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The SDN Column

The latest Texas Energy Report from the office of Gov. Dolph Briscoe says the Permian Basin area of Texas is one of the brightest spots on the employment picture. At the close of 1974, unemployment was pegged at 2.8 per cent in the Midland-Odessa area, which is in the midst of the Basin, and indications are that it was even lower than that in Snyder area. This compares to a 5.1 per cent figure for Texas as a whole and 8.2 per cent for the country.

The Permian Basin is the name used in reference to a geographic region that stumps some folks. It is, roughly, an area from Scurry County on the East extending westward into three counties of New Mexico, and mostly below the "Plains" region. It produces about 55 per cent of the oil and gas in Texas and some 17 per cent of the oil and gas produced in the entire country. In fact, the SACROC unit in Scurry County alone accounts for over two per cent of the nation's production.

Anyway, the Permian Basin is the No. 1 petroleum producing area in the United Sates, and possibly its biggest problem now is providing housing for people who work there.

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In our estimation, one of the most refreshing things to pop up on television in some time is a mid-season replacement for a Friday night turkey on CBS. It is titled "We'll Get By" and comes on at 7:30 p.m. It's been on several times and we have seen it twice. But may not be long for the tube, unless a lot of others "discover" it. It didn't fare well in the ratings in its first showing.

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The death of George Parr, known for years as the "Duke of Duval," created some excitement around newspaper offices since he had been a prominent newsmaker for several decades. But it soon became apparent that the "Duke" really was from another era when one of the younger staff members asked, "Who was George Parr?"

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Mr. and Mrs. Karl Mawhorter were visitors in town the other day and they were interested in looking over recent developments, especially Western Texas College. Karl was manager of the Chamber of Commerce here in 1969, the year Snyder won an All-America Award, and left soon after another junior college committee had started to work in the wake of a disappointing application at Austin. Like many others who recall some of those ill-fated efforts to establish a two-year college here, Karl regarded WTC as "a dream come true." He is still engaged in industrial development work in Tennessee. — WACIL McNAIR.

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Today In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, April 3, the 93rd day of 1975. There are 272 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

In 1865, during the Civil War, the Union Army occupied the former Confederate capital of Richmond, Va.

On this date:

In 1646, Swedish forces took Prague, Czechoslovakia.

In 1776, Harvard College conferred the honorary degree of doctor of laws on General George Washington.

In 1860, Pony Express service began between St. Joseph, Mo. and Sacramento, Calif.

In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was executed for the kidnaping and murder of the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh.

In 1941, British troops evacuated the Libyan port of Bengasi during World War II.

In 1948, the United States allocated more than $5 billion in aid for 16 European countries.

Ten years ago: U.S. planes bombed bridges in North Vietnam for the first time, cutting Hanoi's rail link with major bases and cities to the south.

Five years ago: Japanese students who hijacked an airliner finally reached North Korea after a long stopover at Seoul in South Korea, where they released 103 passengers and took a Japanese official aboard as a hostage.

One year ago: President Nixon announced that he would pay nearly $443,000 in back taxes, plus interest.

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The Weather

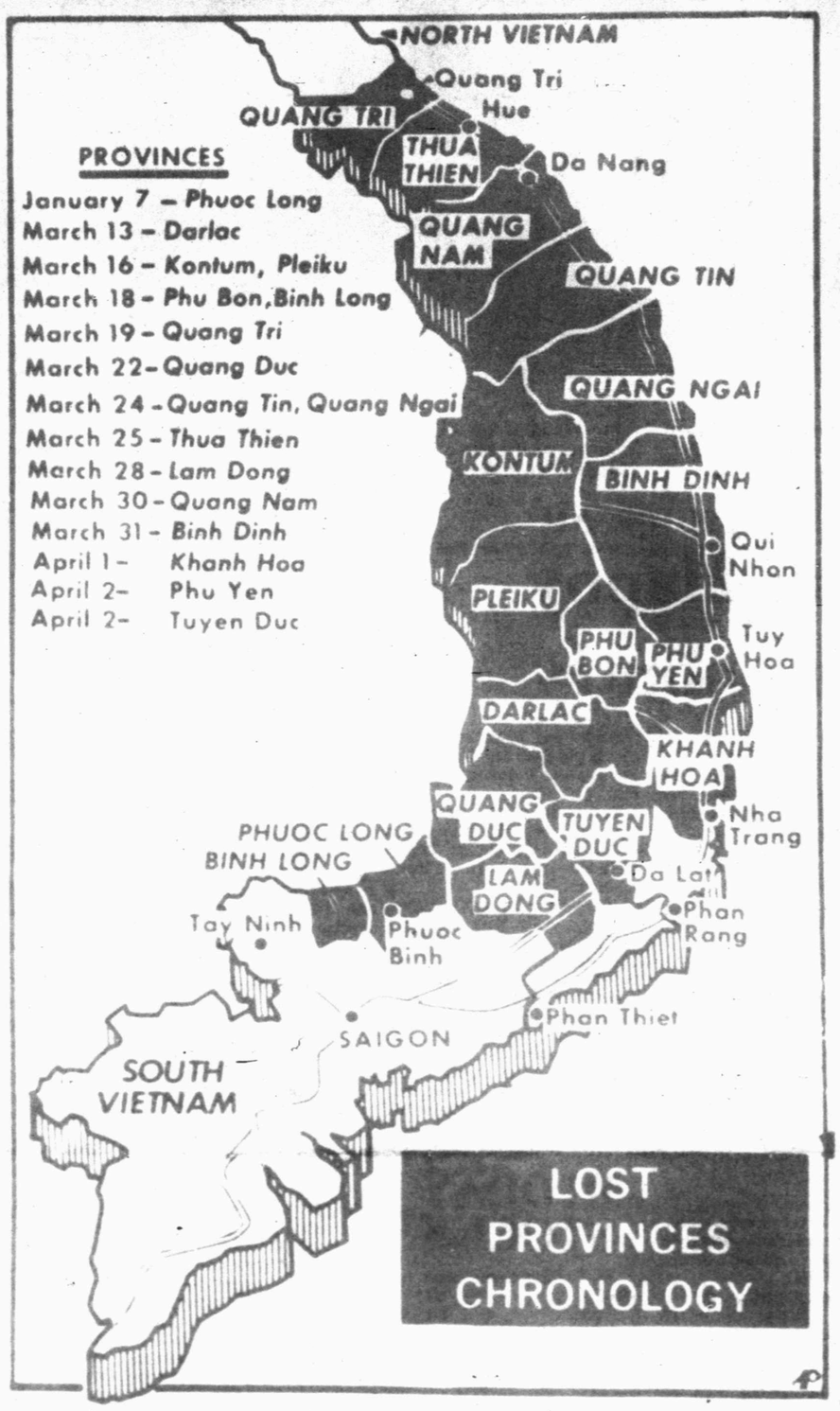
SNYDER TEMPERATURES: High Wednesday, 51 degrees; low, 29 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 30 degrees.

Northwest and Southwest Texas: Fair through Friday with warming trend most sections. Low tonight low 30s north and mountains to mid 40s south. High Friday low 70s north to mid 80s Big Bend.

North Central and Northeast Texas: Clear tonight. Increasing cloudiness Friday. Low tonight 32 to 41. High Friday 63 to 72.

South Central and Southeast Texas: Clear to partly cloudy and a little warmer tonight and Friday. Low tonight 43 to 59. High Friday 74 to 84.

Coast: Small craft advisory is in effect. Northwest winds 20 to 30 knots diminishing to 12 to 18 knots tonight and becoming southeasterly Friday. Seas 8 to 12 feet, diminishing to 6 to 8 feet late tonight and 3 to 5 feet Friday.



PROVINCES LOST TO COMMUNISTS—Areas in red are South Vietnamese provinces lost to North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces. The provinces are listed at left with dates they were lost. (AP Wirephoto Map)

Wholesale Index Declines Fourth Month In Row

By ROBERT A. DOBKIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wholesale prices declined in March for the fourth consecutive month, dropping six-tenths of a per cent as agricultural prices fell sharply while industrial goods rose only slightly, the government reported today.

The report from the Labor Department provided further indication of an easing in the nation's inflationary rate. Although the declines at wholesale have not been fully reflected at the retail level, administration economists predict consumers can expect further relief in the coming months.

The six-tenths of a per cent decline in wholesale prices last month followed a drop of eight-tenths in February and marked the first time since late 1963 that wholesale prices had fallen four months in a row. They were down five-tenths in December and three-tenths in January. In 1963, they fell a total of seven-tenths in January through April.

Prices of farm products, processed foods and feed declined 2.5 per cent last month. This also marked the fourth drop in a row in that category. Industrial goods rose two-tenths of a per cent in March, less than half the five-tenths of a per cent increase in each of the previous two months and the smallest rise since December when those prices did not increase at all.

Consumer prices in the three months ending in February have risen at an adjusted annual rate of 8.1 per cent, compared to an increase of 13 per cent during the previous three month period.

Wholesale prices in the first quarter of 1975 have now declined at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 6.7 per cent.

This contrasts with increases of 35.2 and 13.4 per cent in the third and fourth quarters of 1974, respectively.

Ford administration officials predict that inflation will taper off to a rate of about 6 or 7 per cent this year, down from the 12.2 per cent rate in 1974. The declining inflation rate has been due in part to the recession, which has sharply curbed consumer demand.

Declines at wholesale generally result in a falling or easing of consumer prices, but are not always fully passed on at retail as wholesalers and other middlemen try to maintain or widen their profit margins.

The Wholesale Price Index in March was 170.4, meaning that a statistical sample of goods which cost $100 in 1967 now cost $170.40.

Despite four straight months of decline, wholesale prices in March still were 12.5 per cent higher than a year earlier. Industrial goods were up 18.6 per cent over the 12 months; farm products were down 13.1 per cent, while processed foods and feeds were up 8.8 per cent.

In separate reports, the Labor Department also said that more than 6.5 million Americans received unemployment insurance benefits in the week ending March 15, an increase of 3,400 over the previous week. In addition 538,900 new claims were filed in the week ending March 22, an increase of 1,600 over the previous week.

The government also said that the factory layoff rate, at 35 per 1,000 workers, was unchanged in February.

AT CONNALLY TRIAL

White House Tape Played

By BROOKS JACKSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prosecutors in the John Connally bribery trial played White House tape today showing the former treasury secretary pushed hard to get President Nixon to raise milk price supports in 1971.

Connally is accused of illegally taking two gifts of $5,000 apiece from a big dairy cooperative, Associated Milk Producers Inc., in return for his help in getting milk prices increased.

Connally's lawyer, Edward Bennett Williams, told the jury Wednesday that the government's star witness, Jake Jacobsen, is a liar and a thief who actually embezzled the $10,000 for himself and then falsely accused Connally of taking it.

The tape played by the prosecution today was released in transcript by the House Judiciary Committee last year during its impeachment inquiry. It records the voices of President Nixon, Connally and six other presidential advisers at an Oval Office meeting the afternoon of March 23, 1971, when Nixon decided to raise price supports for the coming year.

Connally dominated the early part of the meeting, telling Nixon he should overrule the Agriculture Department, which had anounced that milk prices would be frozen. Connally said politics and pressure from Congress dictated a price hike.

"I'm not trying to talk about it or discuss at any great length the economics of it, but as far as politics is concerned — looking to 1972, it appears very clear to me that you're going to have to move strong in the Midwest," the tape shows Connally told the President.

"These dairymen are organized; they're adamant; they're militant," Connally said. "And they, they're amassing an enormous amount of money that they're going to put into political activities very frankly."

Connally urged Nixon to raise milk prices for 1971 and to get the dairymen not to press for any new increase in 1972. He told Nixon that his Democratic friends in Congress were about to pass a law that would raise milk prices anyway, and that the President could not risk vetoing it for fear of losing farm votes.

Assistant Special Prosecutor Jon Sale said he would show the jury a trail of bank records, hotel receipts, a chartered plane log and official appointment calendars that will prove Jacobsen is now telling the truth and that he was lying when he swore repeatedly in 1973 and 1974 that Connally took no money.

Jacobsen represented Associated Milk Producers, Inc. It is the nation's largest dairy co-op.

"If you do something for them this year, they think you've done it because they've got a good case and because you're their friend," Connally said on the tape.

"If you wait till next year, I don't care what you do for them ... you get no credit for it."

The tape shows Nixon accepted Connally's judgment that Congress would pass a bill to increase prices.

Nixon then ordered prices increased by 27 cents per hundred pounds, a decision that gave dairy farmers up to an estimated $300 million in extra income the next year.

THIEU OPPOSITION GROWING

Commies Nearer Saigon

By GEORGE ESPER
Associated Press Writer

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — Military officials today issued shoot-to-kill orders to prevent protests and disturbances in Saigon as up to 50,000 Communist-led forces massed 40 to 50 miles to the northwest and northeast of the capital. Saigon's 10 p.m.-5 a.m. curfew was extended to 9 p.m.-6 a.m.

Despite the orders, the Roman Catholic archbishop of Saigon, Nguyen Van Binh, called for the resignation of President Nguyen Van Thieu, joining growing demands that Thieu step down in the wake of battlefield losses that have cost South Vietnam three-quarters of its territory. Police broke up a demonstration of about 200 people demanding Thieu's resignation, but no shots were fired.

Opposition to Thieu is growing daily in Saigon, and law and order is threatened by armed military stragglers from the central and northern provinces who are slipping into the city without reporting to the army.

As a result, the local military commander today forbade mass assemblies, demonstrations and the carrying of weapons without a permit. "Local authorities have orders to shoot and kill on the spot those violators who try to resist or flee," a communique said.

No movement of North Vietnamese and Viet Cong troops toward the capital was immediately detected, but since Communist-led forces control many of the roads around Saigon, an assault on it could be mounted quickly once the Communist command decided to move.

The South Vietnamese army, which lost half of its 13 divisions in the debacle that cost it the northern and central parts of the country, concentrated forces in Tay Ninh Province to the northwest of Saigon and in Long Khanh Province to the northeast.

The government has about 50,000 men in the Saigon area, including three divisions and milita forces, and three more divisions southwest of the capital in the Mekong Delta.

There is fear that if North Vietnamese and Viet Cong forces move to attack Saigon, panic will break out as it did in other fallen cities.

Viet Evacuation Plans Pondered

WASHINGTON (AP) — With 55 Vietnamese orphan children already in the United States and another 2,000 to arrive in the next few days, government officials are considering plans for what could become a massive evacuation of one million refugees from Saigon.

Officials are reluctant to talk about the subject, apparently for fear of adding to the tense atmosphere in the threatened South Vietnamese capital.

But a State Department task force is studying refugee evacuation proposals, including ways in which a cease-fire might be arranged to allow safe conduct for as many as one million persons from South Vietnam should the Communists take over.

The Pentagon has contingency plans to use military airlifts to evacuate refugees, but these plans would be put into effect only at the request of the State Department, officials said.

As a unique trans-Pacific mercy flight by a chartered World Airways jetliner carrying 55 Vietnamese orphans reached Oakland, Calif., early today, officials here disclosed the plan for some 2,000 more to be flown to the United States in the next several days.

The children, many of them fathered by Americans who served in military or civilian roles in Vietnam, will be drawn from orphanages run by seven different private agencies and charitable organizations, and the chartered aircraft carrying them will be paid for by the U.S. Agency for International Development.

Daniel Parker, administrator of the agency, said Wednesday that $2 million has been made available for the purpose.

Several airlines have indicated they will make planes available for the orphan flights. A spokesman for Pan American World Airways said the airlines are obligated to respond with help when the State Department calls on them.

