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Economic index off

WASHINGTON (AP) — A key government indicator of future economic trends plunged by the sharpest margin in four years last month, providing a strong sign of an economic slowdown, it was disclosed today.

A steep decline in building permits and the average work week caused the index of leading economic indicators to drop 1.2 percent in January, the Commerce Department said.

The dropoff followed declines of 0.4 percent in November and 0.1 percent in December.

In summer of 1977, however, the index also declined for three consecutive months but the economy kept on growing.

This time the government wants economic growth to slow somewhat as it tries to dampen inflationary pressures. It was not clear from the latest report whether the nation faces an orderly slowdown or a recession, as anticipated by some private economists.

Besides building permits and the work week, there were sharp declines in the money supply, which is considered bad for economic growth but an encouraging sign in fighting inflation.

Five of the indicators actually increased, including stock prices, factory orders, plant and equipment spending, vendor deliveries and a smaller layoff rate.

The January decline was the biggest since a 3 percent drop in January 1975.

The figures are adjusted for seasonal variations. The index has declined in five of the last six months of January.

The decline in building permits was important because the housing industry often feels the brunt of a slowdown first. New housing construction already has begun to drop sharply.

The economic indicators were combined with two other reports Wednesday showing continued inflation and a mounting trade deficit.

The Agriculture Department reported Wednesday that prices farmers received for all products rose by 3 percent in February. That followed jumps of 3 percent in December and 5 percent in January.

Overall, farm prices in February were 24 percent higher than a year ago.

Beef prices went up 7.2 percent in February alone and vegetable prices rose by 7 percent.

Higher prices for cattle, soybeans, hogs, calves, oranges and broiler chickens contributed most to the increase.

However, lower prices were reported for cotton, potatoes, turkey and barley.

Some of the increases have already shown up on

supermarket shelves, and consumers will see many others later.

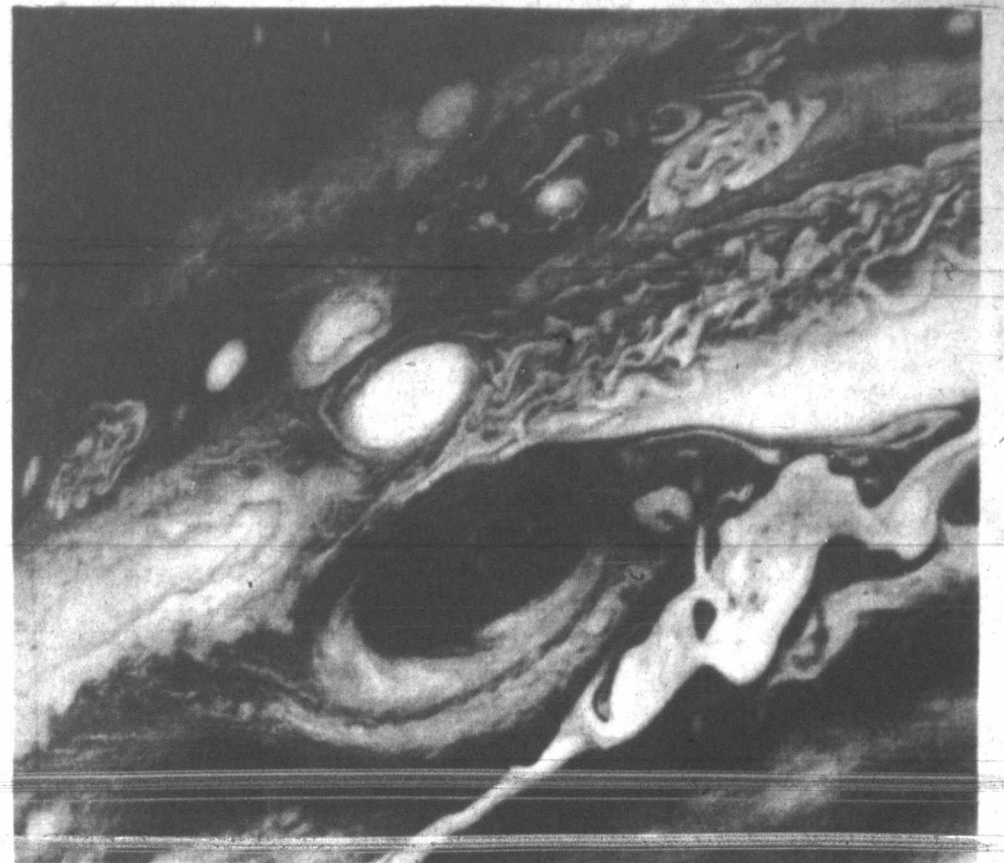
The increases have forced the department to raise its estimate of food price increases for 1979 from 7.5 to 8.5 percent. But Howard Hjort, the Agriculture Department's chief economist, said the actual 1979 food price increases could range from 6 percent up to 10 percent, depending on the weather and other factors, including inflation.

About 60 cents of every grocery dollar is paid to process, transport and sell food after it leaves the farm. Thus, inflation will be a major factor in pushing up grocery costs regardless of what happens to farm prices.

Another contributor to inflation last year was the nation's growing trade deficit, which led to a decline in the value of the dollar abroad.

In January, the nation's monthly trade deficit grew from \$1.7 billion to \$3.1 billion, largely because of a \$484 million increase in oil imports, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

"The oil increase may be attributable to a bulge in oil purchases before the (recent) higher prices by (half a dozen) oil-producing nations went into effect," said William Cox, Commerce Department economist.



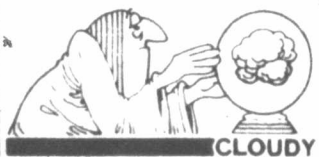
VOYAGER 1 sent back pictures of Jupiter recently that were released today. Shown above is the planet's Red Spot and its surroundings as taken from a distance of 5.7 million miles from Jupiter's surface. Cloud details as small as 100 miles across can be seen. Shown below is a mosaic of Jupiter that

was assembled from nine individual photos taken through an orange filter when the spacecraft was 4.7 million miles from the surface. Distortion of the mosaic is caused by rotation of the planet during the 96-second intervals between individual pictures. (AP Laserphotos)



Good afternoon

News in brief



CLOUDY

The weather forecast for Pampa calls for partly cloudy, windy and warmer conditions through Friday, with a chance of

thunderstorms on Friday. The probability of rain today is about 40 percent. The high today and Friday should be in the low 60s, with the low tonight in the upper 30s. Gusty southerly winds at 15-25 mph today and tonight are predicted to shift to the southwest at 25-30 mph Friday.

Officials consider street extension

City and county officials, meeting Wednesday with representatives of the state highway department, discussed plans to extend 23rd Avenue to intersect with Highway Loop 171.

The city wants to extend the street to provide quicker access to the city landfill for sanitation trucks. County cooperation is necessary because the street would have to be extended outside the city limits.

Mayor R.D. Wilkerson, City Manager Mack Wofford, County Judge Carl Kennedy and County Commissioner Ronnie Rice agreed to pursue and plan the 4,500-foot extension. Two tentative routes were selected, and they agreed to meet during the next month with property owners in the areas to discuss obtaining right-of-way.

The officials are unsure of how to fund the project, according to Wofford. He said an unpaved road might have to be installed, to be later paved when the money is available.

Health plan being drawn up

City Manager Mack Wofford will be in Dallas Friday as part of a Texas Municipal League committee drawing up a voluntary statewide health insurance plan for city employees.

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Hospital talks set

The Gray County Commissioners Court announced this morning that it will begin negotiations Friday with Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) for the leasing of Highland and McLean County Hospitals.

The corporation was selected from three which have submitted detailed proposals for leasing of the county facilities. The HCA proposal, submitted at the close of last year, has not been made public but reportedly calls for the building of a new hospital with 30 months.

Commissioners said today that the broad points of the original HCA proposal had been agreed to and "only technicalities" needed to be worked out.

Judge Carl Kennedy said HCA was "anxious to move as quickly as possible" in constructing a

new medical facility.

HCA is a Nashville-based firm with ten hospitals owned or managed in Texas.

The decision was announced in regular session of the Commissioners Court.

Although the court has apparently eliminated American Medical International from consideration for the contract, Commissioner Ted Simmons said "the court could still consider beginning negotiations with Hospital Affiliates International" if negotiations with HCA should happen to break down.

HCA was the second of the three corporations to show interest in the county hospitals and was the only company which did not make its formal proposal in regular session of the court.

More details will appear in Friday's News.

Change would affect federal government department

Reorganization plan announced

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter, yielding to anticipated political opposition, today announced modest reorganization plans that would transform the Interior Department into a new and bigger Department of Natural Resources.

In the second of two plans that will go to Congress, which has veto power, Carter also proposed to consolidate domestic economic development programs in the Commerce Department.

The administration claimed the planned natural resources shifts would yield eventual savings of \$100-million, mostly through personnel reductions.

The two plans will be formally submitted to Congress in the next few weeks. The natural resources proposal will go to Capitol Hill as a reorganization plan and would take effect 60 days after submission unless vetoed by either the Senate or House. The economic development plan will be part of normal legislation to reauthorize a Commerce Department agency.

The president's decision capped two years of frequently bitter

battles among Cabinet officers and top White House aides over who would control programs in these areas.

While Carter's proposals would shift 42,000 federal workers from one agency to another, plans previously considered by staff members would have moved far more agencies and renamed both the Commerce and Housing and Urban Development departments.

As outlined for reporters, here is how the two plans would work: The transformation of Interior into a Natural Resources Department would be accomplished by giving it the Agriculture Department's Forest Service and part of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Carter resolved a bitter turf fight between Housing and Urban Development Secretary Patricia R. Harris and Commerce Secretary Juanita M. Kreps in favor of Commerce.

Federal economic development loan authority of more than \$5 billion would be gathered in Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA).

This would include one existing EDA loan program, two Small Business Administration loan programs and the Farmers Home Administration's business and industry loan program, from the Agriculture Department. These programs comprise \$1.5 billion in loan authority.

In addition, EDA would function as the national development bank Carter unsuccessfully proposed last March as a major new item in his urban policy. There would be no independent bank, but EDA could guarantee loans and subsidize lower interest rates for businesses that build or expand in distressed urban areas.

The bank functions would have nearly \$3.7 billion in loan authority. Carter plans to propose legislation when Congress considers reauthorizing EDA later this year. That measure may encounter the same widespread resistance to a bank in any form that led Congress to kill the idea last year.



CHINESE WHO witnessed formal establishment of a U.S. Embassy in Peking Friday drink Coca-Cola served as a refreshment afterward. They were probably members of the Embassy staff since no official Chinese delegation attended the brief ceremony. However, some government officers came to a reception afterward. Coca-Cola recently won the right to be the official cola distributor in China. (AP Laserphoto)

Tax job called exciting

By JOHN PRICE
Pampa News Staff

With a single action of the city commission this week, Monty Gordon became one of the most eligible bachelors in town.

Gordon was appointed Tuesday as the city tax assessor-collector, tax job corr. A tax office employee for five - and - a-half years, he has served as acting assessor-collector since the end of January.

The 31-year-old Pampa native is a West Texas University graduate with an ongoing military career. Gordon had a brief stint in the army after college and is now a captain in the reserves.

He returned to Pampa in 1973 and signed on with the tax office. During his first year he did mostly secretarial work, and then switched to appraising. From there he went on to become a deputy assessor.

To get where he is today, Gordon had to attend about seven tax courses, complete with examinations, in Austin. He still lacks state certification as a tax assessor, which he hopes to get within a year or two.

Despite lack of certification, City Manager Mack Wofford said Gordon was the most qualified of several applicants for the assessor position.

Gordon admits to being somewhat excited about his new job, which he thinks is becoming more complicated each year because of such recent developments as the state tax relief amendment.

"I think tax work will be a pretty interesting field," Gordon said, "especially during the next two to three years, depending on what type of laws we get out of Austin. New tax laws may change the whole perspective."

Gordon's interests include music, plants, golf, waterskiing and weightlifting. He bought a few sets of weights at garage sales, and he and a friend work out three times a week. He also jogs ("You need the exercise with a desk job like this.")

His army reserve commitment takes from two to four weeks each year. He is looking forward to promotion to major, which will require a schooling session in Georgia during the summer.

"It's good experience," Gordon said about his reserve work. "A lot of what you pick up there you can use here - it's all leadership."

Gordon has been involved in the Pampa Jaycees for about five

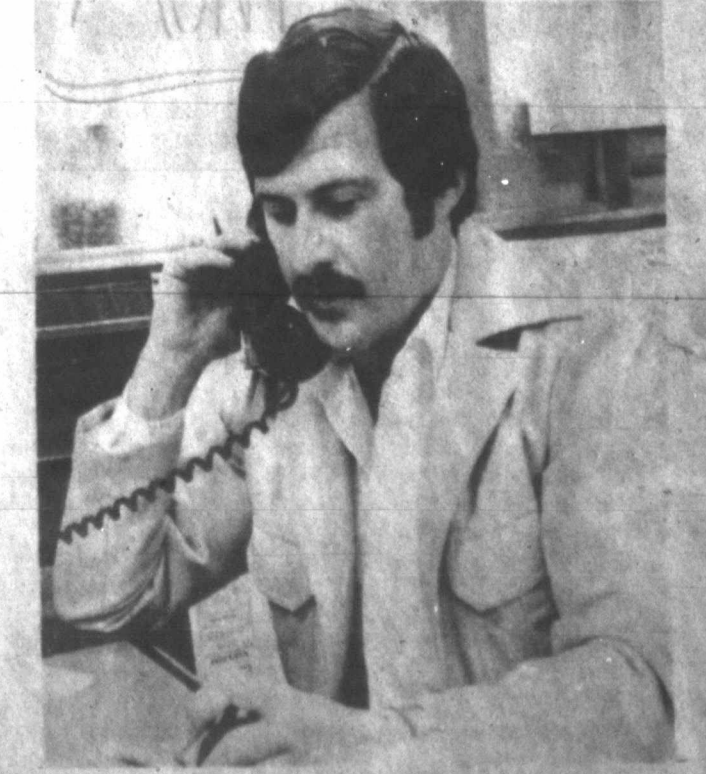
years. He's a member of the board, and has served as secretary and treasurer.

The most challenging aspect of his new job, Gordon said, is "working with the people."

"I guarantee you that's a challenge," he said. "You're trying to satisfy a governmental body on one side and get along with the public on the other. You're right in the middle."

Helping him steer a steady course will be an experienced staff. The combined experience of two of the office secretaries totals 25 years.

"They'll keep me straight," Gordon said with a smile.





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This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessing. For only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that all men are equally endowed by their Creator, and not by a government, with the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property and secure more freedom and keep it for themselves and others.

To discharge this responsibility, free men, to the best of their ability, must understand and apply to daily living the great moral guide expressed in the Coveting Commandment.

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OPINION PAGE

Mexico's role: energy exporter

The sharply increased estimates of Mexican oil and gas reserves are perceived in the United States as a promise of relief from our dependence on energy sources in the unstable Middle East. They are perceived in Mexico, however, as the best opportunity history has ever afforded to relieve that country of its economic dependence on the United States.

The task for President Carter and President Jose Lopez Portillo, is to put the U.S. - Mexican relationship on a footing where these perceptions can be at least partially satisfied. So far, these contrasting viewpoints have threatened to set back the improvement in relations which began when Lopez Portillo visited Washington two years ago.

Energy Secretary James Schlesinger did not accompany the president to Mexico City. This suggests Carter will not attempt on this visit to revive the negotiations for importing Mexican natural gas which went sour more than a year ago, and will deal only in generalities with the companion issue of increasing our imports of Mexican oil from the present 350,000 barrels a day, a small fraction of our total import needs.

When Schlesinger vetoed the gas deal because Mexico was asking a price out of line with what we pay for gas from Canada, Lopez Portillo announced that Mexico had decided not to sell us any gas after all. However, since the United States is the logical market for gas that must be used or wastefully burned off when it comes out of the ground with Mexico's oil, this may not be the last word on the subject.

But it obviously was the first word in an effort by Lopez Portillo to begin redefining the "special relationship" between the United States and Mexico. Hitching their oil and gas development to U.S. energy policy is not what the Mexicans have in mind, if we read him correctly. Mexico is looking for less U.S. influence, not more. It sees its new role of energy - exporter as a means of diversifying its economic relationships and off-setting the gravitational pull of the United States as the predominant source of its capital and trade.

So what does energy mean to U.S. - Mexican relations? Both of the presidents must face the fact that, for all the significance of Mexico's oil and gas reserves, they are not going to work any overnight miracles - either in meeting our energy needs or in transforming Mexico into a more economically independent nation. There are practical limits to how soon Mexico's proven and potential reserves can be brought into production, and economists generally agree that a sudden flood of oil wealth would overwhelm the country's ability to manage the resulting social and economic change.

What we see emerging is a new context for working out a relationship dictated as much by geography as by policies of two governments. It is proximity that creates most of the issues on the U.S. - Mexican agenda. Energy is not so much a new issue as a new factor to be considered in dealing with such familiar and rankling issues as trade preferences and illegal immigration.

This expense is not necessary

What are we coming to?

It was reported in a recent United Press international story that taxpayers shelled out \$1.2 million to install sophisticated color television equipment and another \$278,000 per year for salaries of 12 technicians to run a television system in the U.S. House of Representatives.

The story also said that the first month of coverage would be only for the 435 members, who have special receivers in their offices so they don't have to go to the floor to keep track of what's happening.

This is ridiculous.

Why should we of Gray County, or anywhere for that matter, be compelled to see our hard-earned taxes going for unnecessary frills such as this?

To compound the matter, our

"esteemed" elected officials have publicly stated over and over that they are for "austere" fiscal measures.

If this is an example of austerity, then we are definitely in trouble.

We see no reason why legislators, who are already overpaid and over-compensated for their "services," should be given any more freebies (or promotion) at the expense of the citizenry.

Even if this system is intended to "benefit" us, through monitoring House activity, we still see no justification for the money involved.

After all, who wants to watch a thrilling session of "Life on the Hill" when there are still re-runs of "Andy Griffith," "Gomer Pyle USMC" and "I Love Lucy" available?

Veto power curbed

Members of the U.S. Senate are not elected to appoint federal judges in their states. The Constitution did not give them any power in these appointments except to ratify the choices made by the president. And yet they have asserted de facto appointing power for years.

A senator has been allowed to exercise an automatic veto of any candidate for judicial appointment in a federal court serving his state. The other members of that exclusive club which is the upper house of the Congress have given him that "courtesy" as an exercise of personal privilege.

Now Sen. Edward M. Kennedy D-Mass., has taken over as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and he says he will no longer allow such automatic vetoes of judicial appointments by individual senators. Instead the entire committee will consider any senator's objection.

That's good, but it doesn't go far enough. The objection should never be peremptory. It should be for cause, and the cause should be stated in writing so that the committee could consider evidence on the matter on its merits along with other evidence of the appointee's judicial qualifications or lack of them.



by butler d. shaffer

The new ugly American

You remember the book and the movie, The Ugly American, don't you? They portrayed an insensitive, crude, abusive, American whose pushy, "big-time-spender" attitudes in his foreign travels left a distasteful impression of American people. Well, this klutz is not only back with us, he holds down the office of American-in-Chief. Not since a drunken American staggered into a European cathedral and tried to blow out all the candles, has one man done so much to embarrass his homeland as Jimmy-the-Glorious.

His peccadilloes began in Poland about a year ago when, upon his arrival at the airport, he launched into an ill-translated speech in which he acknowledged the "lustful" desires of the Polish people. He went on to explain how he had "abandoned" the United States, and when his trip was over, the Poles must surely have been convinced that Chico Marx was ensconced upon the American throne.

