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Viking Sets Kent Probe

Viking Drilling Co., San Antonio, will drill No. 1 Elizabeth Connell as a 7,500-foot prospector in Kent County, 4 1/2 miles southeast of Polar.

Drill site is 660 feet from south and west lines of section 1, block 5, H&GN survey, abstract 85, and 1/2 mile northeast of R. L. Burns Corp. No. 1 Cox, recently completed re-opener of the Vernon Cox (Canyon) field.

Burns No. 1 Cox was completed August 23 for 62.43 barrels of 41-gravity oil per day through a 16-64-inch choke and perforations at 7,128-7,130 feet. It was slated as a 7,500-foot wildcat, and drilled to 7,134 feet.

West Pecos Gas Sectors Get Spread

Extensions have been completed in two Pecos County gas fields.

HNG Oil Co., Midland, completed No. 1-214 Texas American Syndicate as a third producer and 1 1/4-mile east and southwest extension to the Perry Bass (Devonian) field.

It gauged a calculated, absolute open flow of 22.3 million cubic feet of dry gas per day, producing through perforations at 12,860-12,862 feet, which had been acidized with 30,000 gallons.

Drilled to 13,064 feet, it has 4 1/4-inch casing set on bottom.

Well site is 1,980 feet from south and west lines of section 214, block 10, GH&SA survey, 40 miles southwest of Fort Stockton.

No. 7 Elstner

Texas Pacific Oil Co., Inc. has completed No. 7 Elstner as a 1 1/2-mile west extension to the Elsinora (Devonian-Fuselman) field of Pecos, 17 miles south of Fort Stockton.

Calculated, absolute open flow was 22.8 million cubic feet of dry gas per day. Production was through perforations at 12,897-12,907 feet, which had been acidized with 10,000 gallons.

The gasser spots 200 feet from north and 1,450 feet from east lines of section 86, block A, GC&SF survey.

South Kimble Field Confirmer Finaled

A recently opened and designated Adams Branch gas field of Kimble County gauged its second well and a 3/4-mile southwest extension with completion of Alamo Natural Gas Co., Midland, No. 3-77 Johnson Ranch.

It was completed for a calculated, absolute open flow of 1,000 million cubic feet of dry gas per day, natural, from open hole at 443 feet, where 7-inch casing was seated, and 509 feet, total depth.

Well site is 4,000 feet from south and 505 feet from east lines of Thomas Ward survey 377, six miles southwest of Junction.

The discovery, Alamo Natural's No. 3-77 Johnson Ranch, was completed Sept. 18 for a calculated, absolute open flow of 1,000 million cubic feet of dry gas per day.

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Weather

FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness this afternoon through Saturday. Red clouds this afternoon and a little rain on Saturday. High this afternoon, low 16. Low tonight, low 12. Saturday high 17, low 10. Wind west to southwest 5-15 mph. This afternoon and 5-10 mph at night.

National Weather Service Headlines:
Thursday's High... 28 degrees
Overnight low... 16 degrees
Tomorrow's High... 25 degrees
Low... 12 degrees
Sunday High... 21 degrees
Low... 10 degrees

Precipitation:
This month to date... 30.34 inch
1974 to date... 30.34 inch

The record high temperature recorded for a Dec. 27 was 77 degrees in 1905. The record low for a Dec. 27 was 9, set in 1937.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES:

11 a.m.	24	Midnight	20
1 p.m.	27	1 a.m.	17
3 p.m.	28	3 a.m.	15
5 p.m.	27	5 a.m.	13
7 p.m.	25	7 a.m.	12
9 p.m.	23	9 a.m.	11
11 p.m.	21	11 a.m.	10
1 p.m.	19	1 p.m.	9
3 p.m.	18	3 p.m.	8
5 p.m.	17	5 p.m.	7
7 p.m.	16	7 p.m.	6
9 p.m.	15	9 p.m.	5
11 p.m.	14	11 p.m.	4

SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES:

Albino	24	11	Houston	21
Amarillo	22	11	Lubbock	20
Beaumont	25	15	Marfa	18
El Paso	21	15	San Antonio	22
Fort Worth	21	15	Wichita Falls	20

Bob Boydston kills scorpions. (Adv.)

Two Held By Convict Killed

Comedian Jack Benny Dies Of Cancer At 80

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—Jack Benny, the make-believe miser whose deadpan humor broke up audiences from vaudeville days into the age of television, is dead of cancer of the pancreas. He was 80.

His wife of 47 years was at his bedside when he died at his home late Thursday night.

Benny's long-time manager, Irving Fein, said the comedian had been kept under heavy sedation because of severe pain. Dr. Rex Kennamer, Benny's personal physician, said the cancer was inoperable, according to Fein.

Stomach pains troubled Benny recently and discomfort forced him to cut short his last public appearance earlier this month. But tests did not disclose the cancer until it showed up on X rays last Friday, Fein said.

The manager said exploratory surgery was vetoed by doctors because of the entertainer's advanced age.

In addition to Benny's wife, other family members were present when he died. Mrs. Benny, the former Sadie Marks, is popularly known as Mary Livingstone, the name she took when she joined Benny on stage. The couple adopted one daughter, Joan.

Visitor to Benny's bedside on his last day included California Gov. Ronald Reagan, entertainer Frank Sinatra, comedians Bob Hope and Denny Kaye, and Benny's friend of 50 years, comedian George Burns.

Benny was flown to Los Angeles for tests at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital after suffering pain before a Dallas benefit Oct. 19. But doctors pronounced him in good health and he was discharged five days later. He intended to tape a television special and take a guest role in a film.

His most recent public appearance was Dec. 8 to accept an award from the Hollywood Women's Press Club.

Began in Vaudeville

Benny's career began more than 60 years ago in vaudeville. Decades on radio, television and in motion pictures made him one of the nation's most beloved comics, and he maintained a schedule of personal appearances until recently. But his television appearances of late were kept to occasional guest roles and an infrequent special.

Benny's humor as a fast-budget was built with a cast that included his wife, black comedian Eddie "Rochester" Anderson and singer Dennis Day.

His tightwad image fostered a classic scenario — Benny befuddled by a bank's demand for "Your money or your life." His anguished reply: "I'm thinking! I'm thinking!"

Guests Hometown

On stage Benny became the nation's leading booster of his hometown, Waukegan, Ill., where he was born Benny Kubelsky, Feb. 14, 1894. He was the son of Orthodox Jewish immigrants from Russia who owned a saloon.

Piercing off-time squeals from his violin became one of Benny's radio and television fixtures. But serious performances on the instrument provided his first source of income. He quit school in the ninth grade to take a \$2-a-week job playing in the pit of a local theater.

Several years ago his hometown named the Jack Benny Junior High School in his honor.

He hit the road in 1911 in a touring act billed as "Salsbery and Benny — From Grand Opera to Ragtime." He once said that girls began paying attention to him then, and "that, I guess, is what hooked me for show business."

He made his first stab at comedy while serving in the Navy in 1918. He played Izzy There, the admiral's "disorderly."

"Everybody else was hamming it up, so I guess my (flat-tongued) delivery sounded funny by contrast," Benny remarked.

Carver Blossoms

His vaudeville career blossomed in the '20s. Later he turned to radio, stage and television.

Often he would enhance his tightwad image by paying a visit to his money in a basement vault guarded by a creaky-voiced old man who would inquire how a long-dead president was getting along in office.

Benny was regarded as the (See JACK BENNY Page 2A)

Escapee Back In Prison

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. (AP)—A farmwife and her teen-age daughter were found shot to death after the surrender of an escaped prisoner who had held them hostage in their home for seven hours.

Authorities identified the victims as Marian Napierala, 53, and Gayle Napierala, 17. A second daughter, Cynthia, 17, also was held hostage. She was uninjured but was taken to a hospital in shock.

The Indiana State Prison escapee, Riley Mosley Jr., 29, of Indianapolis, was taken to the state prison's main compound in this rural community. He had been serving a 10-20 year sentence for armed robbery at a nearby minimum security prison farm.

Police Surprised

State police said discovery of the bodies Thursday night surprised them because only 25 minutes before the surrender — with 14 shotgun-armed state policemen surrounding the house — police had talked by telephone with all three hostages.

Anthony Vicari, commander of the Dunes Park state police post, said officers had also talked with Mosley. "All during the conversations, he said he would not harm the hostages," Vicari said.

Vicari also said the policemen, who were at least 100 yards away, had heard no shots and did not fire their guns at any point.

Dropped Two Guns

Jim Smith, Gov. Otis R. Bowen's executive assistant in charge of corrections, said Mosley walked out of the Napierala home at 10:10 p.m. and dropped two guns — a pistol and a rifle — as he surrendered.

Officials said Mosley escaped from the prison farm 10 miles west of here about 2:30 p.m. (See PRISON Page 2A)

Man Charged In Deaths Of Mother, Four Children

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP)—Five charges of murder and one of rape were filed against a 34-year-old laborer today in the "cold-blooded execution" of four children and the strangulation of their mother.

Henry County Sheriff C. P. Witt said the charges were placed against Eddie Lee "Shanghai" Thomas, who had been under questioning since late Thursday.

Thomas lived only one-quarter mile from the home of James Vernon Aliff, who returned home from work Thursday afternoon and found the body of his wife, Sally, on the floor beside her bed. A medical examiner said she had been strangled.

The bodies of the four Aliff children, each shot in the head, were found about an hour and 45 minutes later in a wooded gully near the home.

Witt told a news conference today that Thomas and Aliff were both employed at the same factory, and that Thomas had denied involvement in the slayings. Thomas is being held under \$100,000 bond.

Police said the murderer may have interrupted Mrs. Aliff and the children as they ate lunch. County Medical Examiner John P. Bing said they died about 11:30 a.m.

A half-eaten apple, a half-eaten hot dog and open bottles of ketchup and mayonnaise were on the kitchen table. A Christmas tree, surrounded by open gifts, sat undisturbed in the living room.

The bodies of the children — Peggy Marie, 10; Charlotte Ann, 8; James Alvin, 4, and Vernon Darrell, 2 — were found lying side by side about 100 yards from their home.

The body of their mother, in nightclothes, was on the floor beside her bed.

Autopsies were scheduled.

Police said they originally thought all the children were marched to the gully and shot. But they said later that two of the children may have been killed earlier.

The Aliff house, off a dirt road in a wooded area about six miles west of this southern Virginia city, is about 200 yards from the nearest neighbor. A neighbor said she heard four gunshots about 11:30 a.m. but thought nothing of it because hunters were in the area.

Officers said there were signs of a struggle inside the house but would not elaborate. Reporters were not allowed inside.

Aliff found the bodies shortly after 4 p.m. Witt said Aliff told him everything was normal when he left for his laborer's job at a modular home construction plant early Thursday morning.

Witt said a .30-caliber rifle was missing from the Aliff home, but it had not been determined if it was used to kill the children.

LATE NEWS FLASHES

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has been criticized by its own inquiry board in a report to be released tonight. The board says the FAA did not take sufficient action to prevent a DC-10 crash near Paris last March which killed 346 persons.

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The United Arab Emirates announced today it will begin negotiations next month for a total takeover of western oil companies operating in the Persian Gulf federation.

Economy Indicators Hit Skids Once More

WASHINGTON (AP) — Assigned to foreshadow future trends in the economy, was 1.5 per cent in November.

That made the drop 7.3 per cent since July the steepest decline since a 9 per cent drop from December 1968 through April 1969.

The index, which reflects developments in a dozen facets of the economy, indicated that shorter work weeks, higher unemployment, reduced business spending for productive expansion and slower activity in the building industry lie ahead.

The number of new claims (See ECONOMY Page 2A)

WASHINGTON (AP) — A record level of new claims for unemployment benefits drove the government's indicators of future trends in the economy down for the fourth consecutive month in November, the Commerce Department said today.

And at the same time, the Commerce Department reported that higher sugar prices helped put the nation's trade balance back to the negative side of the ledger after one month of advance. The United States imports much of its sugar.

The over-all decline in the Index of Leading Indicators, de-

INCREASE LARGEST IN SIX YEARS— Crime Rate Takes Jump

WASHINGTON (AP) — New FBI figures show that the national crime rate rose 16 per cent in the first nine months of 1974, the largest increase for the period in six years.

The crime rate in smaller cities showed the largest increase.

The figures released today reflect an 8 per cent increase in the violent crimes of murder, rape, robbery and assault. The property crimes of burglary, larceny and vehicle theft jumped 17 per cent.

The new report, based on statistics supplied by local and state law enforcement agencies across the country, indicated that the upward surge that began in the last three months of 1973 has continued.

Atty. Gen. William B. Saxbe said the continuing crime increase "requires an intensification of our efforts to identify the causes, improve crime prevention and insure swift protection."

Crime rose only 1 per cent during the same period a year ago.

Then the spiral began, with the 5 per cent increase recorded for the last quarter of 1973 and a 15 per cent increase in the first quarter of 1974. The six-month figures for this year also showed a 16 per cent increase, as do the nine-month figures.

In keeping with the recent pattern, the new report showed that the largest increase for any of the seven crime categories measured by the FBI was 20 per cent for larceny.

Murder had the lowest rate of increase, rising 2 per cent. No category reflected a decline.

Broken down by population, cities of more than 1 million showed the smallest increase, 8 per cent. Cities of less than 10,000 reported the largest overall increase, 24 per cent.

There was a slight decrease in the murder rate in the largest cities and in some medium sized cities.

By region, crime increased 20 per cent in the South, 15 per cent in North Central states, 14 per cent in Western states and 13 per cent in the Northeast.

Taken together, cities of more than 25,000 reported a 14 per cent increase. In suburbs, crime was up 21 per cent and in rural areas, 20 per cent.

Wintry Weather Relaxing Grip On Much Of Texas

Wintry weather started relaxing its clutch on much of Texas today.

Most sections stayed a few degrees warmer than 24 hours earlier, although a sharp chill lingered in the Texas Panhandle and far West Texas.

A little rain still fell in South Central and East Texas. Heavy showers soaked the Beaumont area soon after midnight.

The Department of Public Safety in Midland said the state's only hazardous road conditions lay between El Paso and Van Horn, with the remainder of the West Texas area returning to normal after a two-day seige of ice, rain and snow.

The National Weather Service at Midland Regional Air Terminal reported Thursday's high mercury mark was 39, followed by an overnight low of 35.

Light fog rolled into the Tall City around daylight today, but the sun was shining again by mid-morning. The anticipated high for this afternoon is in the low 50s.

Tonight's predicted low in the low 30s should be followed by a Saturday high in the upper 50s, the weatherman said.

Skies remained overcast everywhere except Dalhart in the Panhandle in early morning. There also was fog around El Paso, where a foot of snow blanketed the countryside Thursday, and streets remained icy, and at Lufkin, Texarkana and Tyler.

Temperatures near dawn nosedived again to 15 degrees at Dalhart, Galveston on the coast at the same hour was the warmest spot at 51.

Other colder points were Amarillo 21, El Paso 22, Marfa 28, Childress 30 and Lubbock 32. The Associated Press reported.

While further warming was promised throughout the state, temperatures were expected to rise no better than slowly in the East Texas' continuing rain.

Ford May Comment On Spy Report

VAIL, Colo. (AP) — President Ford says he probably will have something to say publicly today on an inch-thick official report on allegations that the Central Intelligence Agency engaged in domestic spying.

Ford made the comment Thursday night as he walked across a snowy backyard to a neighbor's house for dinner.

The report, prepared by CIA Director William E. Colby, was delivered to Ford earlier in the evening. He said he was studying the document.

Report Ordered

The President, Monday, ordered Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger to obtain a full report from Colby and relay it to him. Ford acted following publication of allegations that the CIA maintained files on 10,000 American citizens and had engaged in illegal domestic surveillance activities.

Before a government courier arrived here with the Colby document, Ford told newsmen he might make it public. However, Press Secretary Ron Nessen later said he understood portions of it were classified.

Conference Set

On Ford's schedule for today was the first major business conference of his work-and-ask holiday that began Sunday.

Members of the Energy Resources Council were summoned from Washington for a morning meeting that Nessen said would produce no final decisions.

The energy advisors are Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton, Treasury Secretary William E. Simon, Federal Energy Administrator Frank Zarb, chairman Alan Greenspan of the Council of Economic Advisors and Ford assistant L. William Seidman.

Ford was asked Thursday (See FORD Page 2A)

Gold Price Reaches \$195

LONDON (AP) — The highest price ever paid for gold on a major bullion market — \$195 an ounce — was reached on the London market today as the European gold rush resumed after the Christmas break.

The five big London dealers set the afternoon fixing at the all-time record figure after trading opened at \$194.50 an ounce, also a record. Trading was reported moderate.

In Frankfurt, dealers fixed the metal at \$196.00 an ounce in thin trading.

Dealers in Paris set the price at \$197.72 an ounce — up 50 cents from Thursday's close. The price of gold in the French capital is always higher than in London and Zurich because of exchange control regulations.

Neither Paris or Frankfurt is considered a major bullion market.

Dealers had expected the jump up from pre-Christmas prices, in anticipation of American gold-buying Dec. 31 when U.S. citizens will be able to own gold bullion for the first time in 41 years.

The Zurich market was closed Friday.

Watergate Cover-Up Trial Nears Jury As Final Arguments Heard

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense counsel completed their closing arguments to the Watergate cover-up trial jury today as the historic case moved a step closer to completion.

Chief prosecutor James F. Neal and assistant prosecutor Richard Ben-Veniste were delivering the government's rebuttal this afternoon, the last argument the jury will hear before beginning its deliberations. The case is expected to go to the jury on Monday.

The final defense lawyer to present his argument was Jacob Stein, attorney for Kenneth W. Parkinson.

Misled By Officials

Stein described his client as a totally nonpolitical man who was misled by officials of Richard M. Nixon's re-election committee.

Lawyers for the other four defendants — former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell, ex-White House aide H. R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman and former Asst. Atty. Gen. Robert C. Mardian — already have summed up their cases for the jury.