While immediate interest centered around the orphans, U.S. legal authorities were exploring ways of arranging a cease-fire to permit the evacuation of thousands of Vietnamese who have been connected in some way with the Saigon government, the military or the American establishment in Vietnam — and thus might be subject to retribution after any North Vietnamese-Viet Cong victory.

One major question to be dealt with would be where the refugees, possibly totaling one million, would be relocated. For them to be brought to the United States requires a formal declaration by President Ford that they are "world refugees" as defined by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Senate Okays Bentsen Bill

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Texas senators voted 22-7 today to let Texas voters have a more direct hand in selecting 1976 presidential candidates.

There was no discussion preceding the final vote, but the Senate debated for three hours Wednesday the so-called Bentsen bill.

It provides that 75 per cent of Texas' delegates to the next national political conventions will be selected by popular vote. The other 25 per cent will be selected at state political party conventions, according to the outcome of the statewide popular vote.

DESPITE VIETNAM EVENTS

Ford Assures Allies US To Honor Commitments

By FRANK CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — Speaking of serious and dramatic setbacks in Southeast Asia, President Ford said today that despite events in Vietnam, "no allies or time-tested friends of the United States should worry or fear that our commitments to them will not be honored."

In an address prepared for a White House-sponsored conference here on energy and the economy, Ford said, "The current confusion and changing situation in Southeast Asia" should not undermine the faith of allies in the United States.

"We stand ready to support ourselves and defend our allies as surely as we always have," the President said.

In these "sad and troubled times," he said, "what is essential now is that we keep our nerve and our essential unity as a powerful but peace-loving nation."

Ford said he "would not be frank and honest with you if I were to ignore the serious setbacks we have suffered in recent weeks in our quest for peace in the Middle East and, more recently and more dramatically, in Southeast Asia."

The comment was his first publicly on the deteriorating South Vietnam situation since the Asian country began losing large land masses in the last two weeks.

The President continued:

"Even as I speak, the dimensions of human catastrophe in Southeast Asia increase ... All Americans are shocked and saddened and wondering what we can do."

Ford said the United States will take all possible humanitarian measures to help Vietnamese refugees and provide for the safety of all Americans in South Vietnam.

He added that he will ask Congress next week "for a firm American commitment to humanitarian assistance for the helpless victims of North Vietnamese aggression ..."

The President also made an appeal for support of his defense spending program, declaring that "only the strong are free."

Ford said: "I reject the prophets of doom who see nothing but depression at home and despair abroad. I will reject any advice to pull down the Stars and Stripes and sail home from the seas of the world to the safe anchorage of San Diego Bay. If we do so, this anchorage will no longer be safe

"Under my presidency we will neither furl the flag nor abandon hope. We will maintain constancy and credibility in American policy, at home and abroad."

Garbage Dump Reflects Times

By G.G. LaBELLE
Associated Press Writer

The recession has come to roost in that last reflection of American society: the garbage dump.

Cities across the country, contending in recent years with increasing mountains of trash, have suddenly found the amount of garbage they must collect is decreasing, and some officials blame the recession.

"People are wasting less because they have less," was New York Environmental Protection Administor Robert Low's explanation.

In many large cities, recession has cut the simple volume of garbage. But the decrease shows up in specific types of waste, too: Kansas City reports fewer big items such as appliances being thrown out. In New York, abandoned cars are not the problem they were two years ago.

New York's total volume of garbage was 553,754 tons for the first two months of the year, down 1 per cent from the same period of 1974. The decline, which began last year, was the first in officials' memory, and they said it might be the first since World War II.

Chicago reported a drop of about 2 to 5 per cent in household refuse and a decline of about 10 per cent in bulk items such as appliances.

"We figure that new appliances aren't coming in the front door, so the old ones aren't going out the back," said Robert Zralek, deputy sanitation commissioner.

Joseph Reichert, director of the Kansas City Refuse Department, said he had also noticed a decline in calls to pick up old stoves, refrigerators, furniture — what his department calls "white goods."

"In January and February, we were getting about 40 calls a day instead of the usual 60 to 65 a day," he said.

Reichert said refuse tonnage is down about 10 per cent but that he has no way of knowing what types of ordinary garbage are decreasing.

Zralek said the decline was first noticed last fall in Chicago, with collectors seeing fewer cartons from candy, ice cream, beer and other nonessential goods. He said people are economizing by buying fewer prepared foods and "TV dinners" and that means fewer wrappers.

The major exception to the drop in wastes was in Miami, where officials said Florida is the nation's fastest growing state and they expect the increase, some 5 per cent yearly, to continue.

And in New York officials say some middle class neighborhoods are actually producing more garbage. The officials said they theorize it's because residents are spending more time at home and taking shorter vacations.

Courses Set In Gardening, Nutrition

Community Services courses in Landscaping and Gardening and Nutrition and Weight Control are planned at Western Texas College starting April 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Turnbow will be instructors for the courses. Mrs. Turnbow, who has had professional training in the field of nutrition, will teach the nutrition course. Turnbow, instructor at WTC, will teach the landscaping and gardening course.

Students in Mrs. Turnbow's class will study such topics as the basics of nutrition, what does "calorie" really mean, figuring your personal metabolic rate, how to analyze a diet plan, how to develop your own personalized diet plan, the psychological side of dieting, and why dieting is not for "Fatties" only.

Persons enrolling in the landscaping and gardening program will study soil preparation, seeding, weed and insect control, fertilizing, pruning and trimming, principles of landscaping, and soils, plants and shrubs.

Each course will require a minimum enrollment of 10 persons, and each student will pay $10. Class are to meet on April 8, 15, 22 and 29 from 7-9 p.m.

Persons wishing further information may contact the Community Services at 573-8511, extension 237.

IRS Extends Its Toll-Free Call Service

ABILENE—With income tax filing season coming to a close, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has announced that it will extend its toll-free telephone tax help hours to accomodate the expected crush of last-minute filers.

A.W. McCanless, district director of IRS operations in North Texas, said today that during the final two weeks of filing season Texas taxpayers will have an extra 21 and a half hours in which they can phone the IRS toll-free for answers to their tax questions.

Saturday, April 5, and Saturday, April 12, the toll-free lines will be in operation from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, the last day for filing returns, tax experts will be on hand to answer questions by phone until 9 p.m. The IRS' regular business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, will remain the same in addition to the extended hours.

Taxpayers can reach the IRS toll-free by dialing 800-492-4830 from anywhere in North Texas. This year's tax return must be postmarked no later than midnight. April 15, 1975.

Mamie Continues To Improve

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Mamie Eisenhower's condition continues to improve, and she is increasing her activity as she recovers from an intestinal ailment, doctors report.

The former first lady, 79, was taken to the hospital after internal bleeding began while she was at her winter home at Augusta National Golf Club.

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YOUNG REFUGEES IN VIETNAM—Eyeing the outside world are these young and homeless South Vietnamese refugee children as they peer from a small coastal vessel which brought them and their families to the Vung Tau area not far from Saigon, Sunday. (AP Wirephoto)

LIKE GIANT PLAYGROUND

Viet Orphans Happy In Adoptive Country

By PETER ARNETT
AP Special Correspondent

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Their eyes wide with wonder and showing no ill effects from a 25-hour dash across the Pacific from endangered Saigon, 55 Vietnamese orphans played several hours before they were tucked away for their first night's sleep in their adoptive country.

The orphans were given sponge baths, quick medical checkups, toys, and a snack of bananas, apples, rice and soy sauce when they arrived at the San Francisco Presidio, an Army facility near the Golden Gate Bridge.

"It was like a giant playground," Sgt. Ronald Renouf at the Presidio said. "I never saw so many happy kids in my life. Many were looking at and playing with toys they didn't even know existed. It was like out of a dream for them."

Renouf said the children were given "everything from rubber balls to tricycles."

A World Airways DC8 carrying the orphans touched down at Oakland International Airport at about 10:50 p.m. Wednesday. They were bundled aboard five buses and taken across San Francisco Bay to the Presidio.

A Presidio spokesman said the children probably would be there about 48 hours until they are picked up by their new parents. Most of them, including some fathered by American servicemen, have already been adopted.

One of them, a pretty 11-year-old named Wendy Carol, will be the adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Norberg of Los Angeles.

Also aboard the jet were a half-dozen Vietnamese adults who scrambled aboard the plane at the last moment without papers.

Two of the orphans were left at the U.S. Air Force base at Yokota, Japan, on the advice of one of the two doctors on board the plane, Gene Hilderbrand of the Seventh Day Adventist Hospital in Saigon.

"They were malnourished and dehydrated and I didn't want to risk them on the long hop across the Pacific to the States," Hilderbrand said. "We'll leave them in Japan a couple of days."

The youngsters brought on to Oakland are the first real refugees of the Vietnam war to arrive in the United States, and U.S. Immigration officials gave all of them 90-day parole visas. The few children not already adopted were given indefinite parole visas.

The plane's captain was Ken Healy of San Leandro, Calif., who flew refugees in collapsing cities in mainland China in the late 1940's and who says Vietnam today is worse.

Also aboard was an American contractor who heard the plane was leaving packed and got aboard in only 15 minutes. He said he was convinced Saigon soon would fall into Communist hands.

World Airways also expected some problems from the Federal Aviation Administration because it broke a lot of federal regulations in carrying the orphans on a seatless cargo jet. Children and adult attendants sat on the floor for the 25-hour journey and it looked like the hold of a ship.

Healy said, "I don't care of I lose my license. It would be a cheap price to pay to bring these kids from danger to their American families."

Healy flew the last refugee flight out of Da Nang last Saturday, ignoring U.S. officials who warned him not to land there. His Boeing 727 was damaged during that rescue when South Vietnamese soldiers, angry because they couldn't get aboard, fired on the plane as it took off. But he managed to make it to Saigon. The plane also was hit by North Vietnamese fire.

Russian Given Bobby's Crown

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — The International Chess Federation stripped Bobby Fischer of his world chess crown today and gave it to Soviet grandmaster Anatoly Karpov by default after Fischer failed to send word he would play the Russian challenger under rules voted by the federation.

There was no immediate comment from Fischer, but in Moscow, the Soviet news agency Tass said "the proclamation of Karpov the new champion of the world is a natural outcome of his outstanding sports achievements."

It also said "the fact that Fischer has not been taking part in competitions since September 1972 and did not play a single tournament or match game, makes one draw the conclusion that he is simply not ready for the match and all his actions are aimed at frustrating competitions which chess enthusiasts the world over were looking forward to. Such conduct is not worthy of the holder of the top chess title."

The action by FIDE (Federation Internationale des Echecs) was expected. Fischer's acceptance or rejection of the rules was due in Amsterdam by midnight Tuesday, but FIDE president Max Euwe of the Netherlands extended the deadline for 24 hours on the slight chance that the eccentric American would not pass up his chance to win $3,175,000. However, Euwe announced Wednesday that if the second deadline passed and Fischer did not accept, the title would go to Karpov.

Fischer has kept himself away from newsmen for some time and his whereabouts are a mystery. But a chess expert close to him said on Tuesday that he felt his principles were at stake and he would not relent.

Fischer told FIDE last spring that he would not play Karpov and would resign his championship unless it met two rules demands for the match, which was to have opened in Manila in June.

One was that victory would go to the first player winning 10 games, that there would be no limit on the number of games played, and that draws would not count. His second demand was for the defending champion to be declared the winner if the match reached a 9-9 tie.

FIDE at first rejected both demands, voting instead to put a 36-game limit on the match with victory going to the man in the lead. But when it realized that Fischer — the man who made chess a million-dollar attraction — probably would bow out, it agreed to the no-limit rule but not to the other.

Two Mishaps Are Reported

Minor damage resulted from two motor vehicle mishaps here yesterday.

The first one occurred in the 1900 block of Twenty-sixth Street at 3:03 p.m. Involved were the 1970 Model Buick of Buford Browning, 2411 Twenty-seventh Street, and a 1974 Model Mercury driven by Regena Bennett, Box 1272, Snyder.

The other one occurred in the 2500 block of Avenue R at 8:46 p.m. Involved were the 1973 Model Oldsmobile of Jimmy Stephen Hall, Box 546, Dunn, and the 1970 Model Dodge of Jackie Dale Murray, 200 Thirty-third Street.

A gallon of nectar can provide enough energy for a bee to cruise four million miles at seven m.p.h.

Yellow Walls Not For Reporters

CHICAGO (AP) — The pressroom walls at City Hall are being painted yellow. But officials there say it has nothing to do with Mayor Richard J. Daley's complaint that Chicago reporters are guilty of "yellow journalism."

Daley, who has often voiced displeasure with the news media, accused City Hall reporters of "yellow journalism" during his mayoral campaign, which concluded Tuesday with a resounding Daley victory.

A spokesman said the color was chosen after officials conducted a random survey of reporters. Other walls in the building will be painted green and peach, the spokesman said.

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Un Carbide	55⅞	off	⅛
Uniroyal	8⅜		
US Steel	57¼	off	⅜
Woolworth	13¾	off	⅛
Xerox	68¼	off	⅝

Food And Population Crisis Eyed

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — World population will reach four billion this month and will double in 35 years at the current and critical growth rate, a food and population conference was told here today.

"Although recession, inflation, energy, food and environment command our attention, the most pressing world problem is population," said Dr. Russell W. Peterson, chairman of the U.S. Council on Environment Quality in Washington.

"It exacerbates the other problems."

Population is a prime cause of the food problem around the world and unless population growth is curbed there can be no long term solution to the food crisis, Peterson said.

"Yet," he added, "whenever leaders or analysts discuss the problems of the day, warily do they mention population."

Contending that time is of the essence, Peterson said:

"Delay in acting on population will make a solution, other than an increase in the mortality rate, impossible. It is vital that the United States continue its leadership in making family planning aid available worldwide."

Peterson was among United Nations representatives and leaders of private industry who met for the conference, called "The World Food and Population Crisis: A Role for the Private Sector." It was sponsored by the World Population Conference.

Antonio Carrillo Flores of Mexico told the delegates that the solution lies in cooperation between developed and underdeveloped nations.

Film Shown For Kiwanis

Gay Hickman presented a film, "Liberty and Justice For All?" produced by the State Bar of Texas, as a highlight of the regular weekly luncheon meeting of the Noon Kiwanis Club, held Wednesday at the American Restaurant.

The film revealed public opinions of crime and the judicial system in Texas. Narrated by Edwin Newman, the film indicated 50 per cent of the inmates in the Texas Prision System come from broken homes. Alcohol and narcotics were blamed for a big per centage of crimes.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Jim Tully, club president.

Don Adams was a guest.

Cuevas Jury Still Deadlocked

HOUSTON (AP) — Jurors in the capital murder trial of Ignacio Cuevas, the lone survivor in last summer's Huntsville prison shootout, said today they were hopelessly deadlocked with "no possible way to resolve their differences" on his punishment.

The panel was encouraged to continue trying for agreement.

The jury, which on Tuesday convicted Cuevas of capital murder after only two hours and 15 minutes of deliberation, must choose between a sentence of life in prison or death.

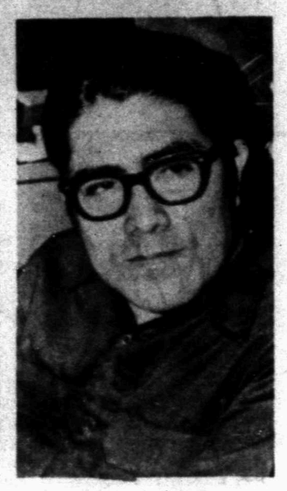
In a note from foreman James B. Thomas, the jurors reported: "We have deliberated issue No. 2 for over eight hours. We are still deadlocked 10-2. Each party has stated that they cannot in good conscience change their mind. There is no possible way to resove their differences one way or the other."

