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BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

## \$132,600 GRANT FOR CITY



Smiley Goodloe and Rose Mary Slubar realize that intensive training sessions are only one means to protect lives in Kinney County that may be involved in an accident or health problems.

Too few of our residents realize the intensive training sessions that our volunteer ambulance group undergo frequently to maintain their standards.

They are one of the few unherald organizations in the County that must be certified to even be volunteers to serve our community.

This is one group that is the unsung heroes of our community. It is time we all say thank you --- before we need them.

Although not officially notified as yet the City has been alerted that the recent Public Works Law Grant that was applied for has been rewarded.

This Grant in the amount of \$132,600.00, is to be used to construct a Volunteer Firemens meeting and record room above the present Fire Station. Also the present Vehicle port will be extended and a two stall Fire vehicle storage built on the City yard.

Brackettville was one of the few in this area to receive this grant which is 100% it comes as a surprise as the City only had five days to have a council meeting pass a resolution, prepare the plans and Specs plus the application and present it in Austin.

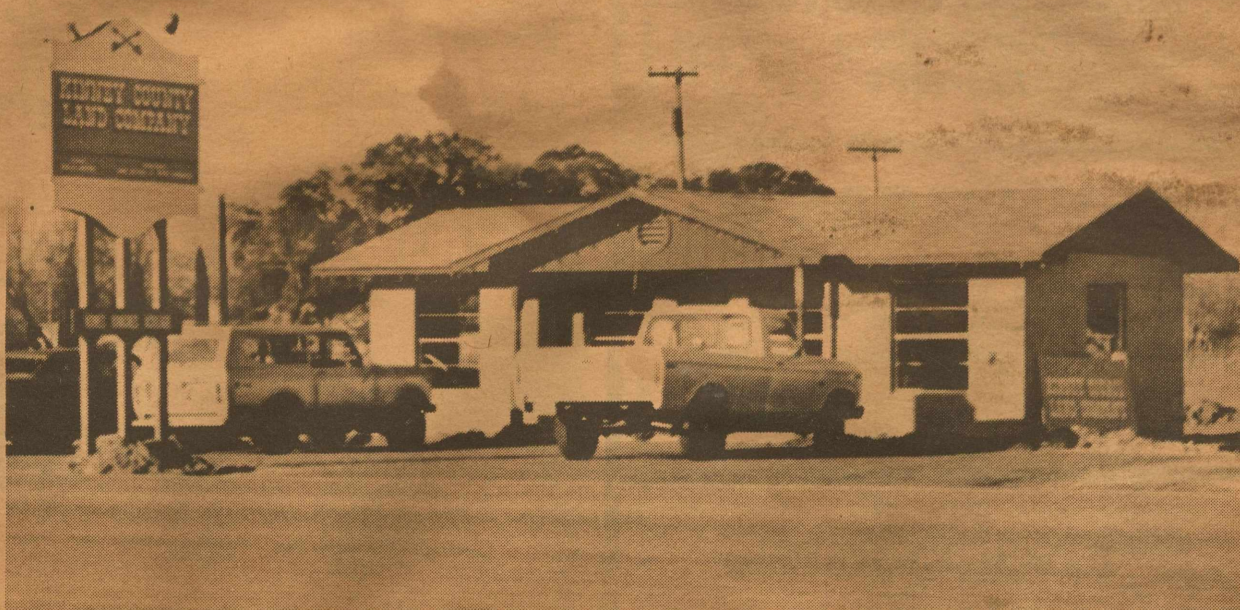
However it is a much needed addition that the City could have had a hard time finding the Funds for.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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**BRACKETTVILLE**



The Kinney County Land Company's new offices have just been completed across from the entrance of Fort Clark Springs. Brackettville's newest enterprise specializes in Real Estate for the surrounding area.

Staffed by Molly Ardrey, Mac McGill and Gene Vasquez, the company will: "Specialize in acreage, ranches, homesites and other real estate properties appealing to people in our giant recreational area", stated Molly Ardrey.



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## EAGLE PROTECTION LAW

### UNDER FIRE

It may be a little hard to believe, but any sheep or goat man who so much as shakes a finger or utters an obscene word at a golden eagle, even one in the process of carrying away a crying lamb or kid, faces the prospect of a stiff fine, a prison sentence, and/or confiscation of a sizable amount of his property.

