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El Salvador's neighbor also a challenge

By GEORGE GEDDA
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Although the Reagan administration's efforts to prevent a leftist takeover in El Salvador are dominating the headlines now, the challenge of trying to promote democracy and maintain stability in neighboring Guatemala is even more forbidding.

Despite the U.S. belief that Guate-

ma's growing leftist insurgency is supported by Soviet bloc forces, the administration has shied away from providing assistance to Guatemala because of widespread human rights abuses.

American officials, who asked not to be identified, say Guatemala has turned a deaf ear to repeated administration appeals for an easing of political repression.

The continuing coolness in U.S.-Gua-

temalan relations contrasts sharply with close ties the administration has established with other conservative, military-dominated regimes in Latin America and elsewhere.

Lt. Gen. Vernon Walters, a former deputy director of the CIA and now a top State Department aide, has made several unpublicized trips to Guatemala to outline American concerns. He reportedly made no headway.

What makes the situation particu-

larly difficult for the administration is that Guatemala's strategic importance is far greater than that of El Salvador. Guatemala has Central America's largest economy, boasts substantial oil reserves and is located within striking distance of Mexico's oil fields.

Only now has the administration begun to take the first tentative steps toward re-establishing a military relationship with Guatemala, which was suspended in 1977 during the early

months of the Carter administration. Economic aid also is limited, but trade ties are normal.

It is about to ask Congress for \$250,000 for training Guatemalan military officers but the funds won't be spent unless the human rights situation there improves.

U.S. officials say one reason the administration has declined to seek a sizeable military aid package for Guatemala is that such a request would

touch off widespread opposition in Congress.

With the administration expending considerable political capital in efforts to win approval for the rapidly expanding aid program for El Salvador, one official said seeking a similar aid relationship with Guatemala "would overload the circuits."

Officials acknowledge that the El Salvador situation is easier to deal with in some respects than Guatemala.

Commander evaluates aid to El Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — The U.S. Army's senior commander in Central America was winding up a three-day visit to El Salvador today to assess reports that leftist rebels are making progress against the forces of the U.S.-backed junta.

A U.S. Embassy source, who asked anonymity for diplomatic reasons, said Lt. Gen. Wallace H. Nutting came from his Panama headquarters to "assess the effectiveness of our military assistance" to the military-civilian junta.

The visit followed guerrilla attacks that destroyed half of the junta's air force and cut off eastern El Salvador, and a five-day sweep in which 4,000 government troops were able to kill only 28 of the 400 to 600 guerrillas they were hunting.

Western diplomats and relief workers estimate that the guerrillas move almost at will through 10 of El Salvador's 15 provinces.

Nutting, head of the U.S. Southern Command, inspected a string of military bases, including the headquarters of the U.S.-trained rapid deployment battalion. He also toured the Ilopango Air Base outside San Salvador where a guerrilla attack Jan. 27 destroyed or damaged more than a dozen aircraft, including six U.S.-supplied Huey-1 troop transport helicopters.

After that attack, the Reagan administration announced that it was sending \$55 million in emergency aid to the junta in addition to \$25 million approved by Congress two months earlier.

About 50 U.S. military advisers have been stationed here since early last year to help train Salvadoran officers and troops in counter-insurgency tactics and serving equipment.

Nutting also met with Defense Minister Jose Guillermo Garcia, the military strongman of the government, and the armed forces chiefs of staff. The embassy source said Nutting had made no statements about his findings or his conclusions.

Last November, he told The Associated Press in an interview that neither side in El Salvador could exert "decisive control."

No fighting was reported Wednesday, but a judicial official said unidentified gunmen shot and killed the head of the Red Cross in Guazapa, a two 15 miles north of San Salvador that is considered a rebel stronghold.



DeLorean designs

A stockpile of DeLorean sports cars makes an interesting pattern at a factory in Belfast,

Northern Ireland, recently. DeLorean has failed to achieve sales targets in the United States and

mounting debts may soon force the company to close.



Jim Collins

Collins brings U.S. Senate campaign to Midland

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

Chopping away at U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen during a news conference Wednesday afternoon at Midland Regional Airport, Congressman Jim Collins outlined five harmful votes Bentsen allegedly made against oil and gas legislation.

Bentsen, a Democrat, is seeking reelection to his senate post while Collins is trying for the Republican nomination to that seat. Collins, who has represented the Dallas area, is facing State Sen. Walter Mengden in the primary. If he wins that race, then he squares off against Bentsen in the November election.

Also during the news conference,

Collins talked of his admiration for President Reagan but with a tinge of criticism for the 1983-proposed budget.

Collins said he came to Midland to release Bentsen's votes on oil and gas legislation which he feels opposes the petroleum industry.

Criticizing first the Democrat senator's "yes" vote on creating the Department of Energy and then his support of Jimmy Carter in the 1976 presidential election, Collins went on to say that "Bentsen has cast so many votes wrong for the oil industry."

ON A PRINTED release, Collins noted that Bentsen served on the Senate Finance Committee which had initially voted for a \$137 billion Windfall Profits Tax. That committee voted to

send the bill on to the Senate with a favorable recommendation. But, the challenger noted, "Lloyd Bentsen failed to vote on the question of reporting the tax bill out. Bentsen's refusal to take sides caused the opposition to collapse."

Collins suggested that Bentsen could have cast a vote by proxy if he was unable to attend the meeting.

During discussion of the bill, Collins continued, Senate conservatives had started a filibuster. But the Texas senator "voted to invoke cloture to end the filibuster and assure passage of the tax. For his action, the Wall Street Journal labeled the Windfall Profits Tax as The Bentsen Tax in the headline of an editorial."