Court officials said the jury was being encouraged to continue its deliberations but an official said the chance of a mistrial was very possible.

Portions of the testimony of a hostage held during the prison escape attempt last August were read to the jury earlier today.

The jury, at that time, had deliberated more than nine hours over the sentence when it asked to hear the testimony of Mrs. Linda Woodman, a prison librarian who was released just hours before the Aug. 3 shootout that left four persons dead.

During the trial, Mrs. Woodman testified that Cuevas threatened herself and other hostages at gunpoint during the 11-day siege of the prison library.



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The jury asked to hear from the court reporter Mrs. Woodman's testimony describing how Cuevas at one point had told the hostages of his earlier crimes.

The testimony read today had Mrs. Woodman quoting Cuevas as telling how he once killed a man.

"He said he shot him once and he didn't die, so he shot him again and then shot him a third time," Mrs. Woodman testified.

Warming Trend Predicted

By The Associated Press

Freezing weather knifed as far south as Texas' midsection today and the mercury plunged to record lows for the date at some points.

Skies were clear throughout the state and expected to stay that way for at least a day. A little warming was predicted by Friday.

Thermometers tumbled to 27 degrees before dawn at Waco, eclipsing a 1936 record for April 3 and making this the coldest weather ever there this late in the season, and 27 also at Lubbock, erasing a 1960 mark.

The chill dropped readings to 23 at Amarillo and Dalhart, 25 at Wichita Falls, 27 at Childress, 30 at Abilene and Tyler, 31 at San Angelo and 32 at Dallas-Fort Worth, Longview, Texarkana and Tyler.

Readings at other points ranged through the higher 30s and 40s generally but stayed as warm as 59 at Brownsville on the south tip of the state.

Top marks Wednesday afternoon soared to 93 degrees at McAllen and 94 at Brownsville in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

In additional to the unseasonable chill, unusually dry air enveloped the state.

HOSPITAL NOTES

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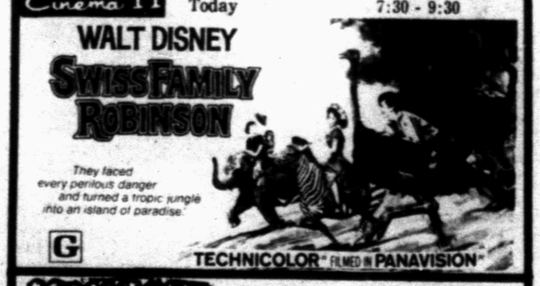

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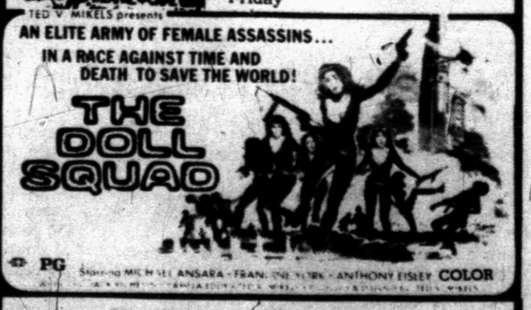

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Here's the Answer

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

Q. — I have several paint brushes that I used with oil paint and which have hardened bristles. I know the cause — that I didn't clean the brushes thoroughly after using. The brushes are all of good quality. Do I have to throw them out or can they be redeemed and, if so, how?

A. — Occasionally a paint brush that hasn't been used for a couple of years and is loaded with hardened paint can't be salvaged. Most of the time, success can be achieved by using a brush softener sold in hardware and paint stores. The brush must be suspended in the softener so that the bristles do not rest on the bottom of the container. The softening process takes several hours at the least, several days at the most.

Read the directions on the softener can to determine how much time is recommended for that particular brand. After the paint on the brush has been softened, carefully remove it with a putty knife or something similar. Hold the blade almost parallel with the brush so that it doesn't slice off the bristles. If a lot of paint still remains, soak the bristles a second time in the softener. Then wash the bristles with turpentine, followed by a wash with soap and water. Don't use the brush again until it is thoroughly dry.

Q. — I have a hardwood table from which I plan to remove the old varnish finish. A few years ago, I saw a similar table which the owner said he finished only with turpentine and linseed oil. I'd like to try that kind of finish. Is it difficult and how much turpentine and oil should be used?

A. — That type of finish is not difficult, but it does require more physical energy than most other kinds. Use a mixture of one part of turpentine to two parts of boiled linseed oil. After the surface has been sanded and wiped clean, brush on the mixture, enough to sink into the wood yet not so much for some of it to remain on the top of the wood. If, after brushing, you see any area where the mixture does not seem to have been absorbed thoroughly, wipe it with a clean, lintless cloth. That's the easy part. From there it's a matter of using elbow grease.

Rub the surface vigorously for an hour or two. Do the same thing the next day and as many days thereafter as you feel up to it. The idea is that the sheen is produced by the rubbing and it's virtually impossible to do too much of it. What you are trying to achieve is the same kind of satin finish that wood ordinarily gets after many years of tender care. The full beauty of the wood will be retained if you repeat the treatment about once a year with a cloth dampened with the same mixture. Remember: the only way you can mess up this type of finish is by neglecting to remove any excess oil from the surface before starting to rub. At the same time, you must apply enough of the mixture to fill the pores of the wood. Two other things to bear in mind — you buy the linseed oil already boiled and the mixture makes the wood somewhat darker than it normally is.

(For either of Andy Lang's helpful booklets, "Wood Finishing in the Home" or "Painting Your House Inside and Out," send 30 cents and a long, STAMPED, self-addressed envelope to Know-How, P.O. Box 477, Huntington, N. Y. 11743).

Club sandwiches are usually made with chicken or turkey, but when there's no cooked poultry at hand you can make the sandwiches with sardines. Use the sardines whole and layer them with crisply cooked strips of bacon, sliced tomatoes, lettuce and Russian dressing between slices of toast.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Snyder Writer's Guild meets at the West Texas State Bank Community Room at 7 p.m. Opel Brown and Genia Grizzle are leaders and Christine Kilgo is hostess.

TOPS no. 57 meets at the Boy's Club.

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
Associated Press Food Editor

FAMILY DINNER

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2 tablespoons cider vinegar
¼ cup salad oil
2 to 3 tablespoons minced parsley

In small mixing bowl with electric beater at medium speed, beat together the mustard, sugar, egg yolk and vinegar until blended. Gradually beat in oil, pouring it in a steady stream near the beaters — mixture will thicken but not hold its shape. Stir in parsley. Chill. Makes a generous ¾ cup.

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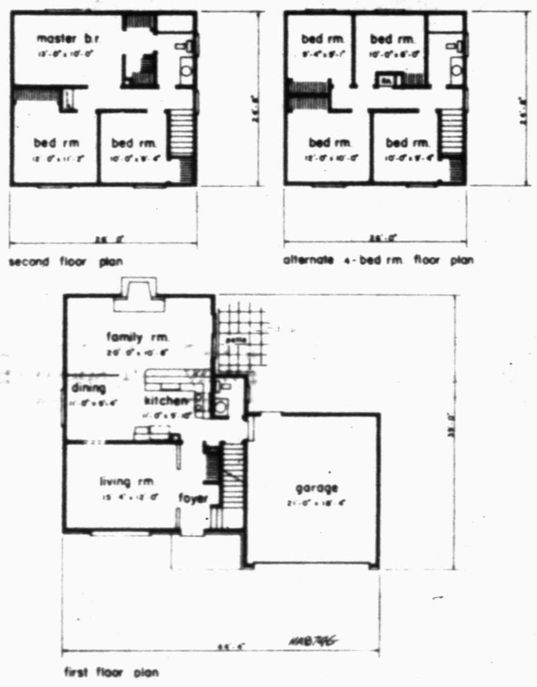

THIS SMALL TWO-STORY home can have either three bedrooms or four. Outside, a brick siding front with frame construction on the upper story is suggested. A covered porch leads into the foyer, which features a guest closet and open stairway. The living room has plenty of wall space for furniture grouping. The rear is where the family will spend most of its time and openness is the keynote. A two-car garage completes Plan HA874G and heating and laundry facilities are in the basement. Architect is Carl E. Gaiser. The plan has 807 square feet on the first floor and 640 on the second. Anyone wishing to know the cost of the blueprint can write to Gaiser, 25600 Telegraph Rd., Southfield, Mich. 48075, including a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Teach Children To Eat Right Foods

COLLEGE STATION— Allowing a child to eat only the foods he likes and making up lost nutrients with vitamins is a poor practice, one foods and nutrition specialists contends.

"Learning to enjoy a wide variety of nutritious foods is basic for developing good lifetime eating habits," Frances Reasonover, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, said this week.

She explained that children who eat only the foods they like have to depend upon these few foods for all the 45 or more essential nutrients.

Parents can encourage children to learn to eat a variety of foods by setting a good example in their own eating habits.

"It's all right for a child to have a few dislikes. If he refuses certain dishes, don't push but offer them again later," the specialists suggested.

Children's tastebuds are sensitive--they generally like bland foods better than those with sharp or distinctive flavors.

"A food 'jag'--eating only one food for a time--is common and seldom harmful. A wise parent will not worry about this, knowing his child will soon concentrate on a different food," she advised.

Letting the child help prepare food, serve himself and allowing him some choice in the selection of his meals are other ways to encourage variety in the child's diet.

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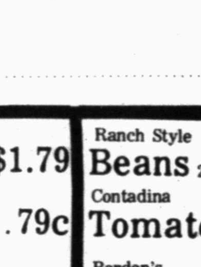

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VIEWPOINT

Employment Service

Steps are being taken to assure that the public employment office here will be in operation for the next fiscal year. The local office is rather unique because it was established on local initiative as a joint city-county operation when the state agency in that field elected to discontinue its services here.

In action this week, the city council authorized the mayor to execute a contract with the West Central Texas Council of Governments for the City of Snyder to Operate an "Outreach Employment" office in Snyder. Scurry County is providing the office space---at this time in the coliseum---and the office already is in operation under temporary arrangements.

The contract authorized by the city council will cover the next fiscal year.

This area has not been plagued with widespread unemployment as experienced by some other regions of the country. In fact, some firms in this area, especially those seeking skilled industrial pesonnel, have been hard pressed to fill some positions in recent months.

Usually, when an employment service is mentioned, the average citizen thinks of the service it provides for those seeking employment. This is a basic function, of course, but no more so than the service of locating employes for firms who desperately need them.

So, it follows that an area that does not have an unemployment problem still needs a public employment service.

Spread Of Gadgetry

Americans no longer have the gadgetry field all to themselves, if that is news to anyone.

For example, the Japan Economic Journal reports that a Tokyo firm will shortly place on the market a wireless headphone for receiving stereo music from a home stereo unit equipped with a special transmitter.

Wearing the headphones, milady can have music wherever she goes in the house by tuning into the transmitter on the first floor. In a wooden house, receiving distance is about 10 meters, or about 33 feet. Sounds from TV and tape recorders can also be heard by fitting an adapter. Price of the complete outfit will be 19,800 Yen ($65).

On the other side of the world, reports Electronics Magazine, a West German component maker is relying on homeowners' fascination with novelties to induce them to buy a new intergrated circuit light switch that operates at the merest touch by the conduction of the slight amount of electricity in the body of the person touching it.

It's estimated that the new switch will sell for five times as much as conventional household switches without dimmers. A key market is expensive new homes whose owners won't mind paying a few extra dollars for the novelty, convenience and reliability.

It seems that not only Yankee inventiveness but "conspicuous consumption" speaks with a foreign accent these days.

Taxpayers Ask IRS

This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. The column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers.

Q. As a result of a libel suit, I won compensation from an editor of a publication who printed damaging editorial statements about me. Is this compensation taxable?

A. Compensation for damages to your character or for personal injury or illness is not taxable. But punitive damages and compensation for lost profits are includable in income.

Q. I am the executor of a relative's will. When am I supposed to file a tax return for him?

A. If you must file a final return as an executor, administrator or legal representative of a taxpayer who died during the year, the return is due on the fifteenth day of the fourth month after the close of the deceased taxpayer's normal tax year. In most cases, this will be April 15. If you must file a return for an estate or trust, it is due on the fifteenth day of the fourth month after the close of its tax year.

Q. I had a bad debt which I deducted in a previous year. However, I recently recovered the money from the debtor. How do I handle this on my tax return?

A. Amounts you recover after having deducted them in previous years, such as bad debts, medical expenses, taxes, loses, etc., must be included in your income of the year of recovery to the extent that the deductions decreased your tax in the year they were deducted.

Q. Are campaign contributions taxable income to a candidate for office?

A. Campaign contributions are not income to a candidate unless they are diverted to his personal use. To be exempt from tax, the contributions must be spent for campaign purposes or retained in a fund for use in future campaigns. However, interest earned on bank deposits, dividends received on contributed securities, and net gains on sales of contributed securities are taxable and must be reported on Form 1041, U.S. Fiduciary Income Tax Return.

Local Control Is Best Point In House Bill

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) —One of the best points of one House bill seeking the creation of statewide utility regulation is that it allows local control of local rates, a spokesman for the city of Dallas says.

Tom Taylor told the House State Affairs Committee Tuesday night that a bill by Rep. Lyndon Olson Jr., D-Waco, also would set up only a small state agency to handle statewide utility problems.

"Local utility regulation has been effective and has given Texas utility rates comparable with the rest of the country," Taylor said.

Taylor said there are some deficiencies under the current system of regulation "but I believe the Texas system is producing results."

The committee hearing was the third of five planned hearings on five House bills seeking to set up some type of statewide utility regulation. Texas is the only state in the country without a utility commission.

Olson's measure would set up an agency to aid municipalities in dealing with utilities in rate setting hearings. The agency would also regulate long distance intrastate phone rates and all services in unincorporated areas.

60% Think Ford Doing Poor Job

NEW YORK (AP) — Most Americans believe President Ford is doing a poor job but even more feel that the Congress' performance is worse, the Harris poll says.

In results released Monday, the polling organization said that of 1,536 households surveyed, 60 per cent feel President Ford is doing a poor job and 67 per cent feel Congress is doing poorer.

The poll said the only time in the last 12 years the Congress has gotten a lower rating was in January 1974, just before the impeachment hearings. At that time, 69 per cent reacted negatively to the Congress and 10 per cent were not sure. Currently, 7 per cent are unsure.

An even larger majority reacted negatively to Congress in its relations to Ford, in its efforts to end the recession, in its handling of taxes and spending, and its overall attempts to keep the economy healthy.

"The hardest part'll be teaching him to play the fife!"

BY BIG BUSINESS

O'Neill's Remarks Won't Be Forgotten Very Soon

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — "Among the Romans, the deity who presided over commerce and banking was Mercury, who, by a strange association, was also the god of thieves and of orators."

These were the words chosen by Harry O'Neill to begin an address a few days ago to a meeting of the Association of National Advertisers. In the world of big business, his remarks won't be forgotten for a long, long time.

O'Neill is executive vice president of Opinion Research Corp., a big polling organization based in Princeton, N.J., that documents the attitudes of people toward many things, business included.

"Big business, as reflected by the attitudes and opinions of the American public, has fallen on hard times," he said. Americans are beginning to think as the Romans thought, and a new holiday might result.

"The Romans, who looked upon merchants with contempt, fancied there was a resemblance between theft and merchandising and they easily found a figurative connection between theft and eloquence...

