who reaped off nine straight victories — five by shutout. They allowed a miniscule 138 points including 28 in that astonishing streak to take the AFC Central title.

Something's got to give. The Colts, who gave the last time this situation arose, can look at the Steelers and say: "We know how you feel, guys."

A year ago it was the Colts who had just completed a nine-game streak. They roared into Pittsburgh and got beaten 28-10 in an AFC playoff opener. Now it's the Steelers who have the nine-game run on the line, and they're the ones on the road for the opener.

"We've been in the playoffs for nine weeks," said Coach Chuck Noll, meaning that the Steelers were always on the brink of extinction. "It's that same kind of feeling. Now everyone has it."

Baltimore Ted Marchibroda remembers what it was like last year. "That's why its so unbelievable," he said of Pittsburgh's job. "The Steelers won six of those games with a rookie (Mike Kruczek) at quarterback, too. Sometimes you really don't know how good you are until you have to show it all."

The playoffs begin Saturday with Washington at Minnesota in the National Conference and New England at Oakland in the AFC. After Sunday's Oakland-Baltimore game, Los Angeles is at Dallas in a rematch of the 1975 NFC title game, won by Dallas 37-7.

Washington is returning to the playoffs after a one-year absence. The Patriots are in their first since 1963, when they were the Boston Patriots. They were a part of the American Football League and they were buried 51-10 by San Diego in the AFL title game.

SCORES

By The Associated Press

EAST

Army 76, Kings Point 52
Syracuse 101, Penn St 63

SOUTH

Jackson St 112, Florida A&M 85
Kentucky 98, S Carolina 67
Memphis St 86, S Mississippi 71
Tennessee St 62, N Kentucky 57
W Virginia St 85, Beckley 61

MIDWEST

Dayton 82, New Orleans 68
Grand Valley 88, Cent Michigan 84
Illinois 72, Cleveland St 70
Iowa St 78, California 70
Nebraska 88, NW Missouri 53
N Illinois 81, Wisconsin 57
N Iowa 69, W Illinois 67
Valparaiso 83, S Dakota St 72
Wichita St 83, Long Beach St 78

SOUTHWEST

Houston 103, Lamar 83
Rice 76, N Colorado 57
Texas-El Paso 82, New Mexico St 69

FAR WEST

Calif-Riverside 75, San Francisco St 53
Gonzaga 62, Seattle 59
Wash. St 85, Calif-Bakersfield 62

8th Boys Gold Wins

BIG SPRING—The 8th Grade boys Gold team defeated Big Spring Goliad 38-33 here last night.

Snyder led 8-6 after one period, 18-13 at halftime, and 24-22 after three frames and closed with a 14-11 advantage in the fourth quarter.

Eric Arnold and Keith McClain led Snyder scorers with 14 and 11 points, respectively while Ben Watson led Goliad with 11 points.

8TH GOLD BOYS (38)—McClain 5-1-11; Seale 1-0-2; Arnold 5-0-14; Degrate 4-0-8; Morrell 0-1-1; Roemisch 1-0-2; totals 15-3-33.

GOLIAD (33)—Jones 3-2-8; Watson 5-1-11; Warren 3-0-6; Cooper 1-0-2; Anding 1-0-2; Teer 2-0-4; totals 15-3-33.

Snyder 8 10 6 14—38
Goliad 6 7 9 11—33

8th Girls Black Wins

SAN ANGELO—The Snyder 8th grade girls Black team defeated San Angelo Lincoln's 7th grade team, 35-31, but the Snyder 8th grade girls Gold team was beaten by the Lincoln 8th grade team, 42-21, in basketball games here last night.

The girls Black team was involved in a close game. The score was tied 6-6 after one quarter, and Snyder took a 13-12 lead at halftime and a 27-24 lead after three periods. Pam Gray was high point girl for Snyder with 19 points. Cindy Clayton contributed 10. For Lincoln, Doug and Eaton each put in 12 points.

The Lincoln 8th graders used an 18-2 advantage in the second period to propel them over the 8th grade Gold girls. Rogers roped 16 points for Lincoln, and Sherry Warren tallied 11 for Snyder.

8TH GIRLS BLACK (35)—Gray 8-3-19; Clayton 5-0-10; Fritz 3-0-6; totals 16-3-35.

LINCOLN 7TH GIRLS (31)—Doug 6-0-12; Eaton 6-0-12; Diaz 3-0-6; Ynostrosa 0-1-1; totals 15-1-31.

Snyder 6 7 14 8—35
Lincoln 6 6 12 7—31

8TH GIRLS GOLD (21)—Warren 4-3-11; Nicholson 3-0-6; Wood 1-0-2; Burrows 0-2-2; totals 8-5-21.

LINCOLN 8TH GIRLS (42)—Rogers 8-0-16; Follis 3-2-8; Cornelius 3-0-6; Stewart 2-0-4; Yeoman 2-0-4; Lee 1-0-2; Bolding 1-0-2; Totals 20-2-42.

Snyder 4 2 7 8—21
Lincoln 10 18 6 8—42

Western Puts Down Phillips

BORGER—The Western Texas College Westerners shot down the Frank Phillips basketball team 91-72 in a Western Junior College Athletic Conference Clash here last night.