When Jimmy-the-Navigator later stodd for the playing of the national anthem, only to be facing the opposite direction of the

American flag and 100 percent of the audience, his having to be physically turned around by an aide was generally looked upon as one of those embarrassing vagaries that represents the onset of senility. And when one of his closest aides allegedly peered down the front of the dress of the wife of an Egyptian official and made a vocal comparison with the great pyramids of Egypt, or when Jimmy's own brother paused, while escorting a delegation of Libyan officials, to assault the side of a building with his metabolic byproduct, people began to squirm a bit more, although many tried to explain these acts as the unexpected buffooneries of those who sit behind the throne. After all, didn't Gerald Ford have the barber-shop mentality of Earl Butz to overcome? Perhaps, many thought, these embarrassing episodes with foreign officials are not all the fault of Jimmy-the-Sincere.

But, as if to erase any such doubts, Jimmy put his act into high gear. He began by announcing — without benefit of advice

from members of Congress — that he was now prepared to recognize Red China and, at the same time, pull the rug out from under the Taiwanese government and all but invite the Red Chinese to move in and take over. Talk about "ugly Americans." No gold-digger in a 1940s grade-B movie ever dropped a life-long friend for a one-night stand with Diamond Jim with such heartless abandon. At least the "scheming woman" would not have left her erstwhile lover out in the cold to die. But Jimmy simply ignored such matters: he "took the money and ran," so to speak, without bothering to look back.

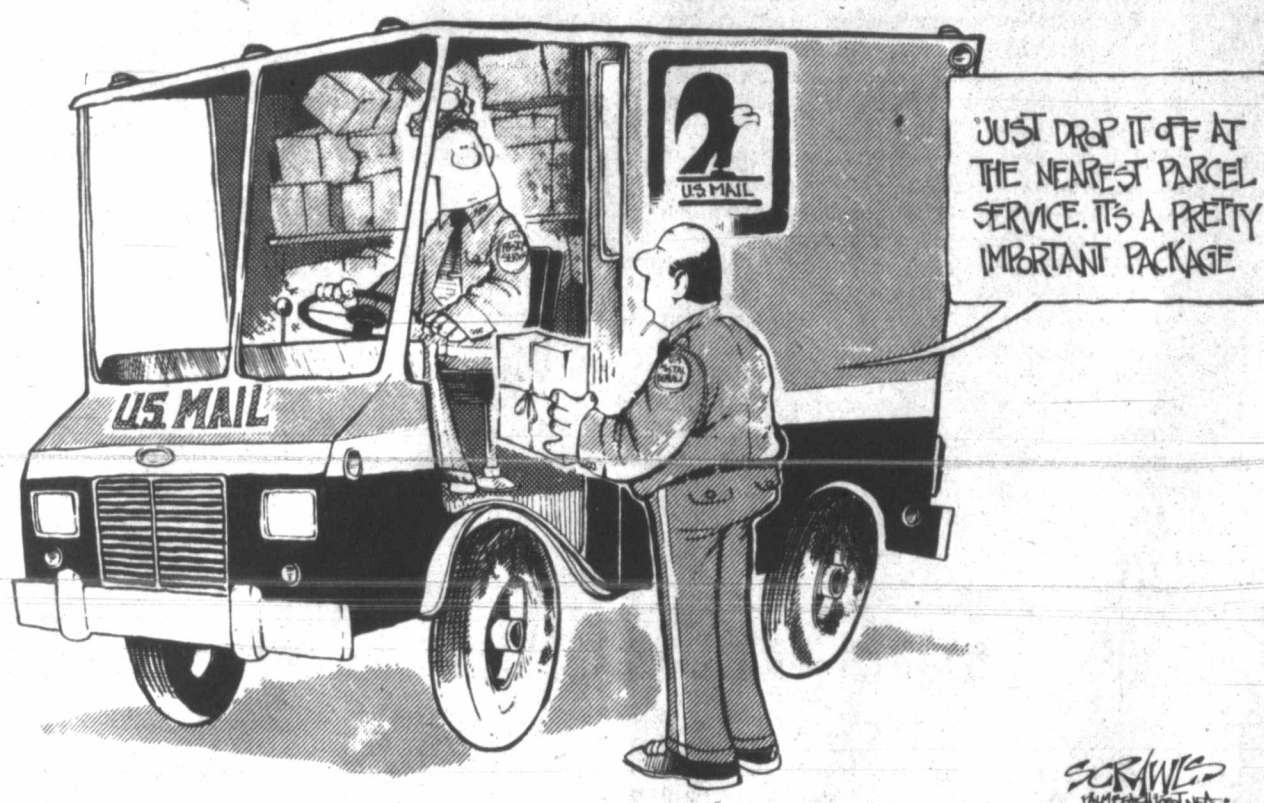
Then Jimmy decided to go after the Mexican people. Who would have thought that an American president, having just listened to the president of a host nation berate the American government for its insensitivity to the Mexican people, would stand up — at the same ceremony — and crack a "joke" about the water, "Montezuma's Revenge," and "running" for office? This may well be a subject for conversation among a group of American

sailors on a weekend in Tijuana, or the rhetoric we might expect from Archie in reacting against the suggestion of eating in a Mexican restaurant, but from our illustrious Leader?

If I ever hear that Jimmy plans to visit the Soviet Union, I will run right out and invest my inflated dollars in a bomb-shelter. I can just imagine this plantation-nabob hot-footing it into the Kremlin to make a crack about the water, and how he had come down with the "Trotskys."

I don't know what more our resident "ugly American" has planned to precipitate the total collapse of American prestige abroad. Perhaps he will take John Wayne and Randolph Scott on a good-will tour of Japan. Maybe he plans a visit to black Africa, taking with him enough watermelon and fried chicken for any number of state banquets, at which he could wow his audiences with some of the old "Rufus 'n' Rastus" jokes that were standard fare around Plains back in the 1940s.

Just imagine how far Henry VIII might have gone with a little P.R. and a smile!



by paul harvey

Why does the earth turn

Why does the Earth turn?

Assorted scientists have asked the question for generations and they have left it unanswered.

Perhaps, if we could figure out what makes the Earth turn we could harness its energy for other uses.

A medical doctor in Evansville, Ind., F.J. Noveroske, thinks he knows and it can't cost us anything to hear him out.

The Indiana State Medical Assn. was sufficiently impressed with his treatise that it was republished in the official journal of that association.

And all of us, however skeptical, have to be impressed at least with the audacity of any visionary who presumes to define what makes the world turn.

In essence, Dr. Noveroske is convinced

that the planet Earth is a "gigantic electric motor."

An electric motor, of course, consists of a rotor with its internal magnetic field surrounded by an external magnetic field, the one responding in rhythm to the other.

Evidence? Well we know that the Earth has a magnetic core with North and South poles and that there is a strong field of particulate radiation around the Earth — the Van Allen belt.

This belt of concentrations of electrons and protons is shaped by the Earth's magnetic field is trapped and reshaped as the Earth moves around the sun.

So, if the action-reaction cycle is what causes the Earth to turn like the rotor of a motor, the Sun is the ultimate source of the turning power.

Understandably, when you and I are accustomed to A.C. electric motors turning at 3,600 revolutions a minute it is difficult for us to think of anything which turns only once every 24 hours as "a motor."

But when you consider the torque necessary to turn such a huge mass, it is impressive that we on the surface of the "rotor" are moving through space — on the surface of the spinning sphere the circumference of which is about 24,000 miles. While standing still, we are moving 1,000 miles an hour!

Shouldn't that blow your hair?

Physicists and astronomers have long held to the Elzasser Theory that planet Earth is a generator, that it rotates in a frictionless environment on nothing more than momentum.

But that widely held theory has led no place as far as harnessing environmental electricity is concerned.

Now here comes a Hoosier medical doctor daring to advance the "revolutionary" theory that the Earth, instead of a generator, is a motor.

And this intriguing theory crosses my desk at the same time that I hear from electrical engineers who have measured unexplained induced "current" in the Alaska pipeline.

An interesting if insignificant footnote: In Polish the name "Noveroske" literally means "man who goes backward."

Public opinion

Letter to the Editor

Life — each marching to the beat of a different drummer. Individuals striving for self awareness, self improvement. Education of the mind and soul is achieved through various means: interaction of peoples, experiences good and bad, challenges to meet, problems to solve, roles to play. And, even in our leisure time and with entertainment there are lessons to be learned. Academics are necessary, true — but must be properly balanced with appreciation for and knowledge of the function of the arts. That's when you've got culture. But, culture also has quality, not necessarily quantity!

In this community, we have little exposure to cultural events. Let's see, there's football — hardly an artistic experience but it gets the crowd and the monetary support. And, of course — we can't forget the Pride of Pampa! — the high school band, strong in numbers and an abundance of exciting invitations to perform to prove they are a group of perfectionists. And, the choir — yes, they have sustained high standards and support as well. The Pampa Fine Arts Association sponsors cultural events and experiences. Las Pampas Galleries and Marsh's have a fine, but limited, selection of conservative art — and that's commendable. Now, what's missing??

!!Dramatics — but... yeah... who cares if drama is not a strong point in this cultural exposure we need. Drama — a group of crazy people trying to be other people — adults or high school students pretending — absurd!! And, not only that — there's rumors that theatre people are rowdy, may even yell and argue — But, does every member of the football team or the band adore and respect the coach or director 100 percent of the time?! Maybe creative people are just weird. They aren't stagnant. They have imagination, talent to create, to entertain. So, why do we think TV and movies are all the entertainment or

"theatre" exposure we need? We're lazy, right?! It takes too much effort to get out of the recliner and see a play — who cares? We're apathetic — a contemporary epidemic in many aspects: expecting everything to be convenient, quick, and hassle-free. Well, I say, "You don't know what you're missing when you've never seen a play." It's rewarding for the audience to see an actor in the flesh. And, an active member of a production is rewarded by seeing good teamwork, individual control to create a character, satisfaction in seeing a good set design and a joy with a responsive audience and applause. But... who cares? Who needs drama??

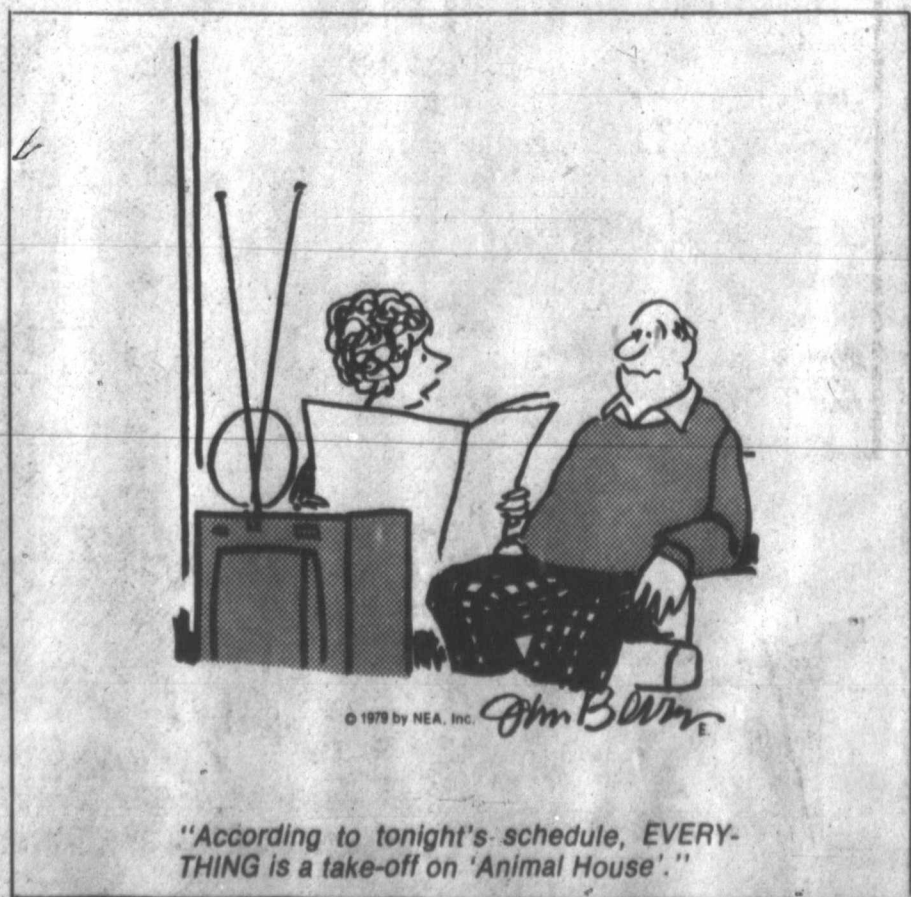
I know many who benefited from drama. I did. It brought me out of a shell, gave me many rewarding experiences. The challenge is there, the benefits are there for many people — our high school students in particular. And these students are involved in a program that can't always prove its success by invitations to California or Ireland. And, because the program doesn't involve fifty or a hundred students doesn't mean it's not worthwhile. This drama department has had successes — students chosen for all-star cast in UIL contests — some students have continued in drama to work in professional theatre in some capacity.

Considering the aesthetically unappealing and poor facilities which don't attract many students — and the low budget that is to be used for production and needed materials, the Pampa High School Drama Department has done their best. When a community is apathetic, unsupportive or frequently attempting to be judicious, it's hard to keep spirits and quality high in the department.

I say let's show equal enthusiasm and monetary support to the drama department that we give other programs our children are involved in.

Sara

Berry's World



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, March 1, the 60th day of 1979. There are 305 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1781, the American Articles of Confederation were adopted by the Continental Congress in Philadelphia, paving the way for a Federal Union.

On this date:

In 1562, 1,200 French Huguenots were slain in a massacre at Vassy, France, provoking the first War of Religion in France.

In 1780, the Pennsylvania legislature passed an act abolishing slavery.

In 1867, Nebraska became the 37th state.

In 1872, Congress authorized the creation of Yellowstone National Park.

In 1932, the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh was kidnapped from the couple's home near Hopewell, N.J.

In 1954, five congressmen were wounded by three Puerto Rican nationalists firing wildly from the gallery of the House of Representatives in Washington.

Ten years ago: A jury in New Orleans acquitted businessman Clay Shaw of conspiring to kill President John Kennedy.

Five years ago: A Federal grand jury in Washington indicted seven Nixon aides, including H.R. Haldeman, John Ehrlichman and John Mitchell, on charges of covering up the Watergate scandal.

One year ago: The price of gasoline in the Soviet Union was doubled, and Moscow officials gave as a reason the growing cost and difficulty of developing the remote Siberian oilfields.

Today's birthdays: National Football League Commissioner Pete Rozelle is 53. Poet Robert Lowell is 62. British comedian Michael Flanders is 57.

Thought for today: One cannot know everything — Horace, Roman poet and satirist, 65 to 8 B.C.

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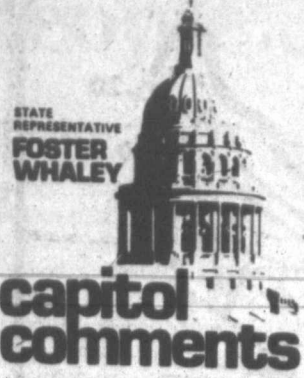
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Gov. Bill Clements gave his budget message to a joint session in the House of Representatives on Feb. 21. Deep cuts were made in such programs as public education. Close to half a billion dollars was cut from the recommended Public School Budget of the Legislative Budget Board.

However, he made startling increases in aid to students attending religious colleges and universities. Clements asked that close to 45 million dollars be expended over the next biennium. This was a 228 percent increase over the preceding two years.

The state constitution strongly prohibits appropriating funds for sectarian purposes. Article I, Section 7 reads: "No money shall be appropriated or drawn from the treasury for the benefit of any sect, or religious society, theological or religious seminary; nor shall property belonging to the state be appropriated for any such purposes."

The real intent of the constitution has been circumvented by having the students' checks mailed to the business offices of the private colleges and universities. The student is then required to come in and sign a student affirmation form which authorizes the institution to deposit the Tuition Equalization Grant against that particular student's school account.

Of the 40 schools that are members of Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas (ICUT), only Rice and possibly one or two others, are considered truly independent of any religious affiliation.

Just one day before Clements announced his recommendations to drastically increase aid to these religious colleges, he spoke in Austin at the 10th Annual Assembly of Representatives of the Texas Conference of Churches. His separation of church and state topic irritated the audience. I quote Clements: "I have strong feelings that the place of the church is not in politics. So long as the church maintains its relationship with our Texas state government on an arms-length basis - so long as it maintains its separateness while continuing to exert a very strong ethical influence - that is the way for the church to address that source of power."

In my opinion, Clements was right in the above statements but I can't see how he is being consistent when the day following this statement he recommends that we pour 45 million dollars of aid to religious colleges. The sad thing about it is the concession the Church Schools are willing to make in religious principal to get these funds. For instance, an Attorney General's opinion was issued by John Hill in 1974 that states: "Where an institution of higher education

requires as an established fixed policy that all of its trustees, officers, faculty and staff members acknowledge belief in and adhere to a particular and detailed religious doctrine and refuses to hire a person as a staff member because of the person's religious beliefs, it would be an abuse of discretion for the co-ordinating board, Texas college and university system to find the institution qualified to participate in the Tuition Equalization Grant Program as a non-sectarian institution."

Those grants are awarded to students attending non-public colleges or universities.

The presidents of these religious colleges and universities are required to sign a certified statement that they will comply with the above policy.

In my opinion, grants to religious colleges was a severe mistake in 1974 when it was first lobbied for by religious colleges. In 1971 the State spent only one million dollars. But the foot in the door approach has worked well. The program has expanded at an alarming rate. In 1972 \$3 million was spent; 1973 - \$5 million; 1974 - \$7.5 million; 1975 - \$7.5 million; 1976 - \$9 million; 1977 - \$10.4 million and school year 1978 - \$9.10.6 million will have been spent.

Clements has recommended we expand it to provide \$22.0 million in 1980 and \$22.3 million in 1981.

Originally, a student was eligible to receive a maximum of \$600. Clements recommends that this be raised to \$900 per student. The religious college lobby is calling for authorization of an equalization grant that would be equal to 50 percent of the cost of the state appropriation for a full-time student in a public senior college or university. That would be \$1200 per student, but would increase as educational costs rise. At this rate of increase it is projected this program will be costing well over \$100 million within the next few years.

The argument advanced by the religious college lobby group is, "We are saving the state money by keeping students from attending public institutions." This argument doesn't hold water. Space is now going wanting in many of the state institutions. If the state were required to build new facilities for the 20,000 students now receiving grants on this program they would be right.

However, my preliminary investigation reveals that should the grants be dropped and all of these students register at our public institutions, it would affect the enrollment less than three percent.

The main reason most students attend a religious institution is for the great influence of Christian education. This is a fine reason and I admire the parents and students who make this decision. But I am strongly opposed to taking tax money from the public and awarding grants to individuals and private and religious institutions. The Legislature and the governor have been well lobbied on this topic. This would never pass at the ballot box if it were properly explained.

And finally, if it is right and just to appropriate funds to religious and private institutions of higher learning - then when will someone open the door for the support of parochial schools below college level?

Texans 'mad' about taxes

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Despite \$450 million worth of tax cuts from the 1978 Tax Relief Amendment, Texans remain "mad as hell" about property taxes, says Rep. Bennie Bock II. Bock, D-New Braunfels, presented his answer to a House subcommittee on Wednesday — spending an eighth of Texas' state sales tax on public schools in place of property taxes.

The subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee also heard a bill declaring a moratorium on motor fuel taxes on the gasoline-alcohol blend called "gasohol" until the product becomes competitive. It will report later to the full committee on both measures.

Bock's bill would cost \$675 million over the next two years. In the 1979-80 school year, a district would receive \$110 per pupil but only if it cut taxes by \$90 a student or 50 percent, whichever was less.

"The people of this state are impatient and I don't blame them. Everybody I have been in contact with over the past few years is mad as hell about their property taxes," he said.

Bock added that implementation of the Tax Relief Amendment "may be just a temporary solution."

John Veselka of the Texas Association of School Administrators objected that the bill does not recognize "the unique needs of individual districts and individual students."