"On the 17th day of May, in each year, the merchants held a public festival, and walked in procession to the Temple of Mercury, for the purpose of begging pardon of that deity for all the lying and cheating they had found it convenient to practice, in the way of doing business..."

Today, said O'Neill, the reputation of business is badly tarnished, "its leaders are held in relatively low esteem, and the supposedly happy recipient of its products and services is becoming increasingly critical."

In 1965, about 67 per cent of Americans agreed that "profits of large companies help make things better for everyone." But the latest poll showed only 46 per cent agreed.

"This is the first time," said O'Neill, that agreement with this proposition has fallen below 50 per cent."

At the same time, a growing number of Americans support the proposition that "In many of our largest industries, one of two companies have too much control of the industry." Seventy-six per cent agreed, up from 59 in 1959.

Almost the same proportion of the public believes "There's too much power concentrated in the hands of a few large companies," O'Neill stated. And a similar percentage agreed, "as they grow bigger, companies usually get cold and impersonal."

These opinions, said O'Neill, are the basis for the majority of the public "for the first time since we have been taking these measurements, supporting the notion that the best interests of the country would be served by breaking up some of our largest corporations."

Hold Put On Bishop Aid Funds

DALLAS (AP) — Bishop College officials have until April 10 to respond to a report by the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare which shows irregularities in the administration of financial aid funds.

HEW ordered a hold placed on Bishop's 1975-76 student financial aid program funds and loan and grant funds under the Higher Education Academic Facilties program after a review of 20 per cent of Bishop's student aid files. HEW said of 250-names only files in the sample, only 178 could be located.

Bishop President Milton Curry was notified that a hold had been placed on the funds in a letter dated March 27 from C.V. Galbreath, regional director for post-secondary education for HEW.

In the report, HEW concluded that Bishop over-awarded financial aid, that athletes were given preferential treatment and that college officials have not required sufficient evidence of a family's financial need before awarding aid.

In addition, HEW auditors are scrutinizing Bishop College's financial aid program, and the results might force the college to return funds to the federal government.

Federal funds comprise about 35 per cent of the Bishop College budget.

Tot Drowns In Swimming Pool

WACO, Tex. (AP) – Three-year-old Jill Jones rode her tricycle into an apartment house swimming pool and drowned Wednesday night before playmates could summon aid. She was the daughter of Mr. amd Mrs. Homer Jones.

LAFF - A - DAY

"Well, I see you've been rearranging the furniture again."

HOT CHECK COMPLAINTS DOUBLE

More Using 'Free Loans' But 'Interest' Is Stiff

By JIM BRIGANCE
Associateed Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Increasing numbers of Texans are coping with the recession by getting a form of free loan.

"Free loans" are available almost everywhere: the neighborhood grocery, the gas station, the pharmacy, the department store.

All you have to do is write a hot check.

Then the race is on to beat the merchant to your bank.

Of course the "interest" on this kind of illegal "loan" can be pretty steep—a fine, a jail term, a criminal record, embarrassment.

"We're being swamped with them," says Dallas County Dist. Henry Wade, pointing to figures showing hot check complaints more than doubled from January 1974 to January this year.

Bob Bond, vice president of Houston's Merchant's Information Exchange, Inc., said hot checks in the Bayou City jumped more than 50 per cent from January last year to January this year.

Bond said Houston area merchants are scrambling to stop their losses. Complaints on hot checks totaling more than $2 million were filed in Houston last year.

"Most businessmen are requiring their employes to use the same guidelines in cashing checks from old, well-known customers as from strangers. That means checking driver's licenses, credit cards and other information," he said.

Wade said one Dallas area grocer reported bad checks cost him $65,000 last year. He said many area merchants are getting tougher on check privileges such as maintaining lists of hot check artists, telephone computer verification of check writers and requiring more identification.

"A man who owns two suburban dress shops told me that the same women he has been accepting checks from for 15 years are now starting to dump hot checks on him. They won't return his calls," Wade said. "He's getting tougher on check writers now."

Bexar County Dist. Atty. Ted Butler's office at San Antonio noted a "sizable" increase in 1974 in hot checks.

"Quite a few" are new hot check writers, a spokesman for Butler said.

"That's what we're finding," said Ross Rommell, head of the Harris County (Houston) hot check division of the district attorney's office. "More people are trying to race the merchant to the bank to cover their hot checks. A lot of them aren't making it."

"We've always had the professional to deal with," said Bond. "But now, with the economy what it is, there are more people trying to get free loans by writing a hot check they hope to cover before it reaches their bank. It's gotten so bad that most merchants are now requiring full identification from old customers they recognize on sight."

Rommell said his office processed in conjunction with justice of the peace courts more than $2 million in hot check complaints last year.

"It's rising," he added.

Wade said it is nearly impossible to determine how many hot checks are written and then made good without a complaint reaching his office.

"The only ones we know about are the ones where the merchant hasn't been able to get the writer to make restitution. We get only the tough ones, the hard-to-find people, or those who refuse to make good on the bad check," Wade said.

The biggest increases in hot checks are in the misdemeanor category, under $200.

Bond and Rommell say there is a significant increase in new hot check writers in the Houston area, most of them persons caught in a financial jam, out of work, or both, who are short of cash and hope to make their bad checks good before the checks reach the bank.

"Many people are just living from one payday to the next. They don't want to face reality: That being that it's harder to maintain the same standard of living these days on the same amount of income," Bond said.

Wade said, "It's a disease with some people. They want things whether they can afford them or not so they float a hot check. Then they write another one to cover the first one. It's a ball of wax that just keeps getting bigger until they're in up to their necks."

Wade says his office is "perhaps too lenient" on first offenders. "The merchant usually gives them 10 days to make good, then we give them 10 days to come in and make the check good.

Wade said his office allows bad check writers to make restitution in some cases. "In others, we get a fine or probation. Then there are some that we won't take restitution. We want them in prison."

In many cases, bad check writers cannot be prosecuted. These involve post-dated checks, checks held by the payee more than 30 days, checks received in the mail or left in a receptacle, checks over a year old, cases where the check writer is not known, and other situations.

If the writer is prosecuted he can face these penalties: hot checks under $5 can bring a $200 fine; hot checks of $5 to $19.99 carry a $1,000 fine and-or 180 days in jail; hot checks of $20 to $199.99 can bring a $2,000 fine and a year in jail.

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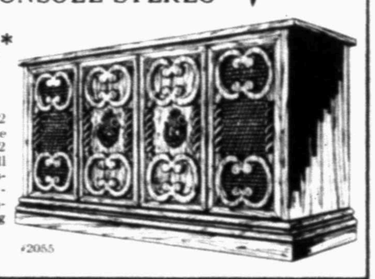

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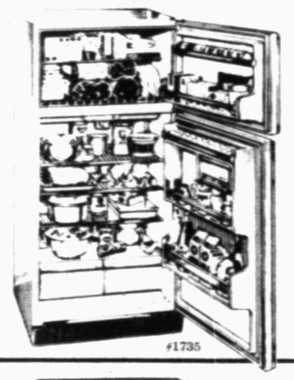

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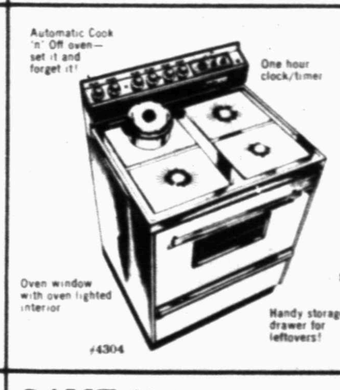

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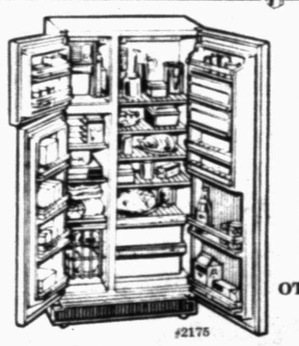

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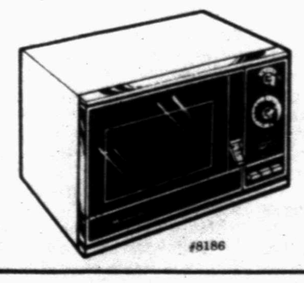

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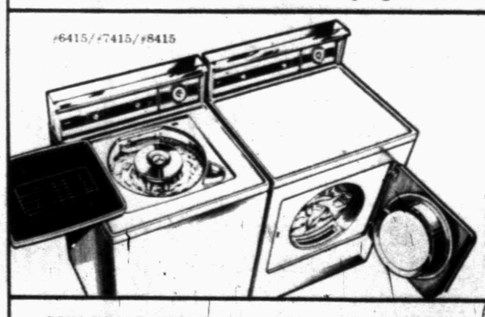

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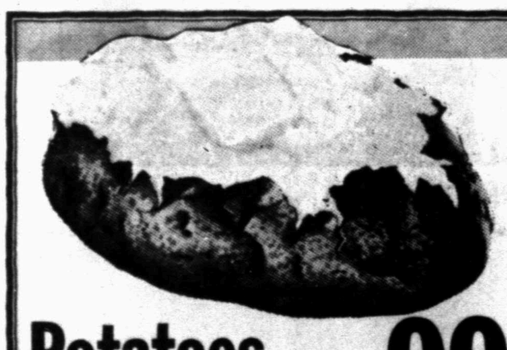

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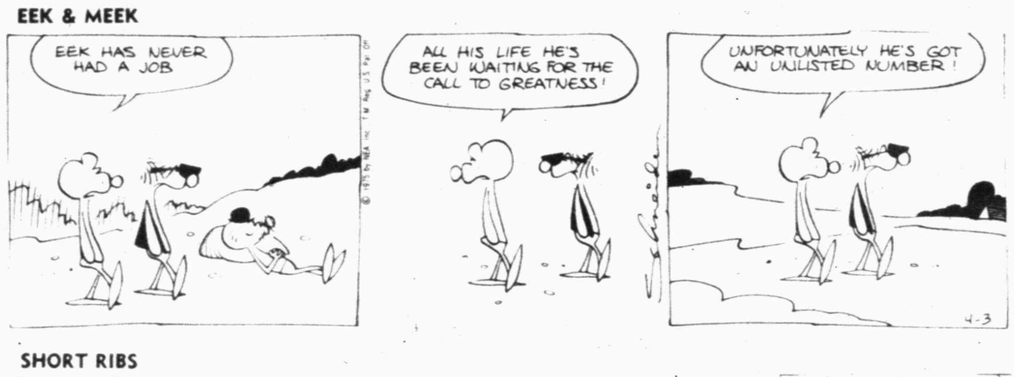

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ACROSS

1 Corned beef ——
5 —— up your coffee
9 Food fish
12 Small island
13 Feminine appellation
14 Japanese sash
15 Seal-hunting grounds
17 A —— of cheese
18 Cut in a way
19 Finds out
21 African stream
23 Before
24 Steamer (abbr.)
27 Ocean motion
29 Left gulf
32 Western state
34 Number
36 Wish
37 Rabbit, for instance
38 Tilted
39 Go by yacht
41 Observe
42 Dower property
44 Zone
46 Loud-voiced speaker
49 Eaten away
53 Metal fastener
54 Deserter
56 Circle part
57 Vein of ore
58 Plays on words
59 Golfer's peg
60 Retain
61 Italian city

DOWN

1 Show disapproval
2 On the briny
3 Chopped cabbage dish
4 Girl's name
5 Pronoun
6 Ran together
7 Nautical term
8 —— this new dish
9 Originates
10 Death notice
11 Cheese —— (pl.)
16 Newspaper executive
20 Made a mistake
22 Bows,
24 Fountain concoction
25 Allowance for waste
26 Habitation
28 Weird
30 Heredity unit
31 Poker stake
33 Armored knight's jacket
35 Sprawled
40 Scrape
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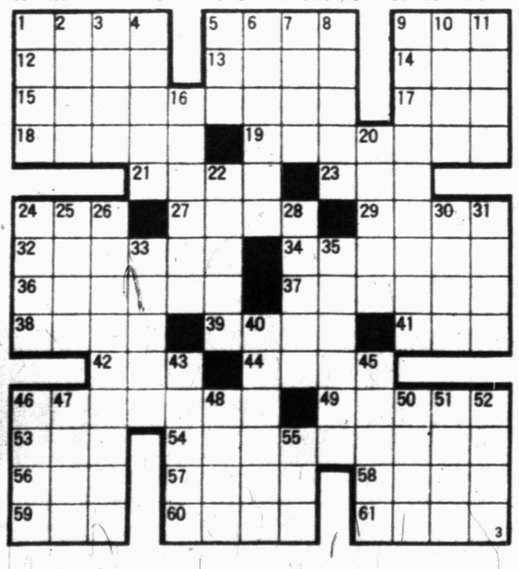

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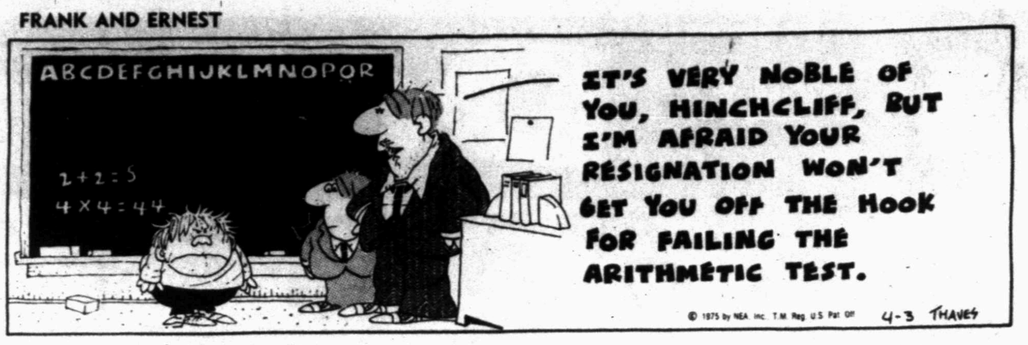

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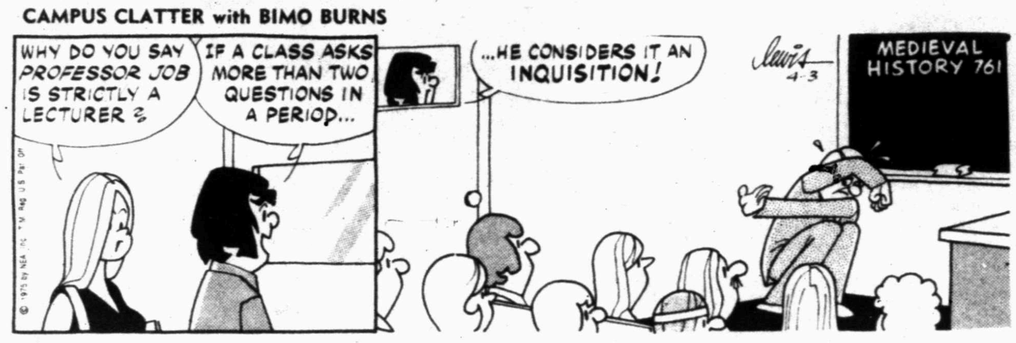

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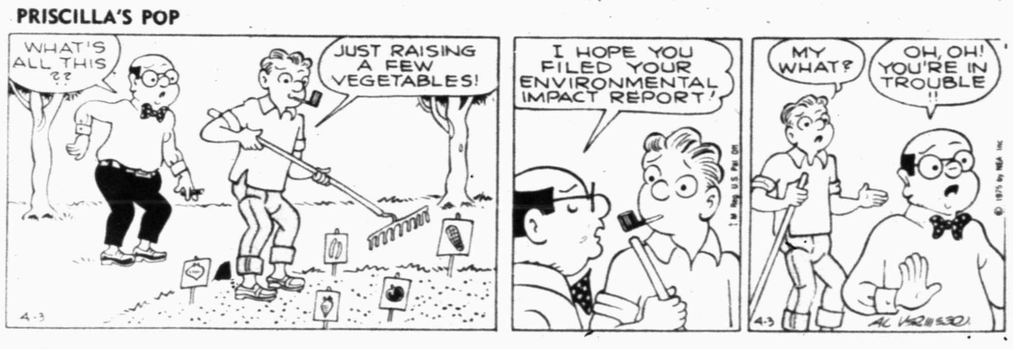

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DENNIS THE MENACE

"I FELL IN THE MUD... THEY JUST CAME ALONG TO HEAR YOU SCREECH."