The score was tied twice early in the game, but the Westerners took command and never trailed after that. WTC led 41-32 at halftime.

The Westerners hit 32 of 64 from the field for 50 per cent while Frank Phillips hit 32 of 82 for 39 per cent. Both teams had a good inside defense and most of the scoring was from the outside until late in the game when the Westerners began hitting inside. WTC hit 25 of 33 from the line while Phillips got 6 of 8.

Four Westerners were in double figures. Lawrence Butler, who was kicked out of the game with 10 minutes remaining, tallied 25 points. Daryl Smith tallied 20, Jon Moreland posted 14, and Doug Worthington put in 12. For Phillips, James Lyons scored 29, Gerald Booker 27, and Robert White 10.

Before Butler was thrown out of the game, the Frank Phillips coach was socked with two technicals.

Smith sat on the bench about 15 minutes of the first half, and he picked up his fourth foul early in the second half. Put on the bench again, he didn't return to action until about four minutes remained in the game. Then he scored 14 of the last 22 points the Westerners made.

This was the last game for the Westerners until after the holidays.

SIX PLAYER TRADE—Texas Rangers Jeff Burroughs, top left, was traded to the Atlanta Braves for five players and an unspecified amount of cash. The five Atlanta players in the trade are: in top row from left, Ken Henderson, and Roger Moret, and in the bottom row from left, Adrian Devine, Dave May and Carl Morton. (AP Wirephoto)

Michigan Leads Poll

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

It hasn't taken the Notre Dame basketball team long to establish itself as this year's collegiate giant-killers.

The Fighting Irish set about correcting their early-season non-ranking in this year's first game and they edged out highly-regarded Maryland on the Terrapins court. That earned Digger Phelps' crew a No. 7 ranking in the Associated Press nationwide poll of sports writers and broadcasters. Then the Irish really went to work.

Last Saturday, Notre Dame upset UCLA 66-63 at Pauley Pavillion. That victory earned the 5-0 Irish five first-place votes, 601 points and a No. 4 ranking in this week's poll. The Bruins fell from third to ninth place.

Leading the voting for the third straight week was Michigan. The Wolverines, 3-0, collected 34 first-place votes and 850 points. Michigan beat Vanderbilt 97-76 in its only action last week.

Marquette was second in the balloting, 122 points behind Michigan. The Warriors grabbed a pair of first-place votes for their 4-0 record which includes three victories last week.

Kentucky, 4-0 through Sunday's games, moved up a notch to third. The Wildcats received four No. 1 ballots and 662 points.

San Francisco, whose 8-0 record is the best of any Top 20 team, captured fifth place in the poll with 473 points. The Dons won the Utah Classic over the weekend.

Completing the Top 10 were No. 6 Cincinnati, with a 5-0 record; seventh-ranked Alabama, which advanced three spots despite not playing a game; 7-0 Arizona, which grabbed eighth place, and 10th-ranked Wake Forest.

Wake Forest's Atlantic Coast rival, North Carolina, was voted No. 11 in the nation. The Tar Heels were followed in the voting by Nevada-Las Vegas, which dropped a 100-96 contest to Utah and subsequently fell from fifth to 12th; No. 13 Clemson; 14th-rated Maryland and surprising Syracuse, which came in 15th.

Defending national champion Indiana was beaten at home by Kentucky and fell from 13th to 16th place. The Hoosiers were slightly ahead of No. 17 Louisville; 18th-ranked Southern Illinois; No. 19 Arkansas and 20th-ranked St. John's of New York.

The Top Twenty teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, this season's records and total points. Points based on 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1:

1.Michigan(34)	3-0	850
2.Marquette(2)	4-0	728
3.Kentucky(4)	4-0	662
4.NotreDame(5)	5-0	601
5.SanFran	8-0	473
6.Cincinnati	5-0	359
7.Alabama	4-0	351
8.Arizona	7-0	333
9.UCLA	3-1	315
10.WakeForest	5-0	270
11.N.Carolina	4-1	237
12.Nev-LV	4-1	172
13.Clemson	5-0	156
14.Maryland	4-1	100
15.Syracuse	6-1	46
16.Indiana	1-2	39
17.Louisville	3-2	22
18.S.Illinois	6-1	16
19.Arkansas	5-0	15
20.St.John's,	5-0	14

Tiger Girls Host Post Tonight

The varsity and junior varsity girls basketball teams from Snyder High School host the Post girls today at the high school gym. The program will begin at 5 p.m. with the junior varsity game to be followed by the varsity clash.

Probable starters for the varsity are forwards Debbie Newman, Carrie Taylor and Geanean Martin and guards Paula Grimmett, Patti Ayers and Marca Parham.

For the Tiger JV, possible starters will be Tanya Boydstun, Lesa Sterling and Janie Hataway at forward and Tina Huddleston, Debbie Hines and Kim McPherson at guard.

Indiana has six-foot-11 Kent Benson back from its unbeaten championship basketball team of last season.

