

# Legislators fear fallout from tax increase

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers, many of whom dipped into constituents' wallets for the first time this week, are now home watching for the school improvements they hope to see and the political fallout some fear they'll see.

As the deadline for the 30-day special session drew near Tuesday night, the lawmakers approved a \$4.61 billion tax package that is the first general tax increase in Texas in 13 years.

As the House vote neared, Speaker Pro Tem Hugo Berlanga was asked who would vote against it. "Republicans and contested Democrats," he said, referring to representatives who feared ballot box reprisals for the tax hike.

The tax package, effective Oct. 2, includes a one-eighth percent increase in the 4 percent sales tax, increased levies on alcoholic beverages and cigarettes and a sales tax umbrella expanded to cover more items.

Gov. Mark White said in return for their tax vote, legislators can look for some quick improvements

in Texas public schools. The new taxes will fund a series of education reforms and highway improvements.

"I think you are going to find some quick improvement in early childhood development," White said, referring to a new pre-kindergarten program for 4-year-olds who need the help and reduced class size in early grades.

The school reforms also include a restructured State Board of Education, competency tests and pay hikes for teachers, graduation tests for high school seniors, a ban on "social promotions," tighter control of extracurricular activities and more state money for poor schools.

"We can now look proudly back and say we had the finest education reform package of any state in the nation," said White.

He also said the school work was a good lesson for the lawmakers. "They learned how difficult it is to ask the people

of this state for additional revenues. I think every member of this Legislature recognizes that that's not an easy choice. For that reason, I think you will find that every member of this Legislature will be working harder to draw a tighter budget," he said.

State Education Commissioner Raymon Bynum said it will take about 10 years to measure the success of the reforms.

"The reform is significant. They did what I thought needed to be done," he said.

Words of praise and high expectations also flowed from H. Ross Perot. As chairman of the Select Committee on Public Education, Perot dragged many facets of Texas education into public scrutiny.

"It's a five-star effort," he said of the Legislature's work. "We got a world-class school system."

Perot, a computer billionaire, estimated he spent \$1 million of his own money on the education study

He said he spent so much time on the project that he was able to pay little attention to negotiations with General Motors for the \$2.5 billion acquisition of EDS, the company he founded more than 20 years ago.

"I just explained to GM, 'Look, I can't fool with it. I've got to keep working on the schools,'" Perot said. "It was a lot more important to me to get the school reforms passed than it was to complete the GM transaction. So I spent all my time on the school project."

The General Motors-EDS deal was announced last week.

The next step in the education changes is up to White, who must appoint the 15 members of the new State Board of Education. He will select from nominees forwarded by a legislative committee.

The Board of Education, reduced from the current 27-member board, will revert to an elected panel in 1988.

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SOMEDAY... While Panhandle's Barbara Sherrod, a contestant for Miss Carson County, models an evening gown, the little girls could only dream of someday winning the title. Dawn Boothe was chosen Miss Carson County. Area girls participating in the contest were Cathy

Williams and Mann Bischel of White Deer and Rebecca England of Groom. The Panhandle contest was part of area Independence Day festivities, which included rodeos, parades, picnics and fireworks displays. (Photo by Cathy Spaulding)

## Body found in Wheeler County

# Dead woman could be kidnapping victim

BY JEFF LANGLEY  
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Authorities were "ninety percent sure" this morning that a woman found murdered in rural Wheeler County near Shamrock Wednesday is a convenience store clerk, who was apparently robbed and kidnapped one week earlier from a Clinton, Okla., store.

Assistant District Attorney David Hamilton said authorities have tried to make a positive identification of the decomposed victim through her fingerprints.

Clinton Police Chief Jay Green told The Pampa News this morning that he sent two officers to Shamrock to work with local authorities in verifying the identity of the victim, who was found Wednesday afternoon in an isolated area about 14 miles northwest of Shamrock.

The woman had been shot in the head twice and dumped face down on a blanket among a thick stand of

trees near a dirt road.

Green said Elma Hall, 46, of Clinton, disappeared early June 28 from the Clinton convenience store where she worked. He said a customer called police about the unattended store about 2 a.m. on the morning of the disappearance.

The Clinton chief said Hall was the victim of an "apparent robbery and kidnapping" at "Love's" store. He said there were no witnesses to the apparent abduction, but that Clinton police "have a couple of suspects in mind." Green said about \$200 was taken from the store.

The missing Clinton woman is married and has children, he said.

Authorities this morning were nearly certain that the remains of the middle-age murder victim found near Shamrock are those of Hall.

A ranchhand found the murder victim about 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. She was reportedly fully-clothed.

Pathologist Dr. Ralph Erdmann, who examined the crime scene, performed an autopsy on the victim later Wednesday in Shamrock. The autopsy reportedly revealed that the woman was shot to death several hours before being dumped in the isolated area. It indicated the victim died eight to 10 days ago, about the same time Hall was reported missing.

In addition to the Oklahoma authorities, the case is under investigation by Texas Ranger Bill Baten of Pampa, the Wheeler County Sheriff and the Shamrock Police Department. All of the local law enforcement officers involved in the investigation were reportedly unavailable for comment this morning in calls to Pampa, Wheeler and Shamrock.

## Reagan says Jackson should abandon plan for Soviet visit

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) — President Reagan, mixing politics and patriotism in the Deep South, dropped his self-imposed embargo on criticizing the Kremlin and suggested that the Rev. Jesse Jackson abandon any plans for a self-styled diplomatic mission to the Soviet Union.

After an early-morning meeting today with Alabama political supporters, Reagan was in Detroit today to woo union workers by arguing that his economic policies helped spark a comeback in the once-devastated auto industry. The United Auto Workers already has endorsed Democrat Walter Mondale's presidential bid.

Reagan told thousands of people at an Independence Day "Spirit of

America" festival in nearby Decatur that, "While other people were burning our flag, you were waving it."

Reagan, hoping to lure the Soviets back to arms control talks, has noticeably tempered his criticism of Moscow in recent weeks. His campaign strategists say privately the low-key approach may help alter Reagan's image among some as a "trigger-happy" president eager for confrontation with the Soviets.

In an interview with Florida television stations broadcast Wednesday, Reagan also suggested that the Jackson drop any plans to go to the Soviet Union to try to win freedom for dissident Andrei Sakharov.

"I do believe that to intervene

on this very delicate matter — on Sakharov — ignores things that might be going on in the quiet diplomatic channels that we have going forward," Reagan said.

White House deputy press secretary Larry Speakes said Reagan was referring to U.S. views expressed in ongoing consultations with the Soviet Union that Sakharov and his wife "should have an opportunity to do what they wish."

Reagan pointed out that the Logan Act prohibits Americans citizens from conducting negotiations with foreign governments but said the government did not plan to take action against Jackson for his recent mission to Cuba.

However, Jackson received State Department briefings before his visit to Cuba and other Latin American nations and government officials — speaking on the condition they not be identified by name — said prior to the Jackson trip that the administration made no significant effort to dissuade him.

Citing his "good track record," Jackson said earlier this week that he would seek permission to enter the Soviet Union later this year and try to win the release of Sakharov.

In the Detroit area, Reagan planned to tour a design studio at the General Motors technical center and dedicate GM's high-technology assembly plant at nearby Orion Township.

Reagan opened a drive for blue-collar support with a trip Wednesday to the Firecracker 400 stock car race in Daytona Beach, Fla. Congratulating driver Richard Petty on his 200th stock car race victory, Reagan said, "I know how you all feel, too, because I'm in a little race myself this year."

## 'Exclusionary rule' requirement eased

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court today eased a 70-year rule that will allow law enforcement officers to use illegally obtained evidence if they believe they were acting properly.

By a 6-3 vote, the court provided the Reagan administration and law enforcement agencies nationwide with a major victory by creating an

exception to the rule for instances when police officers obtain defective court warrants.

The so-called "exclusionary rule" has become one of the most controversial law-and-order issues, and is often blamed for letting criminals go free on technicalities.

GOLDEN HORSE SHOE CLUES

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Clue No. 5 can be found in a business that sells Western wear all day Friday, July 6.

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## Ambassador taking message to Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet ambassador to the United States, saying he hopes for the best but is "not a magician," has returned to Moscow carrying the Reagan administration's views on opening talks to limit space weapons.

Anatoly Dobrynin said Wednesday he is not yet sure whether the Soviets will be in Vienna, Austria, in September for the talks they proposed last week. "We will see. We are negotiating this," he said.

The Reagan administration accepted the Soviets' offer, but said it would also raise the issue of limiting nuclear weapons. The Soviets walked out of talks on nuclear weapons last year after NATO began deploying new U.S. missiles in Western Europe.

They have said repeatedly that they will not resume the talks until the missiles are removed.

"I am hoping for the best, but I am not a magician," Dobrynin said as he was greeted at Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport by his family after his arrival from Washington.

Also Wednesday, Soviet authorities detained two U.S. diplomats for "talking to a Soviet citizen," a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy said.

Political officer Jon Purnell and consular officer George Glass, both considered human rights specialists, were held for two hours before being released.

President Reagan told reporters

in Florida that the incident was a "major annoyance," and that the United States had protested it.

Dobrynin said he was bearing a message to Soviet leaders from Reagan and Secretary of State George P. Shultz. Shultz and Dobrynin met over breakfast Tuesday, and Reagan and the Soviet ambassador engaged in an animated conversation during a White House barbecue Sunday night.

"I met the president. I met the secretary. They explained their position and I am going to convey it to my government," Dobrynin told reporters.

The Soviet government issued a statement on Sunday saying it found "totally unsatisfactory" Washington's desire to link space weapons to the issue of nuclear arms.

British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe told the House of Commons on Wednesday that there must be more talks and exchanges with the Soviets, and that "neither we nor our allies intend to take 'no' for an answer."

Howe met with Soviet leaders in Moscow on Monday and Tuesday. He said Tuesday that he found the Soviets' attitude toward the U.S. response "negative."

In press commentaries Wednesday, the Soviets continued to portray the U.S. response to the space weapons invitation as a rejection.

## Pressure to pick woman continues

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — As Americans celebrated one of the most important days in the nation's history, Walter F. Mondale was wrestling with the question of whether to make history himself by choosing a woman, a Hispanic or member of another minority as his running mate.

The probable Democratic presidential nominee heard on Wednesday once again from women politicians supporting him that the way to win in November is to put a woman in the vice presidential slot.

The 23 women insisted there was no pressure and there were no threats, just a desire to defeat President Reagan using a reality "that it may be difficult for a man

to fathom. "There is a limitless reservoir of potential voters out there if he selects a woman to be his vice presidential running mate," said Sharon Dixon of Washington, D.C., after attending the meeting with Mondale at a hotel here.

Mondale also interviewed San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros on Wednesday, the first Hispanic of the six politicians questioned so far in Mondale's search for a running mate.

Mondale said Cisneros has a "magnificent record of leadership" and is an outstanding example of the realization of the American dream of opportunity who would make a "superb vice president."



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## Texans observe the Fourth

**By The Associated Press**  
Sun, fireworks, beer and song marked the Fourth of July for thousands of Texans who celebrated the nation's 208th birthday.

In Austin, Willie Nelson was no red-headed stranger to the more than 30,000 fans who braved the blazing sun in Austin.

"Welcome to the 12th annual Willie Nelson Fourth of July Picnic," shouted Willie Nelson as he kicked off the 13-hour show — a 1970s tradition which was plagued by a variety of problems before the singer called it quits in 1980.

But "Texas is where it ought to be," said Willie, explaining his return to the Lone Star State.

Police said 23 people were arrested at and near the picnic site, mostly on charges of driving while intoxicated and public drunkenness. Emergency crews reported treating some 450 people, most of them for heat prostration.

San Antonio Mayor Henry

Cisneros was all smiles Wednesday night when he returned to San Antonio from North Oaks, Minn., where Walter Mondale said the Hispanic mayor would be "a superb vice president."