Collins then accused Bentsen of vot-

ing "with the liberals to set the tax at a figure of \$227 billion — \$49 billion above the figure passed by the Senate and \$90 billion over the amount approved by the Senate Finance Committee."

IN CONCLUSION, said Collins, "We in the oil business needed Lloyd Bentsen and he wasn't there. Those five votes have done more to harm the oil and gas industry. We want Bentsen to answer to these votes in the campaign."

And while Collins said he favors deregulation of natural gas with no tax, he supports the president's decision to hold off on that action.

"This country must support deregulation of gas. But I have serious ques-

tions if this is the time to deregulate it. The budget is \$100 billion out of balance and Congress would want to slap a tax on the gas business," he explained.

Looking at the budget released earlier this month, Collins pointed to the \$800 billion spending bill and claimed that \$100 billion could be chopped. "But no one wants to cut. We've got to do something. The budget increases are causing high interest rates."

But he doesn't see tax increases as a solution. "Frankly, I have a hard time with tax increases," Collins said. "We've nearly taxed the American people."

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Bentsen spokesman refutes charges

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
Staff Writer

A spokesman for U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, today answered charges made by U.S. Rep. Jim Collins Wednesday in Midland, Texas, that the senator had worked against the oil and gas industry.

Collins is seeking the Republican nomination to the Senate seat now held by Bentsen, who is up for re-election this year.

As to the first charge by Collins that Bentsen voted for Jimmy Carter for president in 1976, that's true, said Press Secretary Jack DeVore from Washington. But he denied that vote was directly against the oil industry.

The second charge that Bentsen voted for creating the Department of

Energy also is true, DeVore said. But he pointed out that the vote had nothing to do with the regulations and controls which that department administers.

"Bentsen's vote for the Department of Energy did not increase the amount of government regulations on energy by one iota. The problem is all the controls that hamper energy production. And Bentsen has worked to reduce these controls."

DeVore noted that President Reagan had pledged to abolish the Department of Energy in his early days in office but now has decided to reorganize the agency.

"If it were abolished, those laws and regulations would be enforced by some other group," he said.

Collins' charge that Bentsen didn't

vote in the Senate Finance Committee on the \$137 billion proposed Windfall Profits Tax on Oct. 19, 1979, also is true. But DeVore noted that the final vote was 15 for and one against. Bentsen failed to appear for the vote, DeVore said, but it wouldn't have changed the outcome.

A fourth charge by the Republican congressman that Bentsen voted to invoke cloture, thus ending the filibuster against the tax, also is true. But DeVore explained the filibuster wasn't against the Windfall Profits Tax, but was undertaken by proponents "seeking a better tax break for oil produced in Alaska. They had no chance to kill the tax and they realized that," DeVore

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Lloyd Bentsen

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Repeating his plea

AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland, citing a drop in factory production, again asks for abandonment of the Reagan administration's "ideological commitment" to its economic policies. — Page 4A

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Former prison director says crime pays — too well

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A former prison director who spent 10 years trying to convince convicts that crime doesn't pay now says he was wrong. "Crime does pay. Let's not delude ourselves," said George Beto, former state prison director.

Beto testified Wednesday to a House special committee looking into Texas' criminal justice system.

After the meeting, Beto told reporters that certain crimes pay because the rewards outweigh the risks. Burglars, in particular, stand a good chance of

making money without being caught. "They take a calculated risk. What they pay for it is small in comparison with what they've gained from it," he said.

White-collar criminals also might find that crime pays, according to Beto.

Burglary is such a widespread problem in Texas that police are "frustrated" by it, he said. "There's not a whole lot being done about it. I don't know what can be done about it."

A paper prepared by Lt. Gov. Bill

Hobby supported Beto's theory. A burglar faces only a one-in-seven chance of being arrested, according to the Hobby paper.

Car thieves face a one-in-five chance of being identified. The highest arrest rate is for murder, where an offender has a four-in-five chance of being caught, according to Hobby.

"Moreover, these probabilities are slowly decreasing," the paper said.

The House Special Interim Committee on the Criminal Justice System, chaired by Speaker Bill Clayton, is pre-

paring recommendations for the 1983 Legislature.

Beto, who served as director of the Texas Department of Corrections from 1962 until 1972, said there is little that lawmakers can do to decrease crime. The answers, said Beto, must come through the home and community.

He said Texas' law-enforcement system is "inefficient." A state or national police force could do a better job, he said. However, Beto said he "wouldn't favor national police, because of my love of freedom."

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Possibility of self-injection raised in trial

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — Heiress Martha "Sunny" von Bulow could have injected herself with the insulin blamed for her irreversible coma, a doctor testified in her husband's attempted-murder trial.

Dr. H. Harris Funkenstein testified Wednesday that the only "viable explanation" for Mrs. von Bulow's 14-month coma was an injection of insulin, which triggered a near-fatal drop in blood sugar.

Funkenstein, who treated Mrs. von Bulow, said there were only "two plausible reasons" for the coma.

"These were, first, she had administered it (insulin) to herself, and the other, that someone had administered it to her," Funkenstein said. "We had heard from some individuals that there had been a question about depression that might offer a reason for the self-administration."

The prosecution said it would call witnesses today to testify about laboratory tests that revealed traces of insulin on a hypodermic needle Claus von Bulow allegedly used in the second of two attempts to kill his wife with insulin injections.

Prosecutor Stephen R.