9th Girls, Boys Beat Coahoma

COAHOMA—The 9th grade boys Black basketball team and the 9th grade girls team defeated Coahoma here last night. The boys were victorious 48-35, and the girls won 48-32.

The Snyder boys led 17-9 after one period, 25-23 at halftime, and 39-25 after three periods. Mark Preston was high point boy for Snyder with 11 points. Gee roped 12 points for Coahoma.

The Snyder girls trailed 6-4 after one quarter, but went ahead, 14-12, at halftime, and extended the margin to 27-22 after three quarters. They iced it down with a 21-10 advantage in the final frame. Suzanne Fisher roped 26 points, and Kim Harlin pitched in 10 for Snyder. For Coahoma, Rhonda Garrett tallied 20 points and Julie Holmes posted 11.

9TH BOYS BLACK (48)—Mayo 1-0-2; Robinson 1-0-2; Gafford 3-2-8; Doss 2-0-4; McDonald 3-0-6; Nunley 2-0-4; Gambol 2-1-5; Preston 4-3-11; Tate 3-0-6; totals 21-6-48.

COAHOMA (35)—Delew 3-0-6; Gee 6-0-12; Bayes 2-2-6; King 2-0-4; Barbee 0-1-1; Reuss 2-0-4; Donald 0-2-2; totals 15-5-35.

Snyder 17 8 14 9—48
Coahoma 9 14 2 10—35

9TH SNYDER GIRLS (48)—Fisher 8-10-26; Davidson 1-0-2; Barrett 1-0-2; Owens 4-0-8; Harlin 3-4-10; totals 17-14-48.

COAHOMA GIRLS (32)—Garrett 9-2-20; Holmes 4-3-11; Carson 0-1-1; totals 13-6-32.

Snyder 4 10 13 21—48
Coahoma 6 6 10 10—32

The Greek Favors Oakland

NEW YORK (AP) — Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder has installed the Oakland Raiders as 3-1 favorites to win Super Bowl XI, with the defending champion Pittsburgh Steelers at 7-2.

In the playoffs, Snyder favors Minnesota by four points over Washington, Oakland by six over New England, Pittsburgh by three over Baltimore and Dallas by two over Los Angeles.

Other Super Bowl odds: Minnesota 5-1, Dallas 6-1, Baltimore 6-1, Los Angeles 6-1, Washington 15-1 and New England 15-1.

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Midland Defeats Snyder, 59 To 50

The Midland Bulldogs defeated the Snyder Tigers, 59-50, here last night in a non-district basketball contest held in the Scurry County coliseum.

It was a close game all the way. Snyder took an early lead and the score was tied three times in the first quarter. The period ended with the Tigers ahead 12-10. Midland tied it up, 14-14, early in the second period and went ahead 16-14. They never trailed after that. Midland's biggest lead in the second quarter was by six points, and they held a 26-22 margin at halftime.

Midland's biggest lead in the third quarter was by 12 points, after Dunn hit a basket to put them ahead 38-26. The period ended with the Bulldogs ahead, 38-28.

Snyder pulled within four points three times late in the fourth quarter, but that's as close as they could get. It was 48-52 after a basket by Earl Clayton with 1:13 remaining. Kirk Johnson put Snyder within four again, at 50-54, with 53 seconds left. The final margin was 59-50 as the Tigers committed several fouls going for the ball.

Lucious Jeffery, who scored 10 points from the outside in the fourth quarter, was high point man for the Tigers with 15 points. Randy Courtney contributed 12 points, all in the first half, and Kirk Johnson put in 11. Six of his points came in the fourth quarter. Midland's Craig Dunn captured scoring honors with 21 points. Terry Rogers contributed 12 points.

Midland also won the junior varsity contest, 75-53, outscoring the Tigers in every quarter. Fredrickson and Miller led Midland with 14 and 13 points, respectively, and Jefferson contributed 10. Greg Hinton led Snyder with 15 points while Jerry Johnson and Larry Huddleston each put in 10.

The Midland sophs outscored the Snyder sophs in every period to score a 67-27 triumph. Thomas roped 16 points, and Johnson put in 10 for Midland. Ronnie Woolridge was high point man for Snyder with only six points.

MIDLAND (59)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Magnes	1	0	1	1
Brittain	2	3	2	7
Jobe	0	1	0	1
Dunn	9	3	1	21
Rogers	6	0	4	12
Hickey	1	2	1	4
Sanders	2	2	3	6
Ward	2	2	2	6
TOTALS	23	13	14	59
SNYDER (50)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Jeffery	6	3	1	15
Moore	1	0	1	2
Crayton	1	0	5	2
Clayton	2	3	3	7
Courtney	6	0	4	12
Lewis	0	1	1	1
Browning	0	0	1	0
Johnson	3	5	1	11
TOTALS	19	12	17	50