Stein told the jury that on June 17, 1972, the day of the Watergate break-in at Democratic National Committee headquarters, Parkinson, a prominent Washington attorney, knew none of his codefendants in the cover-up case because he had never been involved in politics.

No Break-In Involvement

He described Parkinson as one of the people "taken in" by statements from the Nixon committee that it had no connection with the break-in.

Parkinson was retained by the committee to defend it against civil suits resulting from the break-in.

U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica had been pushing the defense lawyers to finish their closing arguments on Thursday but then abruptly changed his mind and permitted Stein to interrupt his argument and finish it today.

Stein had protested earlier when Sirica said he wanted him

to finish even if it meant going past 6 p.m. Trial sessions on most days have ended at 4:30 p.m.

Under the new schedule, the jury will get the weekend off and hear Sirica's instructions on legal points when it returns Monday. The judge said he expects to devote about two hours to the instructions.

Then the nine women and three men who have listened to 11 weeks of testimony and argument will begin their deliberations in the historic case that

drove Richard M. Nixon from the presidency.

The former president had been named an unindicted co-conspirator in the case. But he was found too ill to appear as a witness.

President Ford pardoned Nixon, making prosecution of the former president impossible.

During the trial, the pardon was never mentioned in front of the jury until Thursday, when William S. Frates, Ehrlichman's lawyer, made a veiled reference to it in his closing ar-

gument.

Frates mentioned a White House tape of Nixon saying that during his second term he would consider pardons for anyone convicted in Watergate prosecutions.

"Absolutely nothing illegal about that," said Frates. "Certain people do get pardoned in this country."

Thomas Green, Mardian's lawyer, said in his summation that Mardian's involvement in Watergate covered "95, maybe 40 days in his life in the sum-

mer of 1972."

He said the entire case against Mardian was not based on White House tapes but on the testimony of people who were being asked to remember things that had occurred more than two years earlier.

"You don't have to lie to wreak havoc in a courtroom, all you have to have is a bad memory," said Green.

"People's memories fail and they think they remember certain things when in fact they don't."

DIME FOUND IN LUNG—What Ward Graves' doctors feared might be bronchitis or pneumonia turned out to be a 1972 dime. Graves, 61, from Atlantic City, N.J., entered a Miami Beach, Fla., hospital while on vacation, short of breath and coughing. Doctors discovered the dime in his right lung and removed it through a tube. Graves says he had had breathing difficulties since last August. (AP Wirephoto.)

Freedom House Claims 925 Million Persons Have Liberty Restrictions

NEW YORK (AP) — Freedom House in its annual survey says that 925 million persons, about a quarter of the world's population, "suffer the most severe restrictions of political and civil liberty."

The organization, which seeks to strengthen free societies,

said that 85 million persons lost freedom this year. They lived in Argentina, Cyprus, Malaysia, Bolivia, Ethiopia, Guyana and Peru.

More freedoms were offered to the 192 million persons in Egypt, Ghana, Liberia, Portugal, South Vietnam, Spain and

Thailand, according to the society.

The survey, released Thursday, will appear in the organization's Freedom of the World publication Jan. 4.

Freedom House said that 424 million persons live in the 17 "freest nations." These countries are Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Canada, Costa Rica, Denmark, West Germany, Iceland, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom and the United States.

Sessions Induction Ceremony Scheduled

SAN ANTONIO — William S. Sessions will be sworn in as judge of the El Paso Division of the U. S. District Court's Western District Jan. 10 in the federal court's district headquarters at San Antonio.

Sessions, 44, U.S. attorney for the Western District since 1971, succeeds the late Judge Ernest Guinn and was appointed to the judgeship by President Gerald Ford.

former President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The official swearing-in ceremonies for Sessions will be administered by Chief Judge Adrian A. Spears of San Antonio in the Federal Building's Ceremonial Courtroom No. 1.

Participating in the event will be the district's other judges, D. W. Suttle of San Antonio, who is presiding judge for the Midland-Odessa Division; Jack Roberts of Austin and John H. Wood Jr. of San Antonio.

Informal ceremonies swearing in Sessions as judge were held by Chief Judge Spears in his Chambers Dec. 24, Benedict said.

Appointed U.S. attorney to succeed Sessions was Hugh Patrick Shovlin, 51, who since 1969 had been chief of the civil section of the U.S. Attorney's Office. He was appointed by Chief Judge Spears and Judges Suttle, Roberts and Wood.

Sessions will be the in-resident El Paso Division judge beginning in January, Benedict said.

Ford—

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whether a gasoline tax was still a live option.

"That's about as dead as any option I know of," Ford replied, but he added, "It's going to be considered I think there are many better choices. We'll talk about all the options."

Trio Injured In Auto Mishap

A Big Spring couple was admitted to Midland Memorial Hospital Thursday following a two-vehicle collision at the intersection of Marienfeld and Front streets.

Injured were William B. McKee, 78, and his wife Quinte McKee, 73. Both McKee and his wife were listed in satisfactory condition today. McKee suffered facial lacerations while Mrs. McKee suffered multiple fractures as a result of the collision.

Sulphur Dust Explosion Sets Fires At Odessa

ODESSA — The contents of a Chemical Enterprises Production Inc. warehouse were destroyed by several fires caused by a sulphur dust explosion shortly before 3 p.m. Thursday.

Methodist Women Set Installation

The Hollowell United Methodist Church will have an installation service at 7 p.m. Sunday for new officers of the United Methodist Women.

Convicted Of Robbery

It was Stephens' home which police used as a command post and from which they negotiated by telephone.

Prison Escapee's Hostages Killed

State police said at one point Mosley said he would surrender if he could talk with his father in Indianapolis. Efforts to reach the father were futile.

Prison Escapee's Hostages Killed

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CST, took a pistol from a guard's home where he had been a houseboy, then invaded the Napierala home three-quarters of a mile away and demanded a car.

A neighbor, Robert T. Stephens, said the father, Stanley Napierala, and his 16-year-old son Mark were hunting nearby at the time. Mark heard screams from the house and called state police, Stephens said.

Bell Spokesman Tags Ashley Claims 'Lot Of Hogwash'

ST. LOUIS (AP)—A spokesman for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. terms "hogwash" a report which said the firm's executives here were coerced to make political contributions to candidates.

Water Board Inquiry Asked

AUSTIN (AP) — Rep. Bill Blythe, R-Houston, asked Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby today for a Senate investigation of the Texas Water Development Board.

Ferronickel Price Boost Announced

CLEVELAND (AP) — A price increase of 16 cents per pound on ferronickel was announced late Thursday by Hanna Mining Co.

Where's The Fire?

6:30 p.m. Thursday — 20 E. Hubbard St. — Apartment 606 — Fire caused by minor damage to electrical system. Fire caused by

Where's The Fire?

7:15 p.m. Thursday — 2001 W. 21st St. — Apartment 101 — Fire caused by

Clint Eastwood Tells Film Story In Family Weekly

Clint Eastwood tells in Sunday's Family Weekly why he is directing as well as acting in "The Eiger Sanction," a movie being shot in Switzerland.

Anderson Reports Deceived About Asian Crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — High U.S. military officials deliberately deceived President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1958 during the Quemoy-Matsu crisis in an attempt to use nuclear

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Neighbor," and "Charley's Aunt."

Funeral services have been scheduled for noon Sunday at Hillside Memorial Cemetery in suburban Culver City.

Kuwait Promises To Consider U.S., Britain In Cutbacks

KUWAIT (AP) — Kuwait's oil minister says this oil-rich Persian Gulf sheikdom will never reduce oil production to the point of harming Britain or the United States, because that's where it keeps its money.

Money Stolen From Residence

A burglary at the M. E. Martinez home, 314 Cloud St., Thursday netted culprits \$45 in silver half dollars Thursday.

Proposed May Cor

LEASBURG proposed federal dam on Odessa river which would be 12 miles long, 200 feet high, 100 feet wide at top, 50 feet wide at base, and 100 feet long at base. It would cost \$15 million.

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Falkland Islanders Want People To Come Look For Oil

By JOHN LEONARD
PORT STANLEY, Falkland Islands (AP) — There is a belief among the 1,900 inhabitants that oil lies under or around this British crown colony in the Atlantic off Argentina. They want someone to come look for it.

The Falkland Islands Legislative Council voted 6-2 this month to ask the British to allow an international oil consortium to make a search.

But the problem is that Argentina has renewed its claim to the Falklands, which lie about 300 miles off southern Argentina.

The crown-appointed governor, Ernest G. Lewis, and the chief secretary, A. Monk, both urged the Legislative Council to use caution and to consider the difficulties of sovereignty and boundaries issues.

The issue became urgent when Ashland Oil Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of Ashland Oil Inc. of the United States, applied for concessions from Britain on be-

half of a consortium in November.

The request, as about 20 others in the past several years, has been set aside for consideration in London.

Many inhabitants feel the British government is simply dragging its feet in order to avoid a confrontation with Ar-

gentina over the sovereignty issue.

But wool and mutton are the Falkland's only products and international prices for them are low. Many here see oil royalties — or income from exploration operations — as the only solution to hard times.

The consortium is made up of

Ashland Oil Canada, Assmerring about \$5 million and lasting 18 months. Results would be shared with the British government, he said.

The Falklands, now largely supplied by Argentine coastal vessels, were taken over by Great Britain in 1833. Since then a dispute over sovereignty has simmered and boiled.

United Nations says the two countries should solve the dispute between themselves. In the past year, since oil boom rumors flooded Buenos Aires government offices, Argentina has stepped up its claims.

Then the British and the Argentinians signed an agreement

to develop trade and commu-

nications. Argentina built a temporary airstrip at Port Stanley, and flights began coming from Comodoro Rivadavia, Telegraph and telephone lines were set up. Some forty Falkland Islands children now attend school in Argentina and Uruguay. The first islander to

join the Argentine army received massive publicity in the Buenos Aires press for months. The islanders, while happy at the prospects of new alternatives for wealth, want principally to live in peace, however. "It would be well for the world to remember this," said one resident.

Today In History

By The Associated Press
 Today is Friday, Dec. 27, the 361st day of 1974. There are four days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On this date in 1949, Queen Juliana of the Netherlands signed an act granting sovereignty to Indonesia after nearly 200 years of Dutch rule.

On this date: In 1571, the pioneer German astronomer, Johannes Kepler, was born in Wurttemberg.

In 1822, the scientist known as the founder of preventive medicine, Louis Pasteur, was born in the French city of Dole.

In 1900, prohibitionist Carrie Nation staged her first raid on a saloon, smashing bottles at a bar in Wichita, Kan.

In 1944, in World War II, an American tank column smashed across the German bulge in Belgium and relieved U.S. troops who had been under siege at Bastogne.

In 1945, after World War II, the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union announced they would govern Korea as joint trustees for five years, then grant independence.

In 1966, a rally of 100-thousand Red Guards in Peking denounced China's President Liu Shao-chi.

Ten years ago: The Congo government charged that officers from Algeria and the United Arab Republic were leading Congolese rebels on the Congo's northeastern border.

Five years ago: Prime Minister Eisaku Sato's Liberal Democratic party won parliamentary elections in Japan.

One year ago: Federal energy director William Simon announced that his agency had developed a standby system for gasoline rationing.

Today's birthdays: Entertainer Marlene Dietrich is 70 years old. Former Marine Commandant Wallace Greene is 67.

Thought for today: You must be poor to know the luxury of giving — George Elliot, English writer, 1819-1880.

Proposed Dam May Condemn Cave
 LEASBURG, Mo. (AP) — A proposed federal dam may condemn Onondaga Cave here, which was discovered by Daniel Boone in 1780.

Meanwhile, the cave is open and owner Lester B. Dill is fighting to thwart the action. "I hope I'm not living on borrowed water," he said.

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ALPHA DELTA PI TEA—Mrs. E. Dale McCarter, right, who was hostess to a recent tea honoring collegiate members of Alpha Delta Pi social sorority, is shown at the tea with three of the honorees, Dana Rutz, Liza Williams and Cathy Hirsch, left to right.

Deadline Given For Publishing Wedding Stories

Thinking about having accounts of your engagement and wedding published in The Reporter-Telegram? If the answer is in the affirmative, brides-to-be should visit the Women's Department of the newspaper and obtain information sheets and wedding forms in order to comply with the R-T policies on wedding stories, photographs and deadlines. The policy requires that wedding or engagement forms must be submitted before 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication in a Sunday paper. Another important policy to be aware of is that wedding stories submitted more than five days after the wedding will not be published.

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By POLLY CRAMER
Newspaper Enterprise Association



Polly's Problem
DEAR POLLY — During the summer I accumulated many pressed flowers. They are so pretty I hate to put them away and would like to use them. They are all sizes and some have their stems. — A.T.

DEAR A.T. — On my desk are two glass paperweights a friend made with pressed flowers attractively arranged between the thick glass tops and felt bottom on one and clear glass on the other. Such paperweights can be bought in hobby or handcraft shops. I am sure we will hear from our friends telling us of other ways they have used such flowers. — POLLY

DEAR POLLY — My Pet Peeve concerns the lack of courtesy shown people who walk on crutches. Many do not even allow those on crutches sufficient room to maneuver as they walk so close and are often quite rude. I was on crutches for a short time and it made me conscious of the importance of being considerate and tolerant. "do unto others as you would have them do unto you." —V.L.T.

DEAR POLLY — In line with our President's request to save I have found a way for conserving precious water. When starting to wash dishes I partially fill the pan with water. As I rinse the dishes I hold them over the dish pan. The hot water that ordinarily would just run down the drain is saved. —MILDRED

DEAR POLLY — If you are bothered by stray animals spending the night in your garage try emptying a box of moth balls around the floor. They lose their potency in about a month and must be replaced. Do not do this if there are small children around who could mistake the moth balls for candy. —JOANN

It might be easier just to keep the garage door closed. —POLLY

For Repair Job

After wallpapering a room, hang a roll of the same type of paper in the attic or a closet where air will get to it. It will fade just as that on the wall does. Then, when you need the same paper for a repair job, you will have it the exact shade.



TEARS OR LAUGHTER? — Shawn Crouch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Crouch of the Chaparral Apartments, registers mixed emotions when confronted by Santa Claus at a recent Christmas party.

Alumnae Honor College Actives

The Midland Alumnae Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi had a tea recently in the home of Mrs. E. Dale McCarter, 1703 Bedford Drive, honoring collegiate members of the sorority and their mothers. Assisting with hospitalities were Mrs. D. Bruce Pope, Mrs. D. T. Keller, Mrs. Vincent Bash III, Mrs. Howard Davis, Mrs. C. R. Kreuz, Mrs. Howard Parker and Mrs. John Foster. Special guests included Mrs. R. E. Switzer of Slaton and Mrs. B. F. Watts Jr. and Mrs. Roderick Paton of Houston. The serving tables were covered with red felt and net Christmas cloths. Centerpieces were Christmas greenery and red and white carnations arranged in silver containers. Alpha Delta Pi is the oldest secret society in the world for college women, with 129 collegiate chapters and 395 alumnae groups. The Midland collegiate members honored attend Eastern New Mexico University, North Texas State University, Sam Houston State University, Southern Methodist University, Southwest Texas State University, Texas Christian University, Texas Tech University, University of Texas-Austin and West Texas State University.



REUNION LUNCHEON — Jean Wilder, left, of Houston, holiday visitor with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilder, 3207 Sinclair St., visits with Mrs. Sarto Jaminet of Coffeyville, Kan., during a luncheon Tuesday in the Wilder home. Miss Wilder and Mrs. Jaminet, who is women's editor of the Coffeyville newspaper and a feature writer, were roommates at the University of Missouri and had not seen each other in 35 years. Mrs. Jaminet and her husband are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Rucker of 3311 Terrace St. Miss Wilder retired recently from the Texas Employment Commission.

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Engaged Couple Honored At Party

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Barnes entertained recently in their home, 1610 W. Pine St., with a champagne party honoring Cathy White and her fiancé, Benton New. Miss White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George White, 2201 Seaboard St., and New, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton New of Lisse, are to be married Jan. 25 in the First United Methodist Church in Austin. On the serving table was an arrangement of Christmas greenery and holly with red and white Sims carnations, accented with red apples. A cheese table in the solarium was centered with tiers of fresh fruit and holly and was skirted in gay-colored cotton overlaid with a white cutwork cloth. Red velvet apples and white satin ribbon corsages, carrying out the chosen theme, were presented to the honoree, her mother and members of the house party, who were Mrs. Edward Gideon, Becky Gideon, Mrs. Jack Hitt and Peggy Barnes.

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Dear Abby

—By Abigail van Buren

This Tip May Save A Life Sometime

DEAR READERS: If you are in a restaurant (or in your own home) and someone started to choke on a piece of meat, would you know what to do? Well, neither would I—until my friend Casey gave me the following information which I want to share with you:

After reading that 2,600 Americans choked to death last year on food or other objects, Dr. Henry Heimlich, a Cincinnati surgeon, worked out a procedure for saving choking victims, which I think bears remembering. It goes like this:

Standing behind the victim, place your arms around his waist, slightly above the waist. Allow the victim's head and torso to bend forward. Then tightly grasp your own wrist with your other hand and press into the victim's abdomen forcefully and rapidly, repeating several times. This will push up the diaphragm, compress the air into the lungs and expel the object that is blocking the air passage.

Until now, choking victims have often died unless a doctor was handy to cut an air passage into the throat, or use a special instrument to remove the block.

Reports received by Dr. Heimlich indicate that 40 lives have been saved with this procedure since it was published in a medical journal.

DEAR ABBY: The late John Barrymore, who was reputed to have been one of the world's greatest lovers, said, "Sex is the thing that takes up the least amount of time and causes the most amount of trouble."

The longer I read your column, Dear Abby, the more convinced am I that Barrymore was right.

ANOTHER LOVER

DEAR LOVER: If Barrymore really said that, he couldn't have been much of a lover.