That reads like something out of a poorly conceived scare story, and, admittedly, it's a little long on drama, but it is absolutely possible under the penalties and definitions set forth in the Bald Eagle Protection Act and amendments.

The Act, which applies to golden eagles just as fervently as it applies to their white-haired cousins, provides for a penalty, under Section 668, of "not more than \$5,000 or (imprisonment of) not more than one year or both" for a first violation. A second or any subsequent violation is punishable by twice the previous fine and prison sentence. A further provision states that each such bird "taken" (an astounding definition of "to take" will follow) shall constitute a separate violation.

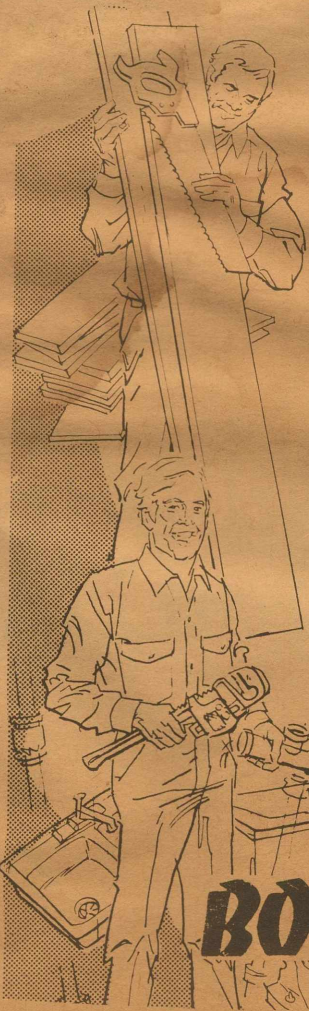
Under the law, "to take" an eagle included "pursue, shoot, shoot at, poison, wound, kill, capture, trap, collect, molest or disturb!" As we all know, eagles and other predatory birds have well-developed senses of sight and hearing, so molesting or disturbing them should be relatively easy, especially for a rancher whose livelihood is being carried away before his

eyes! As a matter of fact, a good number of ranchers have sufficiently developed vocabularies to quite effectively disturb a cedar post for carelessly bending a fence staple.

It might be noted that the law, under Section 668a, allows for eagles to be "taken" for various purposes, including "the protection of wildlife or of agricultural or other interests." The law further states that such an authorization must be preceded by a request from the governor of the state affected. It sounds fairly reasonable, but when Governor Dolph Briscoe requested authorization for a number of Southwest Texas counties, his request was denied. Meanwhile, the federal government continues to feed its feathered charges on privately-owned livestock.

While most ranchers subject to eagle predation are probably aware that killing the birds is a violation of the law, many of the wildly illogical extensions of the law mentioned above will probably come as a shock; not only are they prohibited from protecting their livestock, but, according to the ACT, they are also subject to extreme penalty for so much as reacting to the carnage.

Obviously, it is highly unlikely that a rancher will be penalized for shaking his fist at an eagle, but the fact remains that the legal wording is on the books and someday, somewhere, it could be applied. It should be a sobering thought.



## Helping People To Build a New Day

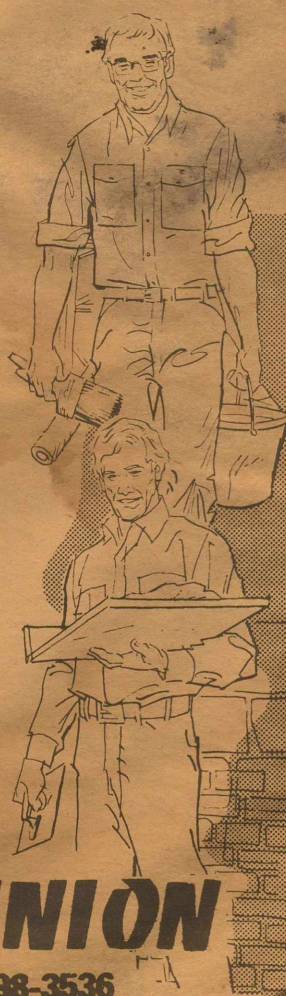
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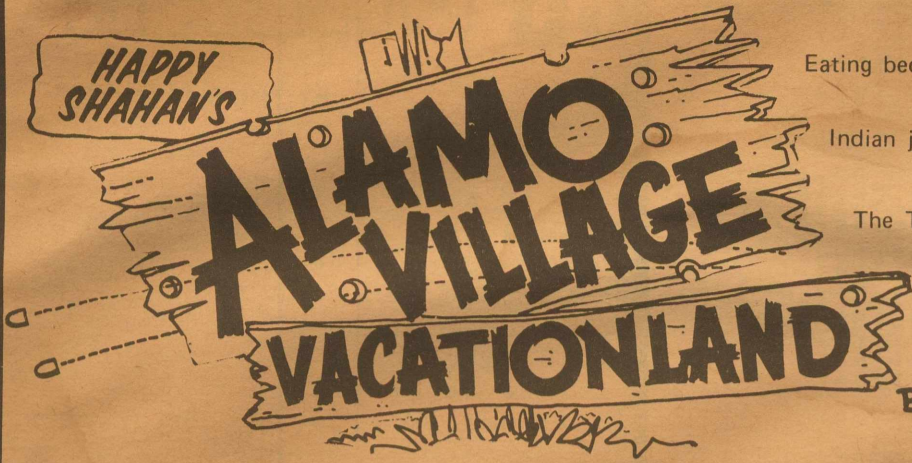
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### GARDEN CLUB