"It is a great source of pride for my family, my city and people of my heritage that I would be invited here on July 4, 1984," Cisneros told reporters in a driveway news conference at Mondale's home.

Cisneros agreed with Mondale that he'd be a good choice for the vice president post: "I think I could do the job. I'm not promoting myself for the job. I'm not seeking it. But if I had to perform, I believe I could do a good job."

In Corpus Christi, Attorney General Jim Mattox praised American democracy but told a crowd at Sherill Park he didn't particularly care for U.S. involvement in Central America.

"Personally, I think the United States should get out of Central America. Every time we look

around, the United States is supporting some dictator. And it's not just some dictator, it's our dictator. That really bothers me," said Mattox, drawing some cheers and applause.

But Mattox drew some boos, also, and some people walked out of the park after he began speaking.

In Stamford, old Cowboys gathered at the annual Texas Cowboys Reunion, four days of festivities highlighted by a rodeo and a memorial to remember fellow cowboys who "passed away."

"Like those we're remembering, give all you have and put self last and the cause you believe in first. Many of us today aren't learning from you (the old-timers). The true measure of life is not its duration but its donation," said Lewis Timberlake, of Austin, addressing a teary-eyed crowd of 250 at the memorial.



**RIGHT HOLIDAY INGREDIENTS**—Kids, flags and a dalmation fire-dog ride atop a fire truck during the Fourth of July celebration in Stephenville Wednesday. All are part of the town's still old-fashioned holiday celebration, which featured parades, contests and good cooking. (AP Laserphoto)

## Willie's annual picnic back

**AUSTIN (AP)** — Willie Nelson's Fourth of July picnic has been resurrected in a fenced meadow where about 30,000 people paid \$18 each to sit in the Texas sun and watch Willie and his friends put on a 13-hour show.

The holiday picnic that was a 1970s tradition disappeared for three years because of assorted problems that plagued the concerts at various locations. After the 1980 picnic, Nelson said there would be no more.

The braided country singer said he no longer wanted to "spend six months putting a picnic together and six months to settle the lawsuits" filed to stop the shows.

But the picnic came back to life Wednesday, with Nelson opening the show by shouting, "Welcome to the 12th annual Willie Nelson Fourth of July Picnic."

Kris Kristofferson, Waylon Jennings, Leon Russell and other Nelson friends also performed.

It's hard to figure how Willie calculates it's the 12th annual picnic. The first was in 1973 at nearby Dripping Springs. It continued as an annual Texas event, except for a 1977 show with The Grateful Dead in Kansas City, until the 1980 picnic held at the old country club Nelson owns near here.

Each year brought different problems. Almost every year brought complaints from residents near the site. The 1975 show at Liberty Hill in Central Texas resulted in a \$1,000 fine for Willie for violating the Texas Mass Gathering Act.

At Gonzales in 1976, 147 arrests were made, one man drowned and three rapes were reported. Heavy rains collapsed the stage roof. Willie's only performance at that picnic came when he sat in with another band.

But by 3 p.m. Wednesday, Nelson already had made several trips to the stage to "jam with his friends," as a Pace Concerts spokeswoman said.

Nearby, nervous home owners promised to keep an eye out for trespassers and trouble.

C.L. Fox, a 90-year-old chiropractor, could not figure out why someone would spend \$18 to see the show.

"It's ridiculous to see that many people spending that much money for that kind of foolishness. People have gone crazy," he said a week before the show.

For Bernice Popp and Nita Stafford, it was not foolishness. They made the 129-mile trip from Abbott — Nelson's hometown — at 4 a.m. Wednesday to guarantee

themselves a front-row piece of dirt on which to watch the show. Mrs. Popp, 56, said she knew Nelson "when he didn't have a thing."

Mrs. Stafford said Nelson "was at our house on the fifth of April," and she pulled out a snapshot to prove it.

"Tell him how great he is," Mrs. Popp urged as her friend talked to a reporter. "Tell him how poor he was."

Cliff Mayfield of Dripping Springs brought his wife and son out early and also got front-row spots by arriving at about 4:30 a.m.

"Sometimes Willie's grandson stays at our house," Mayfield said. "But we didn't get any free tickets out of the deal."

Promoters hoped at least 30,000 Willie fans would brave the heat. Medical facilities on hand included kiddie pools for heat relief. Temperatures were in the mid-90s and there was little shade at the site.

Nelson planned to open and close the 13-hour show with "Whiskey River," one of his early hits.

Austin singer Steve Fromholtz joined Nelson during an early set.

"They said it couldn't be done," Fromholtz told the delighted crowd. "I don't know who the hell they are."

## Horseshoes ran late, while the greased pigs start early

**By JULES LOH**  
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**STEPHENVILLE, Texas (AP)** — The beauty contest started late because the emcee had to finish a torrid horseshoes game. The greased-pig catching contest, though, went off early because the kids, itching to have at 'em, jumped the gun.

The only thing predictable about celebrating the Fourth of July in small-town America is that it will be fun.

Boston had its concert, Washington its Beach Boys, New York its fireworks extravaganza at the Statue of Liberty. But more typically across the land, in towns like Stephenville, a town of 15,000, the talent is home-grown, the games homespun, and the feeling that lingers is that the founding fathers would heartily approve.

"I think we all go home with a clearer idea of what living in America means," said Don Jones.

Jones is a former mayor of Stephenville and now a district judge. Sitting on the grass bank of the Bosque River, which meanders through the city park, he took in the view and liked what he saw: decorated booths smelling of barbecue, chili dogs, pies, people wearing shorts pushing baby

strollers, balloons slipping from small hands and rising into a cobalt blue sky, the harmony of a gospel quartet adding its serenity.

"I think in some places the Fourth is treated as just a day to get off work," he said. "Here it's different. This isn't just another carnival. This is a whole town celebrating, as a town. That makes this day special to everybody here."

Just so. When those are your own kids and your neighbors' kids out there chasing greased pigs and playing tug-o-war, and you know them all, and your own volunteer firemen shooting the fireworks, your own Senior Citizens' Dixieland Band providing the music, it adds a flavor that no hired performers can match.

The pig catch, for example.

The way you conduct a pig catching contest is, first, flood the Little League infield until it is sloppy mud, then "grease" two dozen pigs with well-drilling mud, a most slimy substance. Now turn loose among the pigs 50 boys and girls aged four to eight. Instruct them to catch the pigs.

The kids scream, the pigs squeal, the mud flies and the onlookers, through wild laughter, shout encouragement.

"Who is that little feller? Is that Brian Martin? Go get 'im, Brian!" Brian, age four, was too small to drag his pig by the hind legs to the finish line, the preferred method, and, a true Texan, elected to try to ride it there. He failed.

So it went Wednesday at the annual July 4 Fun Fair in Stephenville, about 90 miles southwest of Dallas.

The parade was a success; nearly as many townspeople marched as watched. The watermelon-seed spit-off was a success; winning spit: 107 inches in a mild crosswind. So was the cow chip throwing contest a success, and the hay rides, and the puppet show, and the pillow fight and the horseshoes matches. There was a lot of laughter in Stephenville yesterday.

And a lot of pride.

When Miss Stephenville was crowned, the entire citizenry applauded. And then, waiting for darkness to fall and the fireworks to begin, the community choir took the stage and the entire town sang patriotic songs in the twilight. The final song, of course, the national anthem.

## Doctor, woman found shot to death

**RICHLAND HILLS, Texas (AP)** — A doctor and the wife of a Fort Worth district fire chief were killed by several gunshot wounds to the chest, in shootings that occurred within minutes of each other in this Fort Worth suburb, authorities say.

Police said the woman's body was found after a man walked into the North Richland Hills police station about 1 p.m. Wednesday and said, "I shot my wife."

After finding injured Paula Dinkins, 39, of Hurst in the man's car, police called for an ambulance, which took her to the North Hills Medical Center, where she was pronounced dead on

arrival at 1:20 p.m., Police Sgt. Tom Shockley said.

A short time earlier, Dr. Kenneth Dooley, 42, of Bedford was discovered in his car in the parking lot of the same hospital by a staff physician. He was pronounced dead in the hospital emergency room.

Joe Dinkins, 42, a Fort Worth district fire chief, was in the North Richland Hills jail today as police investigated the shootings.

Authorities said Dooley apparently was shot in the parking lot of the hospital about 1 p.m.

Fort Worth Fire Chief Larry McMillen said police told him that Mrs. Dinkins was shot where she worked at the Sanger Harris

department store at North Hills Mall, about one block away from the North Hills Medical Center.

Dooley, who practiced family medicine, was on the staff of North Hills Medical Center.

Dinkins is fire chief for an area that includes downtown Fort Worth, north Fort Worth and the Riverside area of the city, department spokesman Charles McCafferty said. He is one of about 15 district fire chiefs whose job it is to direct the efforts of their firefighters. Dinkins was overseeing a division of about 50 firefighters.

At one time he was the department's training chief.

## TDC probe witness is missing, police discover his bloody van

**MADISONVILLE, Texas (AP)** — Discovery of a bloody, bullet-pierced van belonging to a principal in the investigation of alleged bidding irregularities in construction contracts at the Texas Department of Corrections has set off an intensive search in central Texas.

The van, belonging to James Rodney Pitts, former construction project superintendent at the TDC's Ferguson Unit, was discovered in an abandoned roadside park Tuesday night, six miles north of this central Texas community, officials said.

Madison County Sheriff Ed Fannin said Wednesday that a bullet passed through the driver's side of the windshield, a rear passenger seat and a left rear window.

There was blood on the side of the driver's seat, console and driver's side window, but none on the seat itself, Fannin said.

On Monday, Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox announced that Pitts, 37, had agreed to pay \$25,000 in damages for conspiring to circumvent state bidding procedures, a press release issued by Mattox's office said. The same announcement said Pitts had promised to cooperate fully in

other ongoing investigations of the TDC.

The Houston Post reported today that Pitts, in an interview with Post reporter Fred King prior to the disappearance, said he had asked the attorney general's office not to reveal his agreement with the state until after the trials of some other targets of the investigation.

Fannin said he had learned from the Department of Public Safety intelligence officer that Pitts faced possible indictments in Madison and Harris counties.

The sheriff said the intelligence officer reported talking to Pitts numerous times but that Pitts had never expressed fear for his life.

Pitts' wife Rosalie, 36, told the Post on Wednesday that her husband's .38-caliber revolver and

a portfolio case she believed contained TDC-related papers were not at their home in Palestine.

Mrs. Pitts said she doubted her husband would stage a shooting. "I'll whip him if he did," she told the Post. "He would had to have cracked to do that."

Mrs. Pitts told the Post Tuesday night that her husband was alive, the newspaper said. But Wednesday afternoon, she told the publication, "I don't know."

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## Display nearly fizzled by seizure

**MESQUITE, Texas (AP)** — The annual Fourth of July fireworks display held at the Cotton Bowl went off on schedule. Just barely.

Two truckloads of pyrotechnics ordered by the State Fair of Texas for Wednesday's extravaganza might not have arrived in Dallas had authorities in this suburb not confiscated them.

The trucks had been unexpectedly abandoned in a motel parking lot on U.S. Highway 80 in Mesquite, about five miles from the Cotton Bowl.

It took several hours and more than \$1,000 to get the collected rockets, pinwheels and floral displays back on course for shows in both the Dallas stadium and in Plano, another suburb.

But officials say they would like to know why the explosive cargo made an unexplained stop in their city.

They also want to know what became of the trucks' drivers, who have not been heard from since they apparently abandoned the truck Tuesday in a parking lot of the Villa Inn.

"It has never happened before," said Connie Zambelli, wife of George Zambelli, who heads the Newcastle, Pa., fireworks

company that shipped the material. "We have many drivers, but none have done this. This hasn't happened."

Mesquite Fire Chief Don Nelson said his officers towed the two rental trucks filled with the fireworks from the motel parking lot about 5 p.m. when motel security guards notified them that they seemed to be abandoned.