"The \$20 per pupil for added expenditures doesn't deal adequately with inflation, new program costs and enrichment by local districts," he said.

"If a community has a concern with improved educational programs it should have the ability to raise funds for those programs," Veselka said.

The gasohol bill received support from agricultural

interests and the American Automobile Association but was opposed by road builders because it would reduce income to the State Highway Fund.

Agriculture Commissioner Reagan Brown, the state's top promoter of converting grain, corn, "sweet potatoes, persimmons, watermelons, ground-up mesquite trees — anything that has sugar content" to alcohol, said it would provide new markets for farmers.

Sam Stone of Austin, representing the American Automobile Association, said AAA chapters in other states report gasohol is "a boon to the motoring public in those states."

Rep. Bill Keese, D-Somerville, the sponsor, said a car that uses unleaded fuel could burn a 90-10 gasoline-alcohol blend without modifications and would get better mileage.

"Being from the East Texas Bible Belt, I don't want to have any alcohol bills coming through

my committee," said subcommittee Chairman Jim Browder, D-Coldspring.

"We would not have anything but denatured alcohol in it, and denatured alcohol is poison," Keese said.

Jim Short of the good roads association said motor fuel taxes in Iowa fell about \$39 million, or by one-sixth, over the first five years of a tax exemption for gasohol.

Citrus sheds lack fruit

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — Chuck Schneider's prematurely empty citrus packing shed stands as testimony to his abilities as a prognosticator.

Back in January after a hard freeze crippled the Rio Grande Valley's multi-million dollar citrus industry, Schneider said, "most of us will be out of fruit by the end of February."

And on Wednesday, the end of February, the owner of Progressive Groves Packing Shed in Weslaco said, "Today's going to be my last day. I've got a few grapefruits to run but I'm out of oranges."

A check of Valley packing sheds and citrus associations showed much of the same throughout the area. Two freezes — a mild one in December and a hard one in January — have cut the shipping season by more than two months.

"We may be able to go through next week," said Charles Rogers, owner of a

Donna shed. "Usually we go through May."

Les Whitlock, general manager of the Texas Valley Citrus Committee, said only nine of the about 30 shippers are still sending fruit north.

"But it's just a little bit. It's a trickle compared to what it should be," Whitlock said. "It's just about over with, all except the history writing."

Jay Holford, president of the Texas Citrus Exchange, said the crop loss has been great but many growers were able to salvage the season by rushing damaged fruit to the juice plants. Holford and Whitlock agreed that juice prices have been good this season.

The juice plants have been working 24 hours a day since the Dec. 10 freeze, Holford added.

Whitlock estimated that the Valley shipped 25 percent fewer oranges this season as compared to last. He also estimated that p to the late orange crop will be down some

75 percent from last season.

Holford figures the current grapefruit crop will be about half of last season's.

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BARRON, Clara - 11 a.m., Kehel Funeral Home, Anchorage, Alaska.
BEADLE, Frank - 3 p.m., Bible Baptist Church, Borger.
GREER, Candace Rachel - 2 p.m., Memorial Gardens Cemetery.
TURMAN, Elsie Lou - 4:30 p.m., Resthaven - Singleton Chapel, Lubbock.

deaths and funerals

INFANT CANDACE RACHEL GREER

Graveside services for Candace Rachel Greer of 1104 Crane will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Memorial Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Timothy Koenig of the Zion Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will follow under the direction of Duenkel-Smith Funeral Home.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Greer.

Survivors include the parents; one sister, Cindy of the home; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. O.H. Ernst of Pampa and Mrs. Jewell Greer of Pampa.

CLARA BARRON

WASILLA, Alaska - Services for Clara Barron, 49, will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Kehel Funeral Home in Anchorage, Alaska.

Mrs. Barron was raised in Pampa where she graduated from high school in 1946. She was married to Roy Barron the same year.

She is survived by her husband of the home; five sons, Mike of Anchorage, Robert and David of Big Lake, Alaska, David and Steven of the home; two daughters, Lori of the home and Timbi of Anchorage; three brothers, Jerry, Dale, and Derrel Davis, all of Pampa; two sisters, Mrs. H.T. Hampton of New Orleans and Mrs. Kenneth Kyle of Perryton and nine grandchildren.

ELMIRA WHITE

CANADIAN - Services for Elmira White, 79, will be held at 2 p.m. today at the First Baptist Church here with the Rev. Dinzel Leonard, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Canadian Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Home. She died Tuesday in Amarillo.

Mrs. White had been a resident of Canadian until she moved to Amarillo in 1952.

She was survived by four sons, Wilson of Tulsa, Leroy of Arlington, Billy and J.T. of Amarillo; three daughters, Bertha Totten and Cleo Wren both of Fort Worth, Myrtle Edwards of Jacksonville, Fla.; two brothers, Fred Ramsey of Benson, Ariz. and Ora of Canadian; three sisters, Dorothy Davis of White Deer and Evelyn Curlee of Amarillo and Pearl Owens of Dumas; 18 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

FRANK BEADLE

BORGER - Services for Frank Beadle, 77, will be held at 3 p.m. Friday at the Bible Baptist Church here with the Rev. Leonard Forsythe officiating. Burial services will follow in Highland Park Cemetery under the direction of Minton Mortuary.

Mr. Beadle had been a resident of Borger since 1925. He was a member of the Bible Baptist Church and the Mason Lodge 42 Isom.

Survivors include his wife, Olive of the home; a daughter, Roxie Parkhurst of Borger; one son, Franklin D. of Amarillo; four brothers, Jack of Odessa, Delbert of Fort Worth, Waymond Moore of Artesia, N.M., Alva of Long Beach, Calif.; three sisters, Ruth Chaffin of Hugoton, Kan., Lena Anderson of Hugoton, Ada Fellers of Hugoton; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

ELSIE LOU TURMAN

Services for Elsie Lou Turman, 78, of Lubbock will be held 4:30 p.m. at the Resthaven - Singleton Chapel there with the Rev. E.D. Throckmorton of Lubbock officiating. Burial services will follow in the Resthaven Memorial Park there. She will lie in state Thursday at Carmichael - Whately Funeral Home. She died at Highland General Hospital 10:05 p.m. Wednesday.

Mrs. Turman had been a resident of Lubbock until more than a year ago when she moved to Pampa. She had been a Licensed Vocational Nurse, working at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock for 20 years. Her husband, J.W., died Dec. 30, 1969.

Survivors include seven daughters, Mrs. David Pollock of San Angelo, Mrs. Harlan McMillan of Marietta, Calif., Mrs. Marvin Armstrong of Lubbock, Mrs. W.E. Garrison of Pampa, Mrs. Alvis Ensey of Mesquite, Mrs. Bill Morgan of Grand Prairie, Mrs. A.C. Fulton of Lubbock; two sons, J.W. Turman of Baytown and Ray Turman of Amarillo.

daily record

HIGHLAND GENERAL HOSPITAL

Admissions

Judy Joyce Whaler, Rt. 2, Box 269; Verline Spriggs, 400 Oklahoma; Bonnie L. Hammon, Box 622, White Deer; Clea Mae Black, 1033 S. Sumner; G. Earl Black, 736 N. Dwight; Glea Jo Jordan, Box 34, Panhandle; Coela Martin, 426 N. Wynne; Melford Hanks, 1230 E. Browning; Guy Arnold, 1907 N. Faulkner; Velma Gifford, 215 1/2 Sunset; Melanie Lamar, 522 S. Ballard; Elinor Gyger, 536 Magnolia; Joseph Clark, 388 W. First; Guymon, Okla.; Paulette Reed, 2526 Mary Ellen; Billy Young, 429 N. Starkweather; Joy Brummett, 1000 S. Dwight; Susan Thomas, 421 Red Deer.

Discharges

Gayle Curtis and baby boy, 2337 Aspen; Dona Cornutt, 1330 Duncan; Henry Crump, 926 S. Wells; Maria Sales and baby boy, 2327 N. Christy; Michael Gandy, 1352 Garland; Virgie Lea Turner, 112 N. Somerville; Virginia Dewey, 903 N. Somerville; John Tatum, 1631 Dogwood; Wilma A. Quarles, 2212 Lynn; Melissa Wells, 1057 Huff; Mary Savage, 2104 N. Dwight; Joseph Shelton, 2121 Eiliston; Mary Dalton, Box Y, Stinnett; Verna Sirmen, Box 702, Canadian; Reba Wilson, 1917 N. Wells.

Births

A girl to Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Hollingsworth, Panhandle.

NORTH PLAINS HOSPITAL

Admissions

Melvin Powell, Borger; Harvey Crosby, Borger; Louie Holster, Borger; Jackie Stein, Panhandle; Shiela Riley, Stinnett; Carl Frazee, Borger; Willie Cannon, Skellytown; Fern Cannon, Skellytown.

Discharges

Michael Stegall, Borger; Paul Lambert, Fritch; Betty Farmer, Borger; Patrick Holcomb, Borger; Donna Buckland and baby girl, Phillips; Margie Kent, Borger; Dorothy Isom, Phillips; Turner Morrow, Borger; Teresa Smith, Borger; W.L. Dobkins, Borger; Hugh Kelly, Borger; Charlie Tooley, Borger; Andrew Melton, Pampa; Leigh Ann Weeks, Stinnett; William Miller, Pampa; Josie Walser, Borger; Shawn Daniel, Stinnett; Theodore Buckland, Phillips.

Births

A girl to Mr. and Mrs. Ferrin Felker, Borger; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Joyce, Borger.

HEMPHILL COUNTY HOSPITAL

Admissions

Lillian Simpson, Canadian; Mark Frederick, Canadian; Lucille Wright, Canadian; Andre Cockrell, Canadian.

Discharges

Lorne Blackmore, Higgins.

Births

A girl to Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Capetillo, Canadian.

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Opal Putman, Shamrock; Edgar Blocker, Kelton; Hubert Baker, Wellington; Cecil Williams, Lake Michigan.

Discharges

Vickie Moore, Shamrock; Janice Pope, Shamrock; Paul Franks, Shamrock; Lorene Ashlock, Shamrock; Tina Ford, Wheeler.

GROOM HOSPITAL

Admissions

Lloyd Bartley, Memphis; Dean Tipps, Briscoe.

Discharges

William Terry, Reed, Okla.; H.C. Payne, Pampa; Russell Thompson, Jonesboro, Ark.; A.W. Hill, McLean.

MCLEAN HOSPITAL

Admissions

Romaine Carmen, Oklahoma.

Discharges

Dwight Smith, Amarillo; Romaine Carmen, Oklahoma.

fire report

No fires were reported in the 24 hour period ending at eight this morning.

Man gets 8 years for rape

Eric Wayne Blankenship, charged with the Feb. 7 rape of a local convenience store attendant, was sentenced to eight years in the Texas Department of Corrections Wednesday after pleading guilty to the charge in 31st District Court.

Judge Grainger McIlhenny sentenced Blankenship after the latter waived his right to trial by jury.

Blankenship is being held in Gray County Jail under \$10,000 bond. The bond was reduced from \$25,000 Tuesday.

A trial date had been set for the case Tuesday but Blankenship elected to enter the guilty plea Wednesday.

The convicted man was reportedly identified by the 19-year-old female victim as the assailant after he was brought to the police station shortly after the attack.

Blankenship reportedly moved to Pampa from New Mexico a few months before the incident.

Weather

Texas weather

By The Associated Press

March came in like a lamb today with the most fierce weather reported around the state in the form of some fog along the gulf coast and in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Forecasts called for mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with highs ranging from the 60s in Northwest and North Texas to the 80s in South Texas. Most of the state was to have readings in the 70s. There was no mention of precipitation in any form.

The fog was reported at Corpus Christi, Alice, Cotulla, Brownsville and McAllen. Early morning temperatures ranged from the 20s in the mountains of Southwest Texas to the 60s in far South Texas. Extremes ranged from 30 at Wichita Falls to 64 at both Brownsville and McAllen.

Some early morning temperature readings included 32 at Amarillo, 42 at Texarkana, 35 at Dallas-Fort Worth, 43 at Austin, 46 at Lufkin, 45 at Houston, 60 at Corpus Christi, 50 at Del Rio, 38 at San Angelo, 35 at El Paso and 37 at Lubbock.

National

The rain-swollen Ohio River rose toward cresting today in southwestern portions of the state while residents upstream began cleaning up after flood waters began to recede.

Although rain was forecast for the southern sections of the state today, weather officials said it would have little effect on the flooding.

High waters forced the Ohio Department of Transportation to close 55 miles of U.S. 52 from Cincinnati eastward to Ripley, possibly until Sunday.

About 100 National Guard troops were on duty through the night, assisting local county disaster services directors and civil authorities with traffic control and local emergency evacuation.



WEATHER FORECAST by the National Weather Service calls for rain for the northern Pacific coast while snow flurries are expected over higher elevations. Snow flurries are also predicted from the Southwest to the northern

Plains with rain also predicted in the northern Plains. Mild weather is forecast for south-central states. Cold weather is predicted for the northern Plains with cool weather expected elsewhere.

(AP Laserphoto)

Temperatures

	Hi	Lo	Pre	Otk
Albany	44	24	...	cdy
Albuquerque	58	30	...	rn
Amarillo	56	31	...	rn
Anchorage	24	02	...	clr
Asheville	58	41	...	clr
Atlanta	65	49	...	cdy
Atlantic City	54	38	...	cdy

Extended

North Texas - Mostly cloudy Saturday. Rain ending west and central Friday and ending east Saturday night and Sunday. Gradual west to east clearing Saturday night and Sunday. Generally fair entire area on Monday. Cooler Saturday night and Sunday. Highest temperatures in the 60s. Lowest temperatures ranging from lower 30s northwest to lower 40s southeast.

Hungry Senate shortens filibuster

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - The Texas Senate's first filibuster was short-lived Wednesday thanks to a fried fish dinner thrown for lawmakers by the Austin Chamber of Commerce.

Sen. A.R. Schwartz, D-Galveston, dined on for an hour in protest to a motor carriers rate bill until the Senate finally agreed to reset the controversial debate for Monday morning.

Sen. Lloyd Doggett, D-Austin, led fellow lawmakers in a quick retreat to a fresh fried fish luncheon sponsored by the Austin Chamber of Commerce as a pre-March 2 celebration of Texas Independence Day.

"I'm just voting 'yes' because I'm hungry," said Sen. John Traeger, D-Seguin.

Schwartz, D-Galveston,

rambled on until almost 12:30 p.m. in opposition to a bill presented by Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls. He will have the floor to continue talking, if he wishes, when the bill comes up again Monday.

Farabee said the bill would require the Texas Railroad Commission to regulate motor carriers in Texas individually or as a group. It would give motor carriers the responsibility to jointly consider and propose "reason rates, charges and classifications." It also would excuse from Texas antitrust laws motor carriers that act as a group so long as they conform to commission regulations.

"This is price-fixing at its very worst," protested Schwartz. "It is not going to help the people of Texas ... The truckers' lobby wants this

because it will help them lie, cheat and steal."

Farabee said his bill was in no way a price-fixing or deregulation measure. "If we don't get this, we may have to triple the employees at the railroad commission if they have to consider each rate request individually instead of as a group ... the whole procedure is open to the public and subject to action by the commission," he said.

The House passed, 130-6, and sent to the governor a bill

dropping restrictions on the kinds of products the prison system can manufacture and sell to state, federal and foreign governments.

Existing law limits the Texas Department of Corrections to sales of license plates, bedding, leather goods and instructional aids for education of the blind,

including Braille textbooks.

There was no opposition to the bill, even though it conceivably could result in greater competition for Texas industries.

House members approved, 141-0, and sent to the Senate a bill exempting public school

vocational students from the child labor law.

Also sent to the Senate on a 136-2 House vote was a bill allowing counties to build satellite courthouses, jails, garages and office buildings outside the original boundaries of their county seats.

police notes

Lloyd McCormick, 40, of 103 Kentucky St. was arrested for driving while intoxicated, failure to signal intent, and driving without a license. McCormick was reportedly wanted on a felony warrant for driving while intoxicated in Oklahoma.

Robin Zimmerman was arrested for unlawfully carrying a picture after police reportedly found him asleep or passed out in a vehicle near a local tavern.

A Pampa woman was taken to Highland General Hospital for observation of possibly serious head injuries after she was reportedly assaulted by a known individual. The woman intends to file charges, according to police.

Police answered 32 calls in the 24 hour period ending at seven this morning.

minor accidents

A car driven by Charles Atkinson of 1201 Farley St. struck a properly parked unattended vehicle in the 900 block of S. Banks Street. Atkinson was cited for unsafe backing.

about people

Miscellaneous sale Saturday March 3rd. 7:30 to 3:00 p.m. Marie Foundations of Pampa. (Adv.)

STOCK MARKET

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.
 Wheat \$3.00
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 Corn 2.30
 Soybeans 6.30
 The following quotations show the range within which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation.
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 Southern Life 15 1/2%
 So. West. Life 16 1/2%
 The following 10-30 N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by the Pampa office of Schneider-Barnett-Hickman, Inc.
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 Cabot 41 1/2
 Celanese 41 1/2
 Cities Service 39 1/2
 DIA 39 1/2
 K-Mart 39 1/2
 Pennys 39 1/2
 Phillips 39 1/2
 PNA 39 1/2
 Getty 39 1/2
 Southwestern Pub. Service 13 1/2
 Standard Oil of Indiana 34 1/2
 Texaco 24 1/2

MOORE SCULPTURE ROLLING MEADOWS, III. (AP) - The Henry Moore Sculpture "Large Two Forms" has been acquired by Gould Inc. and installed in front of Gould's corporate headquarters building here. To mark the occasion, Moore and the firm donated a maquette (a small preliminary model of the sculpture) in bronze of "Large Two Forms" to the Chicago Art Institute.

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People...

NEW YORK (AP) — Science-fiction writer Isaac Asimov would rather make a fast buck than take a fast trip into outer space.

Asimov, asked Wednesday if he would accept a ticket on a space shuttle, replied, "If they offered me a ticket, sure I'd take it — and sell it for whatever I could get."

"Not in a million years would I go to space. Look at me as a signpost, I point the way. I don't go."

Asimov, who was attending a party honoring two new books he has written, added that he doesn't even like to get into airplanes. "I'm scared," said the 59-year-old author.

DENVER (AP) — Linda Kelsey, who plays reporter Billie Newman on the "Lou Grant Show," says she'd be in big trouble if she really had to write the stories she covers on the television series.

Miss Kelsey, who visited a number of newsrooms to prepare for her role on the program, said she actually tried to write an article based on a story she covered on the show and it took her three days.

"I never could have gotten the first paragraph done before a deadline," she said.

Based on her newsroom visits, Miss Kelsey said, she discovered that journalism, like acting, is a "rough" profession.

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Actor Robert Redford is again taking sides in an environmental dispute.

Redford, who has supported environmentalists in several battles in the West, has entered the fight against the Nordan Dam in Nebraska, opponents of the dam report.

Leaders of the Save the Niobrara River Association said Tuesday that Redford's support for their cause will spread the word nationwide that Nebraska has a free-flowing river worth preserving, and perhaps attract new contributions.

The Nordan Dam would be built on the Niobrara in north-central Nebraska as part of an irrigation project.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Singer Connie Francis has spoken out publicly for the first time on her 1974 rape, saying it destroyed both her marriage and her career.

Miss Francis, appearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee, said Wednesday that her husband left her in 1977 because of the depression she suffered after the attack. She said they will soon be divorced.

The committee is considering a bill to funnel federal funds to local police and prosecutors to assist rape victims.

"The rights of victims of violent crime should be at least equal in importance to the rights of the criminals who commit those acts," Miss Francis said.

Miss Francis, now 40, was raped in a motel in Westbury, N.Y., on Nov. 8, 1974. Her assailant, who apparently gained entry through a sliding door, was never apprehended. Miss Francis sued the motel's owners and was awarded \$2.65 million by a federal court jury in New York City.