Midland 10 16 12 20—59
Snyder 12 10 6 22—50

MIDLAND JV (75)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Foster	2	0	2	4
Fredrickson	7	0	4	14
Lucas	1	0	2	2
Hammonds	6	0	2	12
Bryson	2	0	4	4
Dodson	2	1	2	5
Doughtery	2	2	3	6
Young	0	0	2	0
Miller	5	3	3	13
Jefferson	4	2	3	10
Cavicky	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	3
Atnipp	1	0	1	2
TOTALS	33	9	32	75
SNYDER JV (53)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hinton	4	7	3	15
Sullenger	1	4	2	6
Everton	3	0	1	6
Short	0	0	2	0
Johnson	3	4	4	10
Duncan	0	2	1	2
Taylor	0	0	1	0
Hicks	1	2	0	4
Peterson	0	0	2	0
Huddleston	1	8	0	10
TOTALS	13	27	16	53

Midland 21 17 18 19—75
Snyder 15 12 11 15—53

MIDLAND SOPHS (67)—Roberts 2-0-4; Farris 3-0-6; Garcia 3-1-7; Johnson 4-2-10; Mitchie 4-1-9; Montgomery 0-1-1; Dury 1-0-2; Grimes 4-0-8; Loud 2-0-4; Thomas 8-0-16; Hoffman 1-0-2; totals 31-5-67.

SNYDER SOPHS (27)—Linbaugh 1-0-2; Woolridge 3-0-6; Lovell 1-0-2; Wilson 0-2-2; Forbes 1-1-3; Gafford 1-0-2; Martin 1-0-2; Roberson 1-0-2; Kerrick 1-0-2; Medrano 2-0-4; totals 12-3-27.

Midland 21 15 12 19—67
Snyder 4 11 6 6—27

McNeese State Upsets Tulsa

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — Only 15,542 college football fans watched McNeese State upset Tulsa 20-16 in the first Independence Bowl, but they got a good show for their money.

McNeese won the game Monday night on Oliver Hadnot's 25-yard run with 37 seconds left. The Cowboys did it without the services of 16 regular-season players.

Ten McNeese seniors were ineligible for the game because they were redshirted as freshmen, and six others were kicked off the team recently for having a girl in a men's dormitory.

McNeese Coach Jack Doland said his remaining players were angry over talk that without the 16 players, the Cowboys were not a representative team.

"Tulsa just didn't have enough respect for us," Doland said. "This kind of irritated us."

Hadnot's last-minute touchdown was set up by Tulsa mistakes that left McNeese with a first down on the Tulsa 33.

On fourth-and-seven from midfield, McNeese, trailing 16-14, threw an interception. But Tulsa was guilty of pass interference and roughing the passer. McNeese accepted the roughing penalty and retained the ball.

Until that play, it had appeared Tulsa had gained the winning margin on Steve Cox's 38-yard field goal with 4:22 left.

Tulsa had scored earlier touchdowns on Thomas Bailey's one-yard run in the first quarter and Mel McGowen's 56-yard run with a blocked punt in the third.

McNeese got field goals of 42 and 34 yards by Jan Peebles, who was filling in for one of the 16 missing players, and a one-yard touchdown run by Mike McArthur.

McNeese quarterback Terry McFarland was voted the game's top offensive player.

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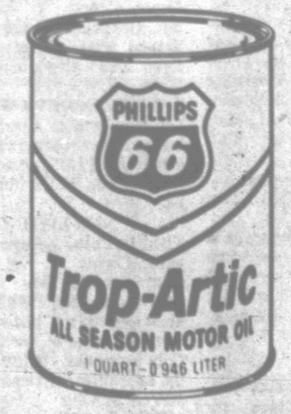

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Uncle Sam Fussy Over Savings Bond Gifts

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — The lady thought a $25 savings bond would make a nice gift for a favorite child, so she went to the bank and ordered one.

She found that Uncle Sam is a fussy old bureaucrat with as much Christmas spirit as Scrooge. And not much of a merchant either.

"What is your Social Security number?" the teller asked. She told the teller, assuming the number was required for routine, record-keeping purposes.

After paying $18.75, which would mature to the face amount over a five-year period, she accepted the bond, made out to her young friend.

"Do you have a gift envelope or a card to go with it?" she asked. She was disappointed to hear that no such accompaniments were provided. "Wouldn't it have been nice if only a Christmas envelope were supplied?" she thought.

On arriving home she looked at the bond again. There, in bold typewritten letters sitting atop the name of the recipient, was her Social Security number. "What in the world for?" she wondered. "On a gift?"

She had a friend contact the Savings Bond Division of the U.S. Treasury. A spokesman there said that, yes, a Social Security number had to be included on every bond.

"Why?"

"It's for record-keeping purposes," he was told. He had thought so.

"But aren't the bonds numbered?"

"Yes, but this is the way we retrieve the numbers. It's for the convenience of those people who look up the records."

Why, in an age of instant information retrieval, the number couldn't be computer-recorded, rather than stamped on the gift, wasn't explained.

It was explained, however, that the donor's number need not be stamped on the gift after all.

"You can have the recipient's number rather than your own printed on the bond," the spokesman said.

"But the child doesn't have a Social Security number."

"One can be opened in the child's name."

"But what if the child is only a friend? Would the doner of a gift want to intrude into another person's affairs?"

"This is a rule they've made and they're sticking to it," he said.

That ended that, but opened another subject.