The Retama Garden Club Christmas Party was held at the Brackettville Country Club with a delicious luncheon followed by Bingo for which many lovely and original prizes were given. A festive time was had by all.

President, Mrs. Laura Seargeant, presided over the meeting. The program was arranged by Miss Edna Tarver, Mrs. Walter Fithian and Mrs. Kathleen Smith.

The January 18th meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Roy Coston Sr. with Mrs. Julian Lucas as Program Chairman.

Lesson IV in Horticulture will be given. "History of My House" will be a special feature by Mrs. Roy Coston, Sr. This Centennial Year features history, especially local history and is enjoyed thoroughly by all. Assisting Mrs. Coston will be hostesses Mrs. Marvin Bishop and Mrs. L.B. Langston.

### DEAN'S HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

Fall Semester 1976-77

Dean Dardus J. Elrod has announced the names of 70 students who made the Dean's Honor Roll in the fall semester of 1976-77. In order to make the honor roll, a student must be enrolled in at least 15 hours and achieve a grade point average of 3.6 or higher. Southwest Texas Junior College uses the four-point system (an A is 4 points). Brackettville students include: Robert Garza, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Garza and Joy Tidwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Tidwell.

### Between Us

by

JOE TOWNSEND

I watched the sun rise this morning. It was beautiful beyond description. It was pink-red-gold; I give up. Who can describe with words the beauty of a sunrise? It wasn't the first time I've been up when the sun awakened the world. In fact every morning I'm up long before Old Sol comes up over the horizon. Usually I give little notice to the change from dark to daylight. I don't know why this morning was different. Perhaps it was because there were no pressing jobs staring me in the face. Perhaps it was a carry over from the joyous Christmas season. Or maybe I just had a good nights sleep. At any rate I noticed the beautiful sunrise this morning. This simply makes me wonder how many beautiful sunrises I have failed to notice. I wonder why the bad, the ugly, the unseemly are always so noticeable. I guess it must be because the beautiful are so multiple in number they become trite and the distasteful are relatively so few in number they are more often noticed. You can know today will be a better day for me because I paused to notice the sunrise. "Be sure to take time to smell the flowers along the way."

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 10--Connie Fuentes

January 12--Charlie Foust  
Ramon Falcon  
Frances Freeman

January 13--Maria Valdez

January 14--Kaye York

### Beta Sigma Phi



#### XI RHO PHI CHAPTER

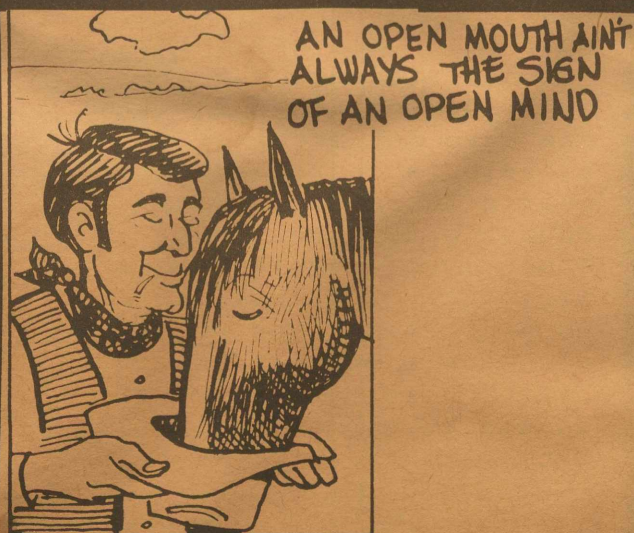
Xi Rho Phi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held a drawing for their "Booze Basket" raffle, December 28th. Winning ticket was held by Mrs. Gladys Hall, Sr.