Famigletti argues that von Bulow, 55, a Danish-born financial consultant, was moved by love for another woman and desire for half his wife's \$30 million utilities fortune to try to kill her during Christmas visits to the couple's Millonaires' Row mansion in 1979 and 1980.

Defense lawyer Herald P. Fahringer contends Mrs. von Bulow plunged herself into the coma through drug abuse, heavy drinking and overindulging in sweets which could trigger a drop in her blood sugar. Funkenstein, a neurologist and Harvard medical school graduate, said he examined Mrs. von Bulow when she was transferred to what is now Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston on Dec. 22, 1980, the day after she collapsed in the private bathroom of her mansion, Clarendon Court, and was rushed to Newport Hospital.

Funkenstein said Mrs. von Bulow, now 50, had suffered severe brain damage as a result of a drastic drop in the blood sugar which fuels brain cells.

He discounted Fahringer's suggestions that her extremely low body temperature and overdoses of aspirin and barbiturates could have



AP Laserphoto

Rhode Island state police detective lieutenant John Riese holds what has been characterized as the "black bag" during his testimony Wednesday at the Newport, R.I., trial of Claus von Bulow.

significantly contributed to damage that left her brain able to perform only "vegetative" functions such as maintaining breathing and heartbeat.

"The only viable explanation on that point became exogenous insulin; that is, insulin administered to the individual by injection," Funkenstein said.

He added that medical tests ruled out the possibility that liver disease or tumors on the insulin-

producing pancreas could have unleashed a flood within the body of the sugar-controlling hormone.

The conclusion led him to ask Mrs. von Bulow's daughter by a previous marriage, Annie-Laurie von Auersperg Kneissl, whether his patient might have had access to insulin.

"Her answer was that, in fact, she had no notion her mother had means of access to insulin," Funkenstein said.

Under questioning by Fahringer, Funkenstein said he had no reason to believe von Bulow might have injected his wife.

He added that he never noted the probability of a suicide attempt in medical records.

"It did not appear important in the management of this patient," Funkenstein said. "Suicide only becomes important if the patient survives."

Caputo sorry about faulty record

Former congressman was neither draftee or officer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bruce Caputo, a former Republican congressman now running for the Senate, says he never meant to mislead anyone when he repeatedly described himself as a former draftee and Army lieutenant even though he was neither.

"I'm not trying to represent myself as a war hero," he said in an interview this week. "If I misspoke, I'm apologetic."

Caputo, 38, who had a civilian job in the Pentagon during the Vietnam War, acknowledged that he never received a draft notice and was never inducted into the armed forces.

But he said he regarded his civilian Pentagon position as an equivalent experience.

"I consider myself having spent 2½ years doing something I never would have done in the absence of a requirement that I go do it. I had the status of an officer at the time. In loose terms, I did a 2½-year hitch. Now in technical terms, I suppose I had a military occupation."

Caputo, who was a member of Congress in 1977 and 1978, is the only Republican running against Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y.

Moynihan, whose aides have been quietly questioning Caputo's military record for months, said Wednesday that stories about the subject were "a startling revelation that I would not wish to comment on right now."

Caputo, of Yonkers, N.Y., said he was a graduate student at the Harvard Business School in 1967 and sought a job as an aide to then-Defense Secretary Robert McNamara when his student deferment was

near expiration.

With the job offer in hand, he secured an occupational deferment from his local draft board, which he kept until he was past likely draft age.

When answering a question at a news conference last fall, Caputo said: "I'm a former draftee and here's what I think. ... I'm not in favor of the draft now."

Although Caputo has called himself a former lieutenant and a draftee in numerous interviews and news conferences, he now concedes, "I never actually took an oath of office as an Army officer."

But as recently as last week, Caputo told a pair of news reporters who had not even asked about his military record: "I was a lieutenant. I had a 2½-year hitch."

When questioned about this several days later, Caputo said, "That's what most of us called ourselves."

"I was using loose language," he said at another point. "I didn't know we were having such a precise conversation."

In an interview in the Sunday magazine of the New York Daily News while he was in Congress, Caputo called his Pentagon post "a Godsend. Not only did I not get shot at, but I didn't pull some terribly monotonous duty in the Aleutian Islands."

In a separate article in New York magazine, also published during his one term as a congressman, Caputo is quoted as saying of his Pentagon job, "It was clearly the best way to handle the service."

Without it, he said, "I probably would have been an infantry lieutenant. I probably would have gotten killed."

Water pollution complaints to be heard

ODESSA — West Texans wishing to air complaints concerning oil-related water pollution may voice their grievances in a conference to be held here Friday by the Texas House of Representatives' water subcommittee of the Natural Resources Committee.

The conference will begin at 10 a.m. in Odessa College's Student Union Building.

The session is to collect testimony on underground water, which allegedly has been polluted by injection of brine in secondary recovery of oil or in disposing of brine in wells rather than pits.

Among those to be at the conference are Jerry Mulligan, director of the Texas Railroad Commission's

underground injection control division; Bruce Fink of the Texas Department of Water Resources' protective services division; Sonny Kretschmar, assistant director of the Texas Department of Water Resources; William Rose, House attorney for the subcommittee, and Texas Reps. Jerry Cokerham, a Monahan minister; Gerald Geisweidt, a Mason rancher-attorney; Charles "Chip" Staniswalis, an Amarillo businessman; J.W. Buchanan of Dumas; Ted Lyons Jr., a Mesquite attorney; and Foster Whaley, a Pampa rancher.

The TDWR is charged by law to investigate alleged water pollution in Texas, and the RRC is responsible for regulation of oil exploration and production.