80-year-old bride's possible pregnancy disturbs doc

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My attention has been called to a recent inquiry in your column by a newly remarried lady in her 80s who wanted to know what the chances of her becoming pregnant were at this time in her life. Your answer, that the probability of conception was very remote, no doubt will ease her mind.

However, there are several cases in the medical records worthy of mention. One was reported by Ripley in BELIEVE IT OR NOT some time in 1945: "An American Indian woman, age 99, married a man, age 37. One year later she gave birth to a son. She died at the age of 119, leaving a 19-year-old-son and a 56-year-old husband."

The second case involved a woman reported to have been 65 years old who married a man about 80. A child was born to this couple. It was reported in several leading American newspapers.

These are rare cases, but they did happen. All women should be made aware that where there is life, there is hope.

MASSACHUSETTS M.D.

DEAR M.D.: If one is to take these "reports" seriously, then the only contraceptive that is 100 per cent reliable is "sulfa denial."

DEAR ABBY: Fifteen years ago, my father died. (Mother had died before him.) While he didn't leave a great fortune, everything of value was divided evenly among my two brothers, my sister and myself. The only thing we couldn't decide on was what to do with Dad's rare coin collection.

As time was limited for us all to be together (we live in different states) my oldest brother said, "If it's all right with the rest of you, I'll keep the coin collection until we reach a decision as to what should be done with it." The rest of us agreed, and nothing more was said or done about it.

Now, years later, my sister told me that she had once brought up the subject of the coin collection to the brother who had it, hinting that she would like to see it again, but he didn't offer to show it to her. We've always been on good terms with each other, but no one wanted to risk hurt feelings by bringing up the matter.

Now the brother who has the collection has a terminal illness. He has only one child—and he is adopted. Have we waited too long in this matter to do anything? What do you advise? The coin collection is worth several thousand dollars, but of course a good family relationship is priceless. What is your advice?

IN A QUANDARY

DEAR IN: Much depends upon your brother's condition. If he is at death's door, of course the matter of the coin collection should not be brought up. But if he's reasonably well, you might suggest either dividing the coins among the four of you, or having them evaluated, and then if one wanted to buy them all, he could pay the others for their share. (P.S. Some wise person once said, "You never really know a person until you have to share an inheritance with him.")

DEAR ABBY: I am 16, and my wife of four months is 15. I married her because she said she was pregnant. She wasn't. Now she admits that she just said she was pregnant so I would marry her.

Because of our marriage, I had to quit school and get a job in a factory. I even had to borrow money from my parents to make a down payment on a mobile home. This really hurt me because my parents are hard-working people who made a sacrifice to let me have the money.

I really was in love with the girl before we were married, but every time I think of the dirty trick she pulled on me, I'm turned off.

I am thinking about divorce, and want your opinion.

STUCK IN S.D.

DEAR STUCK: Granted, it was a dirty trick, but don't rush into a divorce unless you are positive that that is what you want. In the meantime, do your part to make sure there are no unwanted babies, or you'll really be stuck.

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

For Abby's new booklet, "What Teen-agers Want to Know," send $1 to Abigail Van Buren, 132 Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212. Please enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped (20¢) envelope.

POINT OF VIEW—Picture editors, wire editors, and all editors are always looking for versatile photos, photos that they can "do something with". Well, here's one. This picture of Wayne Donilson, utilities company lineman can be published any direction, upside-down, right-side up, left-side-up, or top-side-top. Readers can get into the game, too, simply by grabbing their papers and giving them a twist. (AP Wirephoto)

Dr. Lamb

Flying gets okay for stroke victim

By Lawrence E. Lamb, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB—I hope you can help me with an important problem that I have. Last year on my way to work I had a stroke. This left me with a bad left leg and arm.

I was told the stroke was due to my very high blood pressure, and I have been under a doctor's care for this ever since. I'm responding very well and have had more or less normal pressure for the past several months.

It's important that I go to California and the plane trip is five and a half hours. I've consulted three doctors and have been given different opinions by each.

One tells me that it is bad for me to take such a long trip. Another tells me it is okay if I stretch my legs every half hour since the plane is pressurized.

I just don't know what to do so I hope you will please give me your opinion. I'm 65.

DEAR READER—If you are capable of enduring a five and a half hour bus ride, you can make a five and a half hour airplane flight. The sitting is more of a problem than the altitude.

The doctor who told you the cabin was pressurized was right on that score. Commercial aircraft maintain an altitude below 7,000 feet. When you are sitting still that is not enough stress to cause any significant problems for you and most of the time the cabin pressure is much lower than 7,000 feet, commonly below 5,000 feet.

If you drove over the mountains or rode in a bus you would be exposed to higher altitudes. To avoid the dangers of prolonged sitting you do need to stretch and move around, which I would also advise on a long bus or auto trip. Rarely, prolonged sitting causes pressure on the leg veins and may cause clots to form.

The other big problem is at the air terminal, in handling baggage and hurrying to make planes. If you don't get excited and let someone else do the work for you, it is not much of a strain.

DEAR DR. LAMB—Are there any outward obvious signs of rectal cancer? How often should one be checked for rectal cancer?

DEAR READER—Blood from the rectum is often the first sign. That is why you shouldn't assume that blood means hemorrhoids. Sometimes hemorrhoids pop out because of the pressure of a tumor above the hemorrhoids.

Difficulty in having a bowel movement usually doesn't occur until the cancer has advanced. A sudden change in bowel habit for no apparent reason, though, can be a sign of tumor of the colon and deserves immediate attention.

Weight loss usually means the cancer has progressed, and it can be caused by cancer originating from any source.

The silent way a cancer of the rectum can start is a good reason for a regular checkup and in adults that should include at least a manual rectal examination. Most cancers of the rectum are within reach of the examining finger.

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

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

THE MIXER

Select words meaning the opposite of the words above the squares, arranging the letters in the two words to form a new word which means:

stubborn

MESSY □□□□ BIRTH NOTICES □□□□□

The MIXER word is: □□□□□□□□□

Previous Mixer Answer

Opposite words: DAY and REAL.

Mixer word: ALREADY.

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Saigon People Fatalistic About Approaching Reds

SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP) — The sound of gunfire, exploding grenades and artillery echoed through the streets of Saigon, but no one took any notice.

"It's only government propaganda," a Vietnamese reassured a nervous foreigner and pointed to loudspeakers tied to lamp posts in Lam Don Square.

The speakers blare continuous exhortations for the population to resist the Communists and boast with sound effects of government forces heroically defending Hue and Da Nang.

Everyone knows the army hasn't fought; that Hue, Da Nang and a dozen other cities have been lost, and that the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese are pushing closer to the capital.

"We have nowhere to go now," said Mai-linh, a beautiful young bar girl, with a shrug. "Where can we go? I am frightened, but what can I do? I have bought rice and dried fish and when the VC come I will lock the doors and wait."

Although there have been some signs of fright and flight, most of Saigon's 3½ million people seem to be facing up to the inevitable.

Their greatest fear seems not to be the North Vietnamese and Viet Communist forces less than 50 miles away. It's that armed, defeated, embittered government troops will run amok in the city.

Law and order may disintegrate as it did in Hue, Da Nang and Nha Trang. Government officials and army officers may desert, leaving anarchy behind them.

At the moment there is little to show on the surface that Saigon is mortally threatened. But rice is short, and going up in price. Tea is hard to get. So is coffee. Tea and coffee came from the Central Highlands town of Ban Me Thuot, which fell more than two weeks ago. Avocados, once a plentiful delicacy from Dalat, are now hard to find. The highway to Dalat was cut several weeks ago.

The bakeries are still turning out French bread. Rather ordinary French wine is still available, but the quantity is decreasing. The North Vietnamese and not Saigon's gourmets are now enjoying Nha Trang's famous lobsters.

It is still possible to eat well in the French style at such restaurants as Ramuntcho's. But the waiters hustle you through your meal to get the bill paid by 9.30 p. m.; curfew is at 10 p.m.

The open-air terrace at the Continental Palace Hotel, better known as the Continental Shelf, remains a favorite sundown drinking place.

The nightly army of pimps, prostitutes, beggars, urchins, crippled war veterans and newspaper vendors still prowls the sidewalk alongside.

But there are signs that the war is coming closer.

New bunkers and pillboxes are being constructed on street corners, notably near the presidential palace.

The traditionally superstitious Vietnamese are patronizing soothsayers, pagodas and churches in increasing numbers.

The 6,000 Americans and possibly as many Europeans who were in Saigon are seen less frequently on the streets. Although there has been no overt anti-Americanism, many expect it will come.

Many Vietnamese, particularly refugees from the northern provinces, feel the United States abandoned them.

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Most Of Landowners Oppose Plan

GATESVILLE, Tex. (AP) — A large majority of the landowners who live around Ft. Hood in Central Texas "are unequivocally opposed" to the Army's plans to expand the installation, a survey by a landowners committee indicates.

A spokeswoman for the committee, "Our Land, Our Lives," which opposes the expansion, said Wednesday that landowners accounting for 55,900 of the 60,000 acres of expansion territory are opposed to it.

The spokeswoman said the survey was designed to counter a statement by Army spokesman Roy K. Smith in Killeen that persons who own 30 to 40 per cent of the land in question are willing to sell to the government if they receive a fair price.

The spokeswoman for "Our Land, Our Lives" said the committee had received completed questionnaires by Tuesday accounting for 196 landowners.

Cindy Curry, the spokeswoman, said no questionnaires were received by the committee which approved the proposed Ft. Hood expansion plan.

Meanwhile Wednesday, the board of directors of the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution calling the proposed expansion wasteful and destructive. The resolution said "only the most urgent and imperative need" would justify the expansion.

The resolution said the expansion should be delayed until Congress can make a thorough study of whether the plan is justified.

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H78-14	43.04	15.06	27.98	2.77
J78-14	43.85	15.35	28.50	2.95
F78-15	38.05	13.32	24.73	2.45
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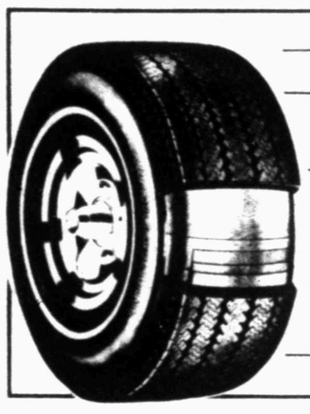

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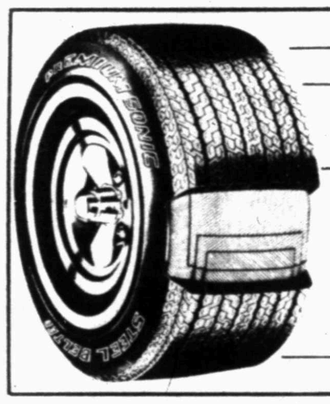

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G78-15	47.47	16.61	30.86	2.81
H78-15	49.39	17.29	32.10	3.02
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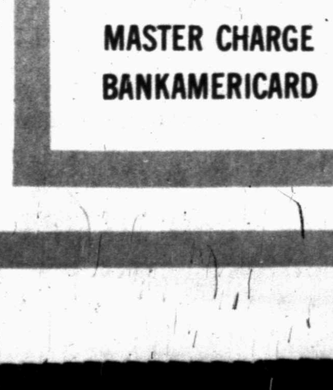

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F70-14	41.17	16.47		2.61
G70-14	44.30	17.72		2.80
H70-14	46.68	18.67		3.02
G70-15	45.40	18.16		2.83
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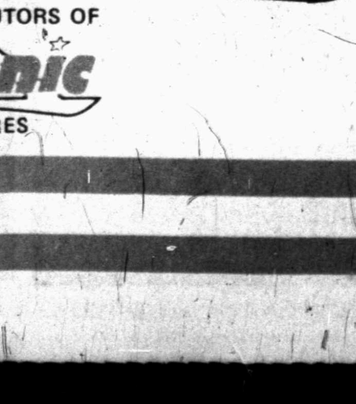

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G60x14	54.20	21.68	32.52	3.10
H60x14	57.13	22.85	34.28	3.47
B60x15	46.53	18.61	27.92	2.37
F60x15	52.20	20.88	31.32	2.97
G60x15	55.25	22.10	33.15	3.14
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SING HERE SUNDAY—The Texas Girls' Choir will sing at the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday, April 6, at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. The choir has presented concerts in the Middle East, the Holy Land, the Orient, Mexico and Canada. It will present concerts in Europe this year in June, serving the State of Texas as "Goodwill Ambassadors." The public is invited to hear the choir Sunday at Colonial Hill, and the service may be seen on television, Channel 2, on the Snyder cable.

HIGHEST CREST MOVING RAPIDLY

Corps Evacuating Persons On Mississippi River

By MARY GANZ
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers is hustling Mississippi River trappers and fishermen to higher ground as it prepares to meet river crests higher than 1973 flood levels.

The crest is moving rapidly down the river toward New Orleans. Unless the corps opens one of its spillways to divert some of the water, the Mississippi will crest at 19.3 feet April 19, well above the 18.6 high water mark recorded in 1973 after the spillways were opened. The '73 floods were some of the worst on record.

The river crested at 56.2 Wednesday at Cairo, Ill. The 1973 crest was 55.7. The crest is projected to hit Memphis Sunday at 40.2, just below 1973's 40.4; Helena, Ark., Monday at 48.3, and Natchez, Miss., the following Monday at 54.8.

Some six million acres of land, from Southern Illinois down to the river's mouth, are already under water. About half of that is in Louisiana and Mississippi, most of it inside the levee structures.

One by one, the trappers and fishermen who live on the river side of the levees have been moving to higher land. For many it is an annual move. Even if the water from the Mississippi doesn't lap at their doorsteps, the ground beneath their cabins sometimes gets so soft it slides into the river.

Hardest hit so far have been families in the Yazoo Basin, Miss., where the swollen Mississippi has backed up into the Yazoo River, and near Jonesville, La., where the Black River is out of its banks.

Army engineers say "several hundred" persons — including farmers and cattlemen — have been evacuated from these and a few other areas.

If there isn't a lot more rain and snow, and if it doesn't drain into the Mississippi Valley all at once, Army engineers say they can withstand this year's floods without 1973's $1 billion losses.

Corps spokesman Bruce Sossaman says 1973 was unusual because runoff from early fall snows in the Ohio Valley had swollen the river by November, soaking and weakening levees all winter long until the final big crest in the spring.

He said the corps has been working since then to strengthen levee structures and build new ones where needed.

SAYS CO-SPONSOR OF BILL

State Lacks Money To Raise Teachers' Pay

By DAN McDONALD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The co-sponsor of a Senate bill seeking to increase the salaries of Texas teachers says the money for the proposed pay raises does not exist.

The statement by Sen. A.R. Schwartz, D-Galveston, came Tuesday night at a hearing of the Senate Education Committee where 2,000 persons, mainly teachers, had come to hear testimony on two public education finance bills.