DEAR ABBY: After 25 years of marriage and a nice family, I found out my husband was unfaithful to me. Because of a death in my family in another state, we were apart for two months. During that time my husband said he got lonely and found this divorcee who was also lonely, so they became good friends and went out to dinner together several nights a week, to the movies, Sunday afternoon drives, etc.

He claims there was nothing more than a few kisses exchanged between them. He says he loves me and needs me but wants to continue being friends with this other woman. He says there is no reason why the three of us can't be friends and go out to dinner occasionally. He wants to be able to stop at her house to "just talk" when he feels like it.

I finally met her, and she told me she had no intentions of interfering with my marriage. She just wants to be friends. Abby, I love my husband, but I can't go along with this threesome.

We are financially comfortable, our children are married, and now we could enjoy life, but I don't want to share my husband with another woman. The sound of her name just tears me up. Help me before I crack up. I suggested counseling and he said it isn't necessary.

CRACKING UP

DEAR CRACKING: Hang in there, you're on the right track. There is no way you can be "friends" with this woman. Counseling IS necessary. If he won't go, go without him and learn how to handle this born again Casanova.

Newtimers Meet For Yule Party

The Newtimers Couples' Bridge Club met recently for a Christmas party at Ranchland Hill Country Club. There were eight tables of bridge.

Prizes went to Melvin Richardson and Lois Hulsey for high man and woman. Other winners were C. B. Batchelor, Betty McClure, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hill, O. C. Bowwell and Shirley Marshall. Special prize winners were Rod Danielson and Juanita Richardson.

Prevent Slipping

When cutting summer dresses from thin materials, you can keep them from slipping and sliding on the table top by placing a pad, felt side up, on the table before you begin. Not only does this make your cutting more accurate but it also protects your table top.

Breakfast Held For LHS Seniors

Nine junior students of Lee High School recently entertained 25 LHS senior girls with a breakfast in the home of Luther, Kathy Shepherd, Gladys Chiam, 3815 W. Shendon. Lucchi, Polly Nancy and Lanny Waldrop.

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TRADITIONAL DOLLS — Mrs. James Laughlin of 4410 Erie St., right, at the ages of 7 and 9 received dolls from her mother, Mrs. J. D. Moore, 4315 Harlowe St., left. Mrs. Laughlin's daughters, Kimberly, 9, second from left, and Lynela, 7, received recently the same dolls, which they are shown admiring.

Gamma Phi Beta Tea Scheduled

The Midland Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta will have a Christmas tea honoring pledges and actives from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Monday in the home of Mrs. William N. Beach, 3209 Apperson Drive.

A special guest at the tea will be Mrs. Isham P. Nelson Jr. of Dallas, national finance chairman of the sorority. She is the sister of Mrs. Beach.

Alumnae of the sorority new to Midland may contact Mrs. Beach for additional information.

Coming Events

Saturday

Missionary Volunteer Society of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 3 p.m. church.

Auxiliary to Texas Postal Union Workers, 8:30 p.m. party and dance, Midland County Exhibit Building.

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ANNUAL PARTY — The Eastside Neighborhood Action Center, 1411 E. Garden Lane, recently honored its senior citizens with an annual Christmas party. Pictured are, left to right, Manuel Veloz, Mrs. Manuel Veloz, Rodrigo Lopez, Juanita Martinez and Felipe Perales.

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Mt. St. Michel Rises Unexpectedly Over Normandy Coast

By JUDY SUND.
Cruisy News Service

MT. ST. MICHEL, France—Out of the vast green flatness of the Normandy coast, this dramatic vertical rises unexpectedly against the sky. A jagged rock crowned by Gothic spires, Mt. St. Michel towers 200 feet above the surrounding landscape.

At high tide it's an island fortress, linked to the mainland by a narrow causeway. But when the tide rolls back, taking the sea 10 miles distant, "the Mont," beached and alone, seems to grow from nowhere.

Until the causeway's construction in 1875, the island was inaccessible at high tide. Despite this imposed isolation, or perhaps because of it, the rock has been inhabited for 12 centuries. Held by an order of Benedictines during the Middle

Age, Mt. St. Michel was a pilgrimage place drawing thousands of worshippers who made the monks rich enough to build a fabulous cathedral at the rock's summit and a strong fortress at its base. In the late 18th Century, Napoleon recognized its potential and seized it for use as a prison during the French Revolution.

Today, Mt. St. Michel's interesting history, spectacular location and architectural remains mingle with centuries of moss and cobwebs to create all the mystery and mood the tourist to Europe craves. Seven hours from Paris, in the far reaches of Normandy where one sees more sheep than people, the Mont is far enough from the tourist track to retain its serenity.

Even at low tide it's best to approach via the causeway,

for the surrounding beach is notorious for quicksand, and hikers are warned of rapidly changing tides—coming in at a speed one guidebook compares to that of "a galloping horse"—that have a variance of up to 50 feet.

To reach the ecclesiastical buildings one must climb the steep stone streets of the village that's grown up at the rock's perimeter. The air is so thick with the scents of omelette, saffron and French pastry that many an ambitious hiker falls by the wayside—long enough, at least, to sample the Norman cuisine.

Once at the top, tourists may choose between a 45-minute guided tour (in French) or almost unlimited independent wandering.

Touring the abbey unescorted,

we managed to spend three hours exploring the intricate maze of buildings, ranging across miles of flatlands to the apple orchards and dairies beyond, and to touch the money or wonder at the fantastic architecture.

The abbey is multi-leveled and the visitor will reveal a contrast—from dark, cool, damp, noisy quarters to lovely, flower-filled cloisters overlooking the sea, where time walking and meditating.

It's great fun to come lost in the labyrinthine, lower-level passages, listening to the wind whistle down a hallway or sending your echo down a deep stairwell. In assessment are

huge wooden pulleys whose ropes still lift supplies to the priests at the top.

Gargoyles, the mascots of medieval architecture, loom everywhere. Feroocious dog-like beasts, carved of stone, they were mounted high on each sacred wall—ostensibly to ward off evil spirits but, more practically, to serve as rain gutters. In damp Normandy, moisture drips continuously from their gaping jaws, and years of rainwater have dulled their once-sharp fangs.

The abbey is closed at noon-time so Mass may be said, but the public is welcome—provided you can convince the zealous, French-speaking gatekeeper of your pious intentions. You must remain for the entire service, he warns, and actually, you'll have no

choice. Once inside, he locks the iron gates behind you.

The cathedral features a Romanesque nave and transept, flanked by an elaborate Gothic choir.

Things have changed considerably since the abbey's heyday, and the church seems vast and empty as you enter to find just a handful of worshippers gathered near the altar of a church built for hundreds.

The interior is tastefully simple. Orange and brown glazed tiles catch the rays of sunlight that drift across the floor, and reflect the bouquets of cattails and marsh grasses which, arranged in huge earthenware jugs, seem fitting decoration for this island sanctuary.

It takes a man's whole strength to ring the giant

churchbells. As the bell ropes scolded, the priest was jerked up off the floor, and high above, the enormous clanging began, raising a few of the birds who keep their nests near the ceiling.

Two priests sang high Mass in unison, their harmonies reverberating through the nave and mingling with the chirping and fluttering of the birds. No one seemed particularly anxious to escape when the gatekeeper returned to release us.

Before leaving the abbey complex, tourists should have a look at the souvenir shop which, in addition to the usual picture postcards, features a series of detailed architectural models which trace the abbey's growth from a one-room oratory built in 708 to the sprawling mass of turrets and towers that is today known as "the wonder of the West," Mt. St. Michel.

Reconciliation Underlying Goal Of Holy Year

By GEORGE CORNELL.
NEW YORK (AP)—A door is opened, a barrier breached. The intent was for antagonisms to be overcome and the separated to come together in friendship, with each other and with their God.

That was the underlying theme and hope of a special 1975 Holy Year, launched by Roman Catholicism on Christmas Eve this week in Rome,

with the opening in St. Peter's Basilica of a walled-up door.

"I am the door," Jesus said, laying the basis for the ceremonial gesture. "If any one enters by me, he will be saved."

Opening of the special church door, kept sealed since the last observance of a Holy Year Jubilee a quarter-century ago, symbolizes full accessibility to humanity of Christ's pardon and grace.

Catholicism is putting year-long emphasis on that bestowal of forgiveness and restoration of broken relationships, an objective that also has implications for other Christians and for Judaism.

"Renewal and reconciliation" is the keynote set by Pope Paul VI.

In the extensive preparations for the year, varied suggestions have come from many quarters for steps by the church and others to heal conflicts and renew

ties, both spiritually and gibly.

Numerous Protestant Catholic scholars have special efforts toward coming cleavages between denominations and rebuilding unity.

To further that cause, Rev. Avery Dulles, a noted theologian of the

University of America, suggests that the Church lift its condemnations of those who reject certain of its doctrines about the Virgin Mary.

Referring to Catholic dogmas of Mary's immaculate conception (birth without sin) and bodily assumption into heaven, he questioned whether these beliefs are so central that failure

to assent to them was an adequate basis for excluding persons from the faith.

He says removing the anathemas about them would contribute to reconciliation with other Christians—one of the aims of the Holy Year.

Protestants do not accept the two dogmas, defined by Catholics in 1854 and 1860.

Pointing up links with Judaism, the Vatican has issued a booklet on the origins of the "holy year" in the ancient Jewish Year of Jubilee, prepared by Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, of the American Jewish Committee.

In the ancient Jewish observance, set forth in the Book of Leviticus, debts were forgiven,

land restored to its original owners and slaves freed.

Citing these acts of clemency, Pope Paul has appealed to governments to consider granting amnesty to prisoners, particularly political prisoners "who may have been caught up in political and social upheavals too immense for them to be held fully responsible."

Rev. Robert Wright To Celebrate Mass

The Rev. Robert Wright, OMI, the first member of St. Ann's Catholic Church here to be ordained a priest, will celebrate a special "Mass of Thanksgiving" at 7 p.m. Saturday at St. Ann's.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Wright Jr. of 1613 N. H. St., Mr. Wright was ordained Dec. 22 at the parish church in San Juan by Bishop John J. Fitzpatrick of the Brownsville Diocese. He is a member of the missionary order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, which maintains its Texas headquarters in San Antonio.

A Missouri native, he moved with his family in 1949 to Midland where he was graduated from St. Ann's School in 1968. He attended high school at St. Anthony's Seminary in San Antonio.

Mr. Wright attended St. Mary's University and St. Peter's Novitiate before leaving in 1968 to study at the Oblate Seminary and Gregorianum University in Rome, Italy.

He has served a year at John the Baptist Church in San Juan, with the pastoral team, having been ordained a deacon in the fall of 1973.

All members of the parish and Mr. Wright's friends have been invited to attend the special Mass Saturday at St. Ann's. Two of the newly ordained priest's brothers, Chris and Eric, will assist him at the altar. A reception in the Parish Center will follow the Mass, hosted by the St. Ann's Altar Society.

Mr. Wright, in addition to celebrating the special Mass Saturday night, will also preach at the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. masses the following day.

Christian Living School Slated Soon

The annual School of Christian Living will be an event of early 1975 in the Tall City.

Dates for the school, sponsored by the Midland Association of Churches, are Jan. 12-16. Classes will be held in First Presbyterian Church here.

The Rev. Caleb Hildebrand, pastor of St. Mark's United Methodist Church, will serve as dean of the 1975 school.

College Youth To Lead Services

College youth of First Baptist Church will have charge of the evening worship service Sunday.

The young adults will present special music and also will share their testimony with the congregation during the worship hour, scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

Religion



TIME FOR A BREAK — The cloistered Carmelite Sisters enjoy archery and during a brief recreation break at their monastery in Carmel, Calif. They are not allowed to speak except during recreation periods, are allowed two breaks a day. (AP Wirephoto.)

Former Midlander Completing 5 Years As Associate Minister

Elizabeth S. (Betsy) Johnson, a former Midlander, is completing 5 1/2 years' service as associate minister of Fort Worth's First Presbyterian Church and soon will begin work toward a doctoral degree at Texas Christian University's Britte Divinity School.

Miss Johnson will preach Sunday at the morning worship service of the Fort Worth church. Her parents, Mrs. Bertha S. Johnson and Donald S. Johnson, both of Midland, will attend the service and a reception to be held in her honor following the worship hour.

Miss Johnson will also be a part-time instructor in the religion department at TCU while working on her doctorate. She holds a B.A. degree from Austin College at Sherman and a divinity degree from the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Austin.

During her years in Fort Worth, Miss Johnson has served on various committees in the

presbytery and synod. Currently she is Moderator-in-Nomination in the Presbytery of the Covenant.

Memorial Christian Selects New Officers

New officers of the board of Memorial Christian Church were named at a recent meeting.

Heading the congregational governing body for the coming year are Eugene Greenwood, chairman; Roger McCracken, vice chairman; Fredna McHain, secretary; Jim Henry, treasurer, and Fred Yates, financial secretary.

Butterflies and moths belong to a large group of insects known as Lepidoptera, which on various committees in the means scale-wing.

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Cost-Price Squeeze Threatens To Cut Record Corn Crop

CENTRALIA, Ill. (AP) — A cost-price squeeze is threatening to take a healthy bite out of a record corn crop predicted by the government for 1975, agricultural experts say.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has forecast that good weather could stimulate a 6.7 billion bushel crop.

But the president of the National Corn Growers Association says a larger supply of corn will mean a lower price for farmers — who may divert acreage to other crops like soybeans. He thinks the government projection is about 600 million bushels too high.

A University of Illinois expert agrees.

A 4.1 billion bushel crop would still surpass the current record of 3.64 billion bushels set in 1973. In 1974 the crop was a disappointing 4.03 billion bushels.

"We look for the real possibility for the price of corn to decline to the cost of production level or maybe even below it in the next 12 months with average weather," said Walter Goepfinger of Boone, Iowa, the NCGA president.

He said inflation and the demand for products required to meet the official projection are driving up production costs.

"We are going to see a price-cost squeeze here," he said. "We are going to see, probably, a reduction in the price of corn and an increase in the price of operation still further."

Corn has sold at about \$3 a bushel recently, and by planting time the price could fall more than 50 cents, Goepfinger said. He compared that with a production cost of \$3.47 a bushel on land that will produce an average yield, about 126 bushels an acre.

"I think that's right. I think that obviously it is going to be much closer than it has been in the last two years," said Dr. Royce Hinton, a University of Illinois specialist in farm management.

Hinton said corn could fall to \$2 with a very large crop, and farmers will have to decide whether to plant enough corn to meet the government projection or divert the acreage to soybeans.

Hinton said much of the new corn acreage would be marginally productive, shaving the profit margin very thin. In addition, soybeans can yield farmers a better price for their cost because fertilizer is cheaper and seed can come from the previous crop.

Corn fertilizer prices doubled in the past year and other costs also rose — for seed, land, farm machinery, fuel and other items.

Autopsies Under Way in Apparent Methadone Deaths

WACO, Tex. (AP) — Autopsies were expected to be completed today on the bodies of two men who died in Waco hospitals, after taking methadone treatments at the local health and mental retardation center.

The center suspended treatments as a probe continued into the deaths of Robert Lee Spratt, 33, and Arthur Joe Williams, 31. Both Waco men died Christmas Day.

Three other persons who had treatments about the same time as Spratt and Williams were hospitalized, but center officials said several other persons who took similar treatments apparently suffered no ill effects.

A justice of the peace who made a preliminary inquiry into the cases said massive lung congestion apparently caused the deaths.

A statement issued by the center said in part: "Information has come to us that indicates that the dose of methadone to the decedents and the hospitalized persons may have been higher than intended."

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INK SNEAR — Joe Mushro, 59, maintenance worker at a Phoenix nursing home, says he was offered \$28,000 by a Nevada collector for his ink-smeared \$20 bill. Mushro said he was delighted when he got the bill, apparently by mistake, when he cashed his paycheck. Local dealers questioned the offer, saying the highest price quoted for misprints was \$1,750. (AP Wirephoto.)

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Ismail's chief of staff, 53-year-old Lt. Gen. Abdel Ghany Gamas, was named war minister Thursday. He has been running the armed forces since Ismail became ill last July, and no major changes are expected.

When Ismail's army crossed the Suez Canal on Oct. 6, 1973, and drove the Israeli forces from the Bar-Lev Line they had built along the east bank of the waterway, it destroyed the legend of Israeli military invincibility and gave the Arab world its first major military success against Israel since the 1948 Palestine war.

Israeli forces struck back with their own crossing of the canal, occupying the southern half of the canal's west bank and cutting off 20,000 Egyptian troops in the southern Sinai Desert. But the jubilant Egyptian public ignored that, and the outcome of the war was a gain for Egypt since Israel as Egypt's representative in the cease-fire talks with Israel and later in the talks that arranged the implementation of the disengagement agreement negotiated by Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger.

Gamas was the first Egyptian general in more than 20 years to sit down at a negotiating table with Israeli generals.

Gamas and Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy will fly to Moscow on Saturday in response to an "urgent" invitation Thursday from Soviet Communist party leader Leonid Brezhnev, the semi-official newspaper Al-Ahram reported.

The report said they would discuss plans for Brezhnev's visit to Cairo, but the circumstances of the invitation and the inclusion of Gamas indicated that important military matters would be taken up.

Induction Ceremony Scheduled Thursday For County Officers

Judge Perry D. Pickett of the 14th District Court here is to administer the oath of office Thursday, Jan. 2, to nine county and district officials elected to posts in the November general election.

The ceremony is to take place beginning at 9 a.m. in the District Courtroom, Midland County Courthouse.

To be sworn into office are:

- Joseph Mims, domestic relations court judge since 1965.
- Barbara Culver, Midland County judge since 1963.