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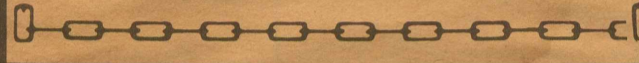
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### BIRTHDAY HUNT

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### UT DEADLINE

AUSTIN, Texas--All persons who plan to apply for financial aid for summer session 1977 or the 1977-78 academic year at The University of Texas in Austin are urged to begin the application process now.

The UT Austin Office of Student Financial Aid awards financial assistance in two categories: 1) Gift-aid, which includes grants and scholarships; and 2) self-help funds, which include the College Work-Study Program, full-time summer employment, and long-term loans, according to Susan Kjellman Groves, financial aid counselor.

The amount offered as a financial aid award, plus the student's resources and those of his or her parents, if dependant, cannot exceed the educational budget determined by the Office of Student Financial Aid, she said.

Ms. Groves said all financial aid awards offered through her office are based on documented financial need. Therefore, a student must file a Family Financial Statement (FFS) with the American College Testing program (ACT) in Iowa City each year. If a sibling or spouse of an applicant also is applying for financial aid, each must submit a separate set of application materials.

As soon as the Family Financial Statement is processed by ACT, a Student Financial Aid Report (SFAR) will be mailed to the applicant with an Institutional Data Sheet (IDS). The student then must complete all the items on the sheet and send it to the UT Office of Student Financial Aid.

Applications for aid for 1977-78 will not be considered complete until the IDS is received at UT, Ms. Groves emphasized.

The ACT Family Financial Statement is available through all high schools and should be obtained there instead of from the Office of Student Financial Aid, said Mrs. Groves. She noted that the UT Austin code number, 4240, must be on all ACT forms.

All students who are applying for financial aid and have not received a bachelor's degree are required to submit a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) application. After the BEOG application is processed, each student receives a Student Eligibility Report (SER) which should be submitted immediately to the Office of

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### CB BREAK

BY THE SKY PILOT

I never ceased to be amazed at the helpfulness of CB's. Early the other morning as I returned from Del Rio a trucker in an 18 wheeler said "There's a deer caught in the fence on top of the hill across from the Phillips' 66 Station. Somebody should see if they can get it out." I wasn't far from there so I pedaled on up and sure enough there was the deer. I started trying to pry the wires apart to release it when up came "Sneaky Snake." He lifted the deer up so the release could be effected and the little buck crippled a little ways then stopped and looked at us as though to say "Thanks." Had it not been for the CB radio the deer would likely have gone unnoticed until a torturing slow death claimed another victim. That night a call came over the CB to tell of the plight of a man on the highway with a flat and no spare. The CB's began to hum and soon the problem was solved. It just goes to show that most CB'ers are helpful and considerate people. We'll be 10-10 and 10-8 till we catch you again. Have a Happy New Year and a better year this year than last.

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Student Financial Aid.

Gift-aid funds and College Work-Study funds are limited, and priority for their distribution goes to students who apply on or before the application deadline, Ms. Groves said.

The deadline date is February 1, 1977, for the full-time summer employment program (Project SET); and February 15, 1977, for Summer Session and March 1, 1977, for the 1977-78 Long Session.

Students who do not meet application priority deadlines still may apply for financial aid, provided adequate time remains for the Financial Aid office to process the application before the semester begins. However, aid awarded to late applicants will be within the limitation of available funds.

In order to meet financial deadlines, a student who plans to enter The University of Texas at Austin for the first time may apply for financial aid before he or she is officially admitted. However, funds will not be disbursed until the student is officially enrolled.

Ms. Groves noted that all students are expected to make some monetary contribution to the cost of their education in addition to their financial aid awards. The amount will vary according to a student's classification in the University and marital status, she said.

"This resource may be earned during the summer, at a job during vacations during the year, etcetera," said Ms. Groves. "Counselors are available at the Financial Aid Office, on an appointment basis, to discuss a student's total financial aid awards and the expected contribution to be made by the student. Students who attend summer school are not excluded from making this self-help contribution."