Schwartz said it would take $979 million in state funds to finance his bill the first year and $1.3 billion the second.

"This bill represents what we believe Texas needs but I want you to know the money does not exist to fund that amount," said Schwartz, who is sponsoring one of the bills along with Sen. A.M. Aikin, D-Paris.

Sen. Oscar Mauzy, D-Dallas, sponsor of the other bill, said the question of public education financing is the most important one facing the legislature.

Callie Smith, executive secretary of the Texas State Teachers Association (TSTA), said increasing the salary of teachers is the most important part of either of the two bills.

"The current salary for a beginning teacher is $6,600 a year and that was set in 1969," said Smith, whose organization represents 159,000 teachers.

"To restore this teacher to the 1969 purchasing power would require increasing the salary to $10,375 a year," Smith said.

Smith said in February the $1,000 a month starting salary is not negotiable.

Mrs. Jewel Howard, president of TSTA, said a beginning teacher attempting to support a family on a $6,600 salary is operating below the poverty level.

"There is intense dedication to duty among our Texas teachers, but dedication cannot be served as food to sustain the body and provide the strength which the rigors of teaching today require," Mrs. Howard said.

Mrs. Carolyn Harrell, chairman of the TSTA legislative committee, said Schwartz' bill "requires spending a great deal of money, but I cannot think of any purpose for which money should be spent than in the interest of the children of Texas."

"To fail to provide a solution to our public school problems in this session of the legislature would magnify them to a degree which would make future solutions almost impossible," Mrs. Harrell said.

Will Davis, president of the Texas Association of School Boards, said Schwartz' statement about a lack of funds was only a problem of priorities.

"For too many years the priority has been away from public education," Davis said.

Scout Campout Is Set At Big Spring

A thousand boys and leaders from all parts of the Buffalo Trail Council are expected for the big campout at the Scout Roundup grounds in Big Spring April 25-26.

Charles Grizzard, Big Spring, general chairman, said that units are expected from the Big Bend and Pecos all the way to Colorado City and Snyder.

Saturday, April 26, the Scouts and leaders will be joined by Cub Scouts, who will have a field day at the same time. Maj. Mickey Willett will be in charge of this event.

Friday evening each troop will have its own campfire, but all will come together Saturday evening for the big campfire program to which the public is invited. Each scout unit will present a skit at the ~~campfire~~.

Competition in Scout events Saturday will be by patrols, adult leaders will be banned for this in order that the patrols will be completely on their own. Among the events will be knot tying flag respect, compass and measuring, first aid relay, Scout law relay, tent peg relay, observation ability, pony express, rope throw and silent signals.

Troops will be graded on the results of these contests, along with their ratings on camp inspection, leadership, organization and discipline. The honor troop will have the distinction of lowering the flag Sunday morning when camp breaks following an interdenominational religious service led by the Rev. Lester Utz, Big Spring.

Each troop will bring its own food, fuel and tentage. Emergency first aid facilities will be provided, and Order of Arrow members will provide camp security.

Elvis Promises To Give Deposition

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP) — Singer Elvis Presley has promised to give a deposition at a local law office Monday in connection with a $6.3 million suit filed against him, according to lawyer Thomas Eck.

Presley is named in a U.S. District Court personal injury suit filed by Edward L. Ashley, a Grass Valley, Calif., real estate developer who says he was beaten last May when he tried to attend a party given by Presley at a Stateline, Nev., hotel.

The Sahara-Tahoe Hotel-Casino; its parent company, Del Webb International Hotels Inc., and individuals identified as Presley's bodyguards also are named as defendants in the suit.

No trial date has been set.

Figueres To Leave Wealth To Poor

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — Former President Jose Figueres says he will leave the bulk of his wealth and material possessions to Costa Rica's poor when he dies.

The 68-year-old Figueres was criticized two months ago in the National Assembly for refusing to disclose the amount of his fortune.

Judge Grants Temporary Injunction In Bell Suit

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Lawyers for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. say "exceedingly great harm has been done" through issuance of an injunction prohibiting them from tapping telephones and destroying certain records.

Hubert Green told the fourth court of civil appeals here Wednesday that Dist. Court Judge Peter Michael Curry had no basis for giving the order last Feburary.

Curry granted the temporary injunction on a request by plaintiffs in a $29.2 million damage suit against Bell and American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

Ousted Bell executive James H. Ashley and the family of T. O. Gravitt, plaintiffs in the suit, said that Bell in the past has destroyed records which could affect lawsuits.

They also claimed that Bell has wiretapped them.

Bell denied both allegations and told the appeals justices Wednesday that no evidence of such actions had been presented during the day-long hearing which resulted in the injunction.

"We jealously guard the right of privacy of communication," Green said.

But he told the appeals court that the injunction "certainly leaves an inference of guilt."

In granting the injunction, Curry had specified that his order did not reflect any guilt on the part of Bell concerning the allgeations.

Green told appeals justices Charles W. Barrow and Carlos C. Cardena that the injunction itself was void because it failed to specity grounds.

Plaintiffs lawyer Pat Maloney told the justices that such specifics were unnecessary because of a public interest exception in the rules of procedure.

However. Green said the suit was private litigation and that the public interest exception should not apply.

Maloney praised Curry's injunction as "wonderfully broad."

Justice Cardena said, "Sometimes wonderfully broad is unconstitutionally broad."

The appeals court gave Maloney until Friday to respond to a Bell motion to disallow an affidavit by Maloney's partner to be considered. So it would be at least next week before a decision could be reached.

Side issues in the suit include claims that Bell has engaged in illegal political activities, has been deceitful in its rate-setting methods and has used various financial irregularities to cover up what Maloney calls "corporate rapacities."

Bell has denied all charges.

Instrument Warns Of Oil Spills

HOUSTON (AP) — Environmental Protection Agency officials hope that an infrared oil detecting device now in use on the Houston Ship Channel will help prevent expensive oil spills in the future.

Wallace Cooper, chief of the regional EPA's oil and hazardous materials section, says the early-warning device is so sensitive it can detect a single cupful of oil on the channel's surface.

"With this instrument, we feel the Coast Guard can get out in a hurry and find the source of a spill," Cooper said. "If there's an oil discharge by an industry or a passing ship at midnight, it no longer will be the next day before we know it even happened."

Cooper said the device currently is mounted on a dockside roof at the Coast Guard station to simplify maintenance and response to alarms.

A sending unit shoots an infrared color band at the challen's surface and this is reflected back up to a receiver which records any oil on the water. It penetrates fog and works in all kinds of weather, Cooper said.

The sensor is pointed straight down the channel from the dock roof, but it currently monitors only a few square feet of water surface, Cooper said.

The company which developed the sensor now is working on an oscillating mount which would allow it to sweep a wide area like a radar antenna.

Early detection of spills would save money in both cleanup operations and in fines. Under federal law, any company that causes an oil spill could be fined up to $5,000. Failure to report a spill carries a $10,000 fine.

Leaking Toilet Is Blamed

HOUSTON (AP) — National Transportation Safety Board officials say a leaking toilet probably caused the engine of a National Airlines Boeing 727 jet to fall off during flight in a 1974 accident.

The incident occurred April 30, 1974, 60 miles east of El Paso. The plane landed safely in Houston without injuries to passengers or crew.

John Reed, chairman of the safety board's investigation committee, said evidence strongly shows that ice formed from leaking fluid from a toilet service drain and caused the accident.

Reed said the ice apparently was sucked into the jet engine and damaged one or more of the first stage fan blades. The engine suddenly stopped causing excessive loads resulting in the failure of a mount bolt, which caused the engine to fall off.

When the plane landed, Reed said, a large blue stain was found along the fuselage from the toilet service door to the engine.

"Recently there have been several incidents in which large pieces of blue ice separated from aircraft in flight and caused varying degrees of damage on ground impact," Reed said.

Reed asked the Federal Aviation Agency to issue an airworthiness directive requiring modification of external ground service fluid drains on the Boeing 727 planes to prevent further such leakages.

O.A. Soli, director of quality control for National Airlines in Miami, said his company has taken several precautions to prevent recurrances of the 1974 incident.

Secretary Denies Mills Is Resigning

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Wilbur D. Mills' personal secretary says the Arkansas Democrat has no plans to resign from office.

Janice Ireland said Wednesday that when she talked to Mills late Tuesday he seemed surprised about continuing rumors that he would resign and indicated he was not even considering quitting.

Mrs. Ireland added, however, that Mills said he would seek his doctor's advice on continuing in Congress when he completes therapy at a Florida clinic late this month. The clinic specializes in the treatment of alcoholism.

~~Mrs. Ireland said Mills' wife~~, Polly, had joined him in Florida and probably would remain there until he is released.

President Draws Up New White House Ethics Code

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Ford has had a new ethical code drawn up for all White House employes and they have been asked to attend 90-minute briefing sessions to assure they understand it.

The eight-page code spells out ethical concepts and legal restrictions in such areas as conflicts of interests, acceptance of gifts, political activities and contact with regulatory agencies.

After the code and a packet of federal statutes were distributed to White House employes, staffers were asked to attend one of several 90-minute briefings initiated by chief of staff Donald Rumsfeld and the White House counsel's office. Rumsfeld has spoken at some of the briefings.

Most of the 600 White House staffers have attended one of the briefings, Jerry Jones, staff assistant to Ford, said. Another briefing will be held for the rest, about 100, he said.

Jones said that there has always been a written standard of conduct for White House staffers, but that many portions of it were vague and had to be rewritten.

"Everyone is terribly concerned about this, given what we've gone through in the last three years," Jones said in a reference to the Watergate scandal.

Discussing the code that existed during the administration of President Richard M. Nixon, Jones said, "A lot wasn't made of it. We've tried to bring it more to staffers' attention."

Richard B. Cheney, Rumsfeld's top assistant, said, "The point was to explain to them the importance of conduct, the importance of how they handle themselves vis-a-vis the departments and agencies and private citizens, to caution them about problems of conflicts of interest, the importance of filing financial statements and the fact that the monkey's on their back to see that they're in compliance."

Asked if the code was a result of the Watergate scandal, Cheney said, "No ... I think it's basically good mahagement. You ought to do that in any organization ... Maybe if it had been (drawn up) previously, Watergate wouldn't have occurred ..."

Guinn Gets Light Sentence

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) —U.S. Dist. Court bjudge Eldon Mahon has ordered a former Fort Worth city councilman to spend 60 days in a Salvation Army halfway house as a sentence for income tax evasion.

Dr. Edward Guinn pleaded no contest Wednesday on two of 21 counts of income tax violations in 1970 and 1971 and received a three-year probated sentence plus a $10,000 fine.

Mahon dismissed the remaining counts against Guinn, and said the 50-year-old general practitioner must spend the nights at the Salvation Army center, but could work at his medical clinic during the day.

Guinn, a black, was the first member of his race to serve on a Fort Worth City Council, a position he held from 1967 until 1971.

Besides his medical practice, Guinn has been active as an official with the Texas Criminal Justice Council, appointed by former Gov. John Connally, and as a trustee of the Tarrant County Crime Commission.

He was named Newsmaker of the Year in 1971 by the Press Club of Fort Worth.

Grossenheider Dies Tuesday

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Richard P. Grossenheider, 66, internationally known wildlife artist, died Tuesday in Shrewsbury when his car struck a tree. He began painting birds and animals when he was an assistant curator at the St. Louis Zoo from 1930 to 1937. Working in a studio at his home in Maplewood, Grossenheider drew illustrations for several national magazines and had exhibits here, New York and elsewhere.

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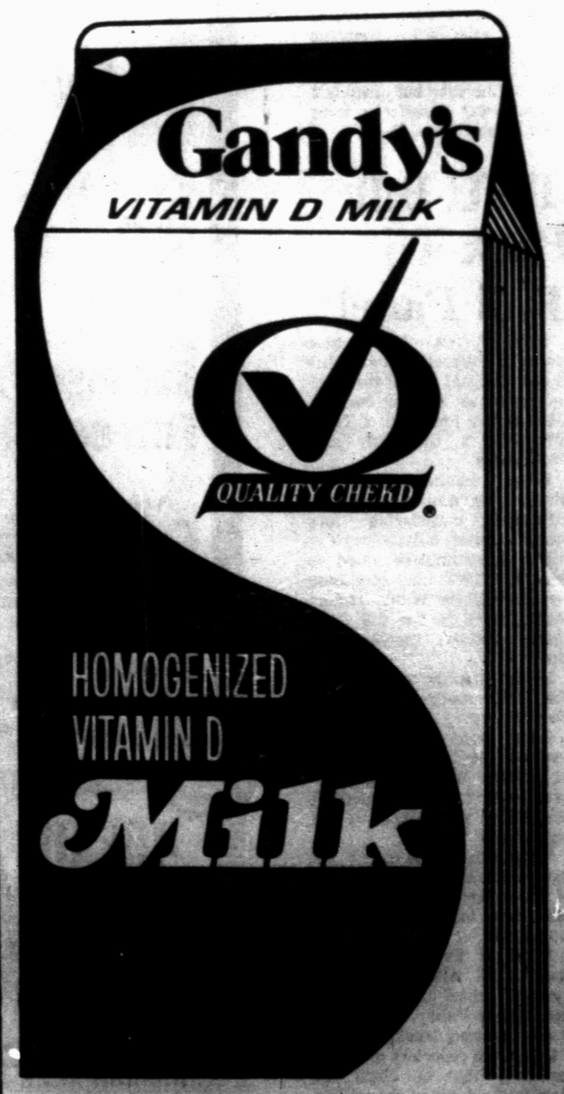

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OUR MAN ON BROADWAY

Dick Maurice

PARTIES, PREMIERES & PEOPLE—Your Man On Broadway hosted a party for America's first television feature magazine, TV SHOWPEOPLE, at the very top of the Empire State Building. Passed searchlights over red carpets many friends came to help me celebrate. Some of those in attendance included Mr. Candid Camera, ALLEN FUNT; AM America host, BILL BEUTEL; DR. JOYCE BROTHERS : ACTRESS, JULIE NEWMAR; game show hosts, ART JAMES and ART FLEMING; the voluptuous, DAGMAR; Broadway star, LARRY KERT; internationally famous agent, MILTON GOLDMAN; comedian, ARNOLD STANG; noted theatrical lawyer and celebrity photographer, ARNOLD WEISSBERGER. The daytime TV dramas were well represented by GEORGE REINHOLT, JACQUELINE COURTNEY, NICOLAS COSTER from "Another World"; GIL GERARD, JAMES PRITCHETT from "The Doctors"; ALAN FEINSTEIN from "The Edge of Night."

"Good Times" star JOHN AMOS is going to South Africa where he plans to confer on his newest role. Amos will be playing Shaka, a 17th-century Zula chieftain. His combat training as a Chicago tenement dweller must have been just the training he needed for this role! . . . .

DENNIS WEAVER is one star who never gives anyone any trouble. Maybe it's his strict diet that accounts for his great disposition, both on and off the "McCloud" set. The Hill Publishers think it's the diet and they're so sure about it that they have been wooing Dennis to write a book on health food. The only germ he's exposed to is wheat germ.

ALLEN FUNT scratching out a book about his experiences getting bilked out of, he says, two million Yankee dollars by accountants.

GRETA GARBO celebrated her 69th birthday alone—as usual. She has a one-bedroom pad and has never had a guest up to it. She has closets full of dresses and mumbles, "I've never worn a single one." If there isn't a moral there somewhere, it's at least interesting.