- Winfree Brown, county commissioner of Precinct 4 since 1971.
- Charlie Welch, county commissioner of Precinct 3 since 1969.
- Madge Wallis, who will be entering her first term as district court clerk. She succeeded the retiring clerk, Ruby Murry.
- Roselle Cherry, county clerk since 1961.
- Dee Thompson, county treasurer since 1969.
- Robert H. Pine, justice of the peace for Precinct 1, Place 2, since 1964.
- Max Schramm, county surveyor since 1963.

Kidnaped Florida Boy Found Beaten, Left in Swamp

NAPLES, Fla. (AP) — A badly beaten 10-year-old boy was reunited with his parents today, a week after he apparently was abducted from his suburban Miami home, police said.

Christopher Carrier of Coral Gables was found in the Big Cypress Swamp by a hunter Thursday night, officials said. His parents joined him at Naples Community Hospital, where a spokesman said Chris had a number of injuries, including a head wound.

A doctor said some wounds looked like cigarette burns.

Chris disappeared last Friday after stepping off a school bus near his home. His father, attorney Hugh Carrier, offered a \$10,000 reward for information about his whereabouts.

"Our prayers and those of the tens of thousands that have let us know they were praying for Chris have been answered," Carrier said.

The hunter, Roy Jones of Bradenton, told police he found the boy beside a dirt road, took him to his hunting camp, fed him and notified police.

Police said the boy gave them a description of a man who, he said, took him from Coral Gables in a car.

Following the swearing-in ceremony will be a public reception on the courthouse's third floor. The reception will be sponsored by Mrs. Wallis.

Longer-Lasting Appliances Seen

BURLINGTON, Mass. (AP) — Technology developed for the astronauts may lead to longer-lasting vacuum cleaners and blenders, according to Dr. Leonard Katz of Astro Dynamics.

Katz designed a brushless DC-direct current-motor for use in lunar astronaut's backpacks. The lack of a brush to pass current into the motor's windings resulted in a simpler, more reliable device.

As a result, he said, he has now found a way to increase the speed and longevity of AC-alternating current-motors, commonly used to run household appliances, among other things.

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There are sound reasons Americans should conserve energy. Here are a few of the more compelling ones:

- Oil and natural gas, which furnish most of our energy, are finite in quantity and irreplaceable in our lifetime. Nobody should waste them, but the U.S. probably wastes more energy than some small countries use.
- The oil-exporting countries, which have quadrupled the price of their oil since October of 1973, have just announced another price increase, effective January 1, and are talking of possible further increases. And there's always the possibility of another embargo.
- Our country's bill of \$25 billion a year for imported oil is depressing our economy, worsening inflation, draining the American people's money out of the country, and damaging our balance of payments. And the price of OPEC oil will be even higher next year.
- Lead times of 10 to 20 years will be required to develop enough domestic energy supplies, from both conventional and nonconventional sources, to free us from excessive dependence on other countries and to enable us to disentangle energy problems from political problems.

Unfortunately, people differ widely on just what "energy conservation" means. Certainly nobody can argue against cutting out waste, which can be defined broadly as the consumption of energy for no significant benefit: too many electric lights burning, heating or cooling of unused space, inadequate insulation in homes and buildings, unnecessary trips. High costs are beginning to reduce this sort of waste, by businesses and individuals—dramatically in some cases. Sound public policy can serve to reduce it further.

True conservation picks up where waste leaves off, and dictates more-efficient use of energy in useful functions: greater reliance on public transportation, strict enforcement of lower speed limits, keeping homes and offices cooler in winter and warmer in summer.

But all these are, in effect, one-time savings. Once they have been achieved, energy consumption will begin to rise again, even if at a slower rate than before.

And once these relatively quick and easy savings have been achieved, larger-scale conservation of energy will involve such long-term efforts as phasing into the automobile population increasing numbers of cars that will get better mileage than most of the heavier vehicles now on the road—a task of a decade or more, but one with an economic incentive . . . retaining building codes across the country

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10. The role of government

We have made it abundantly clear that we put our faith in the free market as man's best engine for economic progress and that we think much of what government has done with respect to energy has been counterproductive. We believe history supports our position.

Is there, then, no role for government in the energy industries? Should government simply do nothing at all? On the contrary. Government has an important and affirmative role to play.

We believe its productive role lies in the sphere of the political, in the best sense of the word—balancing off various national needs, formulating policies, setting objectives, establishing appropriate incentives to the private sector to achieve those objectives, monitoring progress toward objectives, and, perhaps most important, providing leadership.

In our view, government should not try to perform economic functions that the marketplace performs more efficiently and more equitably. Where energy is concerned, government's most basic role should be to formulate a realistic and comprehensive national energy policy designed to increase the economic and strategic security of U.S. energy supplies.

Only government can set forth national goals and work out the necessary compromises between differing interests and viewpoints. Only national leadership can reconcile the conflicting objectives of environmental protection with economic growth, supply security with cost, cost with social equity, and international leadership for the U.S. with international equity.

We must place the national interest in energy matters above regional or other special interests, and only government can see to that. Only government can develop the ground rules under which private industry must work.

Once the government has reached reasonable and acceptable balances among all the conflicting interests, we believe task forces drawn from industry, government, universities, research organizations, and elsewhere should proceed to develop timetables with quantified goals for such component elements as oil, natural gas, nuclear power, gasification and liquefaction of coal, and, in a longer time frame, energy from more-exotic sources.

One of many reasons the government should put itself on the record with a clear-cut energy policy is the need to minimize the delays created by unnecessary uncertainty. It is uncertainty, as much as anything else, that deters investment. The value of constancy and consistency can hardly be overestimated. They are essential to the business planning that is a prerequisite to the unprecedentedly large capital expenditures and research programs mandated by the energy situation.

The United States has the natural resource base, the technical skills, the management, the skilled labor, and the organization to meet future energy needs. Private business can probably raise the huge amounts of capital that will be required, if it sees the prospect of adequately attractive rates of return.

This means that in formulating energy policy, government should devote itself primarily to establishing goals and priorities and a healthy climate for investment.

What is going to be critical to carrying out a national energy policy is flexibility, resourcefulness, dedication, adaptability, and risk-taking. The preeminent contribution that responsible government can make is to nurture these qualities in the private sector and to make sure that adequate rewards await those who earn them by serving the public well.

In assaying its proper role in energy, government would do well to remember this: Unless we assure ourselves of the energy required to sustain the well-being of the American people, no arms or armament can assure the nation's security, nor can social programs of whatever nature assure its stability. And only a viable private sector can provide adequate supplies at the lowest cost consistent with the need to continue providing supplies.

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BUSINESS NEWS

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REPLACEMENT COSTS SKYROCKET — Bill Dillon, CLU, State Farm Fire and Casualty Insurance, 1202 Andrews Highway, says homeowners insurance coverage falls short as replacement costs skyrocket. See him or phone 694-9536 and learn the true advantages of moving to State Farm Homeowners Insurance Policy.

State Farm Can Assist You On Home Insurance

Insurance renewal time has become a shocking experience for many Midland homeowners as property values swell at rates averaging close to 15 per cent per year, according to Bill Dillon, 1202 Andrews Highway.

For those who aren't keeping their homeowners policies up with the inflated values of their homes, cost of repairs or replacements in case of damage could be an even greater shock.

Statistics from the Consumer Price Index of the U. S. Department of Labor show that \$100 worth of house maintenance and repairs in 1967 would cost at least \$162.20 this summer. In specific categories, the increases look like this:

- \$145.10 for the commodities used in house maintenance and repair.
- \$169.50 for the labor.
- \$179.90 for repainting living rooms and dining rooms.
- \$180.50 for resingling roofs.
- \$159.50 for residing houses.

The Texas Affairs Office of the insurance information Institute warns that these rising costs are leaving many people badly underinsured.

Although most insurance companies have for several years encouraged policy owners to increase their coverage by 15 to 20 per cent every three years, some industry people are starting to worry that this increase may no longer be adequate.

Coverage of 80 per cent of replacement cost is all that is required to be fully insured under standard Texas homeowners' policies; however, a policy written for 80 per cent of value is inadequate almost as soon as it is written. The 80 per cent figure is important because coverage under replacement cost provisions is reduced by whatever percentage the coverage falls short of 80 per cent of actual replacement value.

In case of the total loss of a home, the insured will be reimbursed by whatever the value of the policy was but recovery on partial losses, which are more frequent, may fall far below the cost to get the loss repaired.

If the roof is damaged on a home insured to at least 80 per cent of replacement cost, the insurance company will bear the full replacement cost (less the deductible), even though the value of the roof itself may be half or nearly completely depreciated.

But if the homeowner is insured for only 60 per cent of the total replacement cost of his home, for instance, he is underinsured by 25 per cent. The insurance company may only pay 75 per cent of replacement cost (or the actual depreciated value of the roof, if that should be greater), less deductions.

But a different scenario could develop, depending on the moves made by the rival contenders and their supporters in the Senate.

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Adjusters tend to be lenient when the insurance has fallen below the 80 per cent level, if there has been a reasonable effort on the part of the homeowner to keep the policy updated.

Inflated construction costs are eating at insurance coverage in another way. The standard \$100 deductible clause was replaced a few years ago with a one per cent deductible clause.

To a homeowner who had a \$100 deductible on a \$20,000 policy when he purchased his home six years ago, this would mean only a \$200 deductible on his original coverage, and \$300 standard deductible on the \$30,000 policy he probably needs now.

Rising property values are generally welcomed by people who own their homes already, but the frequently forgotten partner is replacement values and insurance costs.

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Injured Houston Youth Gains Rich Settlement

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston youth permanently injured in a traffic accident will receive more than \$100,000 annually for the rest of his life after the out-of-court settlement of a lawsuit, a lawyer says.

James Alexander, 16, a high school dropout who lost use of his legs and arms in a traffic accident on his 16th birthday, will be the recipient of a long-term trust fund at a local bank by a group of insurance companies.

"This could have never been possible without the full understanding and cooperation of the insurance companies and the bank, Joe Jamall, lawyer for Alexander, said in announcing the Thursday settlement.

Jamall said part of the agreement also included an undisclosed cash settlement and enables Alexander to designate a recipient for \$1 million when the trust ends.

Alexander was working as a plumber's helper at the time of the Aug. 27, 1972, two-car collision in which four other persons died.

Jamall did not identify the Houston bank that is to handle the trust. He said his negotiations were with Continental Insurance Co. and affiliated firms.

New Hampshire Contest May Delay Work In Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate's normal business may be delayed at the start of the new Congress for what could be a long process of deciding between two claimants to a Senate seat from New Hampshire.

The struggle between Republican Louis C. Wyman and Democrat John A. Durkin apparently will be the first in which two claimants possessed certificates of election to a Senate seat.

When the new Congress begins on Jan. 14 all other Senate business may be brought to a standstill until a decision is reached on whom to seat, Senate aides say.

The rules provide that all questions and motions arising from the presentation of a new senator's credentials "shall be proceeded with until disposed of."

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CONTEST DEDICATION — Employees of Midland Kirby Co., 3406 Thomason Drive, in order to show their appreciation and affection, are dedicating their next campaign to Mrs. C. C. Sides (left) former manager of Midland Kirby Co. and deceased wife of C. C. Sides, owner. Mrs. Sides died in November of this year.

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Eight States Face Integration Woes At College Level

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Court-ordered desegregation plans submitted to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare by eight states fail to define adequately how the systems can reverse segregation patterns in higher education, the Southern Education Foundation says.

The foundation, established to monitor education in the South, said in a report Thursday that Negroes are underrepresented in college enrollment because of standardized tests administered as culling devices, inadequate recruitment programs, and lack of sufficient financial aid.

"Most of the plans submitted fell short of defining adequately how the state systems expect to turn around the continuing segregation in higher education and the longtime neglect of the predominantly black state colleges," the report said.

A federal court required the states to file the college-level desegregation plans by June 1, 1974, under threat of losing federal funds.

A lawsuit filed in 1970 resulted in the federal court order affecting 10 states—Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

The court determined that those states and nine others to come under the order later were operating, in effect, "separate but equal" colleges and universities.

Louisiana refused to comply with the directive to file a plan and now faces an HEW lawsuit. Mississippi's plan was rejected by HEW because it did not include junior colleges.

Wintry Weather Plagues Large Sectors Of Nation

By The Associated Press

Winter storms plagued motorists with snow and freezing rain over a broad stretch of the Midwest today and dumped heavy snow and rain into the Pacific Northwest.

Freezing rain and dizzily glazed sections of Missouri, Illinois and Indiana. Warnings of icy conditions extended east across the Ohio Valley. Rain spilled southward from the freeze area to the Texas and Louisiana coasts and snow whitened a wide band to the north.

Three inches of snow piled up at Lincoln, Neb., and advisories for similar accumulations ranged northeast through Iowa to Wisconsin.

The storm heaped 10 inches of snow on portions of New Mexico and gave parts of West Texas their heaviest snow in 30 years before swirling northward across the Plains into Thursday.

In the Northwest, up to 6 inches of snow blanketed Olympia, Wash., and Fairchild Air Force Base near Spokane. Four inches chilled Tacoma.

Heavy rain soaked broad south of the snow belt. About 2 inches swamped Astoria, Ore., at the mouth of the Columbia River, Thursday night to give the city a 24-hour drenching of 3 1/2 inches.

Clear skies were scarce, confined generally to the Southwest, the central Rockies and widely scattered sections of the East.

Temperatures before dawn ranged from 4 at Laramie, Wyo., and Craig, Colo., to 74 at Miami and Vero Beach, Fla.

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Yule Decoration Points Up Worry About Oil

By ENDRÉ MANTON
(An AP News Analyst)

WASHINGTON (AP) — Around Christmas time many office doors at the State Department are decorated. The decoration on the office door of assistant secretary Alfred L. Atherton was unusual this year: it consisted of 19 empty oil cans neatly strung on a silk ribbon.

Atherton is head of the bureau which handles U.S. affairs in the Middle East, and for the last two years the Middle East has meant two things: the Arab-Israeli dispute and oil.

There is little hope that it will be different in 1975. Oil might cease to be a political weapon if the Arab-Israeli dispute is solved peacefully. But the price of oil will remain an issue unless the industrialized world finds a substitute for it.

These are the melancholy conclusions of administration experts at year end. They all agree on the obvious: that the Middle East is a dangerous and volatile place. But, in line with Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's wishes, they refuse to be pessimistic about the future.

The question boils down to this: will there be another war in the Middle East in 1975? If the answer is "yes," then there is a strong possibility of another oil embargo, possibly on a larger scale than in 1973.

Any future embargo could be larger because Iran might join the Arabs in withholding oil. This would be a heavy blow for Western Europe and Japan, which are dependent to a large extent on Iran's oil.

U.S. officials are reluctant to talk about the Middle East's future and they refer to Kissinger's statement at a Dec. 3 press conference that "this phase of Middle East diplomacy should be with a minimum of public declarations."

There is some suspicion that this plea for quiet diplomacy really means that there is nothing to be said because Kissinger's efforts have produced no dramatic long-term progress, though they may have prevented another war late this fall.

Kissinger is known to believe that the time has come to push for a second-stage Israeli-Egyptian disengagement agreement.

It also is known that there has been some progress. The Israelis have given up their insistence that such a second step should be combined with some kind of political agreement, such as renunciation of war.

And the Egyptians are lessening their insistence that the second step toward disengagement should include almost all of the Sinai peninsula. Kissinger is firmly convinced that there is no alternative to the step-by-step approach that

deals separately with the many aspects of the Middle East headache. The Israelis agree, and so does President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, though the latter cannot afford to say so publicly.

Kissinger has hoped for some steps before Soviet party chief

TIA Strike Still In Total Deadlock

HOUSTON (AP) — A strike which has halted all Texas International Airlines flights in nine states and Mexico since Dec. 5 continued today with no indication of resumption of negotiations.

Jim O'Donnell, vice president, said there has been no change in the situation since negotiations with the Air Lines Employees Association were broken off at the request of a federal mediator Dec. 14.

About 1,100 ground personnel who are members of the association walked off their jobs Dec. 1 in a dispute over wages, the use of part-time employees and split work shifts.

Supervisory personnel kept part of the flights in operation until Dec. 5 when members of the Air Line Pilots Association and the Flight Attendants Association announced they agreed to honor picket lines established by the striking ground workers.

Leonid Brezhnev visits Cairo Jan. 15, though this now appears unlikely.

The second half of 1974 in the Middle East was complicated by the surge to the forefront of the Palestinian question. The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was accepted as the sole representative of the Palestinian people and its leader, Yasser Arafat, later was received at the United Nations with honors due to a head of state.

The United States has always insisted that King Hussein of Jordan is the legitimate representative of the Palestinians, and there are discreet complaints in Washington that Israel missed the opportunity for negotiations with Hussein that might have led to something.

The Israelis dismiss this theory with indignation. They admit privately that there were several meetings between the king and Israeli leaders but claim that Hussein was in no position to negotiate seriously.

The United States has no intention to press Israel to negotiate with Arafat unless the PLO renounces terrorism and accepts the fact that Israel exists. Arafat might be willing to do so, though there are some doubts that he can afford to do so, considering the extremists in his organization.

The question "Who can afford what?" is not restricted to the

PLO leader. Can Sadat afford to go ahead and negotiate with the Israelis without the Syrians and the Palestinians? Can Israeli Prime Minister Yehoshua Rabin return to Egypt, the oil fields and the strategic passes in the Sinai without endangering his precarious position in the Israeli parliament?

Kissinger once said that "the Middle East is a history of lost opportunities." Some of these opportunities were indeed lost in 1974, U.S. officials acknowledge. They pray that 1975 might be different.

President Signs Little League Bill

VAIL, Colo. (AP) — President Ford has signed into law a bill which opens Little League baseball to girls. The bill, which Ford signed Thursday, changes references in Little League's federal charter from "boys" to "young people."

Kissingers Join Rockefeller, Wife

SAN JUAN, P.R. (AP) — Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller and his wife Happy are vacationing in the Caribbean — and they have guests. Secretary of State and Mrs. Henry A. Kissinger joined the Rockefellers Thursday night, just a few hours after their arrival.