"We have had some problems and complaints," the spokesman conceded. "There haven't been all those complaints, but some."

The bond-buyer meanwhile, had decided to return the bond, with misgivings. She had thought a bond would be patriotic. She liked the idea of a gift that would grow or at least, at 6 per cent interest, not evaporate overnight.

But, she said, she emphatically did not like the idea of having her "brand" on a gift. "My name, yes," she said. "If it said the bond was from me to him it would be appropriate. But not my number."

She returned to the bank.

"I'm sorry," the teller said, "but we cannot redeem this."

"Why not?"

"Because it's made out to someone else."

The teller was only following regulations. She meant to be helpful. And she was.

"Take the bond to this address or call them up," she said, handing the bond-buyer a note that read: "Federal Reserve Bank, 33 Liberty Street, New York. Ask for Series E Bond Department."

Instead, Washington was contacted again.

"The Fed would have to give her special permission," the spokesman said. "I've never heard of a case in which they have."

"Then, what can..."

"She can give the bond to the child. Once it's made out, the owner owns it, and that's it."

There was a pause. "Do you want the number of the people in Public Debt where the rule was made up?" he asked. "Drop it," said the caller.

Said the bond-buyer: "Merry Christmas, Uncle Sam."

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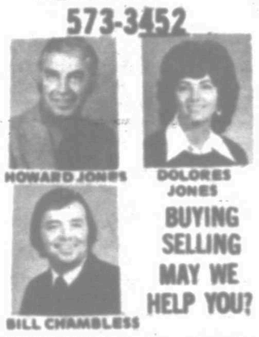

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Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol

For Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A rather harmonious day. You're a joy to be with since you know how to employ the proper perspective.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't hesitate about taking on several tasks today. You'll be able to juggle them and dazzle onlookers with the performance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can accomplish more today by busying yourself with those tasks that you enjoy as opposed to the jobs you feel you must do. Those can wait until another day.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This should be a most enjoyable day because those under your wing will respond to your care and guidance. You'll be appreciated.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your great strength lies in what you can do with your brain, not your brawn. Today you can prove that the lion is king because he knows first how to use his intellect.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today and tomorrow hold particular promise materially. Zero-in on any situation that can turn dimes into dollars.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The barriers to your progress have fallen. You can now gain the ends you desire. All it takes is a stout heart and determination.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Where you are not a leader today, you can be of great value by being the strong, silent power behind the throne.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) To find yourself, immerse yourself in group activities today. Being of service makes you aware of your true value as a human.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There are many avenues to the top. Chances are, you'll be aware of most of them today. Victory looks well-assured unless you really buck the tide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You work well with people today, especially if there is something of mutual benefit at stake. Listening to others will pay.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Business prospects are good today, but the action comes more from people you know than from what you can accomplish yourself. Cultivate influential friends.

Your Birthday

Dec. 15, 1976

You had better get your calendar in order. The coming year is going to be a busy one socially. Many new people and activities will enter your life.

(Are you a Sagittarius? Bernice Osol has written a special Astro-Graph Letter for you. For your copy send 50 cents and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to ask for Sagittarius Volume 1.)

In the next 25 years, the world is expected to consume an amount of energy equal to all the energy used by man in recorded history, National Geographic says.

Dr. Lamb

Exams may cause tension

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—I am one of those people who becomes very anxious during visits to the doctor's office, and my blood pressure goes way up.

I have been trained to take my own blood pressure, and consistently get normal readings. Also, over the past several years I have been examined by four different doctors who tell me that I am in excellent health and not to worry about this reaction. However, I have been refused employment for a job that I wanted because the doctor who gave me the pre-employment physical would not accept the statement of any previous doctor. He stated that I had "essential hypertension."

I am due for a complete checkup, but do not have a physician in the community where I now reside. How do I convince a new (to me) doctor, or a doctor who gives me an employment or insurance physical of the true nature of this condition without seeming to be uncooperative? I cannot afford to take the hospitalization tests again and again which I have already taken several times before. Your advice on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

DEAR READER—You do have a problem. Your condition is properly called "vascular hyper reactor" not essential hypertension. The difference is as you have described your case, high readings under stress and normal readings under normal circumstances. There is no good evidence that individuals who are vascular hyper reactors have a significantly increased rate of persistent high blood pressure later in life.

I would suggest that you keep a log of your blood pressure on arising and again in the evening when getting ready for bed. With your knowledge of your case and your record your new doctor will probably understand. After you get to know him well enough you may stop having this reflex reaction to office blood pressure readings. Too often people with your response get put on high blood pressure medicines that they should not be taking. Medicine to lower your blood pressure when it is already normal is not helpful to say the least.

Sometimes a person can demonstrate normal blood pressure by simply relaxing in the examining room for awhile and letting the nurse take the pressure at intervals until you have settled down.

The insurance companies and employment examination are another problem. The best you can do is present them with your other medical records or a statement from your doctor documentating your normal pressures and normal test results.

If this fails I would suggest asking your doctor to refer you to a well known medical center to see a specialist in cardiology who has a well known name. A consultation with such an individual and a record of his findings will be hard for a person of lesser professional stature to dispute. Most insurance companies and potential employers would accept such a record - particularly if documenting records are offered if needed - such as test results, electrocardiograms and X rays.