MICHAEL CAINE burps he's "taking a two year vacation from films—maybe longer—maybe forever." He's done six flicks this year.

BRIGITTE BARDOT who has joined the Geritol generation posed naked nude for a French magazine but the photos were originally turned down by the first magazine who paid for them. And how do you like them pommes de terre!

It's true that the king of rock 'n' roll, ELVIS, has been spending the first few months of his 40th year in his Memphis mansion, shedding poundage. It could be the result of too much icing on the cake but many feel the superstar is suffering from male menopause.

DAN ROWAN's building a tennis court on his Beverly Hills property and what with the jackhammers, bulldozers, blasting, dredging and shovelling, his highclass chic neighbors are decidely unthrilled with him.

A certain film actress (nominated more than once for an Academy Award) has made a graceful transition to the stage in an elegant musical. However, she's kept under wraps until it's time to go to the theatre because of a severe drinking problem. I'll give you a hint: her dilemma is nothing to clown about.

GINA LOLLAPALOOZA who's now a photographer snapped shots of PAUL NEWMAN showbathing in front of the Arrow Restaurant in Westport, Connecticut. She was sipping vintage wine and he was guzzling beer throughout the session. . .

In an exclusive interview, impressionist JIM BAILEY revealed to me that he'll be exhuming the legendary presence of MARILYN MONROE. He'll reveal his version of the whispery, platinum Marilyn in Vegas this fall.

Broadway's Winter Garden Theatre, opened in 1911, will house the 29th annual Tony Awards, which will include a pageant glorifying the Winter Garden's past, April 20 on an ABC show produced by ALEXANDER COHEN. Stars who played there, including FRED ASTAIRE, ANGELA LANSBURY, ALEXIS SMITH, RAY BOLGER, MILTON BERLE, JEAN STAPELTON, CLIFTON DAVIS, JACK ALBERTSON, CARL REINER, CLEAVON LITTLE and JOAN CRAWFORD, will hand out the Tonys. Another troupe, consisting of BOBBY VAN, LARRY BLYDEN, LARRY KERT, CHARLES NELSON REILLY, CAROL LAWRENCE, BERNADETTE PETERS, and MICHELLE LEE, will mimic the Winter Garden greats of yesteryear.

FANNE FOXE got great press coverage in Detroit, evading questions about marriage to WILBUR MILLS, but admitting he gave her a Cadillac and called her three times wishing her success at her opening.

How's this for an understanding husband! Understand HARVEY KORMAN's wife is living with a bit player and Harvey is supporting the both of them.

ENZO STUART said it cost $90 to have a small scratch on his Rolls Royce touched up, and a friend gasped, "Who does the painting—Leonardo da Vinci?"

Birds have the keenest vision of all living things; a soaring eagle can spot its prey a mile away.

TWU Bill Back To Full Panel

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — It is no more expensive to establish a new medical school than it is to expand an existing one, Dr. John Guinn, president of Texas Woman's University said Wednesday.

Guinn testified before a House subcommittee on higher education considering four medical school bills.

The subcommittee voted to send the TWU bill, sponsored by Rep. Doyle Willis, D-Fort Worth, back to the full committee without recommendation.

Willis' measure would set up the TWU medical school in Fort Worth.

Guinn said he had just learned Tuesday morning that $1 million dollars had been promised for the medical school if it is approved by the legislature.

"In addition to the money, we have a commitment of 60 acres of prime land as a site for the buildings in Fort Worth," Guinn said.

Asked if the TWU school could work with a proposed medical school in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, Guinn said it was "entirely feasible."

Guinn told reporters after his testimony that he could not identify the donor of the million dollars other than to say it was a foundation rather than an individual.

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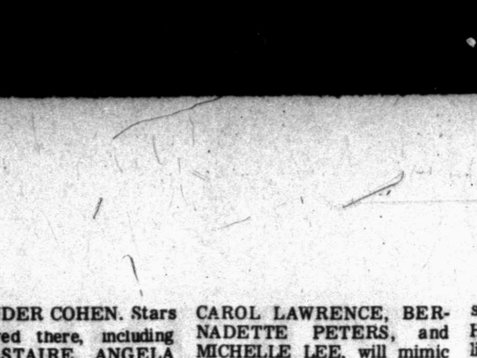

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PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE HELD LATER

Zarb Says FEA Is Re-Evaluating Job

DALLAS (AP) — Federal Energy Administrator Frank G. Zarb says his office is re-evaluating its job now that the acute energy crisis of the 1973-74 oil embargo is past.

"We have asked Congress to let the emergency allocation act expire and put it on a standby basis," Zarb said.

He said public hearings will be scheduled across the nation later this year on rewriting and updating regulations "because we still have a law we must enforce."

Zarb, here to address a special management conference sponsored by Southern Methodist University, said Wednesday a nationwide audit of fuel prices paid by utilities and other major users may result in rebates of approximately $700 million because of overcharges. He said most of the overcharges discovered so far were due to errors and misinterpretations of FEA regulations.

The FEA chief would not discuss specific firms under investigation. Hedid say the audit is "rigorous" and would continue for several months.

Zarb presented the FEA's first Energy Conservation Award to Texas Instruments, Inc., a Dallas-based international company which reported a 17.3 per cent reduction in its 1974 energy consumption.

Zarb said the nation has the ability to become energy self-sufficient by 1985 — if an organized program for energy independence is begun soon. The energy administrator said foreign oil cost the United States about $425 per family — or a total of $24 billion — last year. He projected that figure could rise to $575 — or $32 billion — by 1977 if present trends continue.

Gasoline rationing, he said, is "no longer a live possibility," adding that a gasoline tax would be only a partial solution to excessive consumption. "People must begin to use energy at its real value."

He said he does not favor nationalization of the oil and gas industries but prefers "a system that will allow the price of energy to reflect its true value to the economy."

Zarb also said the elimination of the oil depletion allowance for major oil companies makes "a whole new ball game" of an earlier proposed windfall profits tax and discussion of the elimination of federal controls on oil prices.

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Indicted Sheriff Surprised

DENTON, Tex. (AP) — Denton County Sheriff Wylie H. Barnes says he is "very, very surprised" by an indictment returned against him by a federal grand jury in Tyler.

Barnes and Dr. G.E. Adami were indicted Tuesday n conspiracy charges in connection with events surrounding an investigation by the federal Drug Enforcement Administration into Adami's son.

Barnes is also charged with obstruction of the DEA investigation.

The indictments alleged that Barnes warned Adami that federal agents would attempt to purchase cocaine from Adami's son, David. Barnes allegedly told Dr. Adami that his son should be advised to dispose of any drugs he had in his possession.

" 'I'm not guilty' is the statement I've made," Barnes said Wednesday. "And I'm very, very surprised this came out of the federal grand jury."

Some Eligible For Flood Insurance

NEW YORK (AP) — Residents of 10 Texas cities and one county have become eligible to purchase federally-subsidized flood insurance for residential and non-residential property, the National Flood Insurers Association (NFIA) announced.

Damage from flooding is not covered in standard property insurance policies.

Private insurance agents and brokers are authorized to offer flood insurance to interested owners or residential and non-residential properties.

Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol

For Friday, April 4, 1975

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A last-minute switch in tactics will deprive you of the brass ring you could have grabbed if things went as planned.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone is going to give you important information to pass on. Write it down or you may not relay it accurately.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you're using equipment or tools today that belong to another, be sure you know how they work before you throw the switch.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your mate is going to be irritated by your actions today when you do the exact opposite of what you agreed to.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your most productive time is early in the day. Toward evening you tend to be more careless than usual with tasks or assignments.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you're going out with friends tonight, decide how much you want to spend. Undisciplined fun and games will be too expensive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't spring unexpected guests on your mate today or you're likely to find the welcome mat pulled from under your feet.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're apt to make some changes in social plans that will inconvenience others more than you think. They'll let you know about it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When you draw funds for the weekend, take a little extra to be prepared for anything unexpected.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Don't depend on an influential acquaintance you've met recently. He's not prepared to do as much for you as you'd hoped.

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Midwest Snowstorm Strands Hundreds

By The Associated Press

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Winds howled at more than 35 miles an hour in some areas of Illinois and Wisconsin on Wedneday, making road clearing work virtually useless.

Roads and airports were closed throughout northern Indiana and Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan, leaving hundreds of travelers stranded.

In Chicago, at least seven weather-related deaths were reported — two from traffic accidents on icy highways. The other victims suffered heart attacks while shoveling snow or struggling through drifts.

Chicago reported 11 inches of snowfall, Grand Rapids, Mich., 8 and Milwaukee, Wis., 5.

The Mississippi River crest is moving rapidly toward New Orleans and water levels there could reach 19.3 feet April 19, well above the 18.6 high water mark recorded in 1973, when flood losses reached $1 billion.

Some six million acres of land, from Southern Illinois down to the river's mouth, are already under water.

The storm system creating snow in the upper Midwest caused thundershowers in the Appalachians and eastern Ohio Valley. Rain also fell from the Carolinas to the central and eastern Gulf coast.

Several tornadoes developed with the thundershowers. One caused minor damage to Benton Central High School near Lafayette, Ind.

Montgomery, Ala., received two and one-third inches of rain.

Skies were mostly clear from the plains to Southern California, but temperatures were chilly. Below zero readings were recorded across the northern plains, while sub-freezing temperatures reached into Arkansas, Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle.

Shortly before midnight Wednesday, a record low for April 2 of 9 degrees was set at Sioux City, Iowa. A reading of 19 at Kansas City also was a record.

Temperatures before dawn ranged from 78 at Key West, Fla., to 3 below zero at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

Some other conditions:

Anchorage 30 clear, Atlanta 63 cloudy, Boston 40 cloudy, Buffalo 30 cloudy, Chicago 26 snow, Cincinnati 26 snow, Cleveland 34 rain, Dallas 40 clear, Denver 21 clear, Detroit 28 snow, Indianapolis 29 snow, Kansas City 18 clear, Los Angeles 44 clear, Louisville 37 snow, Miami 76 clear, Minneapolis-St. Paul 16 partly cloudy, Nashville 44 cloudy, New York City 45 cloudy, Philadelphia 46 cloudy, Phoenix 49 clear, Pittsburgh 51 rain, St. Louis 29 snow, San Francisco 48 cloudy, Seattle 35 partly cloudy, Washington 67 partly cloudy.

'John Dillinger' Flees With $600

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., a contender for the 1976 Democratic presidential nomination, said Wednesday night that long term planning instead of short-sighted political decisions are needed to restore the public's confidence in government.

"We've seen very poor economic planning," he told an audience at Memphis State University. "There was talk of a tax increase in October and then a tax cut in January."

Bentsen said he is concerned about the large federal deficit, which is spurred by high unemployment.

He said that each time unemployment rises by one per cent, the loss in tax revenues amounts to $12-to-$15 billion and $3-to-$4 billion has to be paid out in unemployment.

The theme was one that Bentsen also hit during a news conference in Nashville, where he said, "The greatest amount of deficit is from people being out of work and not paying taxes. If we get our employment back where it was in 1973 when it was 4.7 per cent, we'd have a balanced budget."

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Dodgers, Cardinals Are Favored In National

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Sports Writer

For relief pitching, you can't beat the Los Angeles Dodgers. As a matter of fact, you can't beat the Los Angeles Dodgers, period.

Mike Marshall throws barbs at the press but won't give the batters anything good to hit, and as a result the defending National League champions are sitting on top of the world and could be sitting on top of the league again this year.

The strongest team in the strongest division in baseball, it's likely that if the Dodgers win the West, they'll find less formidable opposition in the NL playoffs against either Pittsburgh or St. Louis, the preseason hopes in the East.

Pete Rose and his Cincinnati Reds teammates have declared all-out war on their division colleagues and could very well make life uncomfortable, or even impossible, for the Dodgers.

It took a iron-man performance by Marshall, the league's Cy Young winner, to subdue the talented Reds in the homestretch of the 1974 season.

It's that type of pitching—along with two of the best starters in the game—that gives the Dodgers an edge over their tough Western Division neighbors. Don Sutton, the best pitcher in the league in the last half of 1974, and Andy Messersmith comprise the Dodgers' 1-2 punch.

The Dodgers' hitting is formidable, too, with Most Valuable Player Steve Garvey and Jimmy Wynn in the middle of a line-up that produced more runs than any other National League team in 1974.

The Reds, who dominated the West for several years, no longer find themselves in that position despite the most impressive array of front four hitters in the game—Rose, Joe Morgan, Johnny Bench and Tony Perez.

At Cincinnati, the rub is the pitching. After 19-game ace Jack Billingham and 17-game winner Don Gullett, there's a big dropoff in talent among the starters. The bullpen is in the good hands of Clay Carroll and Pedro Borbon, though neither boasts the accomplishments of Marshall.

The Atlanta Braves have emerged as challengers and the San Francisco Giants and Houston Astros have power in their line-up, giving credence to the oft-voiced opinion that the National League West boasts the best balanced set of teams in the game.

The Pirates, who like the Reds used to dominate their division, no longer are No. 1 in the East. Inconsistent hitting and pitching has brought Pittsburgh back to the pack and now significantly improved St. Louis is another team to reckon with in that division.

It's always easy to go with the defending champion in preseason picks, but the Dodgers are so good, they're a logical choice to repeat.

With Garvey and Wynn experiencing any kind of a normal season, their offense is about as perfect as you can get. Top-to-bottom strength, home run blasters, speed and singles hitters, this team appears to be a manager's dream.

Only a falloff in performances from Garvey and Wynn, and the likes of Ron Cey, Joe Ferguson, Bill Buckner, Dave Lopes, Willie Crawford, Bill Russell and Steve Yeager will provide Manager Walt Alston with nightmares.

Pitching, always a strong suit with the Dodgers, could be a problem this time. They need a third starter since Tommy John, a 13-game winner at midseason last year, has not yet recovered from a fractured elbow. He underwent postseason surgery and is not expected back until midseason.

They're also searching for another starter, which is why they signed free agent Juan Marichal. Al Downing and Doug Rau, both erratic last year, may wind up as the third and fourth starters.

But the presence of Marshall provides Los Angeles with one of the best relief pitchers in baseball history. Jim Brewer, Geoff Zahn and Charley Hough all provide capable bullpen help.

Cincinnati is one of the best teams in baseball, but still may not be good enough to catch the Dodgers. The Reds have not only the best front four hitters in the game, but an incomparable defensive team anchored by two Gold Glove winners in the infield, shortstop Dave Concepcion and second baseman Morgan.

But it was a lack of pitching depth last season that caused the Reds to lose 12 of 18 games to Los Angeles and could cost them dearly again this season.

The Braves lost the greatest home run hitter in the history of the game but still boast a powerful offense. The aging Hank Aaron jumped to the American League to play with the Milwaukee Brewers and the Braves got Dave May in return for Aaron's services.

They also acquired the contract of Dick Allen after his announced "retirement" from the Chicago White Sox, and if Allen should decide to come back to baseball, Atlanta will have power to burn. As it is, the Braves shouldn't run out of gas with Dave Johnson, Harrell Evans, Dusty Baker and batting champ Ralph Garr. Led by Phil Niekro and Buzz Capra, Atlanta's pitching will be as good as the team has had in some time.

San Francisco isn't a bad team, but must face up to the situation of playing in the same division with Los Angeles and Cincinnati. The Giants would be contenders in the East.

The Giants dealt away possibly the most exciting player in the National League in Bobby Bonds, who went to the New York Yankees. But they got in return one of the best players in the American League, Bobby Murcer. He's expected to provide the Giants with their most solid left-handed hitter since Willie McCovey played for them.