The last survivor of the Civil War, Confederate veteran

Walter Williams of Texas, lived to be 117 years old and died in 1959. He is buried in a rural cemetery in Robertson County near Franklin, Texas. — Texas Highways Magazine.

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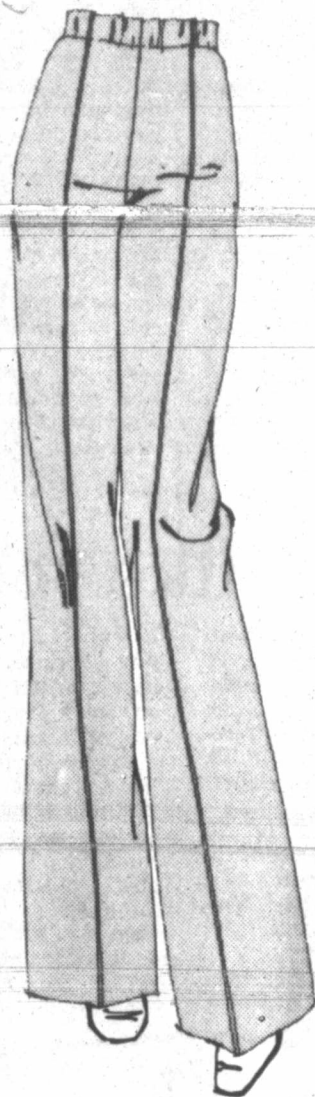
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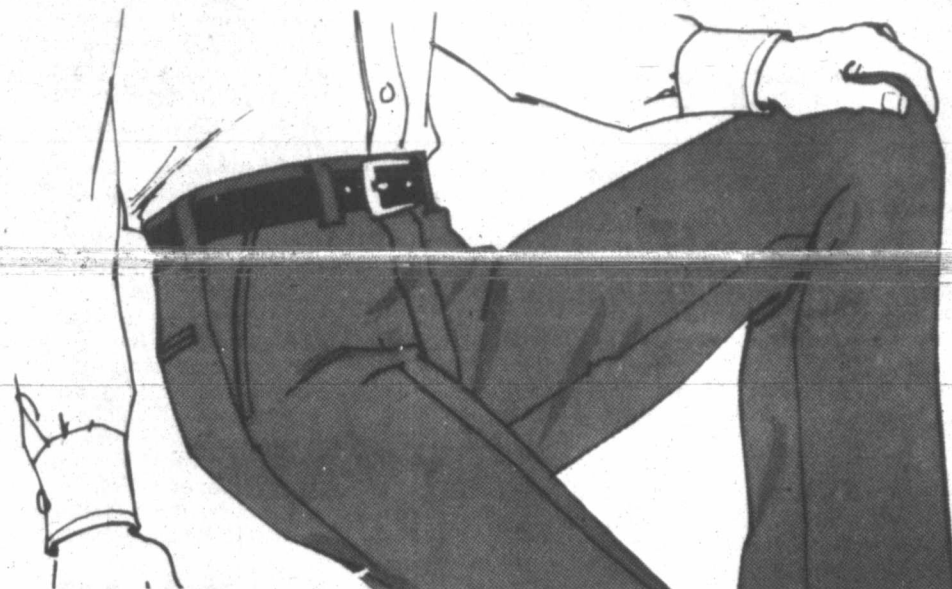
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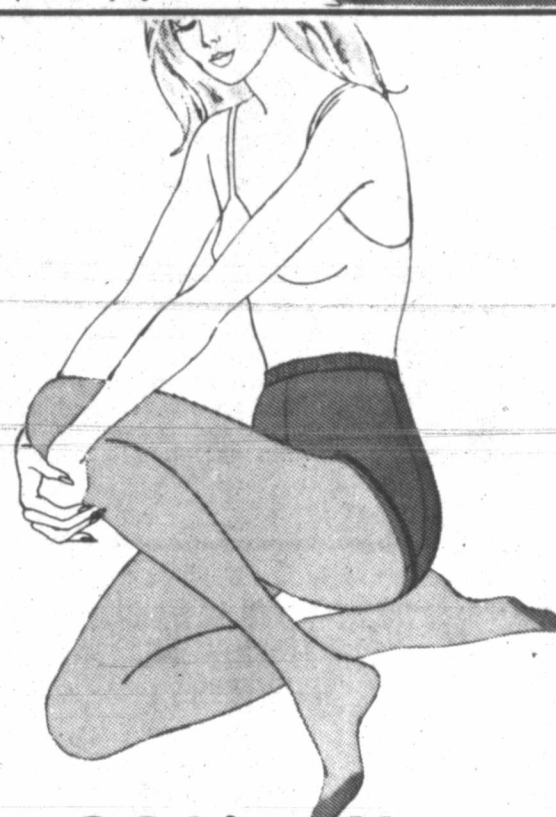
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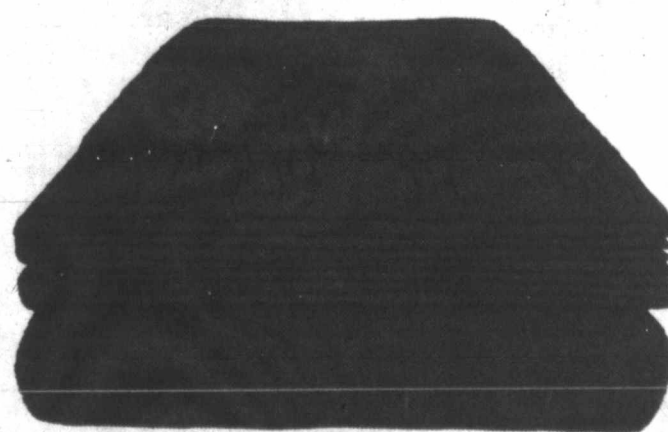
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Dear Abby

by abigail van buren

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine whose divorce became final a few weeks ago has appointed me to head a search committee to find her a man. She's 40, attractive, not exactly destitute (her husband gave her a nice settlement), and good company.

She's told me (and others) not to fix her up with a man who's never been married. She insists that there is something seriously wrong with a man of 40 or older who's never been married.

She says, "They're either too set in their ways, closet gays, or they're selfish and stingy."

What is your opinion of her analysis?

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

DEAR LOOKING: Your friend needs to open her mind and let out a few prejudices.

There are plenty of men 40 and over who are still single here. They're never met anyone they wanted to marry who wanted to marry THEM. The same can be said for many women who've never been hitched.

DEAR ABBY: I went to a party the other evening where I saw a number of old friends. The wives hugged me and their husbands shook my hand. After the third handshake I let out a shriek.

Abby, don't men realize that some women wear costume rings that cut deeply into their flesh when their fingers are squeezed too tightly? Also, some of us older women have arthritis, and a firm handshake can be frightfully painful.

So, gentlemen, please remember when shaking hands with a lady that she doesn't want to sell you a railroad or an airline or even the Brooklyn Bridge. All she wants is a gentle little clasp.

73 YEARS OLD IN CINCINNATI

DEAR 73: Although it's not earth-shaking, it's a hand-shaking problem with which many women (including this one) will identify.

DEAR ABBY: I am a compulsive gambler. I almost destroyed my family and myself with 25 years of hard gambling, lying, stealing and whatever it took to support my vice. When I finally hit rock bottom and owed everybody I knew, I called GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS.

That was six months ago. I admit I did it only to get my wife off my back and keep her from divorcing me, but after going to a few meetings I realized that I really had an illness and could help myself.

I have been with Gamblers Anonymous only a short time but my life has already changed. It's as though a miracle has come over me.

I know of no one who can carry this message better than you, Abby, so please print this for anyone who has a gambling problem or lives with a gambler: Have them call G.A. They're in the phone book.

A NEW MAN IN L.A.

DEAR NEW MAN: Nearly 20 years ago, having heard of Gamblers Anonymous, I slipped into one of their meetings (incognito) to see firsthand how they operated. I saw a miracle in action.

No dues, no lecturing—only gamblers being taught how to quit by gamblers who had already learned. I recommend them highly. The most a gambler can lose at G.A. is a bad habit.



Dr. Lamb

by lawrence lamb m.d.

DEAR DR. LAMB — Would you explain what causes a hiatal hernia? Should I have it repaired now? I am 47 years old and in good health. It bothers me occasionally. I'm wondering if it gets worse as you get older. Is the operation a serious one? And, could it affect my heart?

DEAR READER — A hiatal hernia means that the normal hole in the diaphragm where the esophagus (food tube) passes through to the stomach becomes enlarged. If the hole gets big enough, it lets part of the stomach slide through it. To state it another way, your stomach ruptures (herniates) through the diaphragm.

I am sending you The Health Letter number 4-8, Hiatal Hernia, Esophageal Reflux, to explain this condition to you in some detail and what measures you can take in your living habits to minimize symptoms or difficulties from it. Other readers who want this issue can send 50 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for it. Send your request to me in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019.

One of the major problems associated with the hiatal

hernia is the leak of food out of the stomach into the lower esophagus, particularly when you are lying down. I am sorry to say that surgical repair of the hernia itself doesn't guarantee that the closure mechanism in the opening of the stomach will then function normally.

In fact, you can have a leak out of the top of the stomach without having a hiatal hernia. This is the major reason that many patients don't get the benefits that they think they'll get from surgery to repair a hernia through the diaphragm. The leaky closure mechanism persists and the problems associated with it still cause symptoms.

There is no reason that your hiatal hernia should be significantly worse during life if you alter your life style now along the lines suggested in The Health Letter I am sending you. High on this list of things that will help prevent the hernia from getting worse is to stay lean. You don't want any large amounts of fat deposits inside your abdomen. The pressure caused by the build-up of fat inside the abdomen literally tends to squeeze the stomach through the hole in the diaphragm.



Polly's Pointers

by polly cramer

DEAR POLLY - Do I have a Pet Peeve? It has been burning inside me for 15 years or more. Some stores have a card tacked up that says "Lovely to look at, lovely to hold, but if you should break it consider it sold." Where are the prices on such things? Usually on the bottom or on the backs of larger items. I resent this more the older I get as my grip is not so good and I fear to pick anything up and might have to pay for something I could not afford. I think I have a solution. For each item you see that has the price on the bottom call a clerk back for each one to be priced to you separately. If enough people made it clear why they were doing this they might wise up and put the prices where they could be seen. - LAURA.

Uncontrolled fire ants raising havoc in South

VIDALIA, Ga. (NEA) - Chemicals salesman Ron Seaburn, 25, was dressing in the bedroom of his home a few weeks ago when he felt a sharp pain in his foot. "I've been bitten," he yelled to the houseguest, "get me to the hospital." Less than an hour later he was dead of cardiopulmonary arrest.

What happened? Snake? Black widow spider? It was nothing so sinister. Seaburn was killed by a solenopsis invicta, a fire ant. Tiny as a grain of rice, the insect has the sting of a hornet—and in the case of some birds, animals and even human beings, it also has the power of life and death.

Not that the fire ant actually kills many people. Doctors say Seaburn had an unusual allergic sensitivity to insect bites, and in fact was the first Georgian known to die from a fire-ant sting. Still, the fatality is shocking. Seaburn was young and strong, and he was cut down by a single bite.

Shocking stories of fire ant ravages are, of course, not new in the South. The insects

have been provoking fear and havoc here for nearly two decades. Entomologists say the ants are natives of South America, and hitchhiked their way to the United States in the soil of imported potted plants.

The Southern ant infestation began along coastal Alabama. One variety, black in color, moved west into Texas. A second kind, reds, spread to the East. Federal officials say the fire ants presently infest at least 230 million acres of America and are attacking people and other things in nine states.

Usually, the attacks are merely nuisances. The ant grasps its victim in its jaws for as much as a half minute, and hurls its stinger as many as 20 times. The result is the injection of a toxic venom not unlike the poison in hemlock. In most instances, the victim suffers no more than an itchy welt. Sometimes, though, the results are more severe. Entomologists at the United States Department of Agriculture say fire ant stings have led to shock, gangrene,

even amputated limbs. Earlier this year a Holden Beach, Fla., asthmatic was attacked by the ants and, in essence, suffocated to death.

And even when the insects aren't stinging people, they can be hazardous. They have built crude anthills throughout the South, sometimes as high as two feet, often as many as 50 to an acre. Georgia farmers say the mounds are so formidable - "like tank traps" - they break up field machinery.

Animals won't go near the fire ant mounds. Neither will many farmhands. As a result the ants are free to chew away at orchards and crops. Texas state agriculture commissioner Reagan Brown says if the insects aren't brought under control soon, "they will knock a hole in our ability to produce food."

Despite the debilitating effects of the fire ants, however, the call for control is apparently in vain. In recent years state and federal governments have spent \$150 million in a futile attempt to eradicate the pest. Now experts wonder if the ant has a

weakness, or if its spread can ever be checked.

Some years ago farmers killed the insects with a poison called Mirex. It gave only temporary relief, because fields sprayed with the substance were eventually reinfested, but it was better than nothing. Today, even that temporary relief is gone: Mirex, thought to be a carcinogen, has been banned.

The USDA has tried to find other insecticides to stop the ants. A spokesman says at least 3,000 chemicals have been tested in this decade. But none of them is effective, and some of them may be counterproductive; it seems fire ants thrive on the death of ordinary organisms.

Researchers insist they are not yet stymied. There is still a possibility the ants can be stopped with biological restraints - that is, predators, parasites or diseases. For example, the fire ant population in South America is kept in line by other ants who attack and kill the egg-laying queens. (NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Rob Reiner, like father, like son



Rob Reiner

Back in the '50s, in a place called the Bronx, a dotting father tried to coax his 11-year-old son to do a comedy routine about a little boy cheating at jacks. The little guy thought the whole thing was awe-inspiring. Not only was his father watching, but so were Mel Brooks, Neil Simon and Norman Lear.

The father was Carl Reiner. And the kid doing his first act was named Rob. But Reiner confesses that his childhood, comedy

routines or not, was not all fun and games. "I never seemed to have any friends, and was always lonely," he says. "Even when my family moved to Beverly Hills, when I was 14, I was desperately lonely."

From the ages of 18 through 22, Rob turned to analysis. "I look upon it as a learning experience. You learn about yourself," he says today.

The younger Reiner also insists he never got any help

from his famous father getting where he is today. "Not once did dad ever say to a producer, 'Give this kid a job!' It's true I worked in many small roles for people that my father knew."

"Undoubtedly, they were curious as to what Carl Reiner's son could accomplish. But I never went to my father for assistance. I wanted to prove that I could do it without him"

(NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.)

Desk & Derrick Club meets

The Pampa Desk & Derrick Club held its regular meeting Feb. 27 in the Crown & Shield Room at the Coronado Inn. Carol Gefer presided.

The group voted to recommend Martha Sublett to the regional nominating committee as candidate for regional director.

The speaker for the evening was Edwin A. Nelson, co-director of training for Baker &

Taylor Drilling Co. Mr. Nelson gave an interesting discussion on the formula to calculate hydrostatic pressure. Like all people completely at home in the field of mathematics, he made it seem quite simple.

The next meeting will be on March 27 at the Pampa Club. Dr. Robert Burton, faculty member at West Texas State University, will address the group.

King and prince are crowned

Winslow Ellis was crowned king and Doug Auwen was crowned prince at the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper held Tuesday in the parish hall of St.

Matthew's Episcopal Church. The crowns go to those who sell the most tickets to the annual event.

DAR will present film

The Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will meet in the Senior Citizens' Center at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Around the nation...

Couples may use family court

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Regardless of marital status, a couple wishing to terminate a live-in relationship may take their case to Family Court, District Court Judge Joseph Summers has ruled.

Summers said "practical reason" dictates that matters involving families be heard in the Family Court Division of District Court. His ruling reversed a decision by a Family Court referee, who had dismissed a case involving an unmarried St. Paul couple. The woman is seeking custody of the couple's four children, a division of property and support payments from the father.

State wants to charge for roots

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Because of the interest in family trees created by Alex Haley's "Roots," the state Division of Archives and History wants permission to charge out-of-state residents a fee for undertaking genealogical searches.

Division Director Larry Tice told the Senate Finance Committee on Tuesday that the demand for such searches has tripled in three years. Last year alone, he said, the division received 13,000 requests for genealogical searches.

ABC has rights to 'Yanta You'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In what ABC touts as the biggest television project since "Roots," the network has announced that it has acquired rights to "Yanta Yo," a much-talked about novel of the Sioux Indian tribe.

ABC made the announcement at a press conference Tuesday attended by "Yanta Yo" author Ruth Hill. The movie-for-television is expected to take at least two years to produce. The book, which took 25 years to complete, recounts the life of a Sioux brave from about 1800 to the mid-1830s. Historians consider the novel a major work on the subject.

Bill to require castration

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A bill to require the castration of certain sex offenders has been introduced in the Oklahoma Legislature.

The measure, introduced Tuesday, would require a judge or jury to order men convicted of sex crimes "asexualized" if their cases involved at least two "aggravating circumstances," such as the victim being younger than 9 or the crime being "especially serious, atrocious or cruel." Rep. Frank Shurden, a freshman Democrat and author of the bill, said he feels sex offenders should receive the most severe punishment possible. "When a man does something of this nature to a small child, he ought to be fixed where he can't do this again," he said.

Congressmen joining with ALF-CIO

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group of Republican congressmen is joining the AFL-CIO in attempting to prevent the Carter administration from denying large federal contracts to companies that fail to comply with wage and price guidelines.

"We are joining with the AFL-CIO because these back-door controls are a sham," Sen. John Heinz, R-Pa., said Tuesday in explaining why the 13 Republicans filed the friend-of-the-court brief. Rep. Jack Kemp of New York said the Carter program "calls for several years of sacrifice from American workers, yet addresses only the symptoms, not the causes of inflation."

Diggs to stage showdown

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Charles Diggs, D-Mich., and Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., have set the stage for the first House showdown in more than two years on expulsion of a member.

Diggs told Gingrich Tuesday that he will not abstain from voting while he appeals his convictions for mail fraud and making false statements. Gingrich said earlier he would introduce a motion to expel Diggs if he attempted to vote pending the appeal. But Diggs says he intends to exercise "all my rights" as a congressman.

Committee may get budget hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Energy Committee may be getting a 19 percent budget increase to help it cope with the administration's standby gasoline rationing program and other energy legislation.

Overseas...

LONDON (AP) — The Scottish island of Iona, once the center of Celtic Christianity in the British Isles, is up for sale. The owner, the 12th Duke of Argyll, says he needs the money to pay inheritance taxes.

Realtors think the 2,500-acre island in the Inner Hebrides could bring \$2 million. It is in the Atlantic 37 miles west of the mainland port of Oban.

Iona has a population of 90 supported by farming, fishing and the hundreds of summer visitors go there to see the ruins dating back to St. Columba, who arrived in 563 from Ireland and built a monastery. The 13th century cathedral is said to hold the remains of many Scottish, four Irish and eight Norwegian kings.

NAPLES, Italy (AP) — Naval units of Britain, Italy, Turkey and the United States will hold a month-long exercise in the Mediterranean starting March 8, NATO's Southern European Command announced.

"Deterrent Force 79" will test and improve the allies' anti-aircraft and anti-submarine capability, electronic warfare and submarine supply training.

Capt. Salim Dervisoglu of Turkey will command the operation in which destroyers, frigates, submarines, torpedo boats, planes and helicopters will participate.

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — A three-year scientific and technological agreement has been signed by the Romanian National Council for Science and the U.S. National Science Foundation.

The agreement signed Tuesday provides for the development and diversification of technical and scientific cooperation and exchanges of technical and scientific data.

MEXICO CITY (AP) — President Valery Giscard d'Estaing arrives today to discuss trade between France and Mexico and to offer French technology and investment for Mexican industry.