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Paper Says Iran Won't Fight On Arab Side If Another War Breaks Out

By The Associated Press
The Shah of Iran says his forces will not fight on the Arab side in another Arab-Israeli war although their sympathies will be with them, the semi-official Egyptian newspaper Al-Ahram reported today.

Al-Ahram also said Egypt's new war minister and its foreign ministers were flying to Moscow Saturday in response to an "urgent" invitation from Communist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev. A Beirut newspaper reported the Russians had offered Egyptian President Anwar Sadat the latest model MIG jets and SAM anti-aircraft missiles if he would let Soviet military and technical experts return to Egypt.

The Shah told Al-Ahram he was misinterpreted when he said in an interview with a Beirut weekly two weeks ago: "All Islamic countries would be involved in a new war with Israel. Of course we would have no choice this time. That war would be ours."

"Of course Iran is not thinking of participating in the fighting," he told Al-Ahram. "You are aware of geographical and other obstacles. But our sentiment will certainly be on your side."

The paper said War Minister Abdel Ghany Ghamasy and Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy

during their visit to Moscow would concentrate on preparations for Brezhnev's visit to Cairo next month. But the circumstances of the invitation and the inclusion of Ghamasy indicated important military matters would be discussed.

Ghamasy, who has been the Egyptian chief of staff, was appointed war minister Thursday following the death of cancer of Field Marshal Ahmed Ismail. The Egyptian government gave Ismail a state funeral today, reviving the glory of the 1973 war in which he commanded the Arab forces.

Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said in Tel Aviv that peace talks with Egypt "were objectively possible," but he stressed that any further pull-back by Israeli troops in the Sinai desert must be linked to Egyptian concessions.

Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin appealed again for peace but warned the Arabs that Israel is "stronger, readier and more prepared psychologically than ever before for war, if it is forced upon us."

Rabin told Israeli aircraft workers his government "is ready to make efforts for peace, but not peace at any price." He said it would not surrender any territory vital to its defense.

Prospects Of Oil Workers' Strike Called Very Strong

DENVER (AP) — The prospect of an industrywide strike of oil workers is very strong unless oil companies offer cost-of-living raises to offset the inflation the companies themselves helped create, the president of a 60,000-member union said Thursday.

A. F. Groszperon, who helps the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers' International union based here, said negotiations are going on now at most of the union's 400 or 500 locals. Most local contracts expire at midnight Jan. 7.

The OCAW prepared for a strike earlier this month by placing full-page advertisements in many major newspapers throughout the country explaining the union's stand.

Basically, the ads sought to show that oil companies have been making extremely high profits the past few years, and the increased cost of refined oil products is one of the major factors in the double-digit cost

of living increases in the country. The advertisements also noted that the union's money demands can be met by the oil industry without raising the price of oil products.

"It would take a 143 per cent wage increase to raise the cost of a gallon of gasoline just one cent," he said. Groszperon said the union is seeking about a 25 per cent raise each year of a three-year contract.

The average wage in the industry is about \$5.95 per hour and the union is seeking an increase of \$1.50 per hour for each contract year, plus 50 cents an hour "catchup pay." He said the companies are offering a 10 1/2 per cent increase the first year, and 7 per cent the second year of a two-year contract.

Groszperon said a proposed cost-of-living escalation clause likely will be the hangup which leads to a strike.

"The position taken by management indicates they are unequivocally opposed to a cost-of-living clause," he said. "That is our number one item and if the industry doesn't change its position we would have a strike."

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Man Is Battling City Hall On Parking Ticket Issue

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. (AP) — Overtime parking tickets have long presented many motorists with a pesky problem, but in the mountains of Appalachia there has arisen a champion who hopes to change things.

He's H. Ray Evans and he's battling the forces of City Hall.

A balding, bespectacled man of 33, Evans doesn't look much like the traditional epic hero. But he does have impressive credentials. He has 48 — count 'em, 48 — parking tickets.

Presented recently with a \$215 bill from the city Finance Department, Evans decided the dun was one Christmas gift he could do without.

Evans spent two hours in municipal court here last week. He told the judge the tickets should be dismissed. He also alleged that the city uses a double standard in its collection procedures, letting out-of-state drivers off the hook while putting the screws to easy-to-reach locals.

Charles Doorill, an attorney for Citizens for Responsive

Government, is supporting Evans as a friend of the court. Doorill appeared last week and told the court that city ordinances uniformly discriminate against hometown drivers.

Esther Williams Faces Drunken Driving Charge

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Esther Williams, Hollywood's swimming pool mermaid of the 1940s and 1950s, has been booked for investigation of drunken driving.

The 51-year-old actress, whose movies included "Dangerous When Wet" and " Neptune's Daughter," was stopped by the California Highway Patrol about 11:30 p.m. Christmas night. Police said her car was weaving and had exceeded the 55 mile-an-hour speed limit.

Police said Miss Williams failed a sobriety test. She spent 1 1/2 hours in jail before her husband, actor Fernando Lamas, posted \$300 bail.

Evans also contended the belated billing, which included tickets as much as a year old, was unfair. He added that he has owned six cars during the past year and that many of the tickets were issued while the vehicles were being used by friends, thereby relieving him of responsibility.

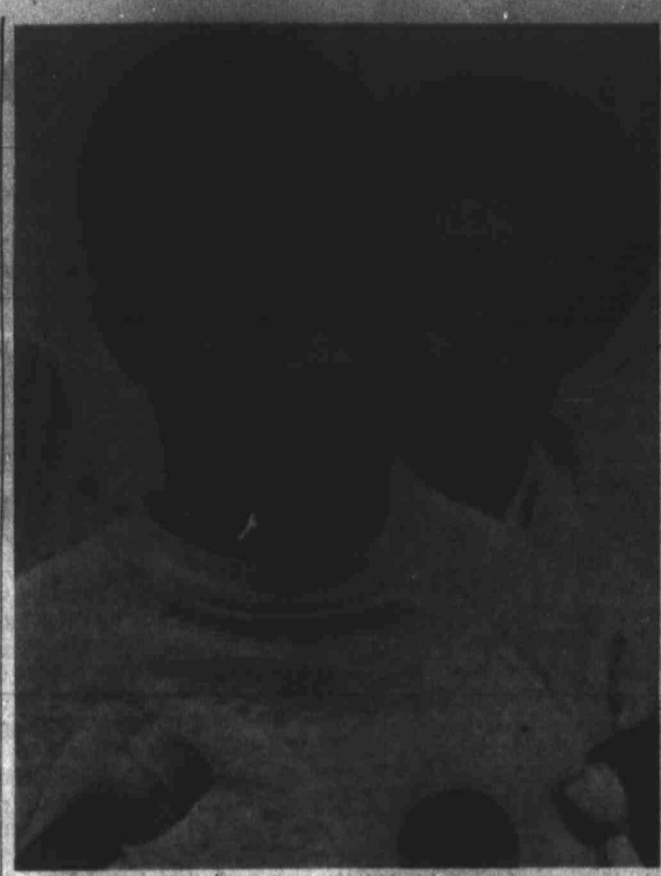
A newspaper advertising salesman, Evans is acting as his own attorney and refuses to discuss particulars of the case, which has been continued until Jan. 2.

But actions speak louder than words, as they say, and Evans took one last Saturday that clearly illustrates he is not a man to cling to a grudge or be riddled by rancor.

He married a meter maid.

Ex-Grid Coach Dies

NATCHITOCHE, La. (AP) — Harr "Rags" Turpin, 71, head football coach at Northwestern State University from 1934 to 1956, died Thursday night after a long illness.



INMATE LEADER — Thomas Reed, an inmate leader who is serving two life terms for murder at Lorton Reformatory in Virginia, meets with newsmen Thursday after a group of armed inmates released seven hostages unharmed following a two-day siege. Reed said, "All this stems from the dehumanizing conditions at Lorton." (AP Wirephoto.)

Corrections Director Promises To Keep No-Reprisal Pledge In Prison Rebellion

LORTON, Va. (AP) — The District of Columbia's corrections director says he intends to fulfill a no-reprisal pledge that helped win a peaceful end to a 19-hour convict rebellion at Lorton Reformatory.

About 80 inmates surrendered their seven guard hostages and ended their occupation of the maximum-security wing of the prison complex Thursday afternoon.

The takeover ended peacefully after officials pledged to improve living conditions at the District of Columbia's penal compound 15 miles south of Washington, D.C., and promised no forced transfers to other facilities.

But the key was a letter from acting U.S. Atty. David H. Hopkins, approved by his Justice Department superiors, that said any prosecutions resulting from the takeover "will be made only upon consultation with (D.C. Corrections Director) Delbert Jackson or his staff and fair and calm consideration of the facts...."

"no immunity from prosecution through the side of the getaway car."

But Jackson said later that he intends to live up to assurances he gave the inmates. Asked whether this also extended to a no-reprisal pledge he had made, the official replied: "Without question."

With the agreement reached, the inmates released their guard hostages unharmed through a gate in the prison wall.

"They treated us well," said one of the hostages, Gary C. Thomas. "They fed us well. Everything was fine, under the circumstances." Originally, 10 hostages were taken, but one was freed about midnight Wednesday and two late Thursday morning.

The rebellion originated as an escape plan, and four inmates did manage to get outside and take an automobile.

One of the escapees, Ronald M. Tibbs, 26, was found dead later in the abandoned car. Authorities said he had been shot by a bullet that had passed

The other three escapees remained at large today.

The inmates seized control of a portion of the maximum-security wing during the showing of a movie Christmas night, overpowering a guard with the aid of a smuggled handgun and makeshift knives. Some then also took control of a guard tower briefly.

Thomas C. Reed Jr., an inmate leader who is serving two life sentences for murder, told The Associated Press:

"This thing happened because of the dehumanizing conditions and threat of transfer. Everybody involved was threatened with a transfer. We had been planning this for quite some time...."

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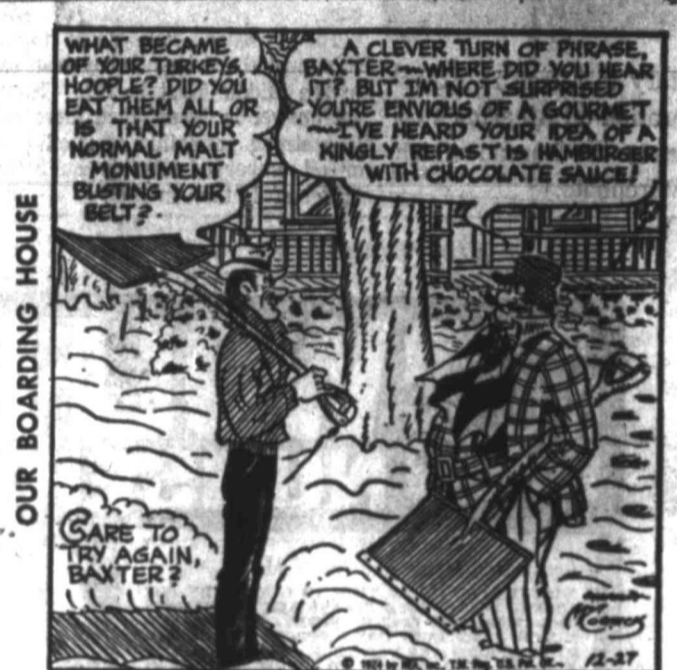
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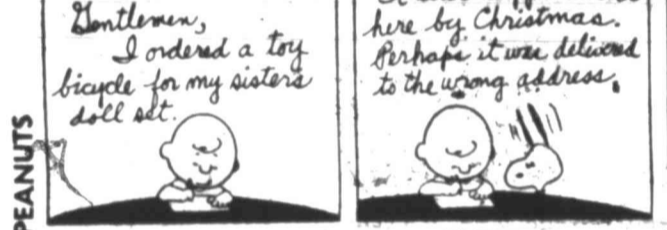
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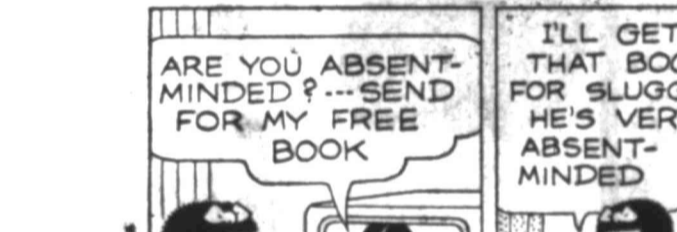
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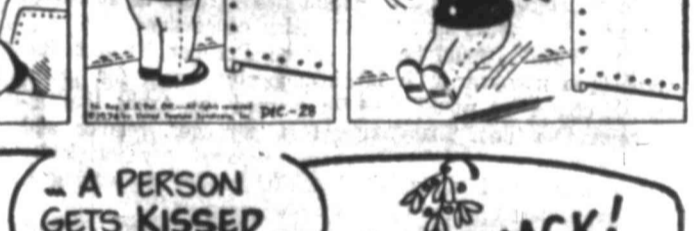
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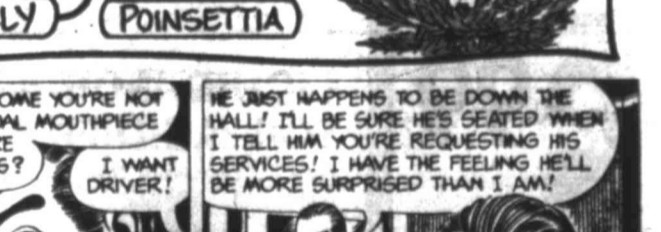
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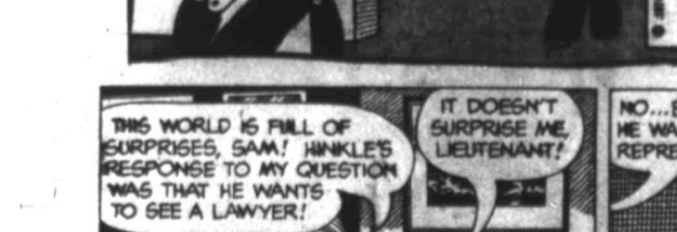
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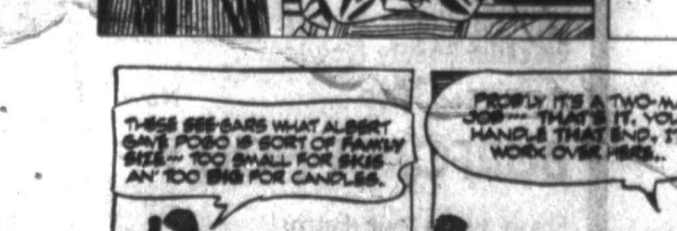
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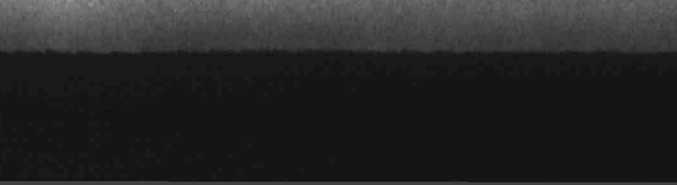
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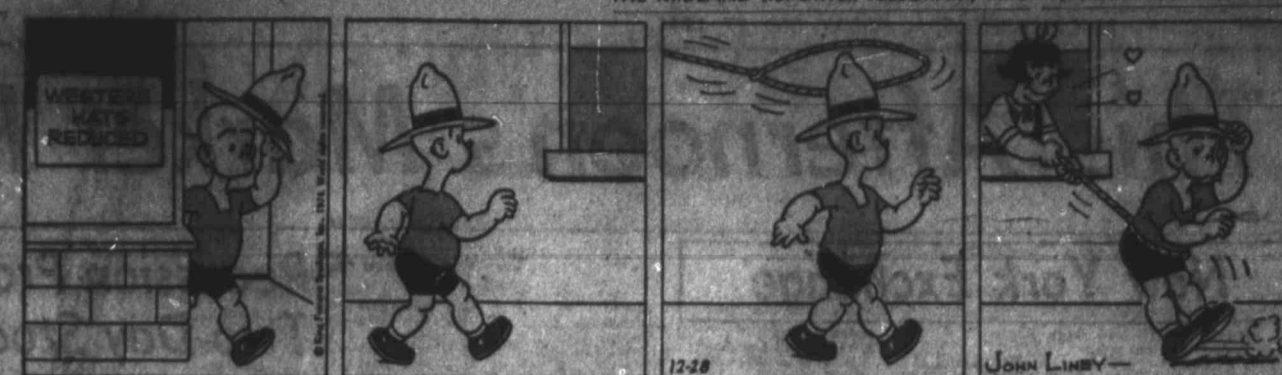
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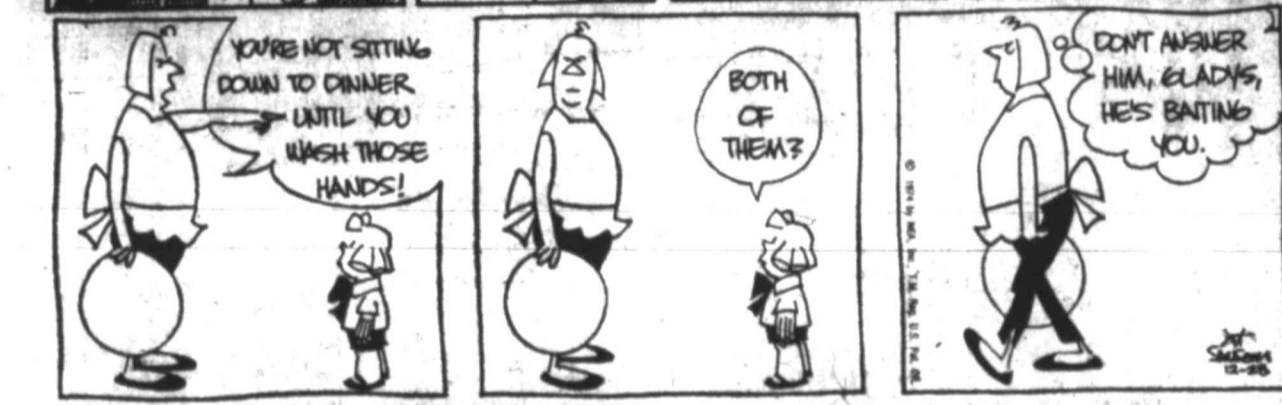
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What Do You Do At 4:30 In Alpine?