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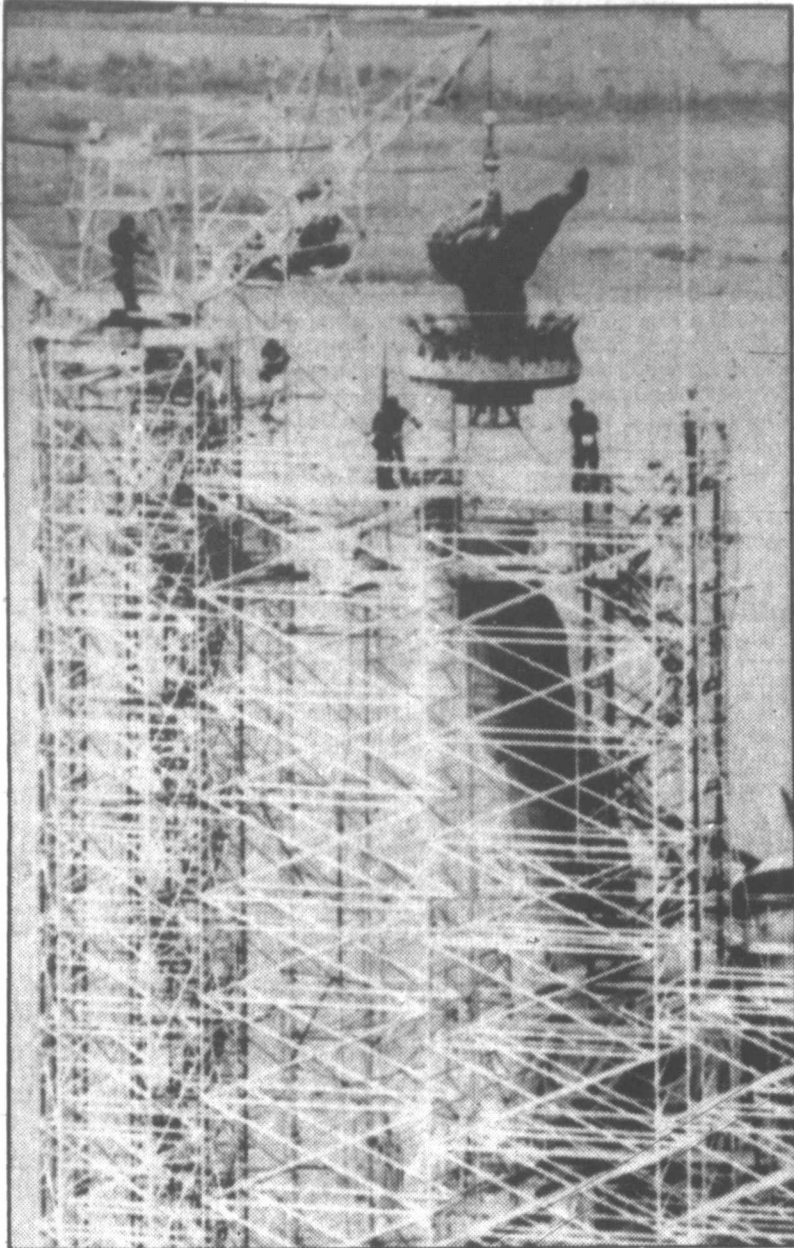
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**RETIRING TORCH**—The rusty torch at the top of the Statue of Liberty in New York is removed Wednesday after 98 years of welcome to the world's tired, its poor and its "huddled masses yearning to breathe free." In this aerial view taken from the Goodyear blimp. The torch was removed to make way for a new one to be installed next year as part of the statue's restoration. (AP Laserphoto)

## Heart program has benefited 20 people

HOUSTON (AP) — Twenty men and women were still alive and able to celebrate the nation's birthday Wednesday, thanks to a heart transplant program started at Texas Heart Institute by Dr. Denton Cooley July 4, 1982.

Gene Scott, 49, an Abilene businessman, had planned to spend Wednesday fishing, but a near-fatal heart attack and a subsequent heart transplant operation has forced him to postpone his next fishing expedition.

Scott is one of the 20 surviving patients who have received new hearts through the program started at THI by Cooley. Seven others have died, and three combined heart-lung operations also were unsuccessful.

But a majority of the patients have returned to fairly normal lives, and at least half are back at their jobs, according to Dr. O. Howard Frazier, director of the Cullen Cardiovascular Surgical Research Laboratory.

Neal Duvall, 54, has returned to work as an attorney in Roma, Texas, and is delighted that he can once again play tennis.

Dr. Edward K. Massin, a cardiologist at THI, said he had just checked on the first heart recipient under the program, a 45-year old man who asked to remain anonymous.

"He's doing so well that he no longer has any excuse for not mowing his own yard," Massin said.

Frazier said the most dramatic transplant since the program was started involved Ronna Coleman, 22, a Lubbock mother of two small children.

The woman had been near death for seven weeks, and had been tested twice for available donor hearts and then finally received a heart flown from San Antonio March 23.

"I guarantee you she couldn't have lasted another few minutes, let alone lived to go home," Frazier said.

Mrs. Coleman, now back in Lubbock, said, "It's so good to be back home. I just can't put into words how thrilled I am to be with my family again."

Mrs. Coleman is the youngest of the 27 heart transplant patients operated on at the Institute since Dr. Denton Cooley started the program.

Donor availability is still the biggest obstacle to saving some of the patients who have no other choice, Cooley said.

"At least 14 patients have died in a hospital here while waiting for donors over the past two years, and probably twice that many didn't live long enough to be evaluated" by the THI, Cooley said.

Frazier speculated that 1,500 transplants were needed last year throughout the country, but fewer than 100 were actually performed.

Cooley and Frazier say that heart-only transplants can no longer be considered experimental because of their high success rate. The doctors said they hoped more insurance companies would now reimburse patients for the transplants.

Cooley said transplant costs at THI have been generally below the quoted national average of more than \$100,000 per patient.

## 'Fiddler' helps rebuild Jewish cemeteries

By BRYAN BRUMLEY  
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POZNAN, Poland (AP) — A production of "Fiddler on the Roof" here ends with an army officer ordering Jews to leave their village. It is a poignant scene in a nation which in the past 50 years has witnessed the destruction and exodus of a large Jewish population.

"I wanted to produce 'Fiddler' here, where there are practically no longer any Jews," said Antoni Marianowicz, who translated the popular American musical into Polish and is the driving force behind Polish productions of the play.

Marianowicz also convinced lyricist Joseph Stein and the play's American agent, the William Morris Co., to direct their royalties from the Polish production to rebuilding the nation's 412 Jewish cemeteries.

Nearly a quarter of the cemeteries have disappeared entirely, and most of those that survive are a tumble of tombstones overgrown by grass, shrubs and trees during the 45 years since Nazi armies invaded Poland at the beginning of World War II.

"Most of them were ruined in the

war, and not much has been done for them since," Marianowicz said in an interview.

During the German occupation, 3 million Jews died in Nazi death camps located in Poland. The Nazis also killed 3 million Poles who were not Jewish.

Most Polish Jews who survived the war fled. A second exodus came in 1968, when Polish Interior Minister Gen. Mieczyslaw Moczar led an official campaign against Poland's estimated 30,000 remaining Jews, prompting all but a few thousand to flee.

Most of the remaining Jews were elderly and not equipped financially to care for the hundreds of thousands of graves which have fallen into ruin or disappeared.

Several dozen Jewish and Roman Catholic artists and intellectuals formed the "Committee to Save Jewish Cemeteries" in the late 1970s to preserve what the former chairman, Eryk Lipinski, called "an important part of Poland's cultural heritage."

The governing board of the committee, including Lipinski and Marianowicz, resigned in late 1983 because they lacked support from the authorities, Lipinski said.

The government's problem is apparently financial rather than philosophical. In the grip of an economic crisis since 1979, Poland is more than \$25 billion in debt to the West.

Representatives of Poland's Religious Affairs Ministry, which oversees the graveyards, declined to discuss their restoration efforts with an AP reporter.

"Anti-Semitism in Poland is theoretical now, because there are virtually no Jews," said Marianowicz.

Another leader of Warsaw's Jewish community, Jewish State Theater Director Szymon Szurmiej, said in an interview that there is little ill will by the government toward Jews, "but where there are Jews, there is anti-Semitism."

In an April 15, 1981 letter to Marianowicz, himself a Jew, Stein said he hoped the arrangement would have "some small effect in helping the Polish people in their struggle for political liberty and against anti-Semitism."

Marianowicz hopes the "Fiddler" productions will net \$9,000, which is only a fraction of the \$1 billion the cemetery committee estimates is needed to

restore the graveyards.

Besides the production in Poznan, "Fiddler" is also playing in the city of Lodz in central Poland.

According to the committee, of the 412 cemeteries, 129 have disappeared altogether. Only traces remain of 137, 78 are more than half ruined and 68 are less than half ruined.

The 200-year-old Warsaw Cemetery, one of the largest at 75 acres, is the final resting place of 200,000 Jews. Partially restored over the past decade, it resembles a forest more than a graveyard.

The dilapidated state of the Jewish cemeteries provoked angry grumbling by Jews from the United States and other Western countries who visited Poland in April 1983 for the 40th anniversary commemorations of the uprising in the Warsaw ghetto. But so far, no Jewish organizations outside Poland have made contributions to restore them, Marianowicz said.

Heavy concentrations of Jews formed in some Polish cities and in eastern Poland, most of which is now part of the Soviet Ukraine, where Jews lived in relatively isolated communities.

## Big bashes, backyard barbecues mark birthday

By The Associated Press Writer

Millions of Americans thrilled at skies flooded with color from Fourth of July fireworks, as fun in the form of giant banana splits and rock-skiing contests vied with parades and backyard barbecues in a joyous 208th national birthday celebration.

From sea to sea Wednesday, it was a bash for America as diverse as the people who populate the country.

The Beach Boys, stock car races, bathing suits, tall ships and a ceremony honoring the Statue of Liberty highlighted this year's Independence Day festivities.

But the holiday started in tragedy in Beverly, Mass., where a pre-dawn fire killed 14 people in a rooming house. At least two people were killed in holiday-related accidents, two others were missing and more than a dozen were injured.

The Statue of Liberty, the symbol of freedom for millions of immigrants, is without a torch

today for the first time since its dedication in 1886. The 3,000-pound torch was removed Wednesday from Miss Liberty's upraised right arm as part of a restoration project to be completed in 1986.

In Philadelphia, where the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776, more than one million people watched fireworks in Fairmont Park, capping the city's five-day Freedom Week festival.

More than 500,000 people jammed the mall around the Washington Monument for a concert featuring the surfing sound of the Beach Boys, who made a triumphant return to the nation's capital after being banned last year by then-Interior Secretary James Watt.

Over 100,000 people took in the fireworks show in Grand Rapids, Mich.

"There isn't a blade of grass by the side of the river that wasn't bent by someone's posterior," police Lt. Ron Vierheilg said.

New York City beaches were reported "blanket to blanket" as almost 750,000 people sought refuge from hot, muggy weather.

Sun-seeking Californians also packed the shore near Los Angeles to watch 30 tall ships parade down the coast.

At Fort Meade Army Base in Maryland, people paid 25 cents each to help build and then eat a 350-foot banana split. "As far as I know, they ate all of it," said Spec. 4 Rick Shepherd. Two hundred pounds of bananas and 39 gallons of ice cream went into the concoction.

John S. Kolar tossed his way to first place at the 16th Lake Superior State College Stone Skipping tournament on Mackinac Island, Mich. His winning skim skipped 22 times.

In Pittsburgh, a fireworks display downtown was postponed until Saturday after fire official Joseph Somma, a 57-year-old father of seven, fell into the water while checking the display and apparently drowned, officials said.

A 64-year-old man, not identified by authorities, was killed Wednesday when his gyrocopter fell apart during an Independence Day celebration in Milford Lake, Kan.

Firecracker accidents injured two adults and two children in Pennsylvania, and boating accidents seriously injured two people and left two others missing in Maryland, authorities said.