Odessa may get new bank

Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — An application for a charter for Odessa Industrial Bank, 1216 S. Grant St., Odessa, has been filed with the Texas Department of Banking.

Proposed capital is \$400,000, with \$400,000 surplus and \$200,000 reserves.

Proposed directors, all of Odessa, are Rod R. Cagle, William O. Cooper, Manuel Hernandez, Michael J. McCulloch, Cliff Rowe, Marvis Simpson, Roy Veatch, Billy J. Edge and Robert E. Williams Sr.

Joe R. Long, Austin, is correspondent for the proposed bank.

No date for investigation of the application by Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and department examiners, nor for hearing by the State Banking Board, has been set.

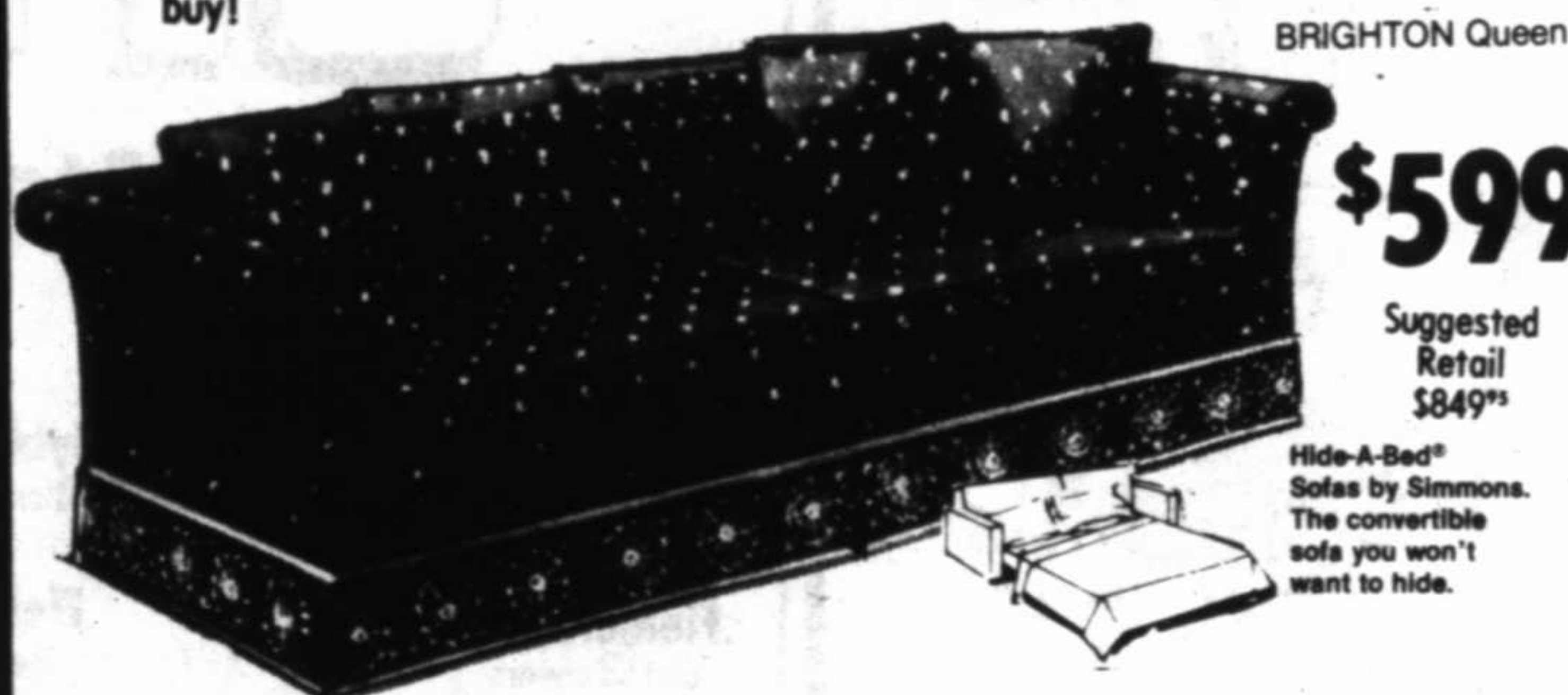
Stay granted

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A federal judge has granted a stay of execution for Samuel Hawkins, who is scheduled to die March 1 for the kidnapping-rap-beating death of Rhonda Keys, 12, of Amarillo.

Hawkins was convicted in Austin three years ago of the Feb. 3, 1976, murder of the girl. At the time of his trial, Hawkins also faced a death sentence for the 1977 stabbing of a pregnant, 19-year-old Borger woman and a 1976 aggravated rape in Hereford.

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DEATHS

Veda Hathaway

Graveside services for Veda Hathaway, 83, of 2405 Sinclair Ave., will be at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Odessa with Dr. O.A. McBrayer, minister of St. Luke's Methodist Church, officiating. Services are under the direction of Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hathaway died Tuesday in a Midland hospital following a brief illness.

She was born Oct. 17, 1898, in White City, Kan. She moved to Midland in 1976 where she resided there for a number of years.

Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Mary Hathaway of Midland; four brothers, Lester Carson of Kernville, Calif., Ivan Carson of Windsor, Calif., Ralph Carson of San Jose, Calif., and Harry Carson of Hobbs, N.M.; a sister, Nora Wallace of Long Beach, Calif.; and two grandchildren.

Jim W. Schroeder

Jim W. Schroeder, 75, of 2609 Cuthbert Ave., died Feb. 8 at his home.