By JACK WEBB
Copley News Service
ALPINE, Calif. — "It's 4:30 in Alpine. What do you do at 4:30 in Alpine?"
David Janssen was sitting hunched over the table in his big mobile dressing room, mustering fortitude to himself as Leo, the makeup man, worked him over.
"What do you DO at 4:30 in Alpine?" he repeated placidly, puffing on a cigarette as Leo painted dramatic brushstrokes on his tanned, angular cheeks and creased forehead.
Already Knave Answer
Janssen, star of tv's "Harry O" detective show, already knew the answer to that.
At 4:30 in the morning in Alpine, you snuff out your cigarette in the ashtray and get up with a sigh and go outside where the light men have the arc lamps burning and the cameramen have got the cameras ready to roll, and you start acting.
Star Not Easy Job
It's no easy job being a tv star.

as a comic backdrop by Hollywood film makers care to take your mind off that.
So you sit chair-armed, cigarette and wadding in hand to jazz up the show. A little more violence, maybe? A few more glamorous women costars?
"I'm so tired when I get through here, and I'm emotionally facing the next day's work," Janssen said with a weary smile. "Last night I just went home and ate dinner and went to bed. I was lucky not to fall asleep in the mashed potatoes."
Janssen's face suddenly lit up, and he fixed production executive Harvey Fren with a speculative eye.
"You know what we've done?" he said. "We've left the toughness out of Harry O's character."
"We've got this tough ex-cop and ex-Marine, who retired and became a private detective because he got a bullet in his back, and we've got him dialing violence."
Harvey Fren nodded his head. "The American public has gotten used to detectives that are larger-than-life characters, and the reality of a private detective may offend the American taste. It may be that the super-detective is a staple they want. Just as few westerns go over big if they realistically allude to poverty in the Wild West."
"What sort of show are you gonna do after this one, David?" someone asked.
Man Backs Down
Janssen's teeth flashed in a humorless smile.
"What do you mean by that? Do you think this show has already failed?"
"Now," the man said, hastily backing down.
"All I'm thinking about is making this show a success," Janssen said.
Harvey Fren nodded his head as somebody knocked on the door. It was a message from Darryl Duke, "Harry O's" perpetually smiling Canadian producer, who looks far too young in his woolen pullover cap, to be such an important

man. Janssen was wanted on the set.
"Quiet, everybody!" Duke yelled when Janssen took his place outside. They were shooting a scene where Janssen comes out of a bank and confronts the chubby, cheerful, evil sheriff of mythical Vaduro County.
"David, oh David!" Duke called, ending on a high-pitched note as he signaled for the cameras to start rolling.
Janssen came slouching out of the bank, his handsome, introspective face causing a stir among the crowd of Alpine residents who'd gathered behind the cameras to watch him. A gum-chewing deputy sheriff stopped him, and as he did so, two giggling teen-age girls came running up.
"Who's that?" they asked. "Is that David Janssen?"
"Shhh!" said a highway patrolman who was directing traffic around the set.
"Cut!" yelled Darryl Duke.
Few Subtleties
Five takes later, despite interruptions, Janssen was back in his mobile dressing room, taking up the conversation where he'd left off.
"I think the economics of tv work is against having a good show," Janssen said, lighting another cigarette.
"A show can have few subtleties, because we don't have the time to get them across. Chess and karate chops are easier to sell."
"You look so healthy and glowing today, David," interrupted Joanna Pette, the costar for this particular "Harry O" show. She was examining

her pretty face and fixing her sleep I've had since the show blonde hair while gazing into started," Janssen said. "How cracked, hand-held mirror, long has it been? Four "It's the first eight hours of months?"
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Fort Worth Opera To Begin New Year On Happy Note

FORT WORTH — The Fort Worth Opera Association will start its new year off on a happy note when it offers the comic and tuneful "Daughter of the Regiment" in performances here Jan. 17 and 19.
The Donizetti opera will be the second regular offering of the Fort Worth Opera's 1974-75 season, which opened early this month with a production of the perennially popular "La Traviata." However, the season actually got under way in October with a special series of presentations of Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," a production funded by a grant from the Corbett Foundation of Ohio.
"The Daughter of the Regiment" is being produced by the Fort Worth Opera for the first time in the organization's 29-year history. The opera has been a popular vehicle for such current superstars as Joan Sutherland and Beverly Sills (and before that for such luminaries as Lily Pons). Miss Sills starred in a televised production of the opera which was aired on the educational tv network just a few weeks ago.
Fort Worth's production will have Ruth Welting of the New York City Opera in the title role of Marie and Metropolitan Opera tenor John Alexander in the role of her lover, Tonio.
New York City Opera bass

Spiro Malas who was also seen in the recent televised production with Miss Sills, will return to Fort Worth to portray the same role. Sulpice, a sergeant in the army regiment of Napoleon.
The opera contains much music that is lively and tuneful, and the overture is a bright opener with fanfare that continues throughout the work.
Special Rates
Rudolf Kruger general manager, will conduct both performances and Metropolitan Opera director Bill Hebert is staging the production.
Tickets for the Jan. 17 and 19 performances in Tarrant County Convention Center Theater in downtown Fort Worth are priced at \$8.50 for orchestra, \$7 for remainder of lower floor locations; \$6.50 for lower balcony, \$5 for upper balcony and \$4 for the last three rows of balcony. Special reduced rates are offered teachers and students.
The tickets are on sale at the Central Ticket Office in the Sheraton-Fort Worth Hotel annex and the Wm. Edgington Scott Theater box office in the Fort Worth Art Center. The tickets may be mail-ordered from the Fort Worth Opera Association office, 3506 W. Lancaster Blvd., Fort Worth 76107.

Nation's Hens Doing Their Bit

RACINE, Wis. (AP) — It seems even the nation's hens are doing their bit to help ease the energy crunch. Researchers at Cornell University have found that if the light in henhouses is reduced from 16 hours a day to 10, the hens lay more eggs.
The report was recently published in "Wisconsin Agriculturalist," a rural magazine.
Poultrymen generally light henhouses continuously for as long as 16 hours or more a day. The Cornell study developed a new lighting schedule calling for a longer period of darkness that is interrupted by turning on the lights for two hours. This interruption of the dark period triggers the mechanism of egg production in chickens. The finding is of economic importance to poultrymen because the amount of electricity required for illumination can be reduced substantially.
You Didn't Know That
JOHANNESBURG. (AP) — Napoleon Bonaparte Stoltz and George Washington Chase are municipal employees in the suburb of Edenvale.

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Hollywood Tv Theater Rated Among Best

By BOB THOMAS
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Thoughtful television viewers sometimes grouse, "Why can't American tv produce good drama as the British do?"
The answer: It can, and does. Not on the commercial networks. The only audible answer to England's remarkable achievements — "The Forsythe Saga," "Upstairs, Downstairs," etc. — is Hollywood Television Theater.
It began in 1970 with a memorable production of "The Andersonville Trial," directed by George C. Scott. Forty productions have followed, including Clifford Odets' "Awake and Sing" (Walter Matthau), Arthur Miller's "Incident at Vichy" (Stacy Keach), Lillian Hellman's "Another Part of the Forest" (Dorothy McGuire, Barry Sullivan).
Funded by the Ford Foundation and affiliated stations of the Public Broadcasting Service, Hollywood Television Theater wastes no money on frills.
For the 1974-75 season, it will present six plays at a total cost of \$12 million. That's small potatoes by network standards, yet the plays possess remarkable quality.
"I know there is a lot of reverence for the BBC," said executive producer Norman Lloyd. "It's the best there is — but we're good, too."
Critics often agree with his appraisal. The first two plays this season have been outstanding — Judith Anderson in "The Chinese Prime Minister" by Enid Bagnold, Richard Chamberlain in "The Lady's Not for Burning" by Christopher Fry.
The next production, Oliver Healey's comedy "For the Use Of The Use Of The Hall," is scheduled to air Thursday. It stars Barbara Barrie, Susan Anspach, Joyce Van Patten and David Hedison.
Hollywood Television Theater is taped at the studios of the Los Angeles public television station, KCET, which occupies an ancient lot in Hollywood.
Producer Lloyd seems ideally suited for his work. He started as an actor with Eva LeGalienne's repertory and the Mercury Theater of Orson Welles and John Houseman. He has appeared in many films, often as the sinister heavy, and still practices his trade — he recently did a "Kojak." For eight years he was associated with Alfred Hitchcock, producing and directing the Hitchcock tv series.
Lloyd steadfastly believes that Hollywood Television Theater presents better drama than what was seen in tv's so-called golden age of "Studio One," "Playhouse 90," "Alcoa Presents," etc.

"We have better writers — Miller, Fry, Faulkner, Bagnold, Shaw, Ibsen," Lloyd argued. "Not only is the writing as good or better, but we can deal with more daring material."
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SEC Sets Out Conditions For Some Gold Merchants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Persons who wish to buy gold from merchants not subject to federal securities laws must pay the full purchase price rather than purchasing on margin, the Securities and Exchange Commission says.

The commission set out Thursday the conditions under which gold merchants can operate without being subject to the securities laws.

The agency said it wanted to clear up confusion about the applicability of various federal regulations when U.S. citizens are permitted to own gold for the first time in more than 40 years on Dec. 31.

One condition was that the purchaser must not buy on margin, or with money borrowed from the seller.

Other conditions include: purchasers must be offered the option of physically possessing the gold; the party handling the transaction for the buyer must not provide any managerial efforts on the buyer's behalf, and the buyer must not have to rely on the advice of the gold merchant in order to make a profit from the purchase.

Meanwhile, two of the biggest banks in the United States said they do not intend to buy and sell gold for the general public after such sales become legal.

"It's not an appropriate investment for the ordinary fellow," said Walter Wriston, president of the New York's First National City Bank.

Bank of America said in a statement issued at its San Francisco headquarters that the returns on gold "are likely to be minimal" for the small investor.

In a report entitled, "Gold: Facts You Need to Know Before Buying Gold," the bank also warned on Thursday that anyone thinking about buying the precious metal to consider the costs, the threats of fraud and theft and the market's volatility.

The bank also cautioned against a wave of counterfeiting and "fool's gold schemes" that could result from heavy new gold trading. Gold can easily be mixed or molded over with cheaper metals, it said.

"Be wary of unsolicited correspondence, calls from strangers, promises of spectacular profits and pressure to make hurried decisions," the bank report said.

Workers Are Hoping To Plug Leaking Well By Weekend

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Workers trying to plug a leaking well in the Gulf of Mexico are hopeful that the process can be completed this weekend.

A drilling rig operated by the well's owner, Ocean Drilling & Exploration Co. (ODECO), has been angling a relief well in an effort to kill the leaking well by pumping it full of mud.

Drillers were on schedule Thursday and had reported reaching a depth of 3,000 feet, 1,300 short of the area where they suspect the leaking originates.

"Things have turned better," said Donald Solanas, oil and gas supervisor at the U.S. Geological Survey which is monitoring the spill.

"The complexion of the leak has changed to more of a dry gas. Very little light oil is coming out—less than in previous days.

"That is an improvement in that we don't have heavy oil and we don't have a slick."

The well is in water 20 feet deep 50 miles south of Houma, La., in the open sea near Lake Pelto. It stands about 11 miles off shore.

The leak started Sunday as workers were trying to fix damages caused last September by Hurricane Carmen. As they straightened a bent pipe, it sheared off at the mud line and safety valves failed to stop the oil from leaking out.

"No oil has moved closer to the beaches than two or three miles and with the weather we have any new oil will be pushed outward into the Gulf of Mexico," Solanas said.

Panovs' Western Debut Postponed For Second Time

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Western Hemisphere debut of Soviet ballet dancers Valery and Galina Panov has been postponed a second time and is now scheduled for Feb. 4.

The Panovs originally were to have danced here Dec. 10, but the performance was postponed until Jan. 7 after Valery strained a leg muscle.

The Panovs' manager, Maxim Gershunoff, said the date was changed again Thursday on the advice of Valery's doctor and because of problems over arrangements with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

The performance will be a benefit for Soviet Jewry. The couple — Valery is Jewish — migrated from Russia after a two-year struggle.



HURRY BEFORE IT MELTS — Children in Key Biscayne build a Florida snowman with snow imported by a local hotel. They had to work fast as their efforts melted away in the 80 degree plus temperature. (AP Wirephoto.)

Andres Maglia, Artist, Dies At 69

DETROIT (AP) — Andrew signs decorate many churches "architectural decorator" and R. Maglia, 69, an artist whose in the Midwest, died Thursday said his works were needed to murals, mosaics and other de- of cancer. He called himself an balance the work of architects.

Darwin Relief Officials Fear More Loss Of Life Due To Disease Epidemic

DARWIN, Australia (AP) — Relief officials warned today that "hundreds of lives" might still be lost in cholera or tetanus epidemics in the wake of the cyclone that devastated Darwin.

Forty-five persons were known to have died in the four-hour storm that roared out of the Timor Sea before dawn on Christmas. A police spokesman said he did not expect this figure to increase much. But Maj. Gen. Alan Sretton, director of the Natural Disasters Center, said the possibility of a cholera or tetanus outbreak was a grave problem.

Emergency inoculation centers were set up in Australia's chief northern city.

Water contaminated by ruptured sewerage lines was the chief immediate threat. Thousands caught rain water in pots and pans or crowded into school buildings for emergency rations from the small stocks brought in by relief planes.

Medical authorities warned that all water must be boiled before being drunk.

Latrine trenches were dug.

Tetanus was feared because many of the city's 40,000 people were cut by flying glass and debris as Cyclone Tracy's 120-mile winds tore their homes apart.

Houses Wrecked

Most houses in the city and rural areas immediately around it were wrecked. Gen. Sretton said at least 20,000 persons — more than double the previous estimate — would have to be moved to other cities until Darwin was rebuilt.

But a police spokesman said makeshift temporary accommodations were adequate for the moment, and there was no panic.

Officials estimated the damage at more than \$100 million but said it was probably much higher.

Reports of looting were received by the police, and they were issued sidearms during daylight hours for the first time. The police also began issuing shotguns to selected civilians for protection against looters.

Supplies Brought In

An armada of military and civilian planes shuffled in and out of the battered airport, bringing relief supplies and workers and taking away evacuees. The injured and the women and children went first.

Sretton said he hoped to have 3,500 gone by tonight. Several hundred seriously injured were flown out Thursday.

The homeless are being taken to cities all around the continent. They are being temporarily housed in private homes, government hotels, naval barracks and hospitals.

Ex-Columnist, Ad Executive Dies

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — John N. Meissner, 67, a former syndicated newspaper columnist and a Boston advertising executive, died Thursday after a long illness. He wrote a column, "The Wild World," and served as New England governor of the American Association of Advertising Agencies.

Song's Anniversary

The 25th anniversary of the Christmas song "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" by Johnny Marks was marked in 1974.

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Purdue, Oklahoma Tumble In College Basketball Upsets

By The Associated Press
The opening skirmishes in college basketball's big weekend of holiday festivals provided no cause for celebration as the part of Purdue and Oklahoma, a pair of top 20 teams.

Both were upset victims in first-round tournament action Thursday night. 15th-ranked Purdue dropping a 69-68 decision to Florida State in the Holiday Classic at Louisville and 18th-rated Oklahoma suffering a 73-68 trimming at the hands of Nebraska in the Big Eight tournament at Kansas City.

The only top ten team to play Thursday night was fourth-ranked Louisville, which had little trouble raising its record

to 6-0, running away from Western Kentucky 107-81 in the other opening-round game of the Holiday Classic in Louisville.

The Seminoles led 65-64 with 32 seconds remaining when Byrd and Smalls made good on one-and-one free throw situations for an insurmountable five-point lead.

In the second game, Western Kentucky stayed close to Louisville in the first half on the strength of its fast break, which produced 10 layups. But State's upset of 15th-ranked Purdue in the opener of the doubleheader at Louisville.

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Louisville asserted itself in the second half, stretching a 44-43 halftime edge to as much as 20 points at one stage.

Nebraska blew an 11-point lead early in the second half, then came on again to upset 18th-ranked Oklahoma in the Big Eight tournament.

South Carolina, ranked 11th, overwhelmed Assumption 113-81 and 12th-ranked Providence nipped Holy Cross 76-75 in the first round of the ECAC Ocean State tournament at Providence, R.I.

In the Far West Classic at Portland, Ore., 19th-ranked Oregon went on a 19-2 spurt at the start of the second half and went on to defeat Creighton 75-64 and unbeaten but unranked

SPORTS

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Lee Scores Easy Cage Victory

Maroon Advances To Semis

BROWNWOOD — The Midland Lee Rebels opened defense of the 32nd annual Howard Payne Invitational Basketball Tournament in the Brownwood Coliseum Thursday with an easy 71-49 victory over the Monarchs Lobos, joining Odessa Permian, Kilbuck and Waco in the winner's bracket of the big school division.

McCahey's Badgers were supposed to play Breckenridge in the smaller bracket, but failed to show for the tourney.

Ron Farish and Junior Miller paced the Rebel attack with 20 and 18 points respectively in winning their 13th game in 14 outings. Wayne Pettis led Monarchs with 35 points.

FUN IN THE SUN? — The Sun Bowl in El Paso, site of the North Carolina-Mississippi State game Saturday, wears a mantle of white from a rare snow storm in the Sun City. (AP Wirephoto.)

Monarchs played well for one half with the score 13-12 at the end of the first period and 34-30 at intermission, but Lee outscored the Lobos, 37-21 in the second half to move into today's p.m. contest against the Kilbuck Kangaroos, 74-46 winners over Graham.