Ten people were hurt by an explosion at a fireworks display in Dearborn Heights, Mich., officials said. Police are uncertain if the injuries, six of which required hospitalization, was caused by a misguided rocket or spectators igniting their own fireworks.

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**JOINING THE MONDALES**—San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros, right, and his family are ushered into the Mondale home in North Oaks, Minn., Wednesday by Walter Mondale, left, upon their arrival for discussion of a possible place on the Democratic ticket. Cisneros' wife Mary Alice and daughters Teresa and Mercedes accompany him. (AP Laserphoto)

## Candidate talks to women, interviews Hispanic mayor

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — As Americans celebrated one of the most important days in the nation's history, Walter F. Mondale was wrestling with the question of whether to make history himself by choosing a woman, a Hispanic or member of another minority as his running mate.

The probable Democratic presidential nominee heard on Wednesday once again from women politicians supporting him that the way to win in November is to put a woman in the vice presidential slot.

The 23 women insisted there was no pressure and there were no threats, just a desire to defeat President Reagan using a reality "that it may be difficult for a man to fathom."

"There is a limitless reservoir of potential voters out there if he selects a woman to be his vice presidential running mate," said Sharon Dixon of Washington, D.C., after attending the meeting with Mondale at a hotel here.

Mondale also interviewed San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros on Wednesday, the first Hispanic of the six politicians questioned so far in Mondale's search for a running mate.

Mondale said Cisneros has a "magnificent record of leadership" and is an outstanding example of the realization of the American dream of opportunity who would make a "superb vice president."

The 37-year-old mayor said he was proud to break a barrier for Americans of Hispanic heritage.

"It is a great source of pride for my family, my city and people of my heritage that I would be invited here on July 4, 1984," Cisneros told reporters in a driveway news conference at Mondale's home in nearby North Oaks. "The very fact that I would be invited — a person whose grandfather came to this country in 1924, whose mother was born in Mexico, whose father was born in New Mexico one of 12 children of very, very humble means — speaks to our party as the

party of unprecedented opportunity."

On the session with the women, Mondale's only comment was that it was "a very good meeting."

At a news conference, the women were unrelentingly upbeat and generally dismissed talk of a revolt at the Democratic Convention in 11 days if Mondale chooses a man as his running mate.

"It is our view that the Democratic ticket would be the strongest — with Fritz Mondale at the top — if it contained a woman as the vice presidential candidate," New York City Council President Carol Bellamy.

"The purpose of this meeting was not to place pressure," said Ann Richards, state treasurer of Texas.

"There is no reason at this juncture to talk about a protest movement at the convention because our overriding consideration is to win the election in November," said Ms. Dixon.

Much of the talk of a revolt this week comes from a resolution last weekend at convention of the National Organization for Women, that said a woman should be nominated from the convention floor if Mondale picks a man.

"The resolution is a strong statement and the strong commitment of NOW to having a woman on the ticket, not in isolation from political realities," said NOW president Judy Goldsmith, a strong Mondale supporter who was at the meeting.

"That strategy is a strategy of last resort."

Mondale tied together his consideration of women and Cisneros in his talk about the Fourth of July.

"Today is our nation's birthday and in that famous declaration they declared that one of the basic principles of our nation is that 'All men are created equal.' I wish they had said all persons," Mondale said at his news conference.

"America has developed to the point that that dream is now realized for millions and millions of Americans. Henry Cisneros is an example of that dream," Mondale added.

He said interviewing Cisneros has other symbolic importance as well.

"I think that we are considering a person who happens to be of Hispanic background says something that I want to say to the nation and that is, as president ... I intend to have a nation in which we open doors," he said.

Cisneros was accompanied by wife Mary Alice and daughters Teresa Angelica, 13, and Mercedes Christina, 9, on the trip to the Mondale's home for the morning interview.

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## Officials impose curfew as state government dismissed

SRINAGAR, India (AP) — Officials imposed an indefinite curfew on the Kashmir capital of Srinagar today to prevent violent protests against the dismissal of a state government led by critics of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Three people were seriously hurt Wednesday in the second day of scattered stone-throwing and clashes between political rivals in India's northernmost state. Police opened fire to disperse the crowds.

Six state officials, including the mother of fired Chief Minister Mohammad Farooq Abdullah, resigned Wednesday to protest Abdullah's ouster by Mrs. Gandhi's government.

Former Law and Revenue Minister P.L. Handoo said the legislators belonging to Abdullah's National Conference Party would resign from the state assembly Friday in an effort to force new elections in the strategic Himalayan state that borders Pakistan and China.

The curfew was placed on Srinagar, a city of 721,000, after a series of violent incidents between Abdullah's supporters and supporters of his estranged

brother-in-law, G.M. Shah, who is replacing him as chief minister.

Abdullah's supporters had scheduled a procession today, and the ousted chief minister said he would announce Friday his plan for fighting his dismissal.

Abdullah's mother, Begum Abdullah, resigned as vice chairman of a major advisory board, saying Shah's government was unconstitutional and undemocratic. Five other officials followed suit.

The mass resignation of legislators scheduled for Friday is intended to force Mrs. Gandhi's government to order fresh elections, but political observers doubted it would.

Opponents accused Abdullah of mismanaging the government and supporting pro-Pakistan forces and Sikh secessionists from neighboring Punjab state. He has denied all the charges.

A former chief minister of Kashmir charged that Mrs. Gandhi's government paid \$10,000 in bribes to Shah and 11 other

lawmakers who defected from Abdullah's government on Monday. Their defection left Abdullah with a minority in the assembly and brought his government down.

Shah's new government has pledged to support Mrs. Gandhi's Congress Party.

Sayed Mir Qasim, a former Congress Party official who was Kashmir's chief minister from 1971-75, said Wednesday that the central government paid each of the defecting legislators.

He told The Associated Press that one of the defectors told him a few months ago that he had been offered the equivalent of \$50,000 to abandon Abdullah, but declined.


Asked about the bribery allegation, the new deputy chief minister, D.D. Thakur, said: "I cannot conceive of that."

Qasim was a founder of the Kashmir chapter of the Congress Party in 1964. He resigned from the Congress Party last year.

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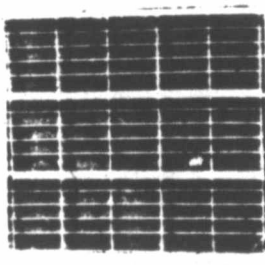
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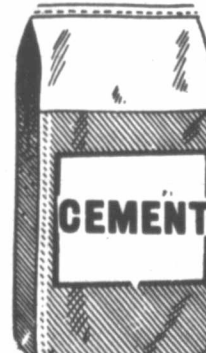
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# Survey indicates delegates favor Bentsen

By MICHAEL HOLMES  
Associated Press Writer  
AUSTIN (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, the Texan already interviewed as a vice presidential possibility by Walter Mondale, is the choice of more members of the Texas Democratic National Convention delegation than anyone else mentioned for the No. 2 spot on the party's ticket.

In an Associated Press survey of 190 of the 200 Texas delegates, one-third said favorite son Bentsen would be their preference for the vice presidential nomination.

About 20 percent of the delegates questioned said they would prefer to see the vice presidential nod go to a woman, and Rep. Geraldine Ferraro of New York was the most popular choice among the women mentioned.

Bentsen, 63, would bring a number of attributes to the Democratic slate, delegates said.

They cited Bentsen's experience in Congress and his broad appeal across the South as big pluses for

Mondale. But most important, they said, Bentsen could help Mondale carry Texas, a state seen as crucial for victory by both the Republicans and Democrats.

"I think Lloyd Bentsen would be an excellent choice," said Bob Slagle, Texas Democratic Party chairman.

"He and Mondale really are friends. They were on the Senate Finance Committee together. And even though Mondale's a moderate-liberal and Bentsen's a moderate-conservative, they both operate in the same style. They say, 'Let's get the facts together and then decide what to do,'" Slagle said.

In addition, he said, all the southern state party chairmen think highly of Bentsen and what he would add to the ticket.

"For all the southern chairmen, he's either their first or second choice. To a lot of them, he is their first choice. They think he can go in and meet with their business and financial supporters and have

instant credibility," Slagle said.

Bentsen was favored by nearly half the delegates who are pledged to Mondale, and by six pledged to Sen. Gary Hart and by three who favor the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Heading the list of women suggested by Texas delegates were Ms. Ferraro and San Francisco Mayor Diane Feinstein, both of whom also have been interviewed by Mondale.

Also mentioned by at least one delegate each were former Texas Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., and state Treasurer Ann Richards.

Several more delegates said they preferred a woman, but were undecided about who.

Ms. Ferraro's name was brought up by delegates pledged both to Mondale and Hart, indicating she has considerable support on her own regardless of who ultimately gets the party's presidential nomination.

"Of the women who have been mentioned, I'd prefer Geraldine

Ferraro. She's very impressive," said Hart delegate Chuck King of Houston.

According to the survey and party officials, the delegation currently breaks down with 119 favoring Mondale, 41 favoring Hart and 35 favoring the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Five say they remain officially uncommitted — state Sen. Lloyd Doggett and U.S. Reps. J.J. Pickle, Charles Stenholm, Ralph M. Hall and Jack Hightower.

Hart, who has refused to concede defeat to Mondale, was favored as a vice presidential choice by 11 Mondale delegates, including former U.S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough.

"Hart would give Mondale strength in the West (where Hart won most of the primaries and caucuses)," Yarborough said.

However, he added, "A woman might be just as good for helping pull the ticket over the top."

The Texas delegation will be the third largest going to the San Francisco convention.

Another Texan, San Antonio Mayor Henry Cisneros, also was

mentioned by delegates as a vice presidential possibility. He, too, has been summoned for an interview with Mondale.

Seven Mondale delegates said Cisneros would be their choice for vice president.

A number of delegates — 18 pledged to Mondale, 17 for Jackson and seven for Hart — said they

hadn't yet decided who they would like to see as the party's vice presidential candidate.

A wide variety of other names surfaced among Texas delegates, including U.S. Sens. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, John Glenn of Ohio, a candidate for president earlier this year, Dale Bumpers of Arkansas.

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# Wilderness is hard to find at Alaska's Russian River

By PAUL JENKINS  
Associated Press Writer  
ON THE RUSSIAN RIVER, Alaska (AP) — If you're seeking quiet, solitude or a real Alaska wilderness experience at the confluence of the Russian and Kenai rivers, you've come to the wrong place. You'd have better luck in an Anchorage bar, or your \$100-a-night hotel room.

This is the annual red salmon run — 24 hours a day of bad craziness in hip waders, shoulder-to-shoulder sockeye slaughter. Some call it Combat Fishing.

One of Alaska's most famous sport-fishing rivers, the Russian in recent years has become, during the fishing season, more like New York City's Coney Island than the wild place it once was. The Kenai Peninsula river is accessible by road to about half of Alaska's 460,000 residents; it's also a favored spot among tourists.

"It's a meat market down there," said Dixon Sherman, a U.S. Forest Service recreation technician. "I fish for fun, and that's not even fun."

"There's too many people. You just stand shoulder-to-shoulder to fish — and it's not even bad today," said Anchorage painting contractor Chuck Reichenbach as he waded out of the river.

On a recent night, six fishermen — two on one bank, four on the other — tangled their lines for the umpteenth time, creating a bird's nest of monofilament and flies dangling about three feet above the current.

On each side, others continued to cast, lobbing their flies underneath the hopeless snarl. A fish looking for a little excitement nailed a fly low in the hole and zipped upstream, darting between legs and hauling lines with it. When it was over, every fisherman at the hole was involved in one tangle or another. Several had stepped in over their boots and at least one plopped down unceremoniously in the current. The fish made it through safely.

"Boy, this is fun," said one fisherman as he sloshed toward a smoky campfire on shore to empty his waders. "Yessir, this is real

fun."

For six weeks every summer, thousands of red, or sockeye, salmon in two separate runs rocket up the small, fast-running Russian River from the Kenai River to spawn in Upper Russian Lake.