Services were held Feb. 10 in the Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Dr. Daniel Vestal, minister of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were A.P. Baker of Alpine, James A. Wilson of Stanton, Bill Wilson, Bob Wilson, Jimmy Humble of Lovington, N.M., and Max H. Humble of Snyder.

Honorary pallbearers were Jno. P. Butler, Vondyl Willis of Wichita Falls, Al Harrison of Colorado City, Frank Dunlap of San Angelo, C.E. Hogue, Ed Darnell, Carroll Hill, Tom Wingo, Albert Clements, Dewayne Humble of Odessa, Fred Jamison of San Angelo, Jim Hartman, Bud Hamlin, James Mims, J.T. Baker, John Hill of Rockville, Md., Dr. John McKenna, Dr. E.W. McCullough and employees of the Arco Pipeline Co., Midland Station.

Influential jazz player dies; Manhattan funeral Monday

ENGLEWOOD, N.J. (AP) — A funeral service for Thelonious Sphere Monk, a composer and pianist described as one of the most influential figures in jazz, has been set for Monday in Manhattan, where Monk lived most of his 64 years.

The composer of "Round Midnight," "Straight No Chaser" and "Well, You Needn't," died Wednesday in Englewood Hospital, 12 days after he suffered a stroke.

Although he was frequently associated with musicians who developed the harmonic and rhythmic innovations of the "bebop" jazz style, his compositions and technique stood apart from the work of his colleagues.

"They think differently, harmonically," he once said of other leading jazz figures in the 1940s. "They play mostly stuff that's based on the chords of other things, like the blues and 'I Got Rhythm.' I like the whole song, melody and chord structure to be different. I make up my own chords and melodies."

Jazz writer Leonard Feather wrote that "although his compositions are his most important gift to jazz, he has extended his mastery of an individual piano technique to the point where his harmonic innovations, coupled with the stark, somber quality of his approach and the uniquely subtle use of dynamics, place him among the most important and influential figures in jazz."

"Monk is the guy who started it all; he came before both Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie," said drummer Art Blakey, whose band played the score Monk composed for the film, "Les Liaisons Dangereuses."

"Jazz," Monk once said, "is my adventure. I'm after new chords, new ways of syncopating, new figurations, new runs. How to use notes differently. That's it. Just using notes differently."

In the late 1930s and early 1940s, Monk played regularly at Minton's Playhouse in Harlem, where then-unknown musicians such as Parker, Gillespie and Kenny Clarke came to perform. The music that became known as bebop developed out of their jam sessions.

Monk led a quartet in the late '50s that included saxophonist John Coltrane. In the '60s, Monk gained wider popularity and worked regularly with a quartet that appeared in clubs and at concerts and festivals all over the world.

His public appearances became infrequent during the 1970s because of illness. His last official performance was at Carnegie Hall in 1976.

Lee Roy Boone

Graveside services for Lee Roy Boone, 78, of 704 Mineola, will be at 3 p.m. MST Friday at the Old Portales Cemetery in Portales, N.M., under the direction of Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Boone died Monday at his home. He was born Sept. 9, 1903, in Altus, Okla. He spent his early life in Oklahoma, the Texas Panhandle and in Clayton, N.M. He moved to Midland in 1951 for a short time before moving to Marble Falls. He returned to Midland in 1959 where he retired from the Calks Shop in 1968.

Survivors include two sisters, Ruth Runnels and Lavonia Dunn, both of Midland, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Jim C. Carter

Jim C. Carter, 59, of rural Midland, died Monday in a Midland hospital.

Services were Wednesday at Bellview Baptist Church with the Rev. G.A. Magee officiating. Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Gary Rhea, Jim Cobb, Ray McCarthy, Pete Mills, Dewey Thornton and Albert Stewart.

Honorary pallbearers were Warren Cate, Gene Jumper, Hugh Bliss, Ollie H. Jones and W.H. Measures.

Jeff L. Dixon

Services for Jeff L. Dixon, 18, of rural Midland, were Wednesday at the Newbie W. Ellis Funeral Home chapel with Patrick Willson, pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial followed at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Dixon died Sunday night in a Midland hospital.

Pallbearers were Sonny Hughes, Jerry Strauss of Gainesville, Mark Colburn, Lance Cox, Butch Borwn and David Granberry.

U.S. oil exec kidnapped, said released hours later

By TOM BALDWIN
Associated Press Writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Shiite Moslem gunmen described as disgruntled job applicants kidnapped a U.S. oil executive and two Lebanese on the coastal highway in southern Lebanon today, but co-workers said all three were released unharmed about seven hours later.

American Embassy spokesman John Reid said he too had been told by their employer the three had been freed and would soon be brought to the Lebanese capital. He had no other details.

Dr. Samira Ali Ahmed, wife of Ghaleb Ali Ahmed, the Lebanese general manager of the American-owned Mediterranean Refinery Company (Medreco), said friends called her from southern Lebanon to report that her kidnapped husband, his U.S. employer, Thomas E. Anderson, and their Lebanese driver were freed.

Anderson, 58, of New York City, is the managing director of Caltex Lebanon and vice president of Medreco. He has been in Lebanon for three years.

"They told me a while ago that all three men are in good shape. They were treated well in captivity and are now being provided with an escort to come home in Beirut," Mrs. Ali Ahmed said at the Beirut headquarters of Medreco.

Employees who handled the telex and telephone communications that involved negotiations for the release of Anderson, Ali Ahmed and the driver said the kidnappers belonged to no specific political party or militia in Lebanon.