Murcer joins a team with a group of superlative young players, and the abundance of youth could mean that the Giants are still a club of the future. Gary Maddox and Garry Matthews combine with Murcer to give the Giants one of the league's best offensive outfields, although somewhat lacking in power.

Mike Caldwell, John D'Acquisto, Jim Barr and Ron Bryant provide the Giants with reasonably good pitching and a staff that perhaps could be better than last year's 3.78 ERA would indicate.

Doug Rader's back at Houston and the colorful third baseman will be needed to display his aggressiveness again. The Astros better stay loose because there's too much competition for them in the West.

Lee May has been traded and his absence leaves a hole in the line-up. The Houston pitching staff, with Larry Dierker, Dave Roberts and Tom Griffin not the most consistent starters, lacks depth and a strong leader. The Astros will miss Don Wilson, who died in a tragic accident during the offseason.

The San Diego Padres went for pitchers last winter, acquiring Alan Foster, Sonny Siebert and Rich Folkers from St. Louis. It won't hurt, but it won't help, either. The Padres are slightly improved over last year, but not that much to lift their concrete weight out of the Western basement.

St. Louis may not be remembered as a team for all seasons, but they may be remembered as the National League East champions for 1975. Led by Bob Gibson and Lynn McGlothen, the Cardinals have enough arms on the staff to boast some of the best pitching in the East.

The Cards' strong points, though, are their defense and blazing speed, led by base-stealing king Lou Brock. When Brock gets on base, the Cardinals can score runs in a variety of ways. Either he steals second, or Ted Sizemore advances him with a sacrifice, and Reggie Smith drives him in.

Hitting, as in past years, is still Pittsburgh's strongest point with slugger Willie Stargell the key element. The pitching isn't as bad as some say, and quite possibly could be the most underrated area of the team with starters like Jerry Reuss, Jim Rooker, Dock Ellis and Ken Brett around.

If Tom Seaver returns to past form after an off-year, the Mets will be a force to be reckoned with in the East. But he can't have another 11-11 season like 1974.

The Phillies, last year's "Yes, We Can" Gang, has some fence-breakers led by Mike Schmidt and a dynamite infield led by second baseman Dave Cash, but are still a few players away from a championship season.

Montreal traded away most of its hitting during the off-season and took a big step backward in the process. But the Expos are saved from finishing last. They can't be any worse than the Chicago Cubs, who are starting to rebuild all over again from the ground up.

The probable order of finish this season: National League West—Los Angeles; Cincinnati; Atlanta; San Francisco; Houston and San Diego, National League East—St. Louis; Pittsburgh; New York; Philadelphia; Montreal and Chicago.

Wayland Romps Over Seattle

GALLUP, N.M. (AP) — Top-seeded Wayland Baptist College of Plainview, Tex., and No. 2-seeded Fullerton, Calif., will put their favored lives on the line tonight in quarterfinal games of the Women's National AAU Basketball Tournament.

Wayland and Fullerton each rolled to impressive victories Wednesday in second round action.

Tonight's compeititon should be tougher as Wayland faces eighth-seeded Ankeny, Iowa, and Fullerton takes on one of the tourney's two giant killers, New York City.

The Wayland-Ankeny tussle at 7 p.m. and the FullertonNew York clash at 9 p.m. will conclude the quarterfinals. Fifth-seeded Allentown, Pa., challenged fourth-seeded Raytown, Mo., and the other giant killer and tourney host Gallup take on sixth-seeded Indianapolis in afternoon quarterfinal games.

The winners of the Wayland-Ankeny and Allentown-Raytown games will meet in one semi-final Friday, and the victors in the New. York-Fullert onand Gallup-Indianapolis contests will tangle in the other.

The championship and consolation games will be played Saturday.

Wayland marched into the quarterfinals with an easy 98-55 romp over Seattle, Wash., while Fullerton showed its power by bombing Plainview, Tex., 74-55.

Allentown and Ankeny didn't have much trouble either as Allentown crushed Baltimore, Md., 103-47 and Ankeny bounced Detroit, Mich., 82-44. Indianapolis had to hold off upset-minded Shreveport, La., 68-65, while Raytown advanced on a bye.

Third-seeded John F. Kennedy College of Wahoo, Neb., and seventh-seeded Ouachita University of Arkansas were the two favored clubs which weren't able to avert upsets and were eliminated.

Gallup used a basket by Janie Fincher with two seconds remaining to upend JFK 45-44 and New York City employed a deadly fast break and Barbara Riccardi's 21 points to outgun Ouachita 67-52.

Gallup, with five former JFK players on its squad, battled back from a 23-15 halftime deficit behind the scoring of Fincher and Julie Simpson. The game went down to the final buzzer as Fincher's basket with two seconds left put Gallup on top 45-43.

JFK's Deb Kahler was fouled on the inbounds play following Fincher's bucket. Kahler, with no time remaining, hit the front end of a one-and-one, but missed on the second shot in her attempt to send the contest into overtime.

Fincher had 20 points and Simpson 13 to pace Gallup. JFK was paced by Gail Ahrenholtz' 14.

New York grabbed an 18-8 lead in the first quarter and the favored Ouachita club never was able to catch up. Millie Carrasquillo scored 14 points and Joy Malchipi had 10 to support Riccardi, while the Arkansas quintet was paced by Kathy Hobbs with 19 points.

Tourney favorite Wayland had little trouble with Seattle as the Flying Queens waltzed to a 60-22 halftime advantage and never looked back. Six players hit in double figures and everyone for Wayland played. Topping the victors were Carloyn Bush with 15, Brenda Moeller with 14 and Peggy Provence with 14. Seattle's Karen Strong took individual scoring honors with 20 points.

Fullerton opened up an early 18-3 lead and Plainview was never able to get closer than seven points the rest of the way. Sheila Adams and Monica Hevelka paced the win with 12 points each. Brena Caldwell and Marie Kocurek led Plainview with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Allentown completely dominated Baltimore as six of the Pennslyvania players were in double figures. Sue Rezcwicz and Dorothy McCrea led the way with 20 and 17 points. Sue Helms was the top scorer for Baltimore with 11.

Indianapolis fell behind by as much as 10 points in the first half but came back to take the lead early in the second half and win on the hot shooting of Judy Schnieder and Debbie Oing. Schnieder finished with 20 points and Oing 14. Game honors went to Shreveport's Lin Gamble who tossed in 30 points.

Ankeny pulled away from Detroit in the second half to breeze to its triumph. Detroit had stayed close in the first half and trailed only 28-26 at the midway break. But with Kathy Woodyard hitting 19 points, Rhonda Penquite adding 16 and Deb Coats scoring another 15, Ankeny moved away in the second half to its lopsided victory. Detroit was paced by Carolyn Gamble with 11 points and Carolynne Reese with 10.

Track Team At Angelo

The Snyder High School track team, third place at Monahans last week, will compete in the Bobcat Relays at San Angelo Friday and Saturday.

Coach Bill Hartsfield said prelims begin at 1 p.m. Friday, and finals get underway at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Entries for the Tigers:

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440 yard dash—Alvin Neely.

880 yard run—Greg Gafford, Henry Dever.

mile run—Bryan Littlepage, Steve Fisher.

440 yard relay—George Willis, Alvin Neely, Levi Hill, Welton Cobb.

mile relay—Levi Hill, Alvin Neely, George Willis, Larry Gee.

high jump—Tracy Knipe, Froilan Reyes.

long jump—Levi Hill, Larry Gee.

pole vault—Lloyd Bachus.

shot put—Mike Freeman.

discus—Richard Balderama.

Tiger Girls Host D. City

The Snyder High School varsity girls volleyball team, champions of District 3-AAA, will meet Denver City, champions of their AA district, in a practice match at 7 o'clock tonight in Tiger gym.

The Snyder girls are preparing for the regional tournament.

Canadian Loop Names Prexy

VANCOUVER (AP) — Bill McEwen, a member of the board of directors of the British Columbia Lions, was named president of the Canadian Football League Wednesday.

He succeeds Wes Munsie, past president for four years who will serve as vice chairman of a newly appointed management committee.

Two WTC Lads On West Team

Coach Mike Mitchell of the Western Texas College Westerners and two of his outstanding players are in San Antonio for the East-West National Junior College All-Star game, which will be held tomorrow night in the San Antonio Coliseum.

Mitchell was named coach of the West All-Stars after his team won the national championship. He also was named coach of the year. Two of his players who were named to the All-Tournament team at the national tournament, Bob Miller and Eugene Harris, will be playing on the West All-Star team.

Miller is a 6-5 sophomore guard from Seaford, New York. He was named the outstanding player in the national tournament. Harris is a 6-7 sophomore forward from Hattiesburg, Miss.

Coach of the runnerup Southern Idaho team will be Mitchell's assistant while the coach of the Utica, Miss. team will coach the East All-Stars.

The dividing line for the West and East teams is the Mississippi River.

The Westerners were 36-1 for the season and won four games at the national tournament.

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Colonels Continue To Streak

By The Associated Press

The Kentucky Colonels and New York Nets trade opponents tonight and the expectation is they will then meet each other Friday night.

Both clubs are on the road tonight — the Colonels at Memphis, the Nets at Virginia. If they both win — or if they both lose — there will be a one-game playoff at Louisville Friday night to settle the American Basketball Association's Eastern Division championship.

Wednesday night, Kentucky downed the Virginia Squires 88-81 while New York crushed the Memphis Sounds 119-97. Elsewhere, the Utah Stars defeated the Indiana Pacers 119-112 and the Spirits of St. Louis trounced the San Diego Conquistadors 134-110.

The streaking Colonels won their eighth straight game although they were held to their second lowest point total of the year. Nevertheless, it was good enough to defeat Virginia for the 11th straight time this season.

The Colonels were led by Ted McClain with 17 points while Mike Jackson of Virginia led all scorers with 25. Kentucky took an early 10-4 lead and never trailed. By losing, the Squires set an ABA record for fewest victories in a season — 15.

Nets 119, Sounds 97

Meanwhile, Julius Erving's 26 points led a balanced New York attack against Memphis. The Nets fell behind 9-4 but took the lead for good 15-13 on Larry Kenon's jump shot midway through the opening period. New York rapidly pulled away and opened a 60-38 spread on Brian Taylor's lay-up 13 seconds before halftime.

Kenon and John Williamson added 17 points apiece while Taylor and Mike Gale had 16 and Willie Sojourner 12. Stew Johnson and Tom Owens had 17 apiece to lead Memphis.

Stars 119, Pacers 112

Utah's John Roche pumped in 15 fourth-quarter points and finished with 29 as the Stars subdued an Indiana rally. Indiana trailed 78-63 late in the third period but outscored the Stars 14-4 to get back in the game.

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Pistons Clinch Playoff Berth

By The Associated Press

Hello, Detroit; goodbye, Milwaukee.

That's the latest National Basketball Association playoff news following the Detroit Pistons' 97-89 victory over the Chicago Bulls Wednesday night. The triumph clinched a wild-card berth for Detroit in the Western Conference — they will meet Seattle in the first round — while eliminating the Milwaukee Bucks — finalists last season — from playoff contention.

Elsewhere, the Seattle SuperSonics shaded the Kansas City-Omaha Kings 99-96, the Washington Bullets routed the Houston Rockets 112-85, the Boston Celtics edged the Buffalo Braves 95-92 and the Phoenix Suns nipped the Los Angeles Lakers 108-106.

Detroit used Bob Lanier's 26 points and a balanced attack to defeat Chicago. Curtis Rowe and Howard Porter added 18 points each, with Porter coming off the bench in the first quarter. Lanier grabbed seven rebounds to become Detroit's all-time leading rebounder, surpassing the 4,986 amassed by Walter Dukes in six seasons.

SuperSonics 99, Kings 96

Seattle's Spencer Haywood scored 25 points, including two clinching free throws with 1:13 left to play. The Kings' Nate Archibald also had 25 points. KC-Omaha thus remained two games behind Chicago in the Midwest Division.

Bullets 112, Rockets 85

Elvin Hayes scored 33 points and grabbed 14 rebounds as the Bullets boosted their record to 58-21 and maintained their half-game edge over Boston in the race for the best record in the NBA. The Celtics host the Bullets Friday night.

The Bullets also set a club record for victories in one season, surpassing their 57-25 mark in 1968-69. The loss dropped Houston's final record to 41-41 and the Rockets must wait until 39-40 New York and 39-41 Cleveland complete their seasons to see if they qualify for the playoffs.

Celtics 95, Braves 92

Dave Cowens' six-point burst in the last three minutes enabled Boston to turn back Buffalo. The Celtics were nursing an 87-86 lead with 2:57 remaining when Cowens hit a basket and then matched Jim McMillian's two free throws.

John Havlicek scored a basket and Lee Winfield hit two free throws for Buffalo, then Cowens came back with the basket that put the Celtics ahead by five points.

Bob McAdoo paced the Braves with 25 points while Cowens and Havlicek shared scoring honors for Boston with 23 points each.

Suns 108, Lakers 106

Gary Melchionni's 13-foot shot with four seconds remaining gave Phoenix its triumph. Each team has two games to play. Los Angeles is 30-50 while Phoenix is 32-48. The last-place finisher in the Pacific Division will take part in the coin flip against the Atlanta Hawks for the first draft choice.

Cazzie Russell of Los Angeles led all scorers with 27 points while Charlie Scott had 25 and Mike Bantom 24 for Phoenix.

Ali Plans Heavy Bout

NEW YORK (AP) — Muhammad Ali will defend the heavyweight championship against Ron Lyle in May, The Associated Press learned today.

A reliable source said the fight was set for May 16 but that no site had been selected. One of the sites being mentioned is Las Vegas, Nev.

Ali just defended the title March 24 by stopping Chuck Wepner in the 15th round at Cleveland.

Lyle was supposed to fight Ali in Madison Square Garden in New York March 24 but that fight fell through. Lyle then lost a chance of a June title shot by dropping a 10-round decision to unheralded Jimmy Young in Hawaii.

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LD Stars In State Tourney

The Snyder Little Dribblers begin their quest of the State Championship in a tournament at Frenship High School in Wolfforth Friday.

The Snyder All-Stars, regional champions, take on Dalhart at 8 a.m. Friday in the first round. If they win, then they play their next game at 3:30 p.m. Friday. If they lose, then they play next at 4:45 p.m. Friday.

Team members include Chris Seale, Brent Duncan, Mark Bartlett, Sam Willis, Jerry Greene, Keith Wallace, Carlos Martinez, Keith McClain, Mike Roemisch and Barry Tubb.

Young Cincinnati Fan Collapses

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — An 11-year-old boy died Wednesday after he collapsed while waiting to get autographs outside the Cincinnati Reds' clubhouse at spring training camp.

Reds' catcher Johnny Bench, who had just left the clubhouse after a game with the Montreal Expos, summoned help for Michael Henry of Deltona, Fla. As the Montreal Expos physician, Dr. A.D. Monaco, treated the boy, Bench comforted the child's mother, Eleanor Henry.

The boy died a few minutes later at a local hospital, where a spokesman said a history of heart trouble probably contributed to the death.

Two Minor Leaguers Hurt

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — Two members of the Pawtucket Red Sox were injured in separate accidents Wednesday during an exhibition game with Iowa of the American Association.

Catcher Ernit Whitt, recently farmed to Pawtucket by the Boston Red Sox, suffered a left shoulder separation in a home plate collision. He will fly to Boston for surgery.

Dan Godby, a 28-year-old outfielder recently acquired in a deal which sent Danny Cater to the St. Louis Cardinals, suffered a possible fractured elbow when hit by a pitch thrown by Mike Nagy, once a Red Sox prospect.

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