Averaging about 6 pounds, the fish swim upstream mostly during the dusk that passes for night in Alaska, but they must brave thousands of fishermen flailing the clear water with multicolored flies and streamers in search of their daily limit of three fish.

For those six weeks, starting early in June, the pristine Russian River, about 100 miles south of Anchorage, is the hardest-fished stream in Alaska, said Dave Nelson, a fisheries biologist with the state Department of Fish and Game.

About 28,000 fish are the norm for the first run, which starts early in June. The second run, which begins about July 18, averages 55,000 fish. But this has been a bountiful year — for both biologists and fishermen.

"We have a record year in progress, or close to it," Nelson said, adding that he was not concerned about the department's goal of allowing 9,000 fish to reach their spawning place.

The U.S. Forest Service operates an 83-campsite park and two parking lots at the river, and both are packed day and night. Cars, trucks and motor homes line up in the dust outside, often for hours, waiting to pay a \$2 parking fee to get in.

The service estimates that, during the six-week period, as many as 63,000 people jam into the three-mile stretch of the river that can legally be fished for salmon. They leave behind enough lures, fishing line and trash to keep eight seasonal Forestry Service employees busy.

"I was surprised at the crowd," said Richard Crom, a pastor from Toppenish, in Washington's Yakima Valley. "And I was surprised at how beaten down the place is; how trashy it is. I expected Alaska to be wild."

"You get the best and the worst down there," says Dixon, whose

office tries to control the crowds.

"We did have a guy get a fish on the other day and as he walked downstream with it, he used his clippers to cut fishing lines as he went. He left a lot of angry folks. Everyone was kind of dumbfounded."

"I don't know many who aren't enthused," said Anchorage minister Ray Jeska as he warmed up by a campfire near the river. "Even if it is crowded."

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# Gay rights opponents launch petition drive in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Opponents of two Houston laws barring discrimination against homosexuals launched a petition drive to bring the matter to a citywide vote, but a gay leader says there's nothing sinister about the ordinances.

Citizens for Public Awareness held a rally on the steps of City Hall Tuesday as they began efforts to gather 30,000 signatures on petitions calling for a referendum.

"Do we want to send a signal out to the rest of the nation or the rest of the world that Houston is

contending or competing to become one of the homosexual meccas of America?" City Councilman John Goodner asked the crowd.

But Lee Harrington, an officer of Houston's Gay Political Caucus, said the measures should not be generating any controversy.

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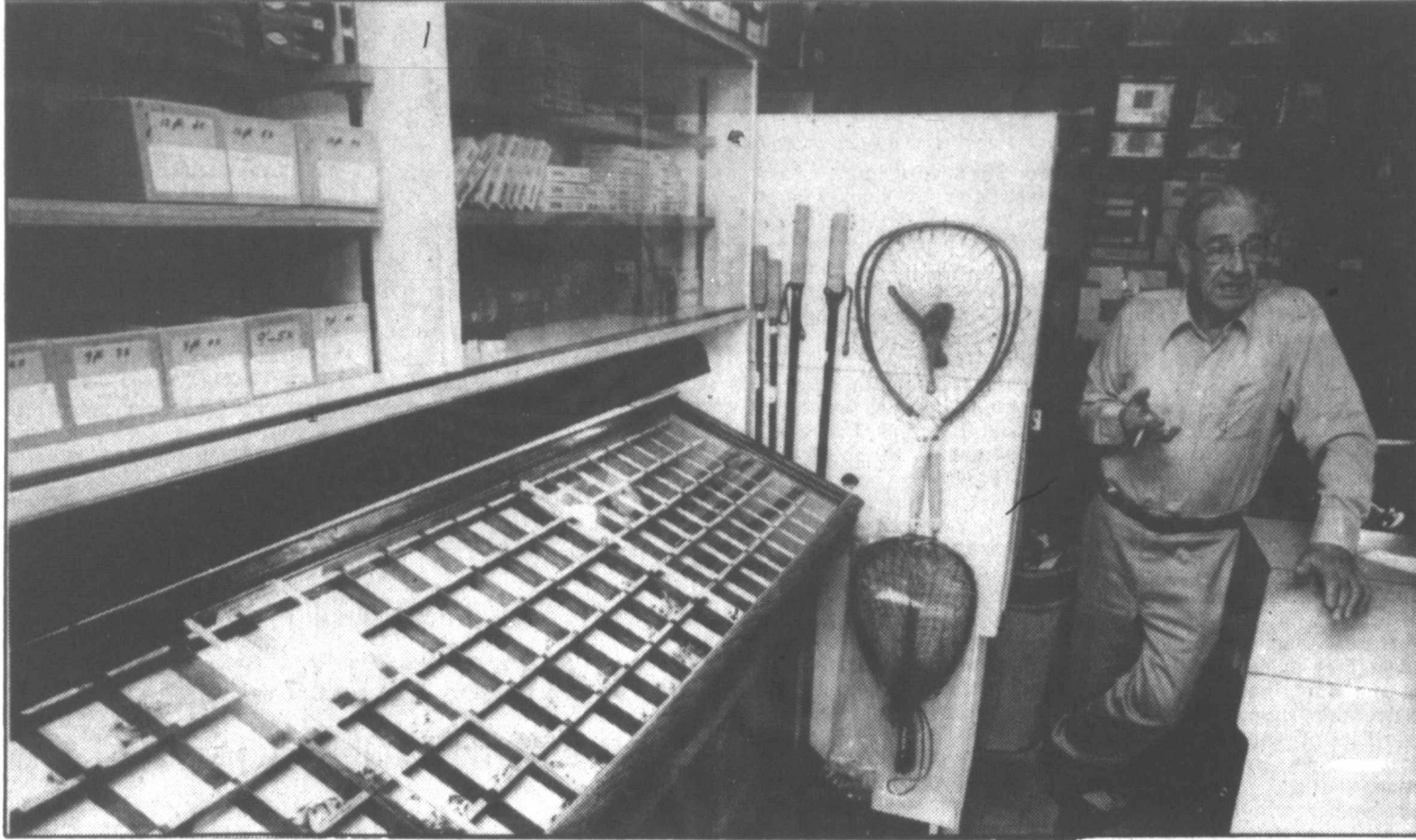
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**HIS SPECIALTY**—Walt Dette, a veteran flytier, proudly sells his craft at his fishing shop in Roscoe, N.Y. "I was a

greenhorn when I came here in 1919. Didn't even know what a fish looked like," he says. (AP Newsfeatures Photo)

## The flyfisherman's paradise

By MARY ESCH  
Associated Press Writer

ROSCOE, N.Y. (AP) — To the devout disciple of Izaak Walton, dreams of Nirvana go something like this: Morning mist swirls upward as sunbeams dance through hemlock boughs; a pair of mergansers zips by on stiff wings; a fifth of Glenlivet waits on the mossy bank; and a wily trout rises to a Quill Gordon deftly dropped on a sparkling Catskill pool.

The streams and rivers of the Catskill Mountains, about 100 miles north of New York City, are renowned among those whose hearts quicken at the flash of the silvery scales.

It is upon these magical waters, they say, that the first American dry fly was cast a century ago — and countless thousands have been cast ever since.

So beloved is this territory that more than \$9 million has been spent since 1979 to amass private land preserves, to stave off the threat of development. And about 2,000 people are working to build a public flyfishing museum on 34 acres near Roscoe, a village at the confluence of the renowned Beaverkill and Willowemoc rivers.

The largest private conservation effort is being made by Laurance S. Rockefeller, grandson of the late oil baron and philanthropist, John D. Rockefeller. He owns most of the land along the upper Beaverkill, where he has a farm and a recently-renovated 19th-century inn.

More than 200,000 fishermen spend nearly \$80 million a year pursuing their pastime on Catskill rivers, according to state figures. And more than \$9 million of that is spent on the Beaverkill alone.

To the non-fishing traveler, this is pretty country, but not spectacular. Most of the rivers are more like broad, rocky brooks.

But as Austin M. Francis writes in his recently-published book, "Catskill Rivers: Birthplace of American Fly Fishing," there is a certain irresistible mystique about Catskill streams.

"You come to fish them," writes Francis, "and you are taken in not only by their natural beauty and wildlife, but also by the realization that you are joining in a procession of anglers who have created one of the richest traditions in flyfishing history."

On 100 acres of forest and meadow rising from the Beaverkill just down the road from Rockefeller's Beaverkill Valley Inn, is the home and flyfishing school of Lee and Joan Wulff.

Mrs. Wulff is a writer and international flycasting champion who set a record cast of 161 feet against all-male competition.

Wulff has been a professional fisherman for more than 50 years, has authored many articles and books, and has produced and starred with his wife in many television programs on fishing.

"Trout management has been terrible — political," says Wulff, 79. "No-kill is America's answer to private fishing in Europe. There's

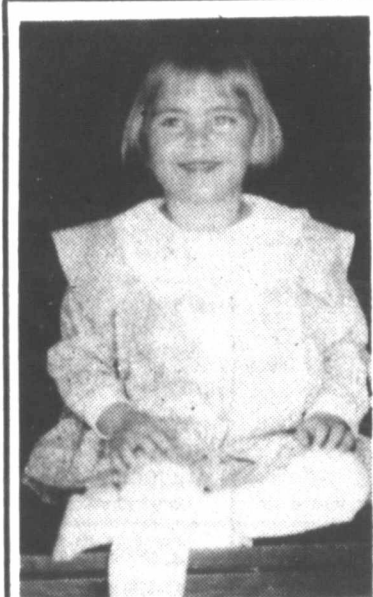
no other way we can have really good fishing — there's no way we can raise fish in a hatchery as good as wild trout."

In the six-mile stretch of the Beaverkill designated as no-kill, anglers can't keep their fish, helping to preserve the big trout.

"I more than anyone else got

no-kill started when the idea was unacceptable to most," says Wulff.

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## Stray animals cause problems

HOUSTON (AP) — Celina Kirk feels like a firefighter trying to douse a raging blaze with a garden hose.

Ms. Kirk spends her days in a bright yellow pickup truck, cruising the winding streets of Houston in the seemingly hopeless task of rounding up the city's estimated 450,000 stray dogs and cats.

Health officials in the nation's fourth-largest city say the animal problem is of epidemic proportions. Even more threatening is the potential rabies threat, since more than 80 percent of the animals lack the proper shots.

"People are more a problem for me than animals," says Ms. Kirk, 32, proclaimed by Animal Control Center officials as the city's top animal control officer. "The main thing I worry about is the citizen."

"You have to know how to talk to the citizen," she said. "It's not easy. I try to be nice, but sometimes I have to buckle down."

Indeed, she and about a dozen colleagues fanned out over sprawling Houston must watch out for angry pet owners upset over the removal of their dogs, or feuding neighbors irate over animal complaints telephoned to city officials.

And for all the grief from the public — and personal danger from the public and animals — animal control officers start out with salaries of \$12,000.

They must also hand out warning notices to pet owners who ignore the city's leash law, and sell \$5 licenses to owners whose pets have no tags. Unlicensed animals are difficult to find, more than 1 percent of the city's animals are licensed.

The problem is so severe that city officials talk about tonnage — 7½ tons a week — when they refer to the amount of animals destroyed each week.

State and cat owners maccinated against age, then once every year. City ordinance stipulates that animals must be licensed and leashed if not in a fenced-in area.

More than 1,600 people were bitten by animals in the city last year. Officials believe is only about a third of the actual bites. And rows of cages in the animal control shelter are filled with dogs of all sizes who have bitten people.

Armed with only a rope and a metal "choke stick" — and with knowledge gathered in specialized classes that led to state certification — Ms. Kirk has been bitten only once in three years on the job.



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# Weddington plans return to Texas politics

By KATHRYN BAKER  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — She has been a frequent subject of those "what - ever - happened - to" questions since leaving a promising political career in Texas seven years ago.

But Sarah Weddington says she's on her way back, her job as director of the Texas state office in Washington serving as the first leg of the trip.