The employees, who requested anonymity, said the abductors were Shiite Moslems who were unhappy with the way they were recently interviewed for jobs at Medreco.

The employees said the leader of Lebanon's pro-Iranian Shiite Moslem Amal organization — Nabih Berri — was instrumental in negotiating the release in response to appeals from the government.

A spokesman at Medreco's Beirut office said Anderson, Ahmed and the driver left Beirut at 6 a.m. for the 32-mile drive south along the coastal highway to Zahran, where the company operates Lebanon's largest refinery.

The gunmen reportedly leaped into the road as the car approached Zahran and fired their guns into the air, then forced the three men to drive off.

"Workers at the refinery heard the shots and saw what happened," said a company spokeswoman.

The Voice of Lebanon, the Christian Phalange Party's radio station, said the kidnappers took the three men to Ghaziye, a village north of Zahran reputed to be a stronghold of Amal.

The Voice of Lebanon said the refinery workers went on strike and stopped loading tanker cars at the refinery in protest against the abduction.

Amal has lately been at odds with the Palestinians and their leftist Lebanese allies because of clashes between Amal militiamen and pro-Iraqi and Communist groups in the leftist-Palestinian alliance.

Medreco accounts for 60 percent of Lebanon's domestic petroleum. It refines an average of 50,000 barrels a day of Saudi Arabian crude pumped to Zahran through the Trans-Arabian Pipeline (Tapline).

Jet engine fire causes evacuation

MIAMI (AP) — Passengers saw black smoke after they slid down emergency chutes to evacuate a jetliner when its tail engine burst into flames on takeoff, but those aboard said there was no panic.

"I heard a pop," said Norine Centofante, 24, one of the 47 passengers on Wednesday's Pan American Flight 975. "We weren't going very fast. We just stopped, and the stewardesses told everybody to get out."

Two passengers were injured in the emergency evacuation after the Orlando-bound Boeing 727 jetliner braked to a halt on a runway at Miami International Airport. None of the seven crew members were injured.

"A few people pushed, but no one panicked," said Ms. Centofante, a Huntington Beach, Calif., resident in Florida on her honeymoon. "It went very fast. I noticed smoke when I got to the ground."

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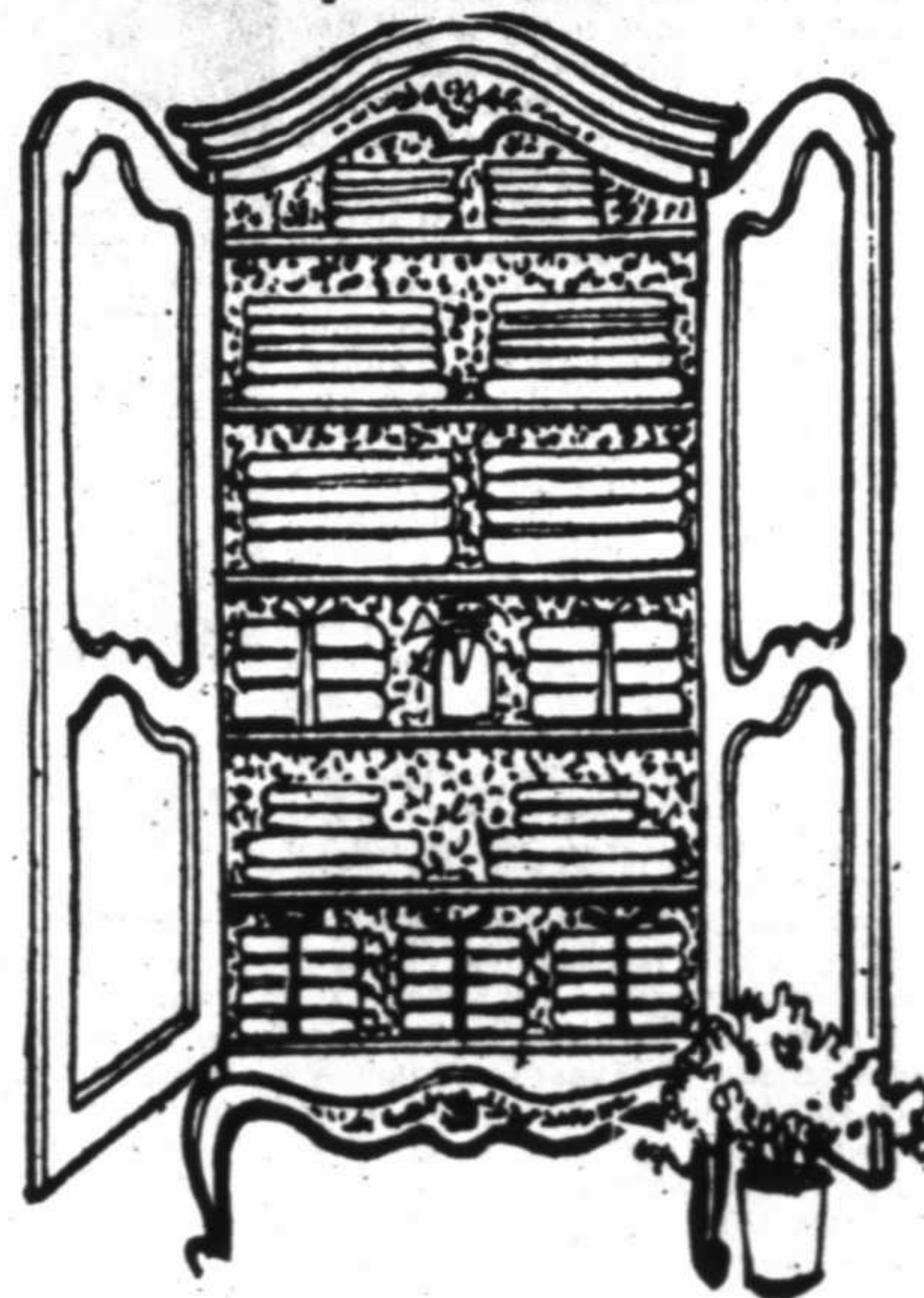
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Tara Fulton, Shannon Graham, Amy Palmer. Back Row: Coaches Gary Seth, Debby Hoisager and Kirsten Smith. Not pictured is Hubert Collins.