General store was the hub of Ottine

OTTINE, Texas (AP) — There was a time — before the boll weevils got the cotton and the big city supermarkets got the grocery business — when the Otto Brothers General Store was the hub of northwest Gonzalez County.

The first floor of the rambling, barn-like frame building was crammed to its 12-foot ceiling with groceries, clothes, shoes, saddles, farm implements and penny candy. The post office was tucked in the corner and the American flag flown outside had only 45 stars.

The town lodges met each Sunday in the spacious meeting hall over the store. The rest of the week, the meeting was done in the store — where cotton planting was discussed around the glowing wood stove in the winter and cotton prices were cussed on the sprawling front porch in the summer.

Meanwhile, the Otto Brothers' sawmill and cotton gin whined across the street and the trains rumbled nearby — departing Ottine's depot with 7,000 locally-grown bales of cotton in 1899 alone.

If you're one of the few living today in Ottine, you still get your mail at the post office in what's now Soefje Store. You might buy some gasoline or a canned soft drink — sugar free, of course. And you'll ask proprietor-postmaster Edna Soefje if she needs anything from the supermarkets and department stores 12 miles away in Gonzales or 60 miles down Interstate 10 in San Antonio.

But you won't do your weekly shopping in the weather-beaten, 85-year-old store. Mrs. Soefje's inventory — only three loaves of bread on one shelf, a dozen cans of soup on another — couldn't supply a good-sized family for two weeks. And there's no cold beer for the tourists at nearby Palmetto State Park — remember, this is a United States Post Office.

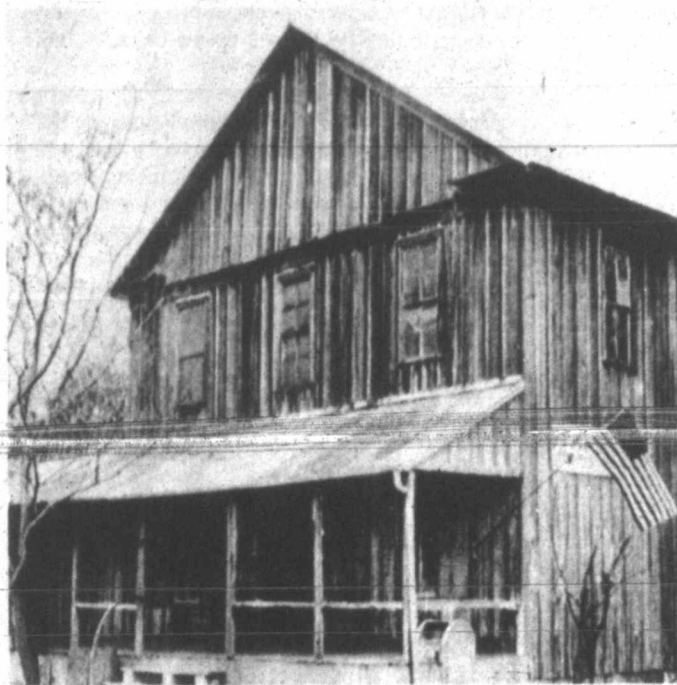
What potato chip and beer business there is from the park and the two nearby crippled children's hospitals goes scarcely 100 yards away to the Jiffy Pic Mart — one of those little streamlined convenience stores.

"You just can't compete with the supermarkets," said the opinionated, 63-year-old Mrs. Soefje, the most recent in a long line of those who have owned the historic old store. "It's just a continuation of big companies trying to run the little man out of business. Everything has to be big these days."

"People come in here, maybe 10 or 20 a day, to get their mail and then they ask me if I need anything from town. It's been that way for a long time. I can buy bread in town cheaper than I can buy wholesale from the deliveryman because they charge me for bringing it. They don't want to travel 30 miles to bring me two cases of Cokes."

"Back in the good old days, two of the Otto brothers owned and operated this store. Apparently it made enough money to keep up two families," she added. "I stay open since I'm here anyway because I'm postmaster. Between the two, I keep going."

The sawmill is now in ruins and the cotton gin has long since fallen down and been hauled away for scrap. No lodge meetings have been held in the building since Mrs. Soefje took over 24 years ago: the



lodges were swallowed up decades ago by those in Gonzales. They called it "consolidation."

The old store may be nearly empty, but Mrs. Soefje has made sure it looks the same as it always did. A small electric soft drink box is one of the few concessions to the 1970s.

The store's shelves, the antique cash register and old-fashioned glass cases are still in place. A modern gasoline pump stands next to a rusty, antique one. And Postmaster Soefje still does business behind the 85-year-old post office counter that antique dealers regularly drool over.

"They tell me those big old nails in the roof over there were for the ropes, chains and saddles," she said, pointing to a distant corner of the eerily empty store. "The shoes were in those glass cases. That cash register has set right there since 1901."

"I'm going to leave it exactly like it is," she continued. "Dealers are always coming in and trying to buy the cases, the post office front and the cash register. Those things just don't happen to be for sale."

Mrs. Soefje grew up in Gonzales and doesn't remember the store during its heyday. She moved to Ottine during the 1950s when she married a local rancher.

Three Otto brothers, sons of a German family in New Braunfels, started the town in 1892 on the banks of the San Marcos River. It was called "Otto's Mill" for awhile and then "Otto Station" when the railroad came.

J.A. Otto, co-founder of the store, wanted to call the town "Otto" when it was awarded a post office in the late 1890s. "I guess there was already an Otto, Texas, so the post office wouldn't let them use Otto. So they had to come up with another name. They did it by combining J.A. Otto's last name with the first name of his wife, Christine," explained Mrs. Soefje.

By 1897, Ottine had two general stores, the sawmill, a lumberyard, a blacksmith shop, a saloon, a church and a distillery powered by the nearby river. Two years later, the town had added a hotel, a livery stable, more saloons, a drug store and a school. A spa grew up around the natural hot spring now used by the Texas Rehabilitation Hospital and the Elks' CLUB Crippled Children's Hospital.

So what happened? "Well, the boll weevils took care of the cotton crop and everybody just went to cattle and chickens," said Mrs. Soefje. "They couldn't get any more logs for the sawmill since they had to come from up in East Texas. The young people would go off to college and after the Great Depression, what did they have left to come back to?"

And, of course, there are disquieting rumors that federal bureaucrats in Washington want to close down the small post offices. They're using that word "consolidation" again.

"They tell me if she (Mrs. Soefje) ever dies or retires, the post office here will be a thing of the past," said J.C. Bunde, who was born across the street from the old store and now operates the slick Jiffy Pic Mart. "I guess then the old store won't be used for anything."

"I'm not planning on retiring," said Mrs. Soefje. "But I'll have to. The post office will see to that. I have no plans for the store. I suppose when I'm gone, my son will make a hay barn out of it."

China, Vietnam-the unseen war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lacking observers anywhere near the battlefield, the United States is relying on a complicated mosaic of intercepted radio messages and satellite photographs to keep track of the Chinese-Vietnamese war.

The process of patching together the products of such remote intelligence means that assessments available to senior U.S. officials lag at least 12 hours behind actual events on the battlefield.

This is a far cry from what intelligence officials are used to. In the 1973 Midwest war, for example, U.S. military attaches and diplomats were present in the capitals of the warring nations.

At least in the case of Israel, American military officers attached to the embassy were given detailed briefings and access to the fighting fronts. As a result, U.S. officials in Washington received a steady stream of timely tables reflecting the ebb and flow of the battles.

The United States has no diplomatic relations with Vietnam and, therefore, has no official representatives in Hanoi in touch with the government there. There is a U.S. diplomatic mission in Peking, but no American military officers are stationed there.

While some information reaches U.S. officials from friendly countries with diplomatic missions in Hanoi, intelligence from such sources is generally of a dubious quality.

Therefore, U.S. intelligence agencies depend principally on what their electronic ears and photographic eyes detect.

The detailed methods by which U.S. intelligence information is gathered are closely guarded secrets.

But it is known that the United States keeps aloft several kinds of reconnaissance satellites traveling in orbits at different altitudes. Some observation satellites are as far out as about 25,000 miles, others pass over the earth in orbits as low as about 135 miles from the surface.

High-resolution cameras, particularly in low-orbit satellites, can easily pick out objects such as tanks, artillery batteries and trucks. Some satellites are able to pierce the cover of night with radar and infra-red heat-detecting sensors.

Photographs are ejected in capsules that parachute toward earth and are plucked out of the air by specially equipped Air Force planes. Television links are used to transmit pictures in black and white, color and infra-red patterns to ground and ship stations.

But a veteran intelligence specialist said "this kind of military action in that kind of territory is hard to keep track of by photography" from satellites. Vietnam-Chinese fighting so far has been mostly in mountainous terrain.

A specialist said the difficulties stem from a "combination of weather and ambiguities on the ground."

Asked what he meant by ambiguities, he said, "You really can't see an infantry line on the ground, but you can see a mass of tanks."

It takes analysis of many photographs, snapped during successive satellite orbits, to determine changes in the battle area, experts said.

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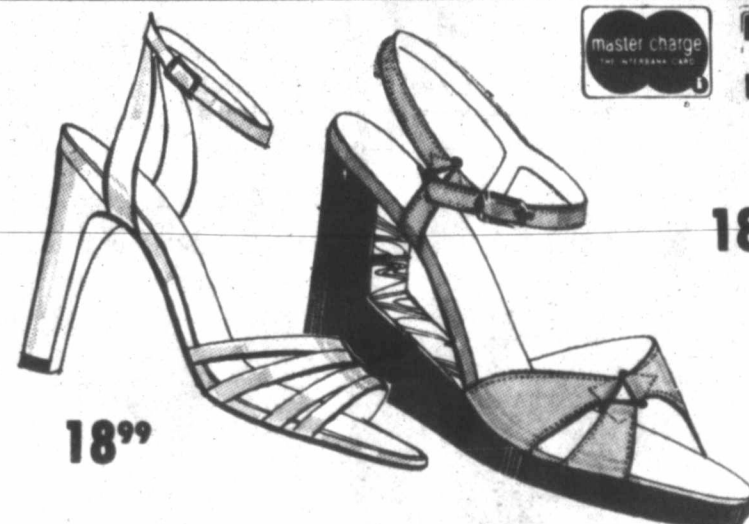
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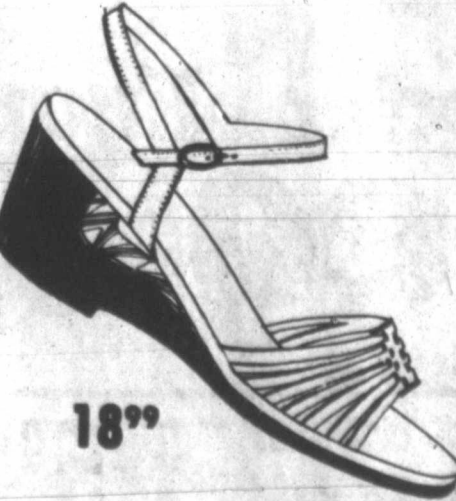
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Farm price index continues to set records

WASHINGTON (AP) — Boosted by big gains for cattle and some other commodities, the government's index of farm prices continued to set records last month.

Prices that farmers get for raw products rose another 3 percent in February, the Agriculture Department said Wednesday.

It was the third consecutive month of record prices.

The department's Crop Reporting Board said that higher prices for cattle, soybeans, hogs, calves, oranges and broiler chickens contributed most to the gain in the price index from January.

However, lower prices reported for cotton, potatoes, turkeys and barley partially offset the gains for the other commodities.

Beef cattle prices, already at record levels, jumped another 7.2 percent from January. Vegetable prices, led by cabbage and lettuce, rose 7 percent.

Farm prices overall in February were up 24 percent from a year ago, the report said. The commodity price index was 240 percent of a 1967 base used as a standard.

In January, the index jumped 5 percent — the biggest gain in more than four years — to 232 percent of the 1967 base. The index in December broke the previous record of 221 set in August 1973.

Economists do not consider farm prices in a single month good indicators of future retail food prices because they often fluctuate.

But over the longer haul, higher farm prices do have an impact on grocery prices and this has been happening the past year.

Higher livestock prices particularly were a major reason for a 40 percent boost in farmers' net incomes last year to \$28.1 billion, compared to \$20.1 billion in 1977, according to the department.

With farm prices still rising, the department says farmers' net income will rise again this year, although not so sharply, to about \$30 billion.

Howard Hjort, the department's chief economist, predicts also that food prices will "most likely" rise an average of 8.5 percent this year, compared to a 10.5 percent average gain in 1978.

Until Hjort announced the new estimate last Friday, the department had predicted a "most likely" food price increase this year of 7.5 percent.

Another factor in farm prices increases has been a thriving export market, with a record \$27.3 billion worth of farm commodities shipped abroad in the year that ended Sept. 30. This year, says the department, exports are estimated at \$30.3 billion, another record.

About 60 cents of each grocery dollar spent by consumers at supermarkets is paid to process, transport and sell food

after it leaves the farm. Thus, grocery costs will rise regardless of what happens to farm prices as long as inflation boosts the costs of middlemen.

The report said that prices paid by farmers to meet expenses, meanwhile, rose 2 percent in February.

The February parity ratio for farm commodities was 74 percent, compared to 73 in January and 67 a year ago, the Crop Reporting Board said.

At 100 percent, the indicator would mean that theoretically farmers have the same buying power they had in 1910-14. For example, the February wheat price was \$3.02 a bushel — 53 percent of the February parity for wheat of \$5.72 a bushel.

The report also said: —Cattle averaged \$64.10 per 100 pounds of live weight nationally in February, compared to \$59.80 in January and \$39.90 in February 1978, a one-year increase of 61 percent.



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BOSTON	99.99	0	1.89	99.5	2,292.79 +22
CHICAGO	89.79	-11	1.39	37.1	NA NA
DALLAS	87.79	-11	1.39	29.28	2,592.55 -2
DETROIT	87.79	-11	1.48	78.20	2,492.44 -2
LOS ANGELES	1.11	91	-18	1.53	49.2
MIAMI	87.79	-11	1.49	99.34	2,392.29 0
NEW YORK	96.89	-7	1.39	69.22	2,792.69 -4
PHILADELPHIA	97.89	-8	1.39	49.7	2,992.99 0
PROVIDENCE	97.87	-10	1.79	1.85	+3
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The marketbasket

Consumers got grocery store break last month

Consumers got a break at the grocery store last month, but shoppers who've been keeping track of prices over the long haul will find little to cheer about, an Associated Press marketbasket survey shows.

The AP drew up a random list of 15 commonly purchased food and nonfood items, checked the price at one supermarket in each of 13 cities on March 1, 1979 and has rechecked on or about the start of each succeeding month. One item, chocolate chip cookies, was dropped from the list at the end of November 1977 because the manufacturer discontinued the package size used in the survey.

The latest check produced a mixture of good and bad news. On the plus side for shoppers: The marketbasket bill at the checklist store declined in eight cities, rose in four and was unchanged in one. On an overall basis, the marketbasket bill dropped an average of 1 percent during the month. The drop compared with a 2.7 percent boost in January.

On the minus side, however: Comparing prices today with those a year earlier, the AP found the marketbasket bill increased by an average of 8.3 percent. And a look at current costs versus prices when the marketbasket survey was started showed that the average bill at the checklist store has risen 71 percent. The Consumer Price Index of all items has gone up about 55 percent in roughly the same period.

The February decreases were due mainly to declines in the price of coffee and eggs. The price of a pound of coffee dropped at the checklist store in eight cities last month, reflecting, in part, cuts at the wholesale level which, in turn, reflected increased supplies of beans from Brazil and other producing nations.

Egg prices, which had been going up with the cold weather, started down again. The price of a dozen eggs dropped during February at the checklist store in 11 cities; by the beginning of March, the

average price was 84 cents a dozen, compared to 91 cents a month earlier.

There is no sign, meanwhile, of any real break in the steady increase in meat prices, although there are some scattered, temporary sales. Declining supplies of beef are responsible for most of the price hikes. "There will be short-term ups and downs in the price of beef, but the trend for the next three years is toward higher prices," says the National Live Stock and Meat Board.

The items on the AP checklist were: chopped chuck, center cut pork chops, frozen orange juice concentrate, coffee, paper towels, butter, Grade-A medium white eggs, creamy peanut butter, laundry detergent, fabric softener, tomato sauce, milk, frankfurters and granulated sugar. The cities checked were: Albuquerque, N.M., Atlanta, Ga., Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Detroit, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, Providence, Salt Lake City and Seattle.

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\$250	1	1:100,000	\$125	1:10,000
\$125	1	1:100,000	\$62.50	1:10,000
\$62.50	1	1:100,000	\$31.25	1:10,000
\$31.25	1	1:100,000	\$15.62	1:10,000
\$15.62	1	1:100,000	\$7.81	1:10,000
\$7.81	1	1:100,000	\$3.90	1:10,000
\$3.90	1	1:100,000	\$1.95	1:10,000
\$1.95	1	1:100,000	\$0.97	1:10,000
\$0.97	1	1:100,000	\$0.48	1:10,000
\$0.48	1	1:100,000	\$0.24	1:10,000
\$0.24	1	1:100,000	\$0.12	1:10,000
\$0.12	1	1:100,000	\$0.06	1:10,000
\$0.06	1	1:100,000	\$0.03	1:10,000
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various state and local charities. (left to right) Willie Rapstein, Hub Horner and Harry Cain inspect some sausages that will be barbecued or boiled.

On the light side...

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — One legislator didn't like it. Another chortled that maybe the House could amend it. But it wasn't a piece of legislation the lawmakers were talking about — it was a prayer.

During his prayer before the beginning of business in the House on Wednesday, the Rev. Milton Hunt intoned, "...and sometimes we have felt the pinch as we have traded votes for some bill which reflected narrow interests, rather than the good of all Alaskans..."

State Rep. Charlie Parr said: "I don't feel I've done this." State Rep. Russ Meekins said voting to publish the prayer in the daily journal, a tradition, would suggest that legislators were seeking forgiveness for trading votes for narrow interests.

"Maybe we can amend it," joked one legislator. Hunt said: "Today is Ash Wednesday, so I had a short confession of sins in the prayer."

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The state Legislature has been pulled into the Jung T. Wang aphrodisiac elk antler controversy.

Wang, a Korean who has a food business in San Francisco, wants to bring a herd of Rocky Mountain elk to a farm he set up on more than 100 acres near Tomales, just north of San Francisco.

Last week, Wang won permission of the California Fish and Game Commission to bring the elk into the state and harvest the antlers "to cure impotency." For centuries, powdered elk antlers and rhinoceros horns have been valued in the Orient as sexual stimulants.

But state Sen. David Roberti stepped into the picture Wednesday when he introduced a bill to forbid the importation of any kind of elk, except for zoos.

He also contended that it was inhumane to remove antlers while "in the velvet" or soft bone stage. The antlers eventually harden, and the fuzzy covering is rubbed off on shrubbery or other elk.

Wang's firm said his product would be sold in Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore and Japan.

News from around the state

Estes to be arraigned today

DALLAS (AP) — Billie Sol Estes — convicted of fraud 16 years ago — was to be arraigned today before U.S. District Judge Sarah T. Hughes on similar fraud charges.

The paroled West Texas "wheeler-dealer" was named in four indictments returned by a Dallas federal grand jury Feb. 22. The indictments charged he devised schemes to bilk investors and the federal government and arrange to have businesses run by an associate in violation of his parole.

Estes' attorney, G. Brockett Irwin, has said his client will plead innocent to the charges.

In the 1950s and 60s, Estes built a fortune on mortgage loans using non-existent anhydrous ammonia tanks as collateral. He was convicted of fraud, sentenced to 15 years, and paroled in 1971.

According to the terms of his parole, he was forbidden from self-employment or from promotional activities.

One of the Feb. 22 indictments spells out an almost-identical scheme using oilfield steam cleaners that did not exist.

Another indictment charges he reported his income on a 1975 tax return as \$11,000, when his actual income was \$45,000.