"What the future holds, I don't know, but this step for me was a step back into Texas politics and I would anticipate sometime next year I would be moving back to Texas," Ms. Weddington said in a recent interview.

Her career has "wandered around a bit," she said, but she now is satisfied that what she wants is to go home and run for office again.

When Ms. Weddington was elected to the Texas Legislature in 1972, she was one of a handful of female state representatives and one of the youngest members. In 1973, at age 27, she successfully argued a landmark abortion case

before the U.S. Supreme Court. That was the same year that fellow Austinite Lloyd Doggett won a special election for state Senate. Now he is the Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate.

"I guess I've always been one of those people that never looked back and felt regret for decisions that I made at the time that were the right decisions," Ms. Weddington said. "I certainly had the opportunity to run for Texas Senate when Lloyd did, and decided not to."

Instead, she stayed in the House until 1977, when she moved to Washington to be the top lawyer at

the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She left the department to become assistant to then-President Jimmy Carter for women's issues and then rose to White House political adviser.

"While I would never do it again, I would also never give up the opportunity to have worked in the White House," Ms. Weddington said. Since then, though, Washington has become "a different town to live in."

"Recently I had a friend call and say, 'I've got some people coming. Can you get them into the White House?' When I was in the

White House that would have been no problem," she said. "I would have gone over and met them and taken them around. But it was really hard this time."

She said it is harder, though, to see what she views as the dismantling of her work by the Reagan administration.

"I had worked so hard on so many programs, especially as they affect women," she said. "It's been really hard to think about the time and effort and intensity you put into trying to get things like that done, and then to see them wiped out."

"There was certainly a time

when I said, 'Why did I do all that?' But you come back and say, yes, but at least you set a standard that people will remember."

When Carter lost his re-election bid, Ms. Weddington stayed in Washington.

She wrote a monthly column for "Glamour" magazine, directed the charitable efforts of a "very successful New York businessman" and accepted an endowed chair at the University of New Mexico school of law.

"I decided that I wanted to see what I really wanted to do, because I'd been in government for a long time, and I guess all of us have

those itches that, well, maybe something else would be better," she said.

When Mark White became Texas governor, Ms. Weddington became the administration's representative in Washington, helping state officials lobby Capitol Hill and providing members of the Texas congressional delegation with background information.

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## His tugboat fulfillment of a dream

By JOHN PLATERO  
Associated Press Writer  
DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Clarke Taylor decided when he was a youngster in Anderson, Ind., that he would one day own a boat to enjoy. And he knew then exactly what it would be.

Fifty years later, he has his first boat — just as he always dreamed — docked behind his home on the Intracoastal Waterway here.

But Taylor's vessel, "Joe Jr.," has little semblance to the yachts and sailboats parked on this affluent channel.

That's because his is probably the only 50-ton tugboat that's being used as a pleasure craft in South Florida.

"At least no one runs over you in this boat," he says laughingly as a small yacht passes by, its occupants waving and pointing to the tug.

Taylor reaches for a lever in the wheelhouse to respond with a couple of short blasts on the ship's horn that reverberate across the waterway.

It was last year, Taylor recalls, that he decided to fulfill his childhood dream of owning a tugboat.

"When I was a kid, my family would take me twice a year to visit relatives along the Ohio River about 200 miles away. That's where I first saw tugboats. They're something to take a shine to."

His search ended in New Orleans where he found "Joe Jr.," about to be retired from years of pulling fuel barges on the Mississippi River.

The 50-foot ship was built in 1957 at Houma, La., and is powered by a V8 diesel engine. Its beam is almost 15 feet and it draws 6 1/2 feet of water.

While most yacht owners are particularly proud of some electronic or luxurious fixture aboard their crafts, Taylor's pride and joy is "Joe Jr.'s" power.

"It has a 48-inch propeller and a 300-horsepower engine with a 5-to-1 reduction gear. That gives it 1,500 horsepower! It's a water-going bulldozer."

Another advantage of having a tug, explains Taylor, is the cruise range it provides.

"Joe Jr." carries 2,500 gallons of fuel and averages one mile per gallon. "That gives me 2,500 miles," he adds proudly. "And I carry 5,000 gallons of water."

Push it isn't. Forward on the main deck under the wheelhouse is the galley with enough essentials to fix a meal at sea.

Directly behind that is a full bathroom, but on this vessel that doesn't mean fancy soap dishes, glassed-in shower stall or hidden pipes. It means a steel deck, plain commode, sizable sink and a walk-in shower.

Further aft is the engine room — an open pit extending deep into the hull. With engine and generator running, there's enough noise to prevent talking to anyone three feet away.

Topside forward is the pilot house — small, serviceable, well-worn, with basic gauges to run the ship. Behind it is the bunkroom where Taylor made some changes. The 7-by-8-foot room is now a "lounge" which can be converted to sleep two. The rear wall of the room is part of the huge smokestack.

Taylor doesn't plan any great changes to his "dream" boat. He enjoys it the way it is, taking friends and family for a Sunday jaunt or a little fishing. He does have thoughts about taking two years to get captain's papers so he can make some money with "Joe Jr."

In the meantime, Taylor is content with his first boat. And he's probably the only yachtsman on the Intracoastal who never worries about someone coming aboard with dirty shoes or scratching the deck.



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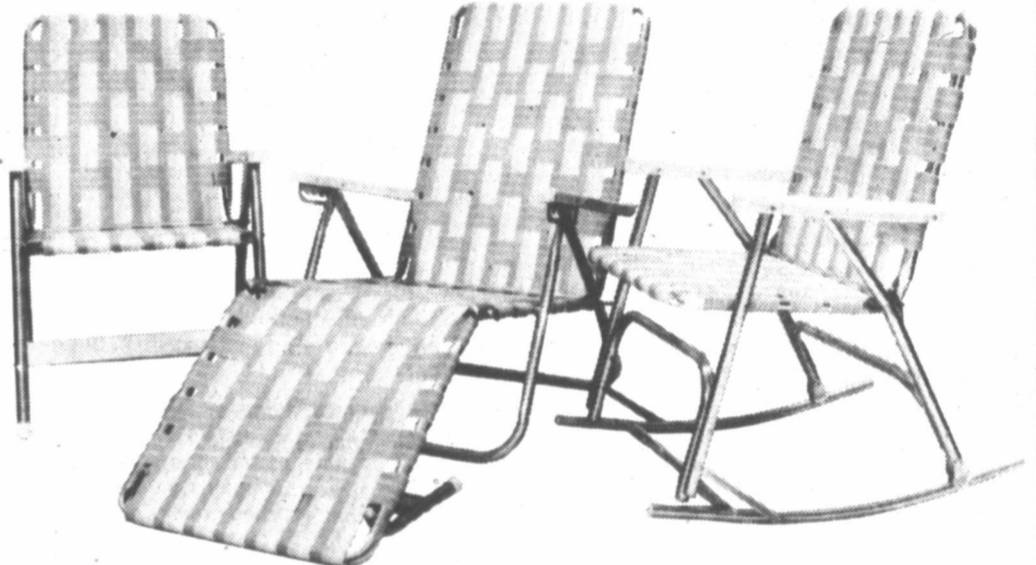
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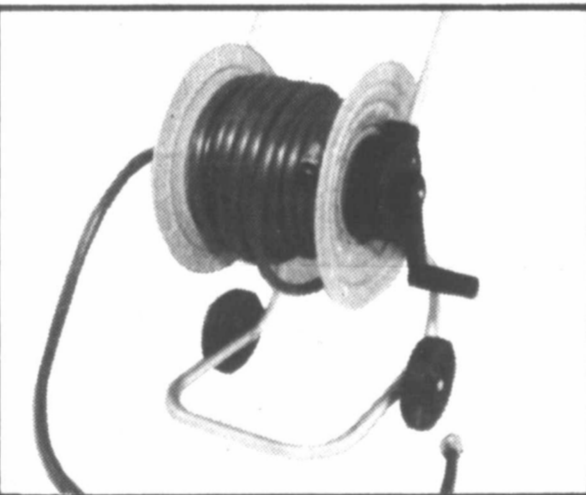
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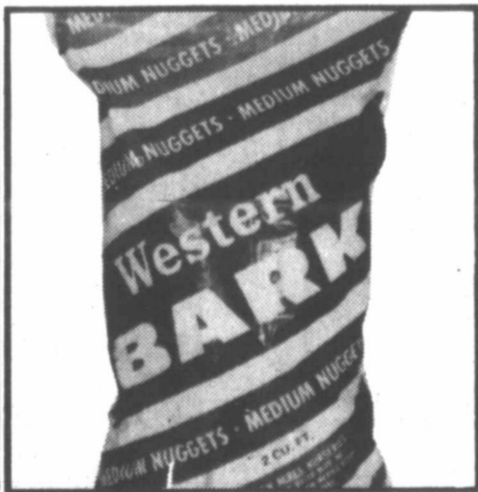
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# LIFESTYLES

## Dateline Dallas: Agatha by moonlight

Agatha Moon's fresh, girlish smile and her diminutive figure should get her cited for deceptive packaging. Far from being a helpless young thing, she is a bold and tenacious entrepreneur, who more than paid her dues as a hard-working designer before she launched her own company a year ago.

Specializing in sleepwear and hostess gowns, her collection — like its creator — looks deceptively fragile in its elegance. Instead, it is highly durable, because Moon believes that beautiful things should be worn daily, instead of being saved for a trossseau or a vacation.

"With the excellent performance of today's fabrics, there's no reason why a woman has to look like Edith Bunker in an old bathrobe," said Moon. "I work very hard, and when I get home, I want to put on something long and flowing and comfortable. It's the most relaxed type of dressing, but if the doorbell rings, I look nice. And just who should you dress up for, if not for the people you love at home?"

"There are a lot of other pluses in hostess wear. In addition to adding to the femininity of my customer, I can make my things in small, medium and large, which is much easier than sizing. My designs are simple — they get their beauty from beautiful fabrics. I spend most of my time and energy finding special fabrics, which I think is the secret of my whole collection."

Despite her youthful appearance, Moon has years of solid experience behind her. She graduated from Texas Women's University one Sunday and reported for her first job that Monday. She has designed chain-store merchandise, and she has done couture collections with the finest European fabrics. She was Jerrell's first designer, credited by many for helping establish the company's image, and she was the designer for Applause when that company won the coveted BAMBI, careful to retain creative control of my company."

Moon has had a lot of help from her friends. "I was reared to believe that you were supposed to help others, and when I lecture at colleges, I always tell the students

"This isn't the first time I've been in business for myself," she said. "The first time was a complete disaster. I wasn't ready to run a business, and I had the wrong partners. But I learned from experience, and went back to work for Nardis to repair my bank account. This time, I was very careful who I teamed up with, and elegance can be as durable as denim!"

Moon smiles at youngsters who think designing is a glamorous occupation. "Most people think that designers dress to the hilt and sit at a drawing board looking

gorgeous all day. But that's about as far from the truth as you can get. I remember my first job — it was in an old, old factory. I'd ride the bus to work because I couldn't afford a car.

had burst the pipes in the top floor, and there was no elevator — no heat, no electricity. Water was streaming down the elevator shaft and down the stairs. But when they let the tenants in the next day, I was lucky — I was the only one in the building with no damage.

"I had to move immediately, however, because it was going to be several weeks before the building would be operative again, and I had shipping to think of. So I rushed out and rented a big truck, found a place to lease and moved instantly. It took me about three weeks to get up to speed again, because I had to buy everything! Where I had been leasing, everything was furnished but an iron and board. I had no tables, no desks, no racks, no machines. But it's remarkable how fast you can move when you have to!"

"It all turned out to be a blessing, like so many disasters. My new place is much more convenient, both for me and for the suppliers who call on me. Now the textile men stop by every time they have something new to show. They're helping me to prove my point — you can be practical, comfortable and pretty, too!"