Staff Photo by Cody Bell

Chicago Cubs renegotiate Bill Buckner's contract

CHICAGO (AP) — Bill Buckner won his request to renegotiate he remaining three years of his contract with the Chicago Cubs and wound up with a five-year, \$2.6-million pact.

Cubs General Manager Dallas Green announced the signing Wednesday.

"We're pleased that this modification agreement between the Chicago Cubs and Bill Buckner could be consummated before spring training," Green said. "This will allow Bill and the rest of the club to prepare physically and mentally for the 1982 season and for the future."

Buckner's previous contract was paying him about \$300,000 a

year.

"I am getting paid between what I probably would have gotten on the free-agent market and what I was making before they renegotiated," Buckner said. "Most important is that I got the contract extended, which means, I hope, that I can stay here."

However, Buckner noted that he gave up the no-trade provision in his contract.

"Hopefully, I'll play well enough to earn what they're paying me and they won't want to trade me. But a trade is certainly a possibility," the 32-year-old first baseman said.

Heart attack claims ump

DUNMORE, Pa. (AP) — Nestor Chylak, a popular major league umpire, has died at the age of 59, the victim of an apparent heart attack.

Chylak was found dead Wednesday by his wife, Sue, at their home here, according to family friends. He umpired five World Series, four All-Star games and three American League championship series.

Chylak retired in 1978 after 25 years in the majors, but he stayed close to the field. Named assistant supervisor of umpires before the 1979 season, he passed his skills on to the younger umpires and worked to perfect his profession.

"He was certainly one of the greatest umpires of this era, if not the greatest," said American League President Lee MacPhail. "Baseball has lost a wonderful friend and a great umpire."

"Few have ever been more respected in his field than Nestor Chylak. Everyone looked up to him and I developed more respect every time I saw him in a World Series or All-Star game," said Commissioner Bowie Kuhn. "He continued to make invaluable contributions to baseball to the end through his supervisory position with the American League."

A native of Olyphant, a Lackawanna County community near Scranton, Chylak made his first official calls in 1947 for the Pony League, made up of teams from Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York.

He worked his way up through the minor leagues — the Canadian American League and the New England League in 1949, the Eastern League in 1950-51 and the International League in 1952-53.

"He had the confidence of young umpires on the staff, as well as the respect of the senior men," MacPhail said. "He was considered an outstanding teacher

and certainly one of the finest umpires in major league baseball in modern times. We are sure he will be a candidate for eventual Hall of Fame recognition."

Ron Luciano, former president of the Major League Umpires Association, added: "A lot of guys will be making a lot more mistakes because Nestor is not around. The umpiring has been getting better the last few years and one of the reasons was Nestor."

Chap linksters travel

Midland College's golfers resume golf competition Friday through Sunday at the Holder Invitational Tournament in Snyder, one of two warmup events before WJCC competition resumes.

Coach Delnor Poss looks upon the tournament as a good opportunity to get in some action against conference teams.

Slated to compete for MC, either on the team or as an individual entry, will be Bruce Carroll, soph letterman from Big Spring; Steve Goetzman, soph letterman from Austin; Pat O'Connor, freshman from Sioux City, Iowa; Mike Petersen, soph letterman from Sioux City; Bobby Tuttle, soph letterman from Andrews and David Waszak, soph letterman from Albuquerque, N.M.

MC plays in the Sam Houston State University Invitational March 7-9 and then plunges into WJCC play at Roswell, N.M., April 9; Hobbs, N.M., April 16, and at Odessa Country Club April 30, the season's final WJCC meet.

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Don't worry about commercial paper

Q. I have most of my money in what I consider to be a reputable money market mutual fund. The latest report I saw showed the fund's investment as follows: 4 percent, federal agency securities; 3 percent, repurchase agreements; 77 percent, certificates of deposit; 16 percent, commercial paper.

That 16 percent in commercial paper is beginning to worry me. I want my money to earn the highest possible yield, with the least risk. Would investing in a money market mutual fund holding only U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities be as safe as owning U.S. Treasury bills outright?

A. In theory, no. In practice, yes.

When you own a Treasury bill or any other debt obligation of the U.S. government, you have absolutely no worry about collecting your interest and principal.

When you put money into a money market mutual fund investing only in U.S. Treasury and federal agency obligations and repurchase agreements secured by "Treasury" and "agency" securities, the fund is your intermediary. Most "government-only" money funds invest in those "repos." While there is some very slight possibility the intermediary arrangement might lessen the safety of your investment, it really doesn't.

Because Treasuries and agencies pay lower interest than is available on other money market instruments, the yields on government-only money funds usually is lower than the yields on other money funds.

But, if you're looking for absolute safety, go for a government-only money fund. Plenty of other people are doing just that, making the government-only funds the fastest growing segment of the money fund business.

I do think, however, you are over-worried about your present fund's investments. Commercial paper is a short-term promissory note issued by a finance company or industrial corporation.