Odessa Permian, behind the 19-point performance of James Hurter, topped Coppans Cove, 66-44, giving the Panthers a 15-1 season mark and they face Waco, 55-46 winners over Brownwood, in the 7:30 p.m. tilt today.

Lee and Permian are favored to meet in the tourney finale at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Pyschological Warfare

Sun Bowl Foes Assume 'Scared Stiff' Postures

EL PASO, Tex. (AP) — North Carolina and Mississippi State waged psychological warfare, eyed the weather and debated quarterbacking pros and cons as they tuned up today for Saturday's Sun Bowl battle.

"We probably depend more heavily on the quarterback than they do," suggested Mississippi State Coach Bob Tyler. "If they contain our quarterback they've about contained our offense."

Tyler neglected to mention that seldom has a Bulldog opponent harnessed quarterback Rocky Felker, voted the Southeastern Conference's most valuable player.

Felker guided Mississippi State to an 8-3 season while leading the SEC in total offense and the Bulldogs into their first bowl contest since 1963.

Dooley's fourth bowl appearance in five years.

And it was here, in this mountainous, Mexican flavored city two years ago that the Tar Heels recorded one of their greatest triumphs—a last minute 32-28 thriller over Texas Tech.

Winty Thrust
Dooley discounted that game and the team's past bowl experience as a factor this time around and added with a grin: "I'm one alum who wouldn't get upset at all if Mississippi State didn't play well Saturday."

Dooley and two of his assistants played at Mississippi State and all three are former members of the Bulldog coaching staff.

A sudden wintry thrust, the first Christmas Day storm in more than 50 years, dumped five inches of snow on El Paso, providing snow drifts and freezing temperatures for the arrival Thursday of both squads.

"Is this the Sun Bowl or the Snow Bowl?" laughed Dooley as the players, greeted by a Mexican mariachi band sloshed into the airport.

Both coaches expressed concern about the weather, the possibility of additional snowfall and its effect on both practice sessions and the game itself.

However, Tyler noted somewhat philosophically, "You got to make the best of whatever it is."

Pack Snowed Out At Hobbs

HOBBBS, N. M. — The Midland Bulldogs didn't get to play in the opening round of the 17th annual Hobbs Holiday Invitational Basketball Tournament Thursday when heavy snow hit El Paso forcing Jefferson to come to the New Mexico City late last night.

Midland and Jefferson were set to play at 9 a.m. (MST) today in the first round and the winner was to meet Ysleta Eastwood, 52-42 winner over Plainview with that game set for 6:30 p.m. MST today. If Midland lost to Jefferson this morning, the Purple Pack was to face Plainview at 1:15 p.m. (MST) today in a loser's bracket contest.

In another opening round game Thursday, the host Hobbs Eagles ripped the hapless Odessa Bronchos, 109-54.

Almogordo, N. M., and El Paso Burgos were also set to open play this morning after the Midland-Jefferson battle.

Long New Year's Weekend Begins

By The Associated Press
The final, frantic five days of college football—a bowl schedule that will blur the eyesight of any avid television quarterback—begin Saturday with a day in the sun for Mississippi State and North Carolina, a fiesta for Brigham Young and Oklahoma State, and a peachy afternoon for Vanderbilt and Texas Tech.

Mississippi State's Bulldogs, 8-3, making their first post-season appearance in 11 years, take on North Carolina's 7-4 Tar Heels in the Sun Bowl in El Paso, Tex. to kick off a three-game network television afternoon for the armchair enthusiast.

At the same time, Vanderbilt, 7-3-1, will meet Texas Tech, 6-4, in the Peach Bowl at Atlanta to be televised on channel 9 at 11 a.m. Saturday.

But Brigham Young, 7-3-1, picks up the slack in a Fiesta Bowl matchup with 6-5 Oklahoma State at Tempe, Ariz., while East meets West at Palo Alto, Calif. in the annual Shrine All-Star Game.

All of which will set the scene for the heavy guns like Southern Cal, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Alabama, Auburn and Texas, who'll keep the ratings high for their prestigious bowl appearances later in the week.

Auburn's 9-2 Tigers will take their version of Monday Night Football to the airwaves from Jacksonville, Fla., facing the Texas Longhorns, 8-3, in the Gator Bowl.

In the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans it will be Nebraska, 8-3, against Florida, 8-3, on New Year's Eve.

On New Year's Day the Nitany Lions of Penn State, 9-2, will claw it out with the 8-3 Baylor Bears in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas. Later in the day, Ohio State and Southern Cal meet in football's Rose battle at Pasadena Calif.

The Orange Bowl from Miami will end an outstanding day of bowl activity. Notre Dame, 9-2, will stand between Alabama's perfect record and hopes of top ranking in The Associated Press poll.

CAVS CAN'T CATCH UP—Lakers' Spurt Produces Win

By The Associated Press
Leave it to Cleveland Coach Bill Fitch: he knows why his team lost ... and without looking at the game films.

"We played a poor game of basketball there for 12 minutes," Fitch said Thursday night. "At the same time they (the Los Angeles Lakers) were playing their best 12 minutes of basketball."

The Lakers jumped off to a 26-point advantage at halftime, then bent back several Cleveland rallies to capture the National Basketball Association game 99-89.

In other NBA games Thursday, the Detroit Pistons edged the New York Knicks 84-83; Chicago squeaked past Philadelphia 95-91; Houston globebered Atlanta 114-86 and Golden State stopped Portland 113-101.

With high-scoring guards Gail Goodrich and Lucius Allen riddling the net with regularity, the Lakers exploded to a 54-34 halftime lead.

Goodrich, who scored 16 points in the first half, and Allen, who had 14 by intermission, finished the game with 28 points apiece.

Center Jim Chones paced the Cavaliers with 28 points.

Rags Turpin Dies Louisiana Famer
NATCHITOCHE LA. (AP) — Harry "Rags" Turpin, who compiled a 99-90-12 record in 23 seasons as head football coach at Northwestern State University, died Thursday night after a lengthy illness.

In 1936 his team posted an 11-0 mark and won the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship.

Turpin, 71, was head coach at Northwestern from 1954 to 1964 and was a member of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete Thursday.

Pistons 84, Knicks 83
Bob Lanier lead all scorers with 27 points and Dave Bing tossed in 24 as Detroit edged New York.

Earl Monroe lead the Knicks with 24 points.

Bulls 82, 76ers 81
A 25-foot jumper by Bob Love with 12 seconds showing on the clock gave Chicago its slim victory over the Philadelphia 76ers.

Billy Cunningham led the 76ers with 19 points while Chet Walker scored 23 for Chicago. Love finished with 20.

Rockets 114, Hawks 85
The Houston Rockets, despite the apparent retirement of starting center Zaid Abud-Adis, used a 20-3 spurt in the fourth period to run away from Atlanta.

Warriors 115, Trail Blazers 101
Rick Barry, the league's top scorer, pumped in 40 points to lead the Golden State Warriors over the Portland Trail Blazers.

Baylor Has 12th Man In Its History, Too

Sports in spurts, and, quick now, can you name the first college basketball teams to reach 1,000 victories and two of the three teams that attained that mark going into the 1974-75 season?

Baseball's Hall of Fame will be voting next month on past stars eligible for induction and one wonders whether Robin Roberts will make it this time. Roberts, a frequent 20-game winner, posted 286 lifetime victories in the majors, which is more than 27 pitchers already in the Hall. For example, Bob Feller was a 286-game winner, Whitey Ford won 236, Dazzy Vance 197, Lefty Grove 189 and Sandy Koufax 165.

Both Kansas and Kansas State were 3-1 in non-conference games, but each lost their football coaches after the season. Reason? Both the Jayhawks and Wildcats were 1-4 in the Big Eight.

Everybody knows about Texas A&M's Twelfth-Man tradition, but most folks aren't aware that Baylor has one, too. Well, sort of. It was back when Frank Bridges was winning Southwest Conference championships back in 1923 and 1924. Arkansas was moving menacingly toward the Baylor goal in a mud battle at Waco.

Bridges, something of a pixy, ordered a second string lineman into the game.

"Who for Coach?" he asked.

"For nobody," said Bridges. "Just go in and stop 'em."

Later he grinned, "You can't beat that 12-man defense."

Larry Laceywell, the University of Oklahoma assistant who turned down the Kansas Tech job, admits he has talked with Texas Tech officials, but says he would be "very, very surprised" if he was being considered seriously. "I'm sure they've got many, many strong head coaches trying to get it."

The Midland Cubs' front office scattered in all directions for the Christmas holidays

Beware Of Snake

Steelers Arrive For Oakland Game

OAKLAND (AP) — Joe Greene and the rest of the Pittsburgh Steelers' menaces arrive here tonight with only one thought in mind: Snake-hunting season opens Sunday.

"The Snake," of course, is the nickname owned by Oakland quarterback Ken Stabler, who tossed four touchdown passes last Saturday in the Raiders' incredible 28-26 victory that dethroned the National Football League's champions, the Miami Dolphins.

That was the first round of the playoffs. Now it's the American Conference championship that's at stake. And, as might be expected, the Steelers figure the best way to get it is to get to Stabler as hard and as often as possible.

It's expected by Stabler that "That isn't something unusual. In fact, it's old news," he said as he prepared for the third Pittsburgh-Oakland

Rangers Slate 30 Tuneups

ARLINGTON, Tex. (AP) — The Texas Rangers will play 30 spring exhibition games in 1975, none in their own American League park, the club says.

Three of the games may be scheduled for Mexico City.

General Manager Dan O'Brien is negotiating to play games with the Mexico City Reds and the Mexico City Tigers in early March.

The Rangers will wrap up their exhibition season with three games against the Houston Astros in the Astrodome April 4, 5, and 6 before the season opener against Minnesota April 6 in Arlington Stadium.

West Goes To Air

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Evel Knievel will stay on the ground but All-American quarterback Steve Bartkowski figures to go to the air frequently Saturday in the 50th Shrine East-West Game.

"I think the thing to do in all-star games is emphasize passing, because you don't have much time to practice and this gives linemen easier blocking assignments," said West Coach Ben Martin of Air Force.

Steelers keyed on me during our playoff game last year and they did the same in September," when Stabler passed for one touchdown and ran for one in a 17-0 victory.

Greene thinks the Steelers have something new—mainly a high-powered offense. He believes the Pittsburgh defense, which led the league with 82 quarterback sacks, isn't the only thing the Raiders have to worry about.

"We're all in this together," he said. "Now I'm proud to include our offense. Baby, they've arrived!"

They certainly arrived last Sunday, routing Buffalo 23-14. And the man who got them there was quarterback Terry Bradshaw. He decimated the Bills by hitting seven of nine passes in a decisive 28-point second period and directed the Steelers' attack that rolled up an impressive 430 yards.

Penn State Funnin' Behind Closed Doors

DALLAS (AP) — Joe Paterno believes bowl games should be fun. The Penn State football coach also wins a lot of them. That's why the Nittany Lions are practicing behind closed gates preparing a few surprises for the Baylor Bears today as the Cinderella Southwest Conference champions arrive for the New Year's Day Cotton Bowl Classic.

Paterno is 4-1-1 in post-season play, including a 30-6 victory over Texas in the 1973 Cotton Bowl.

"I want closed workouts because it sets the tone for practice," Paterno said Wednesday after his Lambert Trophy champions arrived from the East. "We will be doing some things differently against Baylor and I don't want a bunch of people hanging around."

Paterno added, "The practice field is one place where I have control of the players and I want to make the most of it."

Baylor Coach Grant Teaff, who guided the Bears to their first SWC title in 50 years, was scheduled to operate drills open to the media through the week.

Paterno said he planned a few gimmicks for Baylor, nothing particularly dramatic.

"I doubt if it will worry Baylor much," Paterno said. "We'll just put in something they haven't seen—or at least haven't seen us do. I always like to try to change up the offense and defense a little for bowl games."

Paterno was high in praise of the 12th ranked Bears, who finished the regular season 8-3.

"From the films, you can see that Baylor is well coached—just a super job," Paterno said. "I haven't met Coach Teaff, but I'm looking forward to the opportunity very much."

"Baylor is a team that doesn't beat itself. Defensively, they will be the quickest team

we've played this year." Paterno said he hadn't seen any "quicker feet" than those possessed by Baylor's top 5-foot-6 1/2-inch tailback, Steve Beard.

"If there is a crack, he will get through it," Paterno said. "You sometimes run the film back to find out how he did it."

Paterno said Baylor operated with precision offensively and that senior Neal Jeffrey is "a class quarterback."

About his own team, Paterno said he couldn't be certain if the seventh-ranked Nittany Lions still carried momentum from their 31-10 smashing of Pittsburgh for the mythical Eastern championship Thanksgiving night in the regular season finale.

"I can't tell for sure if there will be a carry over factor, but it was important that we come here as champions of the East," Paterno said.

He added "We're very excited about playing Baylor. This will be a fun bowl with no national championship at stake. The way I look it, a bowl should be fun for the players or you shouldn't go."

Could Penn State be a little overconfident? "We've looked at the films—we know they have an awfully good football team," Paterno replied.



CUT IN FRONT OF ME WILL YOU — Unidentified No. 15 isn't really taking a cheap shot at No. 10 in their soccer game at Honolulu's Kapiolani Park. He just missed the ball and caught his opponent by mistake. (AP Wirephoto.)

WARM WELCOME, COLD DAY — Dallas Mayor Wes Wise greets Penn State Coach Joe Paterno as the Nittany Lions arrive at Love Field for Cotton Bowl date Wednesday with Baylor's SWC champion Bears. (AP Wirephoto.)

Trenches To Sway Vikes, Rams Game

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) — The National Football Conference championship game between Los Angeles and Minnesota is certain to be won 'up front' where most contests are usually settled.

However, in Sunday's NFC title fray, the trench warfare promises to be spectacular.

Perhaps the most crucial matchup will involve the left side of the Rams' defense against Minnesota's offensive right side.

The Vikings perennial all-pro offensive tackle, Ron Yary, will be assigned L.A.'s defensive end Jack Youngblood, and the Rams' Merlin Olsen will work against Minnesota's Ed White. "We take a lot of pride in our offense," said White. "We'll just have to keep coming off the ball hard and create our own breaks."

The 280-pound White is regarded by Coach Bud Grant as the most underrated offensive lineman in football.

"White and (Ron) Yary are probably the best side-by-side blocking combination in pro football," said St. Louis Coach Don Coryell last week.

Meanwhile, tackle Larry Brooks and end Fred Dryer will be head-up against Minnesota's Andy Maurer and Charles Goodrum, respectively, in most situations.

There are also several key matchups when Minnesota is on offense.

Former University of Minnesota stars Carl Eller of the Vikings and John Williams of Los Angeles are head-up, while a pair of former Notre Dame greats, Alan Page and LA's Joe Scibelli, will bang heads.

Minnesota's Doug Sutherland will be against Tom Mack and the veteran stars of each club, the Vikings' Jim Marshall and the Rams' Charlie Cowan, also match wits. Marshall has been in the league 15 years and Cowan 14.

The largest difference between the two could exist at quarterback where Minnesota's Fran Tarkenton is experienced. Rams quarterback James Harris has played only one playoff game—last week.

"I'm certainly pleased we have a quarterback with the experience Francis has," said Grant. "However, Harris is far from being a rookie and we can attest to his passing ability." Harris hit 10 straight passes to lead the Rams to a 20-17 come-from-behind victory over the Vikings Nov. 24.

"I think the most important thing in being a good quarterback is being on a good team," Harris said. "Experience makes an athlete better, but the key is being in the right place at the right time."

IN-TOURNEY OPENER—Bobcats Beat Andrews

ABILENE — The San Angelo Bobcats, defending champions in Division I, got off to a fast start again this year with a 62-53 victory over the AAA Andrews Mustangs in the opening round Thursday of the Hardin-Simmons Cowboy Club Basketball Tournament.

The Mustangs put on a rush in the final quarter, outscoring the Bobcats 17-14, but it was two 10 point periods by San Angelo in the second and third quarters that downed Andrews.

Arnold McDowell, who had 25 points on the night, sparked San Angelo in the second period

after Andrews had captured a 15-10 lead in the first period. Alfred Fields managed 12 points and Steve Speer 19 for the Bobcats.

Andrews was paced by Tim Medford's 20 and K. B. Benson's 16. Doug Shumaker, Andrews' leading scorer this year, was held to just seven points.

San Angelo is now 5-4 on the year while Andrews fell to an 8-9 record. The Bobcats will meet Abilene today in the semifinal round while Andrews goes into the consolation bracket.

Cornell Eyes Title Repeat

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Defending champion Cornell and last year's runner-up Colgate meet in opening round action tonight in the sixth annual Syracuse Invitational Hockey Tournament at the Onondaga County War Memorial Auditorium.

The Big Red defeated the Red Raiders 3-1 in last year's title game.

St. Lawrence, 1-5, squares off against Vermont, 4-7, in the tournament's opening game tonight at 8:30 p.m. Cornell, 4-1, and Colgate, 3-4, tangle at 9 p.m.

The winners meet for the championship at 9 p.m. Saturday. The opening-round losers meet in a consolation game at 8:30 p.m.

Sports Shorts

TENNIS
MELBOURNE, Australia — American Jimmy Connors subdued Chris Kachel, 75, 6-2, 6-9 in the first round of the Australian Open Championships, while Aussie John Newcombe defeated Trevor Fancutt 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.

HOCKEY
HARTFORD, Conn. — The New England Whalers sent All-Star defenseman Jim Dorey to the Toronto Toros, and the Toros agreed to return a second-round draft choice to New England, thus completing a World Hockey Association deal made Sept. 18, for center Wayne Carleton.

GENERAL
NATCHITOCHEES, La. — Harry "Rags" Turpin, 71, head football coach at Northwestern State University from 1934 to 1956, died after a long illness.

BASKETBALL
MONROE, La. (AP) — Sophomore David Pickett leads defending champion Northeast Louisiana into the third annual Pacemaker Classic basketball tournament tonight against first round opponent Rice University.