Be sure and stop drinking caffeine-containing drinks such as coffee and tea before any examination. To give you more information on blood pressure I am sending you The Health Letter number 1-8. Others who want this information can send 50 cents along with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it. Just send your request to me in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y 10019.

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

Flower Aviation Lives Up To Name

PUEBLO, Colo. (AP) — Flower Aviation lives up to its name.

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Christmas Gift— Or Tax Deduction?

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Tell me if I'm wrong, but I do not appreciate receiving a card at Christmastime informing me that a gift in my name has been sent to the starving children of Bangladesh, the earthquake victims of Guatemala, or a handicapped war veteran.

I personally donate to many worthy causes, but I also send my friends and relatives Christmas gifts and cards.

When I get one of these "a-gift-in-your-name" certificates, I feel that I am being used as a tax deduction, which is no gift at all. Care to comment?

USED IN DURHAM, N.C.

DEAR USED: I disagree. In my opinion, one of the more civilized practices of recent years is donating to charity instead of giving extravagant gifts to those who already have more than they need. Knowing that a starving child, an earthquake victim or a handicapped war veteran had received help in my name would be gift enough for me.

DEAR ABBY: How would you handle the following problem if you were "Boy C":

Boy A took a new school book (school property, too) loaned to Boy B and defaced it terribly. Boy B was not around when this happened, and the only one who saw him do it was Boy C.

Should Boy C tell the teacher what he saw?

WORRIED SICK

DEAR WORRIED: On the principle that every citizen has a duty to report a crime of which he has knowledge, Boy C should reveal who defaced the book belonging to Boy B. In so doing, however, Boy C is justified in asking for anonymity. Otherwise, in today's climate of violence, an act of good citizenship could become an epitaph.

DEAR ABBY: Although I have a full-time job, take care of our home and three children, I still find time to make all my own clothes. I am very proud of my sewing ability, and I certainly save a lot of money.

I receive many compliments on my clothes, and when I tell people I make them, they appear to be amazed. Most say they thought I buy them at one of the most expensive stores in town.

My husband tells me I am wrong to tell people I make my own clothes. He says I should let them think I paid a high price for them.

I think being able to make things that can pass for store-bought merchandise is something to be proud of. I welcome your opinion as well as those who have been through this kind of controversy.

CAROLINA CONTROVERSY

DEAR CONTRO: The choice is between your husband's false pride and yours, which is earned. I vote for the latter.

For Abby's new booklet, "What Teen-agers Want to Know," send $1 to Abigail Van Buren, 132 Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. Please enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped (24¢) envelope.

MORE FILLING IN BLANKS

Federal Paperwork Load Increases Despite Cut

By EVANS WITT
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford demanded a 10 per cent cut in the number of federal forms sent to Americans. He got it. But the remaining forms take 13 million more hours to complete because more people are filling in the blanks.

More students applying for federal scholarships and a new pension law designed to protect workers are the main reasons for the increased burden of paperwork.

In October 1975, Ford ordered the number of forms cut by 10 per cent.

At that time, the Office of Management and Budget listed 5,146 forms repeatedly sent to the public by 44 federal departments and agencies.

Ford's year-long campaign to cut government paperwork succeeded in wiping out more than 700 forms of the more than 5,000 used by executive departments.

The OMB's latest figures — as of Nov. 30 — show 4,418 forms.

And the November figure is below even the June 30 figure of 4,504 forms in use — the figure Ford cited in announcing the success of his effort during the summer.

But the measure of the burden of those forms — the number of hours needed to fill them out — has been going up.

In October 1975, OMB estimated that it would take 130.3 million hours to fill out the forms. In June of this year, OMB estimated 138.4 million hours. In October, the figure was 138.6 million.

Last month, the estimate was 143 million — up almost 13 million hours from the previous year.

As Ford admitted in July, most of the forms dropped were minor ones sent annually to only several hundred or several thousand people.

For example, the critique forms for the "Discover America Pow Wow And Trade Mart" and "Preliminary Fiscal Report and Final Fiscal Report (EPDA), Part E, Fellowship Program and Title IX-VB Fellowship Program" are absent from the October 1976 list. Together, those two forms elicited 772 responses and took 600 hours to fill out.

But the "Application for Determination of Basic Grant Eligibility for the Current Academic Year" is expected to get 3.5 million responses this year, up from 2 million in 1975. That change in the numbers of one HEW form adds an estimated 3 million hours of filling out the forms.

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare is the largest source of the bulge in the burden of the forms. OMB reports show.

In the past year, HEW has increased the burden of filling out its forms from 43.2 million hours to 49.8 million hours. The increase came while the number of different forms being sent out by HEW dropped from 957 to 798.

Next came the Department of Labor, which increased the burden of its forms by about 5 million hours, up from 15.4 million in 1975. The number of Labor Department forms dropped from 270 to 241 in the same period.