The financial aid counselor also said that parents of dependent students are expected to contribute to the cost of post-secondary education of their children to the extent of their ability as documented by the financial need analysis.

"Financial assistance offered through the Office of Student Aid must be considered as supplementary to the support of the family," she said.

Students who need additional information are encouraged to call (512) 471-4001 or write to: The University of Texas at Austin, Office of Student Financial Aid, University Station, Box 7758, Austin, Texas 78712. The Office of Student Financial Aid is located at 2608 Whitis.

## SWTJC

UVALDE--When Ed Stein came to Southwest Texas Junior College 20 years ago there was no music program. And when Wayne Matthews came 25 years ago there was almost no college.

Gold watches and small circular service pins are hardly regards for helping to build a college from 200 students in 1952 to more than 2,000 in 1976, but the Junior College honored its faculty and staff recently during an awards banquet at the Uvalde Country Club.

More than 200 persons watched as President Wayne Matthews and his wife Evalyn were recognized for each contributing 25 years of service to the college. Also honored with the couple was Mrs. Imogen Tate of Crystal City. Mrs. Tate was a charter member of the SWTJC board of trustees and served for 25 consecutive years as a board member.

Ed Stein, chairman of the Fine Arts Division, was awarded a 20-year service pin while Dean of the College Jerald Underwood was recognized for his 15 years as a member of the college administration.

Faculty and staff members receiving 10 year service pins were Toney Keeney, Math and Science Division chairman; Roy Lee Ham, bookstore manager; Mrs. Lorene Gremmel, veteran's coordinator; Mrs. Floy Jean Sparks, Cafeteria; George Hall, automotive mechanics; Mrs. Cecile Craig, assistant librarian; Gordon McMains, maintenance; and Ophie Tracy, maintenance.

Recognized for contributing five years of service to the college were Kurt Johnson, art; Mrs. Vada Jessee, registrar's office; Mrs. Mildred Talley, cafeteria; Mrs. Velma King, cafeteria; Ricardo Benavidez, automotive mechanics; John Lampe, government; and Philip Schroeder, law enforcement.

Memorial awards also were presented to Mrs. Sterling H. Fly in memory of her husband who served as president of the college from 1953 until 1962; Mrs. Herhall LaForge in memory of her husband who served on the board of trustees from 1946-1975; Mrs. Leander Wagner in memory of her husband who served on the board of trustees from 1946-1976; and Mrs. Betty Kincaid Mathis in memory of her father Edgar Bryan Kincaid, Sr. who served on the board from 1946-1971.

Retired board members who received plaques of appreciation were Mrs. Tate, 1946-1976; H.C. Brantley, 1946-1956; R.L. Hubbard, 1954-1975; W.C. Anderson, 1957-1974; and Judge Jack Woodley, 1971-1975.

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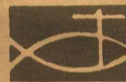
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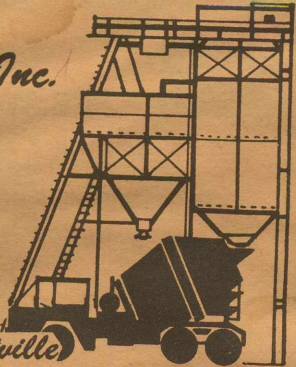
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## TIPS FOR GREEN THUMBS



by: **JOE TOWNSEND**

Now is the time to trim roses, trees and shrubs. They are dormant now. Generally, the more severely you trim the more abundant the new growth. If trees are becoming unshapely they can readily be shaped up during these days. Young non bearing mulberry trees particularly should be trimmed. They have a tendency to put out long unsightly limbs. Cutting these back will force the tree to bush out more and produce a more compact and attractive tree. Any growth on shrubs that is dead should be trimmed out. Any limbs that detract from the nice appearance of the shrub should be cut back. In trimming be sure that all cuts are clean and do not tear the bark below the cut. If roses have spread out in an unsightly way they should be cut back. Proper trimming now will show great improvement in the spring and summer.

## CP&L NEWS

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS... DECEMBER 28, 1976... Central Power and Light Company and Colowyo Coal Company of Denver, Colorado today signed a 25-year contract for approximately 30 million tons of coal.

Colowyo, owned jointly by subsidiaries of W. R. Grace & Co., New York, and the Hanna Mining Company, Cleveland, is to commence deliveries in late 1979 at the rate of 1.5 million tons a year.