Most money funds invest only in high-quality commercial paper, rated A-2 or better by Standard & Poor's

Corp. and Prime-2 or better by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. There's no record of any money fund ever taking a financial bath in commercial paper.

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Q. Going through a listing of money market mutual funds, I see some invest in such things as "Repos" and "Yankee CDs." What in the world are those things?

A repo is a repurchase agreement. That's an arrangement through which a bank or brokerage firm sells a security and agrees to buy it back at the sale price, plus interest. Most money market repos have short maturities — sometimes just overnight.

A Yankee CD is a certificate of deposit issued by a U.S. branch of a foreign bank, which has American dollars on deposit. Then, there are Euro-dollar CDs — certificates of deposit issued by U.S. banks' foreign branches, which hold American dollars.

For definitions of all the types of investments an individual money fund is authorized to make, write to the fund and ask for a prospectus. All basic information about a mutual fund is spelled out in its prospectus.

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Q. Money market mutual funds holding U.S. Treasury and federal agency securities invest only in short-term securities. Why don't they buy Treasury bonds and notes with much longer maturities, many of which pay very high interest?

A. Because, if they did, they wouldn't be money market mutual funds. Money market funds invest in short-term securities and are able to keep the value of their shares constant — \$1 or \$10 a share.

Some mutual funds invest in long-term U.S. Treasury, federal agency and-or corporate bonds. They're called "bond funds" or "income funds." Their share values move up and down, in line with changes in the bond market. They're not money funds.

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Doyle welcomes written questions, but he will be able to provide answers only through his column. Address questions to Bill Doyle, King Features, c/o The Reporter-Telegram, Midland, Texas 79702.

BUSINESS MIRROR

Reagan's energy policy raises several questions

By ROBERT BURNS
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — As the battle over the federal budget grabs the spotlight of economic debate, most talk is of military and social needs. Yet questions persist about the Reagan administration's energy policy.

The main one is this: Is the administration relying too heavily on private industry to solve the nation's energy problems and to prevent another crisis?

Those who answer "yes" say the result could be disaster in the event of another oil disruption. But the administration insists the nation's energy future is brighter with less government — and more private — involvement.

The outcome of the debate is critical. The United States is in an energy transition, forced by the oil-price shocks of the 1970s to move from an oil-based economy to one fueled by a variety of resources.

Here are some questions and answers to help explain the debate over Reagan's energy policy:

Q. What is the administration's policy?

A. In the words of James Edwards, secretary of the Energy Department: "Conserve all we can and produce all we can." The key point, however, is that private industry should decide which energy resources are developed and when, according to Reagan's energy creed. The government only makes matters worse when it tries to help the energy industry, Edwards says.

Q. What's to argue about?

A. The disagreement comes from several sides. One involves the question of whether the government should prepare a plan for handling an oil emergency such as a cutoff from a major supplier. Both the House and the Senate have passed versions of a Standby Petroleum Emergency Authority Act that would authorize the president to allocate oil supplies and control prices in a severe oil shortage. The administration, however, has said it opposes such legislation. It prefers to let market forces determine prices and distribution during an emergency.

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The Dow Jones industrials dropped 3.71 to 827.63, their lowest close since they stood at 824.01 last Sept. 25.

Declines just slightly outnumbered advances in the daily tally on the New York Stock Exchange, and the NYSE's composite

left to market forces would create havoc and perhaps weaken national security. In a September 1981 report, the General Accounting Office urged passage of a plan for dealing with an oil emergency.

"The nation's almost total lack of emergency preparedness requires immediate attention," the GAO said. "The federal government bears the primary responsibility and must take concerted action to counter this serious threat to national security."

Q. What are the chances of an oil emergency?

A. Estimates vary, of course. The Department of Energy estimated in 1980 that the chance of a cutoff of 10 million barrels daily was as high as 50 percent. That would represent about one-sixth of all the oil consumed in the world each day. The department estimated that such a cutoff would cost the United States about \$325 billion if it lasted for a year.

Q. But what about the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. Won't that protect the United States?

A. If a cutoff of oil as large as 10 million barrels a day occurred today, the strategic reserve would be of little help. That's because it holds only about 240 million barrels in salt dome caverns along the Gulf Coast, or about 40 days' supply at the current rate of U.S. oil imports.

Most energy experts applaud the Reagan administration's effort to fill the reserve more quickly than did the Carter administration. The goal of 750 million barrels may be reached as early as 1990, says William Vaughan, the Energy Department's assistant secretary for emergency preparedness.

Q. Does the government play a role in developing alternative fuel resources?

A. Yes, but less so under the Reagan administration than previously. The Synthetic Fuels Corp. created during the Carter administration to help finance the development of synthetic fuels such as natural gas made from coal is a good example. The original goal of spending as much as \$88 billion on such projects has been sharply reduced, and most experts believe the quasi-government corporation will spend no more than \$15 billion.

Stock market loses

NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow Jones industrial index slipped .16 to 827.63. The only issue among the Dow's 30 components moving as much as a point was American Telephone & Telegraph, which led the active list and dropped 1 1/2 to 57.

Perkin-Elmer dropped 1 1/4 to 21 1/4 on top of a 2 1/4 point decline Tuesday.

Zenith Radio lost 1/4 to 12 1/2. Pharmaceutical stocks provided one bright spot. Smithkline rose 1/4 to 68; Upjohn 1 1/4 to 57 1/4; Merck

1/4 to 84 1/4, and Pfizer 1/4 to 57 1/4.

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