Former Houston officer testifies

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Houston police officer John Olin held his hands over his head with the palms out to show how he felt about Webster's appearance to police before he was shot to death.

Olin was the second witness Wednesday, the first day of the federal trial of three former police officers and an officer still on the force. They are charged with violating 17-year-old Webster's civil rights, conspiracy and perjury.

The Shreveport, La., teenager was killed in February 1977 after a high speed chase with police in southeast Houston. The government alleges the defendants planted a "throw-down" gun to conceal the fact that Webster was unarmed.

The defendants say former officer Danny E. Mays fired at Webster in self-defense.

Mays, Norval W. Holloway Jr., and Paul D. Dillon later were fired. Robert S. Bloodworth is the fourth defendant.

Olin told the jury Mays struck Webster on the head with his gun and shot him after jerking him from the allegedly stolen van Webster was driving.

"Webster was not resisting arrest," Olin said.

Olin, 27, who also was fired, said he ran toward the van after it was stopped, and saw Mays "raise his arm and swing down with the gun on Webster."

"I heard a shot," Olin continued. "Mays stepped back. I saw blood start coming from Webster's head."

Within 30 seconds, Dillon and other officers began arriving, Olin said. Until that time, no gun lay on the pavement next to Webster, he testified.

U.S. District Judge Finis E. Cowan then excused the jury to hear evidence establishing the existence of a conspiracy and the admissibility of statements made concerning it, as required by a 1978 appeals court ruling.

Olin continued his story about the "throw-down" gun.

Holloway and I approached Mays and asked him if he wanted to use a throw-down gun or tell the truth," Olin said. "Mays was undecided at first. We told him to make up his mind, it was his shooting, he should do whatever he wanted to do."

"He agreed to (plant the gun)," Olin said.

Krum, Snook may battle for title

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Krum and Snook both won one-point championship victories in the 1978 schoolboy basketball tournament. This year, they may play each other for the title.

The unusual situation was set up when Krum, 43-0, and Snook, 43-2, advanced to the tournament in the same division — Class B.

Krum won the B title last year by edging Avinger, 69-68, and Snook squeezed by Coppell, 63-62 in Class A. This year, however, Snook is competing in B.

Krum met West Lamar of Petty in the opener of the three-day tournament today, with Snook matched against Whitharrel in the other semifinal game.

It is Snook's 12th trip to the tournament since 1962, and the Bluejays have won four championships.

Krum won in 1971, nipping Snook, 52-51.

Whitehouse and Huntsville also will seek their second straight championships at the three-day tournament, which opened today.

Whitehouse, 29-5, will defend its 2A title against Altair of Rice, Boling and Seminole. Seminole won in 1955.

Huntsville defeated Mineral Wells for the 3A title last year, and the championship game this year could be a replay.

Huntsville, 25-5, plays Daingerfield, which has won 26 of 27 games, in the semifinals Thursday night, followed by the Mineral Wells-Bay City game. Daingerfield won the 1977 championship.

Bay City lists eight players with season scoring averages in double figures, including sophomore Bobby Booker and junior Todd Chambers, who have each averaged 20 points a game.

Houston Madison, 39-0, eliminated Houston Wheatley, the defending 4A champion, 74-70, in regional competition and will meet Lufkin in the semifinals Friday afternoon. Lufkin is making its first tournament appearance in 31 years, after finishing as runnerup three times in the 1940s.

In recent games against a common foe, Madison defeated Beaumont Charlton-Pollard by six points and Lufkin won by two points.

Madison's scoring leader is 6-foot-11 Greg Kite, who won a lawsuit to allow him to enroll in a summer basketball camp. Kite averages 17.7 points a game. Only one player on the 15-man roster is under six feet.

Fort Worth Dunbar, a 1977 runnerup, and Austin Lanier play Friday night in 4A. Lanier is the first Austin team to advance to the tournament since 1970.

La Poyner of Larue, which won state titles in 1972, 1973 and 1975 and lost by only one point in the 1974 finals, returns in Class A and opens against Hull-Diasetta Friday morning. Reagan County of Big Lake and Vega will play in the other A semifinal contest.

Witness says Dugas boasted of committing 'perfect murder'

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) —

The brother of a man charged with the deaths of five members of a Winnie, Texas, family testified Wednesday that Joe Dugas once boasted that he and a woman had committed "the perfect murder."

Richard Dugas testified

Wednesday in the

capital-murder trial of Linda May Burnett, who is charged along with Joe Dugas, in the slaying of the Bishop Phillips family last July. Joe Dugas will be tried later in Corpus Christi.

Dugas is charged along with the Burnett woman with capital

murder in the slayings of Dugas'

former in-laws, the Bishop Phillips family, last July.

State District Judge Larry Gist called a recess late Wednesday and ordered reporters out of the courtroom.

Attorneys for both sides then met privately with the judge for

more than an hour but neither

the lawyers nor the judge would comment on the topic of the closed-door session.

Richard Dugas Wednesday said Joe told him and a younger brother "out of the clear blue sky" last July 4 that "I think I committed the perfect murder."

He said Joe told him that he and an unnamed woman had taken her car to the Phillips' home, circled the house and cut a screen to gain entry.

The witness testified that he was told "the conditions were perfect" and he said his brother told him "the sky was overcast

and it was fixing to rain."

Richard Dugas testified his brother told him they held the five family members at gunpoint and when one attempted to escape he hit him on the head "and blood went everywhere."

He testified his brother said they drove to a "predug gravesite" where the woman companion shot the adults and then Joe shot the child when the woman refused to do it.

Killed were Bishop and Ester Phillips of Winnie, along with their son, Elmer, his wife, and

their three-year-old son, Jason, from Woodward, Okla.

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Around Washington

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is escalating its efforts on behalf of the Equal Rights Amendment and is planning an unspecified "major event" to promote the proposed constitutional amendment.

Sarah Weddington, special assistant to President Carter for women's issues, said Wednesday the White House was setting up a special task force as part of the ratification campaign. But, she added, "The White House has limited influence on state legislators," who vote on the proposed amendment.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States is speeding up shipment of arms to the Arabian Peninsula nation of North Yemen following renewed hostilities with Marxist neighbor South Yemen.

"Our national interest in the security and the national integrity in the Arabian Peninsula is clear," State Department spokesman Hocking Carter said in announcing the shipment of anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons to North Yemen. He said Congress will be asked for approval to send additional equipment such as fighters and armored personnel carriers.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two foreign policy experts dispute administration claims the United States needs a new missile system to compete with advances in Soviet technology.

John Steinbruner of the Brookings Institution and Robert Pranger of the American Enterprise Institute told the Senate Budget Committee Wednesday that the nation's defense would not be harmed by deleting the \$935 million proposed for the X X missile. The Pentagon says the Soviets could destroy most of the U.S. Minuteman missile force by the early-to mid-1980s.

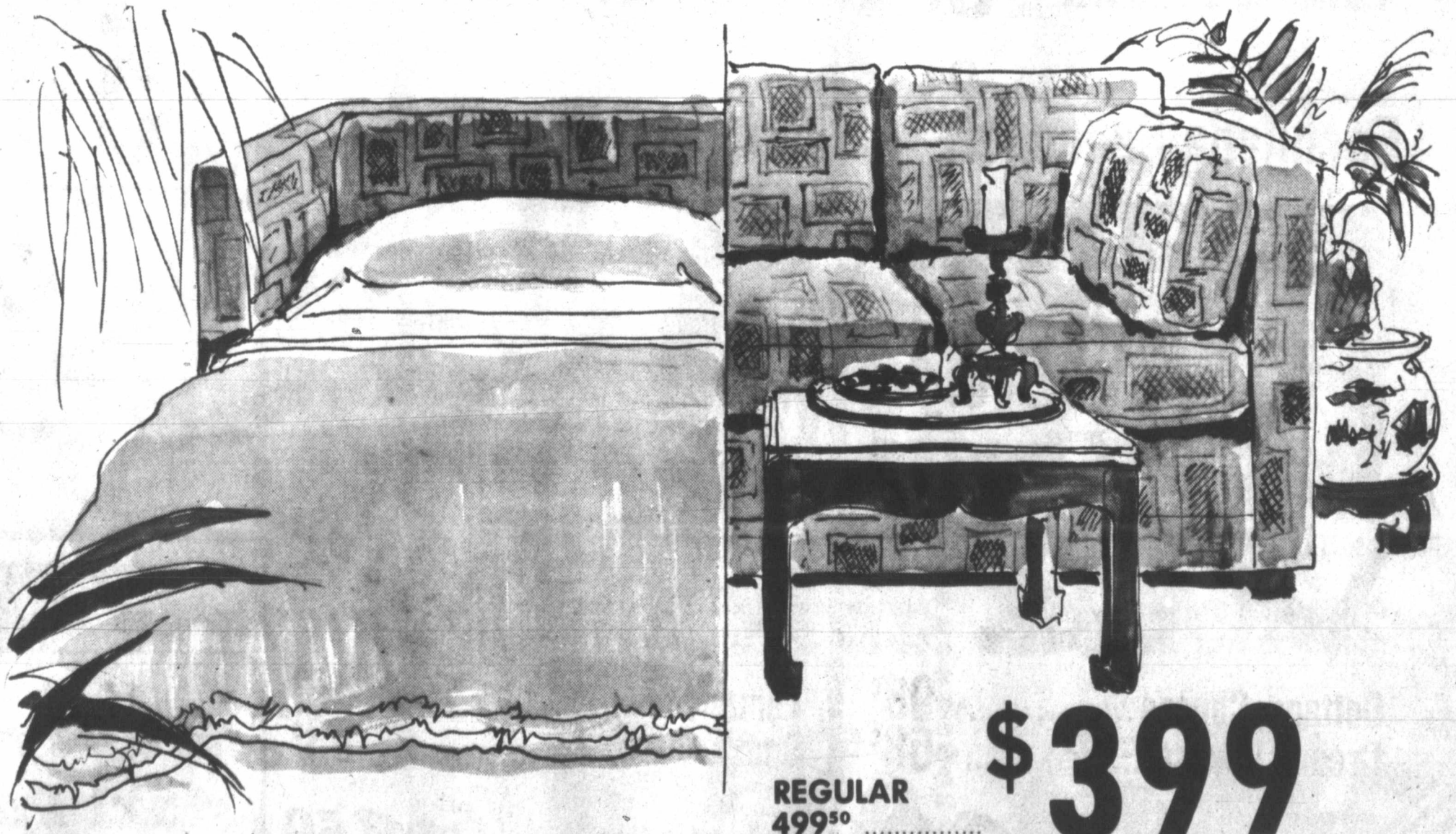
WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the House Commerce subcommittee on communications says he agrees with broadcasters who are complaining about federal regulation of radio and television.

Rep. Lionel Van Deelen, D-Calif., told about 350 broadcasters from around the nation Wednesday that he will work for passage of a bill to relax current restrictions. One of the regulations he wants rewritten would eliminate periodic license renewals by radio and television stations unless there were challenges to their licenses.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The full House Administration Committee will review a subcommittee's decision that Democrat Beverly Byron should represent Maryland's 6th Congressional District. Republican Melvin Perkins, who was overwhelmingly defeated, said his opponent was illegally selected following the death of her husband, who represented the district.

Perkins, who says he is an unemployed pauper, said he may move to Florida. "I've got the gripe," he said. "I can ride the train for free...I could go to a flophouse in Miami. I guess they might not have flophouses any more, but I know a place down there where I could live on \$3 or \$4 a day."

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the world

No clue in mystery disease

NAPLES, Italy (AP) — Neapolitans have turned to their patron saint to rid them of the so-called mystery disease that has taken the lives of at least 71 babies in 13 months. But so far he has not given them a sign.

At a special service Wednesday, vials containing what is purported to be the dried blood of San Gennaro, the 4th century bishop of the city, were placed on the altar in the city's cathedral, and Cardinal Corrado Ursi led 2,000 believers in prayers that it would liquefy as a sign of hope.

It didn't. A team of foreign doctors that investigated the deaths said there was nothing mysterious about the deaths. It said most of the children died of interstitial pneumonia.

Thailand running out of oil

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Thailand is running out of oil for electric power stations because shipments from China have been delayed, and a national blackout next week could result, a spokesman for the national Electricity Generating Authority said today.

The cabinet ordered all government offices to switch off their air conditioners, but only a few complied. The government is also considering turning off neon signs, halting late movies and closing gasoline stations on Sundays.

Police raid parsonage

BERGAMO, Italy (AP) — Police raided a Roman Catholic parsonage that had been converted into a counterfeiting mint, arrested the resident priest and three others and confiscated thousands of fake 50,000-lire (\$60) notes, police sources reported today.

The sources said the 49-year-old priest, the Rev. Don Remo Cereda, professed his innocence, saying he rented part of the building to a person whose name he could not recall.

The bogus bills began circulating in Bergamo, in northern Italy, three weeks ago.

France looking for oil deal

MEXICO CITY (AP) — French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing opened a four-day state visit to Mexico with an offer of a \$200-million package of equipment, technology and loans, a French government spokesman reported.

The spokesman did not give specifics but said if accepted, the package would not be paid for with oil. There was no indication of President Jose Lopez Portillo's reaction.

French Ambassador Pierre Bernard said earlier the two presidents would sign 30 agreements on Friday. They will provide for French cooperation in the development of Mexico's nuclear and solar energy, offshore fishing and oil industry, informed sources said.

the nation

One killed, four injured in collapse

NOBLESVILLE, Ind. (AP) — One worker was killed and four others were injured when a partially completed addition to a frozen food packaging plant collapsed "like dominoes."

Plant manager Allen Cling said steel beams shifted Wednesday morning and the roof of the two-story, concrete-block structure caved in, sending tons of concrete and steel crashing down. Authorities were trying to determine what caused the collapse.

"It just went down like dominoes," said Wright Hensley of Anderson, a construction worker who escaped injury.

Disease kills third child

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Rey's Syndrome, a rare complication of viral diseases that strikes mainly children, has killed a third Michigan child this year, and Wisconsin officials say the disease has taken its first victim there.

The disease has struck 35 Michigan children since an outbreak of Type A-Brazil flu. Wisconsin officials say two children there were suffering from the ailment and that two others had recovered. Rey's Syndrome causes swelling of brain cells, constant vomiting and altered behavior.

Chavez plans other strikes

EL CENTRO, Calif. (AP) — With the winter lettuce season nearly over in the Imperial Valley, union leader Cesar Chavez is seeking support for the United Farm Workers' lettuce strike in other areas.

Chavez met with 500 sympathizers in San Luis, Ariz., Wednesday to discuss the union's strike against 11 growers who account for 40 percent of the nation's winter lettuce crop. The harvest will shift soon to other parts of California and Arizona, a Chavez aide said.

The union wants a 40 percent wage increase in a one-year contract. The growers have offered increases averaging 7 percent a year for three years.

Cancer patients to use pot

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — A Senate committee has approved a bill that would legalize the use of marijuana by cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy and radiation treatment.

The bill also would permit use of the drug for the treatment of glaucoma, but the major use would be to relieve the nausea and loss of appetite associated with chemotherapy and radiation treatment.

The Senate Social and Health Services Committee approved the measure Wednesday and sent it to the full Senate where it is expected to come up for final action Friday.

News from around the world

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THURSDAY

Carter opens talks with Begin tonight

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter, frustrated, impatient and already supporting key Egyptian demands, opens new Mideast peace talks tonight with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

The outlook for wrapping up a treaty did not appear bright as Carter prepared for what he says will be "a frank discussion of the issues."

Before flying here, Begin criticized the United States for supporting Egyptian proposals he said "were totally unacceptable to Israel."

He did not elaborate, but diplomatic sources in Washington told the Associated Press the specifics of U.S. support for Egypt's stand on the three major unresolved issues. The sources insisted on anonymity.

First, the sources said, the administration agrees a one-year timetable for establishing Palestinian autonomy in Israeli-held

territory should be included in the Egyptian-Israeli treaty.

The United States is proposing that Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat exchange letters providing that a Palestinian authority be set up on the west bank of the Jordan River and in the Gaza district within a year of a treaty signing.

Begin has insisted that Palestinian autonomy be negotiated separately and that the treaty be completed on its own.

Sadat, not wanting to be accused by other Arab countries of making a separate peace with Israel or of forsaking the Palestinians, has long demanded a timetable.

Second, the sources said, the administration backs the Egyptian position that the treaty not take priority over Egypt's military ties with other Arab countries.

Sadat has insisted on revising a treaty provision that gives peace with Israel precedence over Egypt's promises to aid other Arab countries under an attack by Israel.

The U.S. formula, presented to the two sides by Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance last week at Camp David, Md., provides that Egypt and Israel reserve their rights to act in collective self-defense.

This would be stated in a protocol accompanying the treaty and would follow United Nations provisions on rights of regional self-defense.

Treaty terms agreed to last fall by Egyptian and Israeli negotiators gave peace between the two countries precedence over the Arab defense pacts. Sadat requested the revision in December.

Begin wants peace between Cairo and Jerusalem to have priority over other Egyptian pacts.

On a third key point, the sources said, the administration is backing Sadat's position of withholding an exchange of ambassadors with Israel until all of the Sinai Peninsula is returned to Egypt and steps are taken toward Palestinian autonomy.

Khomeini goes home

QOM, Iran (AP) — Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, spiritual leader of the Islamic revolution that drove Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi from power, returned to his native holy city of Iran today to a triumphant welcome after 14 years of exile.

Tens of thousands of jubilant Shiite Moslems braved the morning cold to get a glimpse of the 78-year-old religious patriarch. The crowds lined the route 30 to 40 deep behind makeshift barriers.

The ayatollah's motorcade took four hours to make the 100-mile trip from Tehran. It moved slowly through the banner-festooned streets following a single line of plastic flowers in the center of the roadway to the shrine of Hazrat Maasoumeh, sister of a Shiite religious leader who died 1,300 years ago.

Turbaned mullahs, or Moslem priests, and many of the 10,000 students at local theology schools led the crowds in a constant thunderous refrain of "Allah Akbar!" — "God is Great!"

Khomeini returned to Iran a month ago but delayed his return to Qom while his forces took over the government in the capital and extended their control across the country. He was the religious leader in Qom until the shah had him arrested in 1963 and expelled him from the country for opposing the ruler's Westernization program.

Khomeini left Tehran despite a threat by Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan to resign because of the actions of the ayatollah's Revolutionary Committee, a parallel government which operates independently of Bazargan's provisional government.

"They oppose us, they are against our appointments. Our day has been turned into night," said Bazargan in a broadcast.

"They put people in jail, attack embassies and foreign residents and they have damaged our reputation and even the reputation of Imam Khomeini. This is disgraceful. If this goes on, we will have no alternative but to resign."

Meanwhile, the United States was driven from its last anti-Soviet spy station in northern Iran on Wednesday, but U.S. officials claimed no secrets were lost.



FLAMES RISE from burning files dumped in the streets and set afire Wednesday in Valenciennes, France, outside the local steel manufacturers' association headquarters in the

northern French city. The steel workers, threatened with unemployment, have led several demonstrations in the area during the past week.

(AP Laserphoto)

Elsewhere in America

NEW YORK (AP) — Bonnie Schachter is five-three, black eyes, a face as bubbly as the Dom Perignon champagne she pours for breakfast. Not her breakfast. Yours — if you're willing to fork over, say, \$1,000.

The fee also covers the caviar, strawberries Parisienne, fresh roses and whatever else you might fancy with your cafe au lait not excluding belly dancers.

Ms. Schachter runs an outfit called Rent-An-Event.

Any event. Any, that is, within the bounds of the law and decency but not of extravagance. Just the other day, the prospects in New Orleans being what they were, she rented to a New Yorker his own Mardi Gras.

"We had a float, jazz band, sword swallowers, fire eaters, a fantastic meal," she bubbled. "We put the whole thing on in a Fifth Avenue apartment. How much? Just \$3,500."