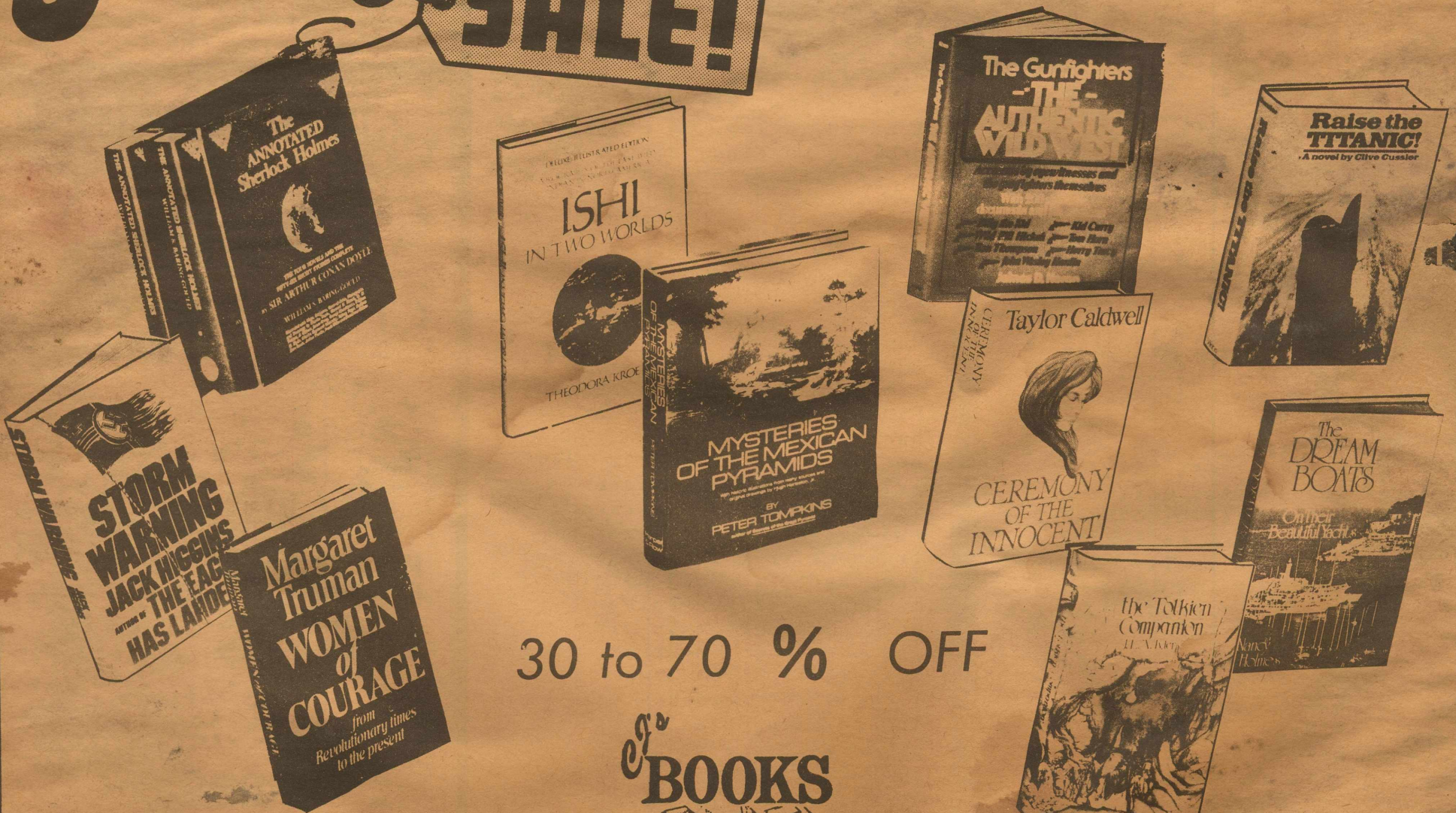
Today's agreement was announced by Roff Hardy, chairman and chief executive officer of CPL, and Ira E. McKeever, president of Colowyo. Hardy, T. R. Fowler, president of Gracoal, Inc., and G.A. Siler, president of Western Hanna, Inc. signed the contract at CPL's home office in Corpus Christi this morning. H. R. Logan, Executive Vice President of W.R. Grace & Co. and James N. Purse, President of Hanna Mining were present at the agreement signing.