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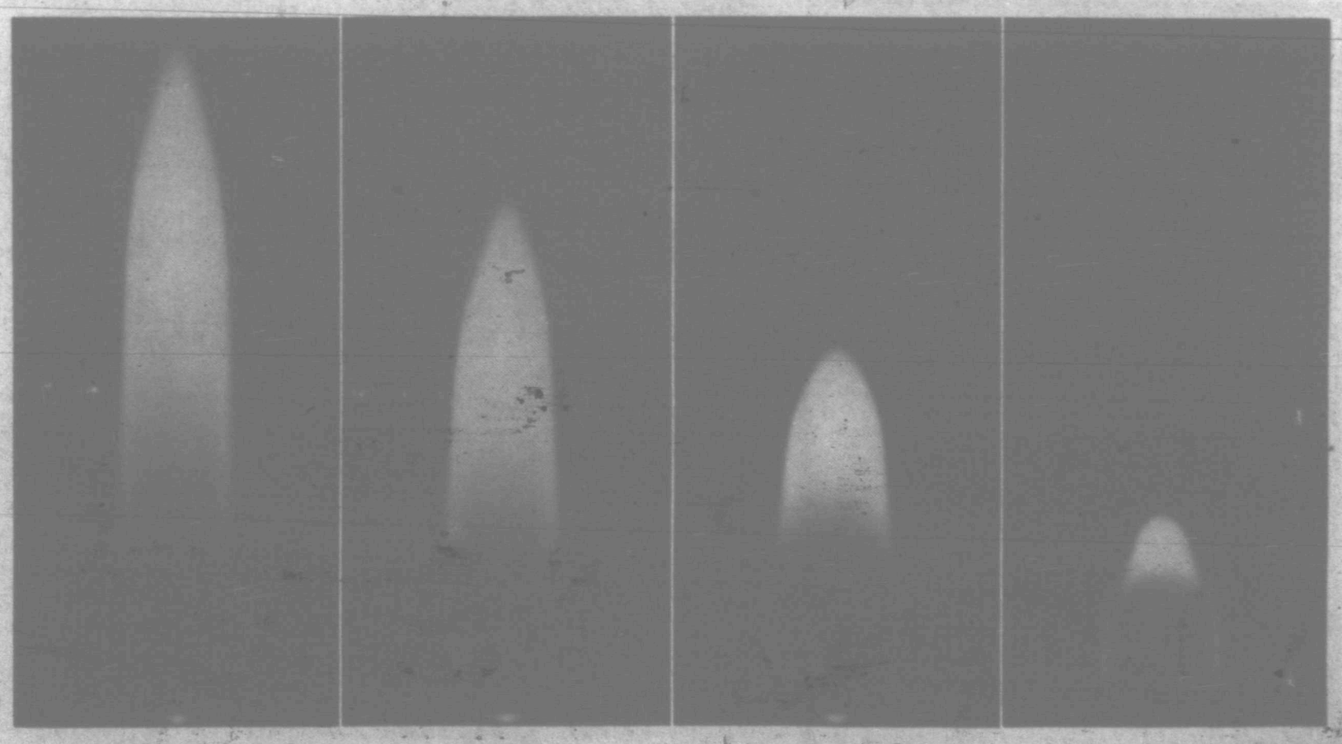

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WINTERTIME ACCESSORIES—Susan Head is displaying some heaters at Head Heating and Air Conditioning. The firm has a full line of heaters and Thermocon insulation to ensure you a warm winter.

House Cold ? Call Head Heating For Expert Service On Heaters

With winter already here, you may have noticed that your home has a heating problem. Maybe there is a room or two in your house where the heat doesn't get to. Maybe your heater is on the blink and doesn't always heat like it should.

If you are having heating problems, you should go by Head Heating and Air Conditioning. Located on Avenue T just across from city hall, Head Heating and Air Conditioning can help you with all your heating needs.

Whether you want a new heater installed in your house or if you only want the old heater repaired, Head Heating is the place to go to see about it.

In an age when even doctors rarely make house calls, isn't it refreshing to know that heater servicemen from Head Heating will come to your house to service your heater?

Susan Head, an employe of the firm, said that Head Heating is the only authorized dealer in Snyder of Payne air conditioning and heating units as well as Dearborn heaters.

In addition, Head Heating features installation and sales service and can get parts for almost all heating units that are in operation today, Mrs. Head said.