That's nothing. She once rented, for \$5,000, a Roman orgy. It did not overlook togas, fountains, a suckling pig on a spit and a barefoot grape-stomper who sang opera.

She rents less grand events.

A customer needed understanding. She rented a Jewish mother. One needed cheering up. She rented — what else? — a cheerleader. One felt out of touch. She rented a newscaster.

A group in Queens, angry with a neighbor who wouldn't tidy up his property, summoned Bonnie Schachter. She rented Lady Godiva, in a body stocking, galloping a white horse through the neighborhood shouting, "Mr. Jones is a litterbug."

A Manhattan dame wanted a birthday surprise for her husband, a man who, of course, had everything. She buzzed Ms. Schachter.

When the big day arrived the indulgent wife shook her spouse awake and led him to the window. Across the street, on the broad steps of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in the first rays of morning, 10 ballerinas danced. "Just for you, dear."



U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY Michael Blumenthal, right, observes in the capacity of President Carter's personal envoy as diplomatic personnel haul down the first U.S. flag to fly

over the Liaison office in Peking and replace it with a new banner. Seal at left had been removed moments before, replaced with one bearing the inscription "embassy."

(AP Laserphoto)

Highway beautification program under glass

WASHINGTON (AP) — Along the nation's interstate and primary highways there are 197,791 signs and billboards the government would like to get rid of and 10,608 junkyards it would like to see screened. But some states aren't cooperating, and even if they did, Uncle Sam hasn't got the money to pay for the removal.

As a result, America's highway beautification program, launched with fanfare in 1965 by President Lyndon Johnson and his wife, Lady Bird, is in trouble.

President Carter didn't include a penny for the program in his fiscal 1980 budget, after earmarking \$13.1 million for it this year.

Richard W. Moeller of the Federal Highway Administration said the Office of Management and Budget decided not to seek funds in 1980 because it wanted a complete reassessment of the program.

"We're contemplating a series of public hearings on the program, and we hope soon to appoint an advisory

committee to analyze and give direction," said Moeller, chief of the agency's junkyard and outdoor advertising branch. "The committee would include industry representatives, environmentalists, highway users, consumers and others."

He said the lack of 1980 budget money doesn't mean the project will come to an immediate halt.

"We have about \$65 million in the pipeline in some form or another, mostly funds that have been allocated to states for the removal of outdoor advertising signs and the screening of junkyards," he said. "Some states could operate for five years with money already allotted to them; others don't have much."

Moeller said that in 1978 states asked for \$52 million for highway beautification, "but I had only \$9.5 million to give out."

The concept started in 1958 as a voluntary program, with states receiving an incentive of one-half of one percent of their federal highway funds if they controlled advertising

signs within 660 feet of interstate highways.

But only about half the states participated, and in 1965, prodded by Johnson and his wife and over the objection of the outdoor ad industry, Congress passed the Highway Beautification Act.

The act extended billboard control to other primary federal highways and to junkyards and offered incentives for landscaping around highways. States not complying could lose 10 percent of federal highway money.

Signs along the designated highways were allowed only in areas zoned commercial or industrial and junkyards only in industrial areas.

The act also said "just compensation" must be paid to those whose signs were removed and those who screened junkyards. However, many local governments claimed authority in this area and did not offer compensation.

How is compensation determined?

"It's the same as evaluating real estate," Moeller said.

"We appraise the structure, the site, the number of cars which pass by and the fair market value."

He said payment could range from \$50 for a small sign to several thousand for an elaborate electronic billboard, with the nationwide average about \$2,000 for each.

So far only four states have had federal highway money withheld because of non-compliance, and three, New York, Alabama and Oklahoma, had the funds restored when they quickly came into compliance.

The government withheld \$4.08 million from South Dakota in fiscal 1978 and \$4.298 million in 1979. Last November, Transportation Secretary Brock Adams ruled South Dakota could not recover the 1978 funds but that the 1979 money would be restored if the South Dakota legislature acts to put the state in compliance by March 31.

The legislature now has two bills before it, one calling for fairly strict compliance, the other for minimum compliance.

The people's pharmacy

by Joe Graedon

Q. I am one of those people who suffers from manic-depression. Sometimes I am really up and flying as high as a kite. But other times I go so low that suicide seems the only answer. My doctor put me on a drug called Lithane (lithium carbonate). He said that I should have regular blood tests to make sure the dose doesn't get out of hand but he didn't tell me very much about side effects. Are there any things I should be aware of?

A. Lithium has been a very important therapeutic advance in treating the kind of mood swing that you suffer from. Unfortunately, the margin of safety between the effective dose and the toxic level is fairly tight. That is why you have to get your blood tested periodically. If the proper dose is maintained carefully you shouldn't suffer any serious problems.

Signs of lithium toxicity include drowsiness, diarrhea, vomiting, weakness, hand tremor, ringing in the ears, blurred vision, lack of coordination and difficulty in walking. If you ever experience any of these symptoms you should get in touch with your doctor immediately and go in for another blood test.

Q. I have a terrible problem. I fall asleep at the weirdest times - sometimes at work, sometimes just when I sit down to eat. Needless to say, this drives my wife right up the wall. Even when I get a good night's sleep and feel rested, these crazy sleep attacks come on. As I start to wake up I feel completely paralyzed for a few moments and I can't move my body. It's really scary. Last week it happened while I was driving home from work and I narrowly missed having an accident. I've

tried taking Nodroz and Tired tablets, but they just make me jittery and don't seem to prevent these sleep attacks. Is there anything I can take that will be more effective?

A. It sounds like you are suffering from an illness called narcolepsy. It is characterized by the kind of uncontrollable sleep attacks that you have described. They can occur at any time and may last from a few minutes to several hours and are all but impossible to resist. The kind of non-prescription drugs that you have been buying contain 100 milligrams of caffeine, about the equivalent of a weak cup of coffee. I'm afraid that they won't be particularly effective in treating your problem.

Narcolepsy really requires a doctor's supervision. Mild cases often respond reasonably well if you make sure you get a good night's sleep and schedule a few daytime naps of between 15 and 20 minutes. If the naps don't help, your doctor may consider prescribing a stimulant drug such as Ritalin (Methylphenidate).

One paradoxical problem associated with this drug is that if you take it too late in the day it may interfere with your sleeping and cause insomnia. If you have this trouble, make sure you take the last dose well before bedtime (no later than 6 p.m. and preferably earlier). You may also find that the more you use the drug the less effective it is.

As the anti-narcoleptic action wears off, you may take larger doses more frequently, but even so, sleep attacks may recur. In order to lessen this problem it might be helpful to stop taking the drug when ever possible, such as on weekends or when

you have a vacation. This way you can reduce the likelihood of developing tolerance and thus maintain a lower dose.

If everything fails, you may require specialized help. The American Narcoleptic Association or one of the sleep clinics that study such problems may be necessary. For a clinic near you send a self-addressed stamped envelope to me in care of this newspaper.

The next time you fall asleep at the dinner table, don't let your wife give you a hard time. Just tell her it's not the cooking but the narcolepsy. It's very common for narcoleptics to doze off at mealtime.

Q. My doctor recently recommended potassium iodide solution to supplement my son's other asthma medications. He said it would act like an expectorant to help loosen mucus and clear the lungs. I don't know that it has helped the asthma much, but his acne suddenly got much worse. Could the potassium iodide be responsible?

A. It is very likely that your suspicion is correct. The Committee on drugs for the American Academy of Pediatrics has warned that iodides should not be given to adolescents at all since the medicine can cause skin blemishes if they don't exist or aggravate an existing acne condition. Besides, some doctors question the effectiveness of iodides in the first place, especially since they can adversely affect the thyroid gland of teenage children. You had better get back in touch with your son's doctor and look into alternate approaches.

Got a question? Write to Joe Graedon in care of this newspaper.

Jimmy's White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — When two new snowmobiles were hauled into the presidential retreat at Camp David, Md., a couple of weeks ago, there was speculation President Carter and daughter Amy had acquired new toys.

Such was not the case, however. It seems the snow-scooters were purchased for Carter's Secret Service bodyguards as a necessary tool of their trade.

When the Carters took up cross-country skiing as a weekend pastime at Camp David, the Secret Service pondered the problem of tracking them during their outings through the forested expanses of Catoctin Mountain Park, which embraces Camp David like a blanket.

But tracking was only part of the potential problem. What if Carter fell on his face and was injured? How could he be hauled back to Camp David over rugged terrain?

The snowmobiles arrived and quickly proved their value. Within 48 hours, Carter's skis hit a patch of ice on a steep downslope, precipitating him onto his face.

Cut, bleeding and shaken, the president was put aboard a snowmobile and hauled several miles back up the mountain to his lodge.

So Carter proved the hard way that a far more experienced presidential skier, Gerald R. Ford, had no monopoly on taking pratfalls, or facefalls, at the highest level of government.

Still, it was an embarrassment that could not be covered up, inasmuch as Carter needed heavy makeup for a few days to mask his facial abrasions from the unforgiving eyes of television cameras.

Aides made the best of the situation, saying, in effect, "You should have seen the other fellow."

North is north

RIDGEFIELD, Conn. (AP) — The year Greg went north for the winter — well, to avoid bombastic rhetoric, it just didn't set right with everyone.

The club really hasn't been the same since Greg and Sue decided that Point Barrow, Alaska, would be ideal for their February vacation.

You see, Graham and Carla, who always have been the trend-setters around here, had just gotten back from this fabulously expensive resort on the Yucatan peninsula where everyone has his own private thatched cabana on a beach like talcum powder.

"It was five below when we left O'Hare and the snow was higher than my window air conditioners," said Graham over a round of Margaritas that included his personal instructions to the bartender on how to frost the lips of the glasses with salt. "I wanted to hug the first palm tree I saw getting off the plane."

Greg declined the Margarita. He ordered a Russian vodka on the rocks and asked the bartender to keep a bottle encased in a block of ice. "Siberian style," so in the future he could drink it neat. Like the North Slope oil workers.

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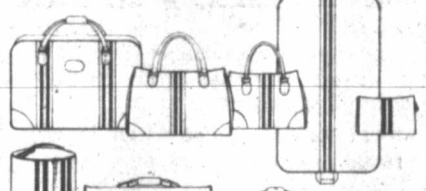
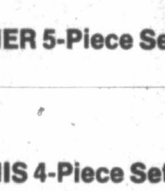
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COLLEGE BASKETBALL First Round A.C.C. Play-offs. (2 hrs.)
LEOPARD OF THE WILD David Niven narrates an extraordinary true story of an orphaned leopard which bridged the worlds of protected captivity and her natural habitat in the wilds of Asia. (60 mins.)

7:00 **MOVIE (DRAMA)** "Crazy Mama" Cloris Leachman, Ann Sothern. A struggling, hard-living, little family runs into tough luck and ends up a criminal band on the lam. (80 mins.)

7:30 **MORK AND MINDY** Mork tries to reveal his identity as an Orkan when Mindy needs money to attend school and a publication offers \$25,000 for proof that aliens walk the Earth. (R) (60 mins.)

8:00 **NEWS DAY**
THE WALTONS Ben elopes and brings his new bride, Cindy, home to live on Walton's Mountain, but her lifestyle is contrary to his upbringing which creates turmoil in the family. (60 mins.)

8:30 **GUNSMOKE**
GOMEH PYLE
ANGIE Angie and Brad break the news of their elopement to Theresa, who disowns Angie, and to Brad's snob sister Joyce, who falls apart.

8:50 **CONSUMER SURVIVAL KIT** "No-Fault Insurance; Pantyhose; Home-buying" (60 mins.)

9:00 **BOB NEWHART SHOW**
MISSION IMPOSSIBLE
MRS. COLUMBO A legendary Scotland Yard detective is certain he's committed a second perfect crime when he convinces everybody—except his cousin—the death of a waiter was really suicide. Guest star: Donald Pleasence. (60 mins.)

9:30 **FAMILY** Working in a hospital as a candy stripper, Buddy falls in love with an angry young basketball star who must face the loss of a leg from cancer. (60 mins.)

10:00 **UNDERSEA WORLD OF JACQUES COUSTEAU** "Sleeping Sharks Of The Yucatan" (60 mins.)

10:30 **HAWAII FIVE-O** Steve McGarrett reluctantly goes after an ex-cop whom he knows, admires—and suspects of being the culprit in a string of murders of Honolulu pimps.

11:00 **BARNABY JONES** Trouble visits Betty Jones in the person of her cousin, a cute girl who has become an unknown target of a mysterious killer gang. (60 mins.)

11:30 **MOVIE (DRAMA)** "A Case of Rape" 1974 Elizabeth Montgomery, Ronnie Cox. Young wife and mother becomes sexual assault victim and finds her life compounded by a law enforcement and judicial system that humiliates and dehumanizes her. (2 hrs., 30 mins.)

12:00 **FESTIVAL OF PRAISE**
HOLIDAY AT MELODYLAND
HOGAN'S HEROES
NEWS
SOUNDSTAGE "Phoebe Snow And David Bromberg" (60 mins.)

12:30 **THIS IS THE LIFE** (MOVIE) (ADVENTURE) **1/2 "And Minute To Zero" 1952 Robert Mitchum, Ann Blyth. A hard-bitten infantry colonel and a civilian worker are at the front in Korea, when the enemy attacks a small town. (2 hrs.)

1:00 **THE TONIGHT SHOW** Host: Johnny Carson. (90 mins.)

1:30 **CBS LATE MOVIE** "M.A.S.H." Hawkeye returns from a leave in Tokyo to find out that his best buddy, Trapper John, has just left for the

United States. (R) "COLUMBO: Negative Reaction" Stars: Peter Falk, Dick Van Dyke. (R) 10:45 **GUNSMOKE**
FAITH TEMPLE
MOVIE (DRAMA) "Pretty Maids All In A Row" 1971 Rock Hudson, Angie Dickinson. There's a cheerleader-killer on the loose, and a stellar cast has a stake in the culprit's capture. How long can the killer get away with it? (R) (92 mins.)

11:00 **GROWING YEARS**
LIFE OF RILEY
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STARSKY AND HUTCH-MANNIX Starsky and Hutch—"The Deadly Imposter" Starsky and Hutch agree to help a long lost buddy locate his son and ex-wife who has remarried. (R) MANNIX—"A Day Filled With Shadows" A college basketball star mysteriously disappears and his father hires Mannix to find him. (R; 2 hrs., 15 mins.)

12:00 **TOMORROW** Host: Russell McIntyre, a theologian and philosopher. (60 mins.)

12:30 **MOVIE (COMEDY)** "The Happy Time" 1952 Charles Boyer, Louis Jourdan. The events in the life of a French-Canadian family in Ottawa in the 1920's.

Water maps available

The 1978 water decline maps needed by irrigation farmers and others to claim water depletion on their 1978 Federal Tax returns have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service. The guidelines of the cost in the water and the land have also been approved. The cost guidelines are the same as for 1977.

The decline of the water table maps are prepared by the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3.

Anyone desiring one of the 1978 Decline of the Water Table maps may pick them up at Browning Blue Print Co. at 310 South

Taylor in Amarillo. Anyone desiring only the needed decline for their tax returns may call

the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District office in White Deer.

The healthy human eye is never really still, even when a person stares at a small object as carefully as possible. Microscopic movements of the eye up, down and from side to side constantly shift the direction of the gaze.

FOCUS



Man on a Tightrope

Adolfo Suarez, Spain's prime minister since 1976, has often said his job is like that of a tightrope walker. And he adds, "Someone is always oiling the rope." Suarez has played a key role in the democratic reforms which have taken place in Spain since dictator Francisco Franco's death. He has had to deal with Spain's economic problems, and the demands of some Spaniards for more local power in their own provinces. He has faced opposition from Franco's old military commanders, as well as from Spain's socialists and communists. Today Suarez faces another test, as Spaniards go to the polls to elect members of Spain's parliament, the Cortes.

DO YOU KNOW — Who succeeded Franco as Spain's ruler in 1975?

WEDNESDAY'S ANSWER — Ancient Rome used a census to help collect taxes.

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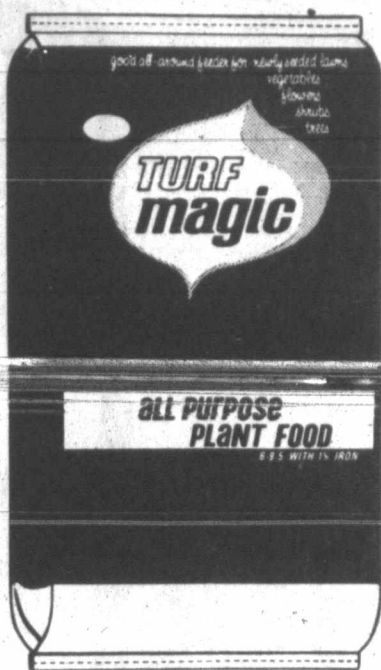
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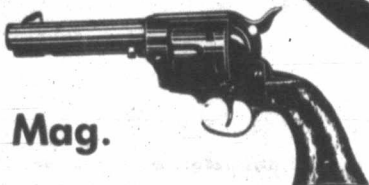


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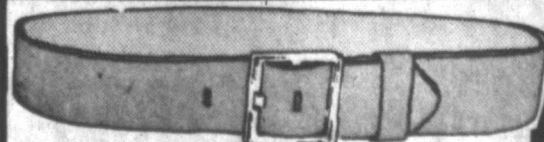
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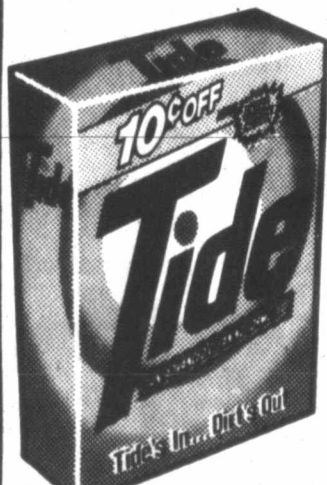
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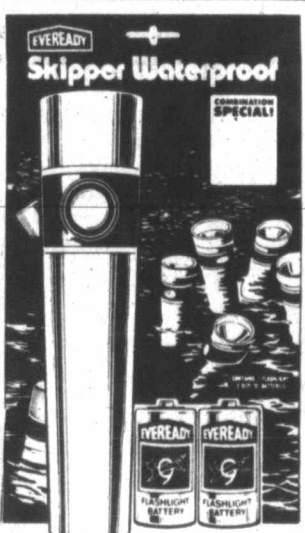
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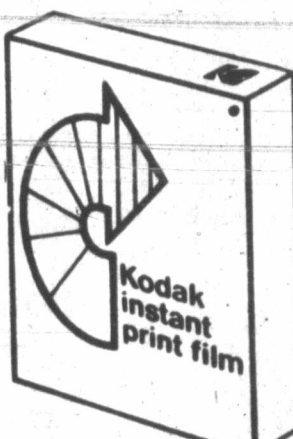
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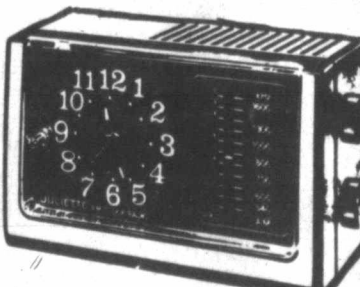
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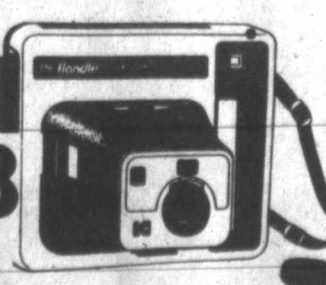


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Track squads to host meets

By JOE BLOBAUM
Pampa News Sports Editor

The high school track season in the Texas Panhandle kicks off its spring campaign in Pampa Friday and Saturday at the Girls and Boys Top of Texas Invitational at the Randy Matson Track.

Friday's girls event is the fifth annual meet, while the boys competition is in its ninth year. Eight teams are expected for the girls meet, while seven boys teams will be on hand Saturday.