The low-sulfur coal is to come from a surface mine near Craig, Colorado beginning in late 1979.

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The coal will be used at CPL's Coletto Creek Power Station now under construction mid-way between Victoria and Goliad in South Texas.

Hardy said the Colowyo coal is one of the best Rocky Mountain coals available and will be well within Environmental Protection Agency sulfur limits. The low sulfur content will allow CPL to save an investment of more than \$50 million in scrubbers for removing sulfur at the power station.

A unit train system will be used to transport the coal to CPL's 550,000-kilowatt generating station planned for operation in December, 1979. Three 100-car unit trains will supply the one-unit power plant with 1,500,000 tons of coal annually. A rotary dump system will off-load a unit train in four hours.

A second generating unit may be added at the site to meet future requirements for electrical energy.

CPL is building the coal-fired electric generating station in an effort to reduce its dependence on natural gas and oil which are in short supply, and increasingly more expensive. Natural gas now sells for about \$1.95 compared to the estimated \$1.25 per MMBTU price of coal delivered to the site on today's market.

Lower fuel cost will not necessarily mean lower electric cost, noted one CPL official. The higher investment costs for the coal station will probably offset any lower fuel cost. The Coletto Creek Power Station will do more to stabilize the price of electricity and bring down the rapidly escalating

trend in CPL's fuel cost which are passed on to South Texas customers.

Other CPL programs aimed at maintaining a continued dependable supply of electric power include participation in the nuclear-powered South Texas Project, scheduled for operating the first of its 1,250,000-Kilowatt generating units in 1980. CPL is also participating in development of a coal gasification system at its La Palma Power Station in San Benito, and is supporting research into geothermal power and fusion power through Programs at the University of Texas.

SENATOR PATMAN SPEAKS

"Finance companies say they made fewer loans in 1975 than they did in 1968. They didn't do this because Texas law prohibits their charging the extra-high interest rates they would like to charge borrowers. It happened because of increased competition. It also came about because of a growing awareness on the part of Texas borrowers that finance companies are charging highly excessive rates of interest and adding on additional charges," said Senator Bill Patman of Ganado today.

"One of the loan company representatives recently bemoaned the fact that the number of loans made by finance companies had dropped 'from 911,201 in 1968 to just over 600,000 in 1975, a decrease of a third.' During this same time personal loans made from state-chartered credit unions increased from 434,895 in 1968 to 662,647 in 1975, and the total dollar amounts which go with those increases were \$430,167,649.79 in 1968 and \$874,754,142.28 in 1975. The latter figure may be compared with the average monthly loan balance of \$676,316,518 currently claimed by the loan companies," said Patman.

"Texas borrowers are getting more careful about the charges they pay. They see the loan companies are charging enormously high rates of interest and loading on additional charges for insurance policies. This is why credit unions and other institutions are getting more of the business which formerly may have gone to loan companies.

"Compare the cost of borrowing \$1,000 for 37 months from a loan company with the cost of borrowing this same amount for the same period of time from a credit union," said Senator Patman. "Because a credit union can charge a maximum annual percentage rate of 12%, the \$1,000 would cost

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no more than \$201.39 to \$425.50-\$224.11 more than the \$201.39 maximum charge by the credit union. Credit life insurance would be tossed in by most credit unions, while loan companies would make an additional profit from selling that to the borrower.

"Another very significant development is the rapid expansion between 1968 and 1976 in consumer loans by both banks and savings and loan associations, with lending rates far below those of loan companies. Other credit unions chartered by the federal government made about as many loans in Texas in about the same dollar figures as those of the state-chartered credit unions during the 1968 and 1975 years; so the total figures for both the state and federal credit union lending in Texas would be about double those given above for just the state-chartered credit unions.

"During the 1975 Session I described the loan company bill as an attack upon the families of Texas by out-of-state loan companies. Over 80% of the loans made by finance companies in Texas are made by less than 20 companies, and each one of those is a part of a large corporate conglomerate with

out-of-state headquarters. A survey of 310 lawsuits filed by one loan company in San Antonio showed that in 4 out of 5 of those cases the company sought to foreclose upon household furniture and that 4 out of 5 were filed against families. The higher interest rates sought by the loan companies in the coming legislature pose great financial dangers to families--especially those likely to be enticed into financial pitfalls by television and other powerful media advertising," said Senator Patman.

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