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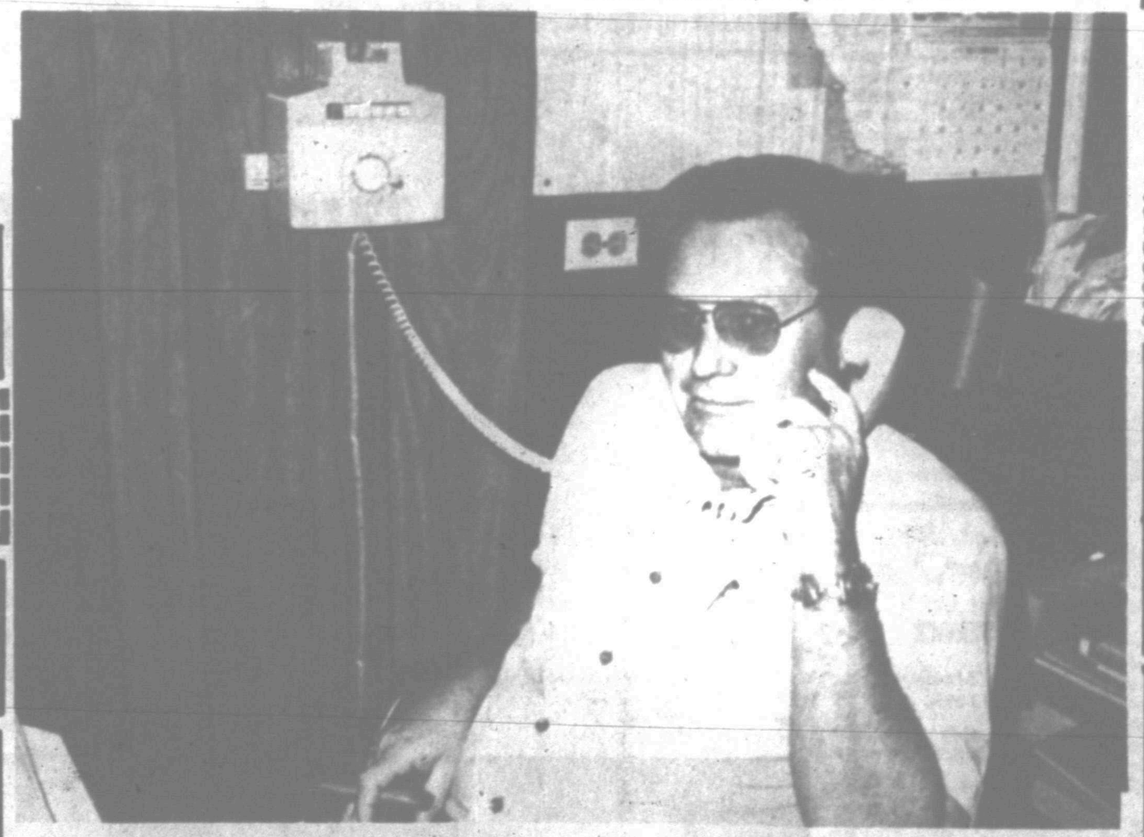

BUSY MAN—Jack Cummins, general manager of the Dairy Queens, has been in Snyder over eight years. During that time he has taken an active interest in the community and has become involved in civic work. Both Dairy Queens dispense food not normally found in a Dairy Queen, including barbecue plates, steak fingers, fried chicken, fish plates, Mexican plates and burritos and tacos.

Dairy Queens Have Grown With Snyder The Past Eight Years

Jack Cummins, general manager of the Dairy Queens in Snyder, has just completed eight years of operation of the Dairy Queen on College Avenue and seven years of operation of the Dairy Queen at the East Highway location.

"Snyder has been good to us, and we feel fortunate to live here," said Cummins.

He pointed out both Dairy Queens here serve items that are not normally found in a Dairy Queen, such as barbecue plates, steak fingers, fried chicken, hot steak plates, fish plates, fish fingers, Mexican plates, burritos and tacos.

The Dairy Queen has grown into a fairly big operation. Jack has 32 employes, including part-time students. Manager of the Dairy Queen at the College Avenue location is Louise Clarady.

"She was here when I came here over eight years ago," said Jack, "—which means she has been at the CollegeAvenue location about 10 years."

Manager of the Dairy Queen on the East Highway for the past 2½ years has been Wayne Hughes.

The Dairy Queen also features traditional soft ice cream foods, such as malts and shakes, sundaes, parfaits, banana splits, DQ sandwiches, dilly bars and brown derbies.

Their varied menu also includes a number of sandwiches, including steak sandwiches, bacon and tomato sandwiches, fish sandwiches, barbecue sandwiches, ham and cheese sandwiches, corn dogs, hot dogs, chili dogs, and cheese dogs. You also can get onion rings, tater tots and salad at the Dairy Queen as well as hamburgers and cheese burgers. One favorite item with customers is the "Belt Buster," which has two pieces of meat on it.

All orders at the Dairy Queens also can be prepared "to go." Just dial 573-8501 for the Dairy Queen at 4301 College Avenue and 573-2651 for the Dairy Queen at 108 East Highway.

You can get your favorite drink at the Dairy Queens, including milk, coffee, tea, hot chocolate and floats and freezes.

Cummins has become actively involved in civic work since moving to Snyder. He is a member of and a past director of the Chamber of Commerce and the United Way. Last year, he was drive chairman for the United Way, and this year he served as chairman of the commercial division. He also is a member of the Tiger Booster Club and the Western Texas College Booster Club.

Jack and his wife, Sue, are parents of a 14-year-old daughter, Kim, and a 4-year-old son, Chad. They are members of the First Christian Church.

Reforestation Financing Okayed

BUENOS AIRES (AP) — Argentina will plant selected tree species in a general reforestation program over 250,000 acres throughout the country. The Inter American Development Bank approved a $30-million credit for the program, which will benefit approximately 3,000 producers who are dependent upon the forests for raw materials.

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