Pampa High's hopes in both meets lie largely in unfested underclassmen or upperclassmen who don't necessarily have a wealth of experience. Girls coach Betty Chamberlain doesn't have a single district qualifier returning for the '79 campaign, while boys mentor Lou Allred has just shot putter Danny Buzzard (fifth in District 3-AAAA last year) and high jumper Kyle Bradford (fourth in the district event with a 6-2 leap) returning.

Other boys returnees include Doug Kennedy, Doug Smith and Billy Grimes, all of whom saw action on relay teams last year. Hurdlers Mark Hutchinson, senior sprinter Rudy Roland (in his first year of track) and half miler Rick Kupunas could also help the Harvesters, according to Allred.

The girls, meanwhile, have a little more experience in their camp. Sprinters Kellye Richardson, Cindy Whitson and Shelly Thompson are back for another year, as are Christi Youngblood, Cynthia Fought, Becky

Davis, Teresa Stafford and Nancy Casebier.

Jana Vaughn will handle the mile chores for the Lady Harvesters, while Sherri Eggleston and Carmella Caldwell will participate in the varsity weight events. Stafford, Davis, Whitson, Youngblood and Richardson will also take part in some field events.

Running preliminaries and field event finals will begin at 10:30 Friday morning for the girls. Boys track preliminaries will start at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, with the field events set to begin at 10:30. Finals in the running events are to begin at 3 p.m. both days.

Amarillo High, Caprock, Lubbock High, Lubbock Dunbar, Borger, Dumas and Hereford are expected to join Pampa for the girls meet, with AHS, Tascosa, Canyon, Hereford, Dumas and Borger to be on hand for the boys event. There will be a junior varsity division for both meets.

Following are a tentative list of Pampa's entries for both meets.

Girls varsity

440 relay — Cindy Whitson, Cynthia Fought, Teresa Stafford, Shelly Thompson.

880 run — Margie Pacheco.

440 — Nancy Casebier.

220 — Whitson, Christi Youngblood, Melissa Polson.

80 hurdles — Becky Davis, Kellye Richardson, Fought.

880 relay — Whitson, Davis, Stafford, Thompson.

100 — Thompson, Richardson, Polson.

1 mile — Jana Vaughn.

1 mile relay — Stafford, Youngblood, Casebier.

Fought.

Discus — Sherri Eggleston, Carmella Caldwell.

Shot put — Eggleston, Caldwell.

High jump — Stafford, Davis, Youngblood.

Long jump — Whitson, Youngblood, Casebier.

Triple jump — Whitson, Richardson, Youngblood.

Girls JV

440 relay — Lisa Sims, Kim Coleman, Sherry Smith, Sharon Baum.

880 — Kim Clark, Julie Steel, Nancy Martin.

440 — Sharolyn Salisbury, Melody Andrus, Sheri Scott.

220 — Baum, Amy Beyer, Kerri Golden.

80 hurdles — Paula Hickey.

880 relay — Sims, Andrus, Smith, Salisbury.

100 — Mary Darby, Hickey, Beyer.

1 mile — Jo Lynn Ellis, Dorna Smith.

1 mile relay — Clark, Steel, Andrus, Salisbury.

Discus — Dorinda Gray, Hickey.

Shot put — Gray, Tammy Minyard.

Boys varsity

Shot put — Danny Buzzard, Mike Copeland, Louis Cox.

Discus — Buzzard, Cox, Doug Kennedy.

High jump — Kyle Bradford, Bobby Ward, Arthur Williams.

Long jump — Bradford, Doug Smith, Williams.

100-yard dash — Rudy Roland, Smith,

Williams.

220 — Smith, Billy Grimes, Williams.

120 high hurdles — Mark Hutchinson, Mark Nichols.

330 intermediate hurdles — Hutchinson, Nichols.

440 — Kennedy, Brent Dabbs, Steve Kotara.

880 — Rick Kupunas.

1 mile — Mike Wheeler, Raef Ajanquiz.

440 relay — Roland, Grimes, Hutchinson, Williams.

1 mile relay — Kotara, Smith, Kupunas, Kennedy.

Boys JV

Shot put — Rubin Ambroz, Jim Agan, Clifford Anderson.

Discus — Ambroz, Agan, Anderson.

Pole vault — Tam Bailey, Randy Freutenrich.

Long jump — Rick Hagerman.

100 — Bobby Dorsey, Leslie Alexander.

220 — Dorsey, Dwayne Avery, Alexander.

440 — Les Jones, Dwayne Dunn.

880 — Joe Murray, Chuck Walker, Truck Cortez.

1 mile — Robbie Gee.

440 relay — ALEXANDER, Leroy Kuhn, Anderson, Dorsey.

1 mile relay — Dunn, Brent Rogers, Murray, Marlin Burns.

Open events

880 — Ray Martinez, Kevin Keck.

1 mile — Kevin Gardner, Neal Braswell, D. Combs.



TRACK SEASON gets underway in Pampa Friday when the Lady Harvesters host the Fifth Annual Top of Texas Girls Invitational Meet. The Pampa High boys team will follow

suit on Saturday with their ninth annual Top of Texas event. Eight girls teams are expected on Friday, with seven boys squads due at Randy Matson Track on Saturday.

(Pampa News photo)

Swimmers to vie for regional titles

Coach Mike Eckhart is expecting some record-breaking performances from his Pampa High swimmers Friday and Saturday when they'll compete in a Class AAAA Regional Meet at Midland.

"Some school records will definitely go down," he said Wednesday afternoon. "Everybody will drop their times."

"It's a very fast pool. It's designed strictly for racing and I'm looking forward to some very fast times. Mark (Lehnick), Chris (Alexander) and the two Raymond girls (Cindy and Lisa) should place in the finals, which are the top six."

Only the top two finishers in each event advance to the State Meet in Austin March 16-17, but Eckhart sees little reason why those four Harvesters can't make it.

"It's going to be very close, and I think all four of those kids can finish in the top two and

make the trip to Austin," he noted.

"We've had some super good workouts and I think it will be one of the best regional meets ever as far as we're concerned," he added.

Lehnick will try for his trip to Austin in the 100-yard butterfly event. Alexander's hopes lie in the 100 breast stroke. Cindy Raymond will vie in the 500 freestyle and 100 breast stroke and sister Lisa will go for the gold in the 100 butterfly.

In all, eleven swimmers will make the trip for Pampa. So will at least three sets of parents.

"We've had a lot of support from the parents," Eckhart said. "I know of at least three families going down and I think the support will help us."

"I'm very optimistic," he said in conclusion. "I think this whole shooting match will come out very well for us."

Friday's preliminaries begin at 2 p.m., the same starting time for Saturday's finals. Here are

Pampa's entries in the two-day affair.

Girls 200 medley relay — Kris Douglass, Cindy Raymond, Lisa Raymond, Cindy Quattlebaum.

Boys 200 medley relay — Richard Steger, Chris Alexander, Mark Lehnick, Don Braswell.

Girls 200 freestyle — Kris Douglass.

Boys 200 IM — Richard Steger, Eugene Thompson.

Girls 50 freestyle — Cindy Quattlebaum.

Girls 100 backstroke — Kris Douglass.

Girls 100 butterfly — Lisa Raymond.

Boys 100 butterfly — Mark Lehnick.

Boys 100 freestyle — Darrell Kyle.

Girls 100 freestyle — Cindy Quattlebaum.

Boys 500 freestyle — Richard Steger, Don Braswell.

Girls 500 freestyle — Cindy Raymond.

Boys 100 breast stroke — Chris Alexander.

Girls 100 breast stroke — Cindy Raymond.

Optimist basketball

Gene LaRue scored 16 points Tuesday night as the Bucks upset the previously unbeaten Lakers in Optimist Boys Basketball League action.

The 30-27 was the Bucks' fourth in a row after three straight losses. Rodney Young had nine points and Wiley Kennedy eight for the Lakers, who slipped to 6-1 on the season.

In other games Tuesday night, the Bullets nipped the 76ers 38-34 and the Spurs topped the Celtics 25-16.

Mike Treadwell had 21 points and Anthony Bólin 11 for the Bullets, who upped their mark to 4-3 with the victory. Taylor Newcomb and Wade Howard had 10 apiece for the Sixers, now 2-5.

Tony Santa Cruz had 15 to pace the Spurs to their fifth win against two losses. Brent Crier and Ben Sanchez had six apiece for the 3-4 Celtics.

Tonight's games match the Warriors and Rockets at 5:45, the Spurs and Lakers at 7 and the Celtics and Bucks at 8:15.

NHL

Wednesday's Games
St. Louis 4, Detroit 5
Pittsburgh 4, Colorado 3
Atlanta 4, Toronto 4
New York Rangers 4, Minnesota 4, tie
Los Angeles 3, Los Angeles 3, tie
Chicago 4, Vancouver 4, tie

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Blow by blow

by joe blobaum, sports editor

I didn't notice it until Wednesday afternoon, but an incorrect score was listed in Sunday's paper on the Channing-Lefors game that took place Saturday at the 1-B Regional Boys Basketball Tournament at Levelland.

After a fruitless morning of trying to contact the Texan Dome at South Plains College in Levelland, I had a call from an unidentified woman who said the Pirates had dropped a 65-55 decision. Although I tried my best—about a dozen phone calls, as a matter of fact—to get a second confirmation on the final score, I came up empty handed again.

Although I had reservations about it, I went ahead and reported the final score as I got it. Actually, Channing won by a 54-44 count and I apologize for the error.

It's easy to guess what happened. The woman who called with the score said she had talked to some friends who were in Levelland for the tournament. It's relatively easy to remember a point spread in such an important game, but the final score can sometimes be forgotten in the excitement of the moment. I'm guessing this is what happened Saturday.

In any case, Charlie Sullivan and the rest of the Pirate team deserve congratulations for Lefors' best

showing ever in basketball. Besides winning the district and bi-district titles, they took their first game at the regional event by three points (60-57) over San Elizario. Their season record of 27-4 is also worthy of note.

Another couple of basketball notes (perhaps the last of the season): The Harvester Booster Club will sponsor a Basketball Banquet a week from tonight at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The event will honor the PHS boys and girls teams and is slated to begin at 7. Tickets are available at First National Bank, the Pampa High athletic office and the Harvester basketball coaches.

Monday night must have been a shot in the arm for Pampa's economy. While the two girls bi-district basketball games played to about 2,000 people at Harvester Field House, the reports from the professional wrestling card at M.K. Brown indicated another good crowd.

Pampa High will undoubtedly continue as a host for post-season basketball action. Harvester Field House is one of the largest—and still probably one of the best—facilities in the area for such events.

Wrestling is another matter. This was the first professional card in several years for Pampa, and

Monday night's turnout could mean a return engagement sometime in the future. If you'd like to see the grapplers return to Pampa, why not give the Amarillo promoters a call and tell them how much you liked the show? The numbers to call are 655-7729 or 374-2525.

Speaking of wrestling, but switching to the amateur form of the sport, don't be surprised if Texas high school wrestling takes off in a big way within a few years. In western Nebraska, where I lived before moving to Texas, wrestling crowds would often put basketball audiences to shame. And the State Tournament is one of Lincoln's best drawing cards. Once you understand the intricacies of the sport and the scoring method used, there's little to match the pure excitement generated at a high school wrestling meet. The action is strictly one on one, and it's one of the most exhausting sports around.

Wrestling for three two-minute periods is one of the most taxing things a young man can do to his body. But there's nothing like the thrill that occurs when the referee raises your hand in victory after a match. And I speak only from the experience of a match I won in a ninth grade physical education class.

Wednesday sports scoreboard

College basketball

By The Associated Press

1st place - Drew 71, FDU-Medison 61

2nd place - Wesleyan 72, Williams 64

3rd place - Mercer 82, Stetson 61

4th place - Morris Brown 82, Georgia St. 60, OT

5th place - NC-Charlotte 68, Georgia Southern 71

6th place - NC-Wilmington 74, E. Tenn. St. 61

7th place - S. Alabama 67, NW Louisiana 61

8th place - S. Mississippi 67, Samford 63

9th place - Ball St. 69, E. Michigan 67

10th place - Cent. Michigan 72, Bowling Green 66

11th place - Cent. Missouri 64, Rochester 62, OT

12th place - Detroit 88, Xavier (Ohio) 69

13th place - Kent St. 63, Miami, Ohio 62

14th place - Loyola 61, W. Valparaiso 60

15th place - N. Illinois 102, W. Michigan 100, OT

16th place - Toledo 75, Ohio St. 70

17th place - Hawaii Pacific 121, Reed 70

18th place - Cent. Missouri 64, Rochester 62, OT

19th place - Detroit 88, Xavier (Ohio) 69

20th place - Kent St. 63, Miami, Ohio 62

21st place - Loyola 61, W. Valparaiso 60

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25th place - Cent. Missouri 64, Rochester 62, OT

Pro basketball

By The Associated Press

1st place - Boston 122, New Orleans 113

2nd place - Washington 124, Chicago 113

3rd place - San Antonio 126, New York 112

4th place - Milwaukee 128, Cleveland 117

5th place - Houston 122, Denver 97

6th place - Phoenix 108, Indiana 105

7th place - San Diego 122, Kansas City 120

8th place - Seattle 97, Philadelphia 93

9th place - Portland 103, Utah 97

10th place - Golden State 91, Atlanta 88

Transactions

By The Associated Press

1st place - Los Angeles 126, New York 112

2nd place - Washington 124, Chicago 113

3rd place - San Antonio 126, New York 112

4th place - Milwaukee 128, Cleveland 117

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Gardening by Moon Signs

by lois boynton

Gardening Tips for March

The Moon will be increasing: 1-3:15pm the 13th; 28-31. The Moon will be decreasing: 14-22.

The Fruitful Signs are: 7-8 (Cancer), 17-18 (Scorpio), 25-26 (Pisces).

The Semi-Fruitful Signs are: 2-3 (Taurus), 14-15:50pm the 16th (Libra); 21-22 (Capricorn); From 11:40 am the 29th-31st until 4:00pm.

The Barren Signs are: 1 (Aries); 4-5 (Gemini); 9-11 (Leo); 12-13 (Virgo); 19-20 (Sagittarius); 23-24 (Aquarius); 27-28 (Aries).

The Fruitful Signs are the Wet Signs. The Barren Signs are the Dry Signs. The Fixed Signs are Taurus, Leo, Scorpio, and Aquarius. The Moveable Signs are Cancer, Gemini, Libra, and Pisces. The Moveable Signs are used for transplanting.

The first day of March means Spring to us, although it begins officially around the 21st. The snowdrops and crocus are blooming, and so many green tips are pushing up through the flower beds, that the first warm day gives you the urge to get out and start digging.

The wonderful snows of the past winter have put good seasoning into the soil and the gardener knows that a good year is ahead.

Plant seeds of flowers and vegetables inside the 7th and 8th. They will be ready for planting out when the weather warms up. Starting seeds inside

requires work, but it offers great reward. This way you can grow the plants you really want, when many times you are not able to buy them.

The choice of varieties is unlimited. And some of the beautiful pictures can become a reality in your garden, with some care and work, of course.

Now is the time for starting the slow-growing flower seeds of labeia, alyssum, begonias, salvia, and geraniums. Vegetable seeds, tomatoes, cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and eggplant and others, should be started inside. In order to sprout, seeds need a moist, warm environment. Once they have sprouted, they need plenty of light, adequate water, (not enough to get them waterlogged) good soil and regular feeding.

Seeds can be planted in any kind of container. Peat pellets and cubes are simple, but there are less expensive ways to start seeds inside. Milk cartons, small plastic boxes, any size plastic or clay pots, or what-have-you. Peat pots can cause problems, like them for transplanting the seedlings.

Seeds do not need a rich soil for sprouting, in fact a rich mixture may inhibit germination. We use regular potting soil. Fill the container to within 1 1/2 inches of the top. Cover the seed lightly with sieved sphagnum moss, potting the seeds in so they will

immediately make contact with the soil. Plant seeds with the same germination time together. Enclose the containers in plastic bags.

Once they have sprouted, uncover and move to a lighter spot. Seedlings need lots of light to keep them from getting leggy. They should have a southern exposure. A daytime temperature between 60 and 70 degrees is ideal for most seedlings, and they need good air circulation.

The seedlings should be fed diluted fish emulsion once a week. They should never be allowed to dry out. Misting them regularly will aid in their growth.

We are using Wonder Water or Degassed water to soak our seeds and water seedlings. We read about this in January Organic Gardening Magazine.

Two Soviet scientists were experimenting with tap water, boiled water and fresh snowmelt water. They were studying the uptake of water by cut leaves, first weighing the leaves then placing them in tap water, boiled water or fresh meltwater for an hour, then reweighing them to determine the water uptake. They were recording two to three times the uptake of fresh meltwater over either tap or boiled water. Accidentally the boiled water was spilled. They quickly boiled more water and immediately cooled it under running tap water to the

required 20 degrees C., in order to continue the experiment.

To their amazement, the found that leaves took up five to six times as much of this water as tap water, and two to three times as much as meltwater.

They did further experimenting with this water, using it for plants, rats, cattle and even cement mixes. They observed that concrete prepared with it was 8 to 10 percent stronger than concrete prepared with ordinary water.

They learned that boiling thoroughly degasses water. Since the water in our bodies is degassed, drinking such water would save the body the work of creating the right order out of the water we ordinarily drink. So besides watering our plants with it we might try drinking it ourselves. Maybe we will feel better.

For preparing the wonder water, start with as many quarts of tap water as you want, boil five minutes at a rolling boil. Fill mason jars and seal. Hold under cold running tap water until the jar is cool. Use it immediately, or store in refrigerator. Once you open the jar it should be used right away. If left exposed more than an hour the gases will have a chance to redissolve in the water.

Will you join with us in testing wonder water? Water half your started seedlings with ordinary tap water, the other half with wonder water. If you soak seeds,

soak half in tap water and the other half in wonder water. Be sure you give them the same treatment, then measure the results. Please share it with us.

If you have a pot plant that is off-color and sick, and you discover white crusts on the soil surface and the pot rim, this is probably due to overloading the soil with excess fertilizer salts.

This condition can be corrected by removing the crusts, material from the surface of the soil with a fork, then running distilled water through the soil two or three times. Tap water should not be used because it adds its own salts. Water the plant as usual after this treatment and do not fertilize until you see an improvement in the plants color and growth. As a last resort, wash soil from roots, and repot the plant in fresh potting mix and a new pot.

With a reel type mower, go over your garden spot, breaking down any debris you may have failed to clean up in the fall. This can be tilled under in preparing the garden. It will not only fertilize the soil, but add humus also.

Soil and weather permitting, plant English peas the 7th and 8th. Plant potatoes and onion plants the 17th and 18th.

Trim peonies back to the ground, remove mulch and add wood ashes.

Do not remove or disturb mulch around early sprouting bulbs. They need the added protection.

Lois Boynton



THE PAMPA JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE recently contributed \$1,000 to the Pampa Meals on Wheels program. The organization raised the money by having a tour of homes last December. Junior Service League members Beverly Teague (left) and Mary Bowers (far right) presented the check to Meals on Wheels Coordinator Shirley Kucifer.

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The unseen Mrs. Columbo, you thought, must be some lady. Her brilliant, somewhat eccentric detective-husband deftly handled the most dastardly

criminals, yet always seemed a little reverential when speaking of his wife.

The lieutenant would foil a chess champion's perfect murder, but worry about getting his wife to her cooking class on time. "Columbo" was a cerebral entertainment, with all of Falk's intricate cigar-smoke deductions, and the often-evoked image of his wife served as nice counterpoint. It made the

rumpled genius just plain folk.

Falk eventually got a little too expensive for NBC, and the network lost the popular series after last season. But it struck someone at NBC that the imaginary Mrs. Columbo might be much more reasonable. She didn't even have an agent. And she was available.

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