**SOPHISTICATED COLORS** such as seafoam green belie the innocence of Agatha Moon's seductively short sleepwear. Like its creator, it conveys a feeling of fragility, but can take the roughest treatment.

Colors in the Agatha Moon line are subdued by opulent. "Elegance is one of the things I like best," she said. "If you pick the right fabrics, that our industry is so small that we all must cooperate and help each other. My own friends rallied around magnificently when I took this plunge. When I was ready to make my first sample line, my good friend Paula Gilmore of Gillie's let me use her cutting tables and machines at night when her employees weren't there. I worked day and night — literally — to produce my first line a year ago." And Paula was only one of several friends who helped in different ways. I'm so grateful! Friends really are more valuable than money.

"I wore sandals — it was summertime — and when I'd get

home at night, the tops of my feet would be black in a pattern, like the pattern of my sandals, because the floor was so filthy. It was really grubby work."

Moon's determination has served her well, enabling her to survive her first disaster with her new company.

"I came back from a Christmas holiday this year to find that I couldn't even get into the building where my factory was. The bitter cold — the worst ever in Texas —

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**DEAR ABBY:** The second time around can be beautiful, particularly if the second wife is as understanding as mine was.

Approximately one year after my late wife of over 30 years died, I married a widow who had been a close friend of hers. I'll call my late wife Margie and my second wife Helen.

When my home was being redecorated to suit Helen's taste, I realized that Margie's pictures were all over the place. Feeling slightly uneasy, I told Helen that after we were married I would remove all the pictures of Margie. Helen's beautiful response was: "Let's not; let's take your favorite picture of Margie, and I'll take my favorite picture of Jack (her late husband) and display them together in a remembrance corner." And that's exactly what we have done.

Incidentally, because we are both in our 60s, we count each year of our marriage as five years in order to celebrate a "silver," and possibly a "golden" wedding anniversary. Sign me,

TWICE BLESSED IN L.A.

**DEAR TWICE:** Thank you for

sharing a wise solution to an awkward problem. Would that all second-time-arounders were as fortunate as you.

**DEAR ABBY:** Last week I attended a golden wedding anniversary celebration and was surprised at what I saw there. It was exactly like a bridal shower—china, crystal and even tableware in "gold"—three tables loaded with gifts.

I am 83 years old and I've attended several 50th anniversary celebrations in my life, but none like this.

Please set me straight on this, Abby. Is this unusual or not?  
NO NAME IN DIXIE

**DEAR NO NAME:** It's unusual. Most couples who have been married for 50 years have already begun to give their worldly possessions to their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Folks in their 80s don't want any more "things"—they're glad to be rid of that which they've accumulated in half a century.

Every day I receive requests for that lovely invitation I've printed for those who want to include their friends and relatives in an anniversary celebration for parents who are getting on in years, but insisted adamantly they wanted no gifts. Here it is:

"The children of Iver and Helen Dahl invite you to celebrate with them the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents. A reception will be held May 7, at 2 p.m., at the Elmhurst Country Club.

"We request your help in compiling a book which recalls memories from our parents' first 50 years of marriage. On the enclosed sheet, we ask that you write one memory or experience that you have shared with them and return it to us by April 26. We believe that the loving memories they have shared with you, their friends, would be the most treasured gift they could receive; therefore, we request that no other gift be sent."



SIX GRAY COUNTY 4-H'ers spent five days recently in the Sacramento Mountains south of Cloudfcroft, N.M., learning about electricity. Southwestern Public Service Company hosted groups from 18 Texas Panhandle Counties. Shown are, front row, from left: SPS energy

adviser Dan Redd, Kelly Swift, and Tanya Morris, Gray County Extension Agent. Back row, from left: Donnie Smith, Enoch Phetteplace, Kevin Collingsworth and David Ridgeway.

## Shaving and your tan

Shaving doesn't affect a tan, as some people believe. Tanning is built up in the deeper layers of the skin where melanin, the skin's color protection element, is found. Shaving only removes top-layer dead skin cells. But use a light body lotion after shaving to moisturize the skin and give your tan that gleaming, glowing, healthy look.

**Randy MacGregor Invites You to Singles Encounter '84 July 8-12 7:00 p.m. First Baptist Church**

## LOOSE MARBLES

LISA PATMAN

I give up on men. How they are able, with their little pea brains, to pull on their own boots, let alone earn a decent living, is beyond me, because they certainly don't have the sense God gave a snail.

You may be wondering what brought about this outburst. It all began quite innocently last weekend. I was hacking my way through the dirty clothes in the utility room, trying desperately to reach the washer before the clothes inside it mildewed, when I noticed that every time I turned my back on the sorted piles of wash, they grew.

Fighting the spiders and wild animals, I threw myself back into the jungle to find out why the dirty clothes pile was growing larger than the clean clothes pile. I found, much to my consternation, a dozen extremely dirty sheets.

"Aha!" I thought, "the boys have finally changed their bed linens." However, upon running upstairs to look, I found the same sheets that had been there since they moved from the crib. (I'm afraid boys think that a sheet hasn't really been used up until the local pig farmer asks to use it to line the sty.) Besides there are only three beds in the house. Quick computation puts the total number of sheets to be washed at six, give or take a pig farmer.

I must admit I really set myself up for the next episode when I asked, "Does anyone know why there are 12 dirty sheets in the

laundry room?" Now I know this is a really stupid question, and that any wife and mother in her right mind would know that the answer to this is something mind-boggling to say the least. So I guess I should have been more prepared for the voice which drifted, disembodied to my ears.

"Oh," it said, "we were afraid that the dog might get cold the other night when it rained, so we made him a bed out of those sheets you had in the linen closet."

"But there are 12 dirty sheets in there!" I cried.

"Well, he's a big dog," said the voice.

Just about that time Old Dad came waltzing through and I thought I might be able to appeal to him—until I saw the look on his face which said, "What clever, thoughtful children, so kind to poor, dumb animals!"

Now you tell me, fellow washer women of the world, why didn't those sweet, humanitarian boys and their proud father go one step further and think about who was going to clean up after their thoughtful actions. They think the fairies come out at night and take care of it, don't they?

So, I give up on men and their little pea brains. I think I will be better off if I devote my time to training the dog to start the washer.

You may write Lisa Patman, c/o Loose Marbles, P.O. Drawer O, McLean, 79057.

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# Today's Crossword Puzzle

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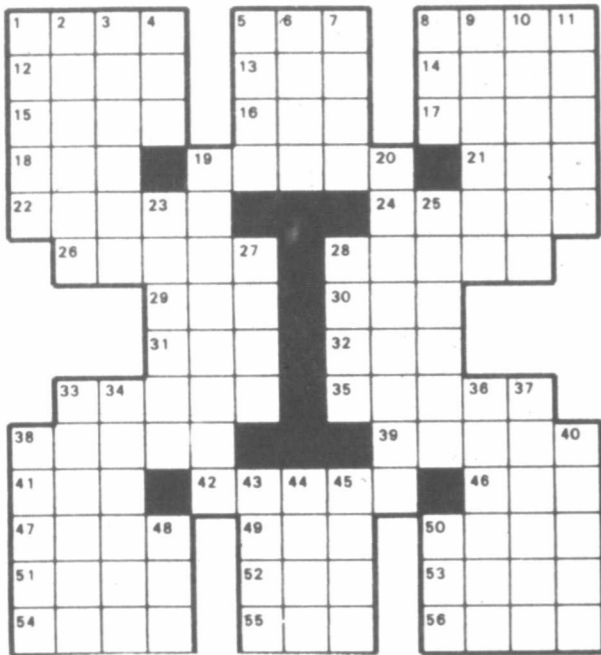
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- 18 Flower necklace
- 19 Surround
- 21 Insect egg
- 22 Award
- 24 Grinding stone
- 26 Kind of cloth
- 28 Angry
- 29 Cote sound
- 30 Technique
- 31 Unusual
- 32 Channel
- 33 Jeans
- 35 Sea
- 38 Garment piece
- 39 Rye fungus
- 41 Eggs
- 42 Egg part (pl.)
- 46 Caviar
- 47 Finery
- 49 Jacob's son
- 50 Surrender
- 51 Competent
- 52 Spanish cheer
- 53 Tiller
- 54 Christmas song
- 55 Paddle
- 56 Fateful time for Caesar

## Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 48 Math term
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- 50 Who (It.)



## DOWN

- 1 Religious poem

STEVE CANYON



By Milton Caniff



By Milton Caniff



THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



EK & MEK

By Howie Schneider



B.C.

By Johnny Hart



# Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

July 6, 1984

Situations that you were unable to successfully resolve in the past can be worked out this coming year. Two of your accomplishments will be outstanding.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** It's wise to be bargain conscious today but, if someone is doing his or her best to give you a good deal, don't keep grinding for something extra. The areas in which you'll be the luckiest in the year ahead are revealed in your Astro-Graph predictions for the coming year. To get yours, mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Today you might encounter someone to whom you're extremely attracted. However, be careful you don't read more into his or her actions than was intended.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** In your financial dealings today you should come out on the plus side of the ledger, yet you might not be satisfied because you expected more.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Use a bit of showmanship today if it serves to bolster your image, but keep it in good taste. Don't make yourself look good at another's expense.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Your material plans have excellent chances for success today, but it's best not to tip your hand in advance. Keep mum about your intentions.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** If you follow your own ideas and instincts today, desirable results are likely. Try not to let a know-it-all steer you off course.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You have good potential for achievement today, but don't be disappointed if everyone doesn't applaud your accomplishments. It's their sorry that counts.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Your judgment can be relied upon today where important decisions are concerned. This may not be true of your mate or partner.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Don't worry about how long a task takes today. Just do it right and get it finished. You won't get much done if you're a clock-watcher.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Your relationships should run smoothly today if you make allowances for the frailties of those with whom you're involved. Be tolerant.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Be explicit in your directions if you are having another perform work or service for you today. Don't assume he or she can read your mind.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** If your loved one is guilty of a minor infraction today, set an example by showing him or her with attention, courtesy and respect, instead of criticism.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong



MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson



ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

Major Hoople

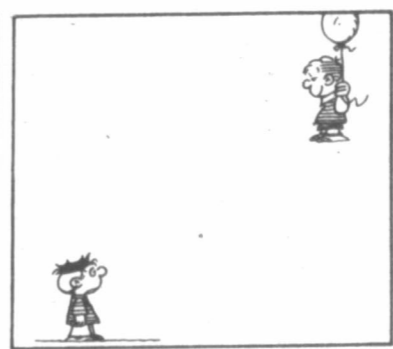
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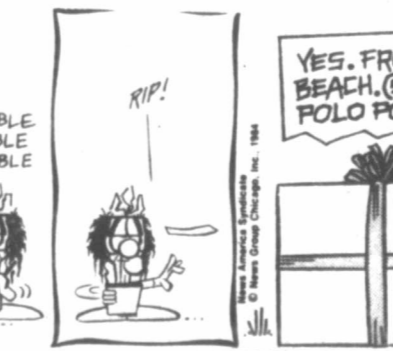
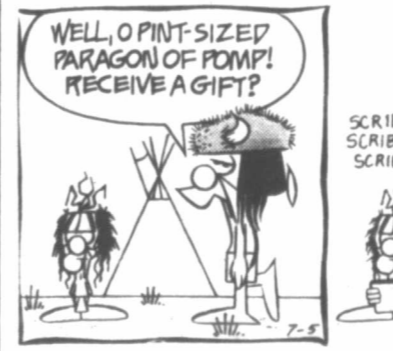
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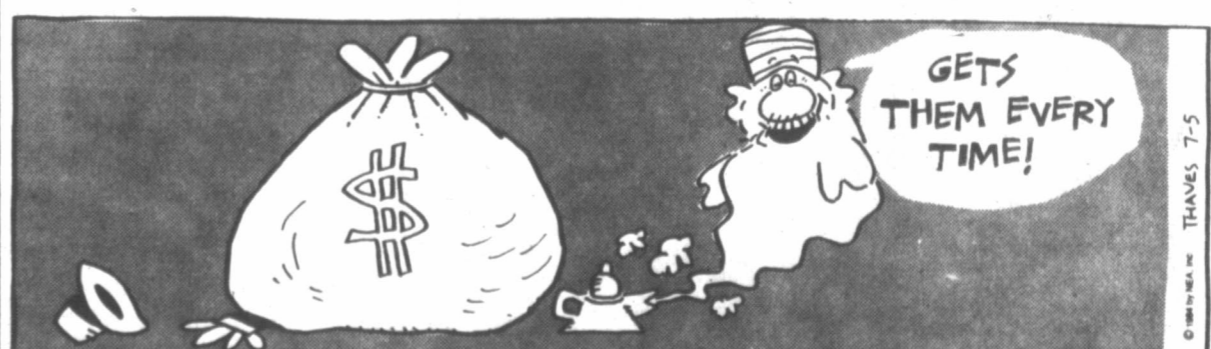
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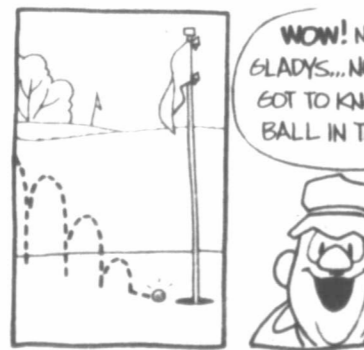
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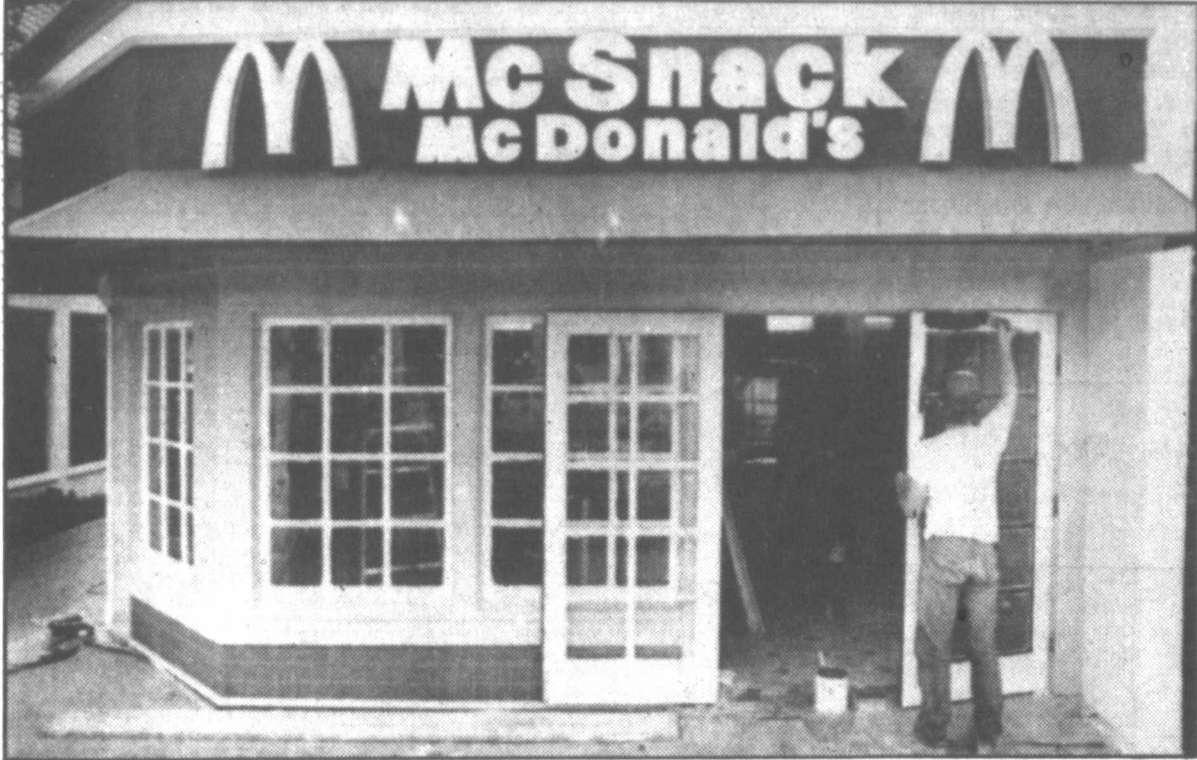
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**SCALED-DOWN McDONALD'S**—A workman in La Jolla, Calif. puts the finishing touches on a new McSnack restaurant, a scaled-down McDonald's offering a less-complete menu and

carryout only. The restaurants are being tried in places where the standard McDonald's would not fit. (AP Laserphoto)

## Gasoline price war in Odessa?

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — Gasoline prices have dropped steadily here in recent weeks, but operators of service stations aren't agreed on whether a price war is on.

Fred Phillips, owner of Fred Phillips Texaco, clearly thinks so. He's had to cut prices by 10 cents in recent weeks, and now sells regular gas for \$1.02 a gallon and unleaded gas for \$1.08 a gallon.

"There's definitely a price war going on. I'm sitting here below cost," Phillips told the Odessa American. He's had to cut his prices to keep up with competitors, he lamented.

"The last three weeks it's been dropping a penny or so a week," Phillips said. "The bigger guys are starting it. They're selling it cheaper than we can buy it."

He complained because Texaco U.S.A. has not lowered its price to dealers.

"The majors won't give their dealers a break," Phillips said.

Larry Hensley, a distributor for Gulf Oil products, agreed that prices have dropped some, but said gasoline is selling now for just about what it was at the beginning of the year. Hensley said his buying price has dropped "two or three cents in the last 60 days."

Another distributor, Don Wood, operations manager for Wood Oil Distributing Co., expressed doubt that any dealers are having to sell below cost, even with the more competitive prices that have been in effect recently.

Wood said his costs have dropped about 2½ cents a gallon during the past month. He attributes the lower pump prices to attempts by dealers to grab a bigger share of the business.

Volume in the gasoline business is "awfully critical," he said.

Wood supplies about 15 area stations, including four company-owned Merit convenience centers whose price for unleaded dropped from \$1.10 a gallon to

about \$1.08 in the past two weeks. Regular was selling for about \$1.04 a gallon.

Stop N Go Markets also have reduced pump prices to \$1.03 for regular and \$1.08 for unleaded, District Manager Glynn Lambert told the American.

"There's only one reason we have dropped our price," Lambert said. "The competition has dropped their prices, so we have dropped our prices."

Although no average price of gasoline in Odessa was available for July, the average price for a gallon of unleaded gas at a self-service pump in April was \$1.15 a gallon, up from \$1.10 in January, according to the Greater Odessa Area Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber reports show that during 1983, unleaded averaged \$1.22 a gallon at the beginning of January, \$1.15 in April, \$1.17 in July and \$1.10 in October.

Statewide in June, regular gasoline averaged about \$1.04 per gallon and unleaded was \$1.12, according to the Texas American Automobile Association.

Jim Williams, a former assistant professor of finance at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, said he does not foresee a price war.

"I do not see any great movement of prices," said Williams, an economist who specializes in oil and gas forecasting.

But he speculated falling prices may reflect worldwide high inventories of crude oil, which many countries have stockpiled after renewed shelling of tankers in the Persian Gulf.

Unless the conflict escalates dramatically and curtails shipments from the Middle East, he said, gasoline prices probably will continue downward since many holding tanks remain near maximum storage capacity.

Convenience stores often are able to offer the refined product cheaper than other dealers because they do not always buy brand-name gasoline, Williams said.

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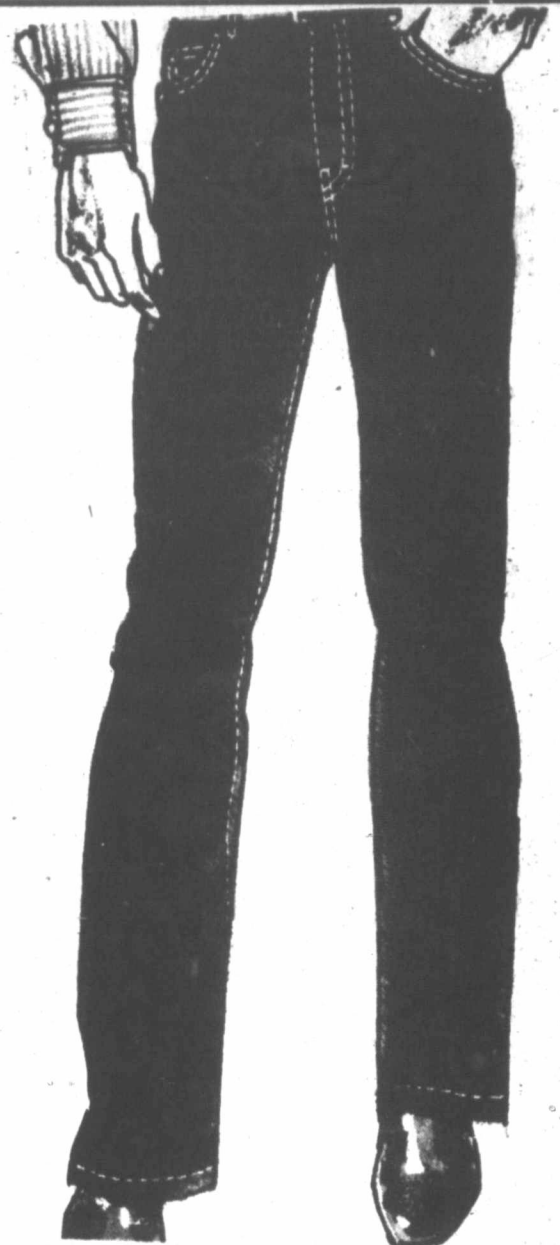
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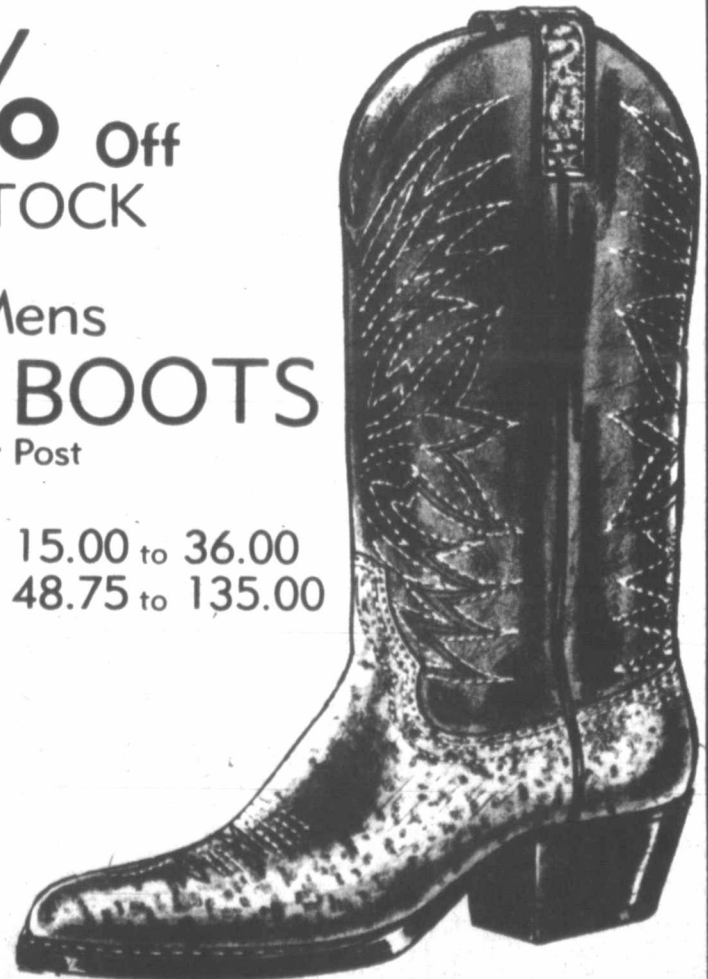
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