GRANT BURNS EX-MATES—Wings, Stars Play To Tie

By The Associated Press
More often than not, a player an exception to that rule Thursday night, after his two goals helped the Detroit Red Wings tie the Minnesota North Stars 4-4 in National Hockey League action.

"Heck, yes, it meant something to me," said the 28-year-old left wing who was traded to Detroit for Henry Boucha last August.

Before his new home fans at the Olympia in Detroit, Grant tallied his 20th and 21st goals of the season while linemate Marcel Dionne got the other two.

The goals extended Grant's goal-scoring string to eight games and raised his career total to 200. He has tallied 12 goals and five assists in the last nine games.

Elsewhere in the NHL, the Buffalo Sabres beat the Chicago Black Hawks 3-1, the Philadelphia Flyers topped the

Washington Capitals 4-1, the Atlanta Flames edged the New York Islanders 2-1, the St. Louis Blues and Pittsburgh Penguins tied 2-2, and the Los Angeles Kings dropped the Vancouver Canucks 5-1.

The tie was the 17th consecutive road game without a victory for Minnesota, a club record.

Dionne assisted on Grant's goals.

Jude Drouin, Doug Hicks, J.P. Parise and Murray Oliver scored for the North Stars. Sabres 3, Black Hawks 1

Buffalo, the league's winningest team, beat Chicago on first-period goals by Larry Carriere and Gil Perreault. Brian Spencer also tallied for the Sabres, who lost their shutout in the third period on a 20-foot goal by Stan Mikita.

Flyers 4, Capitals 1
Two goals by Bobby Clarke marred the Capitals' first sell-out. Reggie Leach scored after just 12 seconds of play for the fastest goal in Philadelphia history and Bill Clement got the other. Tom Williams ruined Bernie Parent's shutout at 11:06 of the final period.

Flames 2, Islanders 1
Tim Ecclestone scored a short-handed goal with assists from Tom Lysiak and goalie Dan Bouchard to lift the Flames past the Islanders.

Blues 2, Penguins 2
Goals by Chuck Leffley and Stan Gilbertson—both acquired during the season—brought St. Louis back from a 2-0 deficit, and stellar goaling by Eddie Johnston preserved the tie with Pittsburgh.

Kings 5, Vancouver 1
Mike Murphy, and Bob Berry scored first-period goals to back Gary Edwards' ninth victory—with two ties—in 12 career games against Vancouver.

McAdoo Tops In NBA Race
NEW YORK (AP) — Buffalo's Bob McAdoo, the National Basketball Association's leading scorer and rebounder, and New York's Earl Monroe have moved into the forefront for starting berths on the Eastern Conference team in the league's 1975 All-Star game at Phoenix Jan. 14.

The 6-foot-10 McAdoo, whose 40 points against Cleveland on Dec. 19 are the most scored by any player in an NBA game this season, has passed Boston's Dave Cowens for the East's starting center position in the latest computerized fan balloting, announced today by Commissioner Walter Kennedy.

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SCRAM-LETS That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle Edited by CLAY E. FOLLAN It's the government fell under the weight of economic problems, or was it too much... Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.

Ousted Military Dictator Returns To Thailand, Placed Under Arrest

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Ousted military dictator Thanom Kittikachorn slipped back into Thailand today and the government put him under house arrest.

Leaders of the politically powerful student movement demanded that the 65-year-old former field marshal be put on trial for the death of 72 civilians during the student-led uprising in October 1973 that overthrew his military government and sent Thanom into exile.

The students accused Thanom of ordering the military and police to shoot at the students, and they demanded the death penalty.

Thanom has been living in Boston, Mass., with his wife and some members of his family since the coup. He arrived in Bangkok before dawn aboard a Lufthansa plane.

Deputy Premier Prakorb Hingasing told newsmen that the government had decided at an emergency meeting to place Thanom under house arrest at an undisclosed location pending an investigation of the students' charges. He said Thanom was accompanied by his wife, who was not arrested.

Prakorb said Thanom sent him a message this morning saying that he was returning to visit his ailing 89-year-old father. Prakorb said the letter read: "When I left Thailand I had no time to say goodbye to my father, and that was the reason I returned to Thailand today."

Thanom asked to visit his father last month, but tentative government approval of the trip touched off such an outcry that he was told his visit was not advisable.

Prakorb said the arrest and investigation had been delegated to the Defense Ministry because Thanom's alleged misdeeds were under the martial law by which he had ruled.

The student government of Bangkok's Thammasat University — birthplace of the 1973 uprising that ended 26 years of military dictatorship — issued a statement calling Thanom "No. 1 criminal of Thailand."

"If the government claims there is not enough evidence to try Thanom, the student government proposes that the acts of killing people and evading taxes ... are enough evidence to arrest and try him," the statement said.

Thanom returned at a time that his successor as premier, Sanya Thammasat, was out of Bangkok and the commander of the armed forces was in the

Philippines on a tour of Southeast Asia.

A spokesman for the United States Embassy said the U.S. government had no advance knowledge of Thanom's departure from the United States.

On Thursday, the wife of Thanom's younger brother was kidnaped at her home in northern Thailand. Police rescued her two hours later at a roadblock and arrested five soldiers, an army general's wife and two other civilians.

Thanom inherited the military government in 1963 on the death of Premier Sarit Thanarat. He was accompanied into exile in 1974 by his two closest associates, his deputy premier and army commander, Field Marshal Praphas Charusathien, and his son, Col. Narong Kittikachorn. Praphas and Narong are living in Taiwan.

Dallas Memorial Rites Conducted For Miss Freeman

Memorial services were held at 10 a.m. today in Dallas for Miss L. M. Freeman, 63, a longtime Midlander who died in a nursing home here Monday.

Cremation was at Resthaven Crematory at Dallas Thursday.

Miss Freeman moved to Midland in the early 1930s and started a public stenographer service in the old Hotel Scharbauer. She joined the Fuhrman Petroleum Co. as a secretary in the late 1930s and retired from that company in 1948.

She had lived in a Midland nursing home the last 10 years.

Miss Freeman was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Presbyterian church.

She is survived by a brother, Harvey B. Freeman of Long Beach, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Ralph Powers, also of Long Beach, and several nieces and nephews.

Miss Freeman first entered the business world in 1900 when she joined the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Chicago as an office worker.

She later worked for Equitable Life Assurance Society at Chicago and New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. at New York.

Miss Freeman also had been associated with the Los Angeles Trust & Savings Bank in California and as a traveling secretary for a lecturer.

Before moving to Midland, she was secretary-treasurer many years for the L. M. Beall Construction Co. at Tulsa, Okla.

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Miss Ellis, 21, Dies In Nevada

Ether Lavern Ellis, 21, formerly of Midland, died Tuesday at Las Vegas, Nev.

Services will be here at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the Faith Temple Church of God in Christ. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery under direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

A graduate of Midland High School and a 17-year resident of Midland, she was born Jan. 12, 1953, in Louisiana.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Irene Ellis of Midland; her father, Leroy Ellis of Midland; five sisters, Mrs. Gerline Annette Washington of Lubbock, Barbara Jean Ellis, Rosemary Ellis, Peggy Ann Ellis and Anita Ellis, all of Midland; five brothers, Leroy Ellis Jr., Michael Ellis, Craig Ellis, Roger Ellis and Corey Lynn Ellis, all of Midland, and a great-grandfather, William Ellis of Midland.

Mrs. Holloway, 86, Dies After Illness

LUBBOCK — Mrs. Annie Belle Holloway, 86, mother of W. L. "Bill" Holloway of Midland, died Wednesday afternoon in a Lubbock nursing home following a long illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Asbury United Methodist Church with interment in the City of Lubbock Cemetery directed by Rix Funeral Directors.

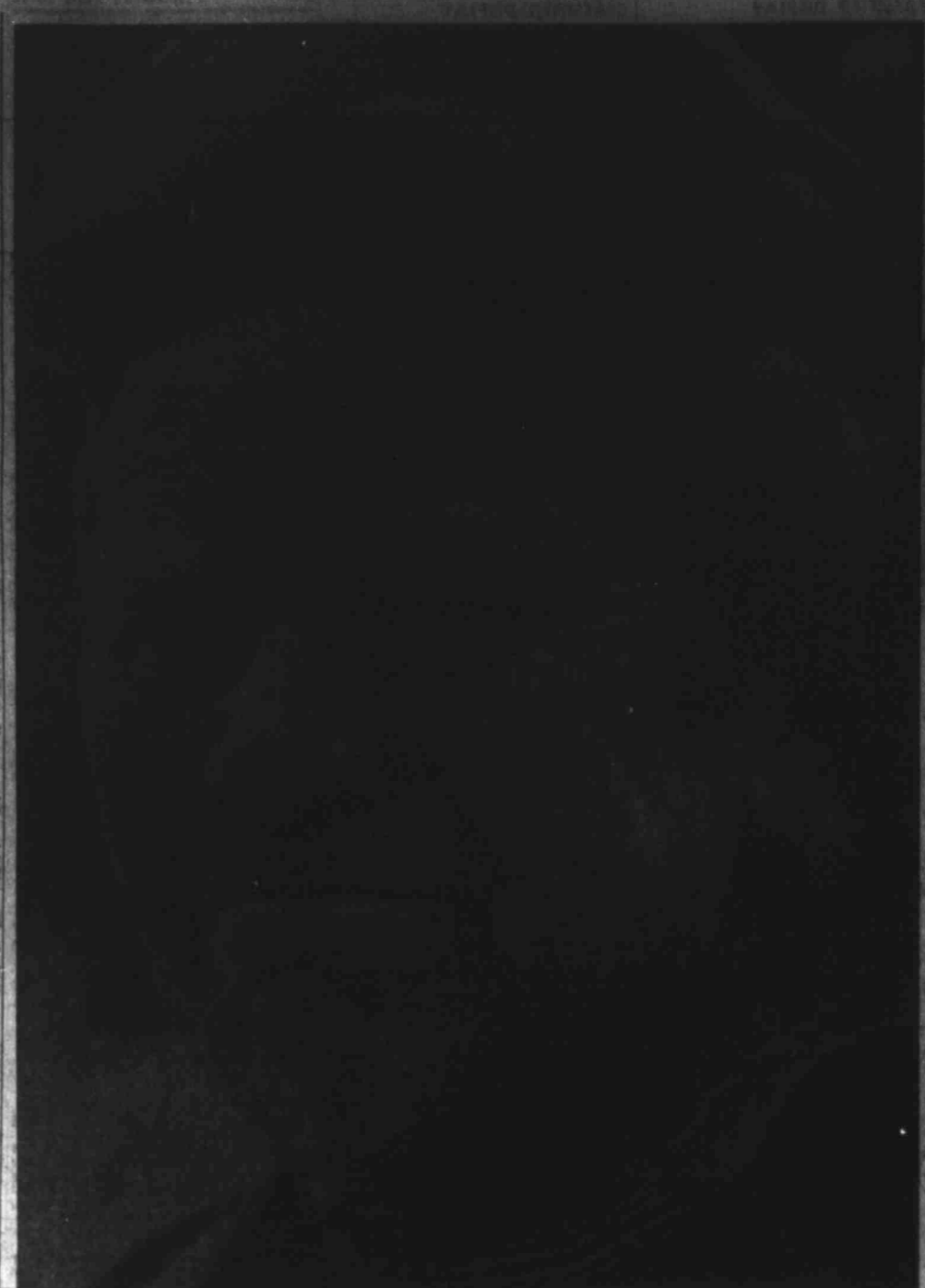
Other survivors include her daughter, another son, a sister, eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Stanton Youth Hurt In Accident

A 15-year-old Stanton youth was treated and released from Midland Memorial Hospital Thursday after he suffered minor injuries in a car-motorcycle collision.

Injured was John R. Phelps, passenger on a motorcycle driven by William G. Rickey, 15, of 817 W. Golf Course Road.

The accident occurred when the motorcycle and a car driven by Bruce Allen Wilbanks, 42, of 3111 Stanfield St., collided at the intersection of Louisiana and A streets shortly before 6 p.m.



'I FELT A COUPLE OF TIMES'—President Gerald Ford enjoyed another day of skiing Thursday before returning to his desk to work at his Vail, Colo., residence. "I felt a couple of times but I'm skiing better," said the President, who has spent a couple of hours on the slopes each day since his arrival Monday. (AP Wirephoto.)

Islamic Leader Denies Party Connected With Gate Crasher

WASHINGTON (AP) — The leader of the Islamic Party of North America has denied any connection between the Black Muslim organization and the man who crashed his auto onto the White House grounds Christmas morning.

Marshall H. Fields, 25, of suburban Silver Spring, Md., had applied for membership in the Islamic organization earlier this year, a spokesman for the group said.

Y. Muzaffar Arudindhamid, emir of the Islamic Party, said that Fields' application had been rejected. He also said the organization deplored Fields' actions and similar violent acts. One reason for the rejection of the application was that Fields had claimed to be a messiah, the emir said.

Fields recently sent letters to local news media claiming: "To the Western World, I am the Messiah to those who wish to believe; to the Eastern World, the 'third world,' — am but a mere brother."

The letter continued: "I am an applicant to the Islamic Party in North America, though I bare (sic) full responsibility for my actions against the Government of the United States."

Fields is now undergoing psychological examination at a local hospital after the four-hour standoff in front of the White House where he threatened to blow himself up. Prosecutors said they were awaiting the hospital report before deciding whether to file criminal charges against Fields.

A Secret Service spokesman said Fields had been under investigation as being "of possible protective interest," but that Fields had not been under surveillance.

"He (Fields) was of record to us ... but he did not necessarily represent an overt threat," the Secret Service spokesman said.

Rep. Tom Sted, D-Okla., chairman of a House subcommittee that reviews the Secret Service budget, said the incident might spur the Secret Service to make new White House security proposals during budget hearings in February.

World War II Straggler Found Living In Jungles

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — The Indonesian air force is sending a 10-man team including doctors and two Japanese officials to the island of Morotai to bring back a Taiwanese tribesman who fought with the Japanese in World War II and has been living in the jungle ever since.

The air force said 57-year-old Teruo Nakamura was found naked and living wild on 260-square-mile island in the Molucca Archipelago south of the Philippines. An air force team tracked him down in the jungle.

The Japanese government said its records list Nakamura as a Takasago tribesman from Taiwan who was trained as a guerrilla fighter and sent to Morotai in 1944. He was listed as missing on March 5, 1944, during the American invasion of the island.

An air force spokesman said Nakamura was resting in quarters about four miles from a former allied air base. He was expected in Jakarta Sunday.

Nine former Japanese army servicemen, including six Takasagos, were found on Morotai in 1955. Japanese authorities say hundreds of other soldiers may still be hiding out in Southeast Asia because they don't know that World War II is over.

Last March, Lt. Hiroo Onoda, 52, returned home to a hero's welcome after he emerged from the Philippine jungles and surrendered. In January 1972, Sgt. Shoichi Yokoi was found after hiding in the jungles of Guam 28 years.

Two New Home Remodeling Laws To Be Proposed

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Sen. Ron Clower's committee on consumer affairs has recommended two new pieces of legislation dealing with the financing and contracting of home remodeling.

The committee has been investigating fraud and deceptive trade practices of home remodeling and construction contractors. The two laws were recommended for submission to the 1975 state legislature for approval in a committee report.

The report calls for all construction and remodeling contractors to be bonded for at least \$5,000, with additional matching bonds for jobs of more than \$5,000. Under the proposed law, the bond would be forfeited if the contractor did not meet his part of the bargain.

The second law would end the "holder in due course" provision in existing state law. This provision currently allows banks and other lending institutions to finance home remodeling without having any responsibility for the completion or quality of the work.

Noel Whidmayer Dies At Odessa; Services Today

ODESSA — Noel "Starty" Whidmayer, 72, an Odessa resident since 1943, died Tuesday at his home.

Services were at 10 a.m. today in the Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home with interment in Odessa Cemetery.

Born Sept. 26, 1902, in Graham, Whidmayer was married to Louise Hunter in Oklahoma in 1931. The couple came to Odessa from Pecos.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Noel A. Whidmayer Jr. of Odessa; three daughters, Mary Hamill of Odessa, Sue Hill of Carlsbad Springs and Glenda Blanchard of Lubbock, and seven grandchildren.

Japan Kicks Off War On Pollution

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's national anti-pollution council today approved \$9 billion to assist state and private efforts to control air, water and noise pollution and land subsidence over the next five years.

The council designated 10 areas where \$4.5 billion will go to private business for anti-pollution measures. Another \$4.5 billion will go to state governments for sewage treatment and similar projects.



WRECKED AIRCRAFT—Remains of aircraft crushed by Cyclone Tracy lie at the Darwin, Australia, airport. The four-hour storm Wednesday damaged or destroyed the entire city, killing at least 45 persons, and left about 90 per cent of the city's 40,000 inhabitants homeless. (AP Wirephoto.)

M. S. Woolard Services Held

Services for Milton S. Woolard were to be at 2 p.m. this afternoon in the Newbie W. Ellis Chapel with Bryan Bost, minister of the Fort Worth and Jax Street Church of Christ officiating.

Interment was to follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Woolard, 84, died early Thursday in a Midland hospital.

Pallbearers were to be Wade Mitchell, Ken Griffin, Audrie Porter, Tom Rideout, Red Weiss, Marlin Simpson and Ed Avery.

Honorary pallbearers were to be Madison Box, Charles Schoolcraft, C. B. Young, Don Hollars, Chalmers Burke, R. G. Anderson, Truman Blair, Bill Cronser, Bill Green, Goodrich Hejl, Leonard Jobe, Raymond Smith, A. L. King, Bill Benton, Elbert Voes, Bob Pringle, L. D. Cook and Lloyd Pittman.

Tanaka Affairs Awaken Japan To Corruption In High Places

By JOHN RODERICK

TOKYO (AP) — A Japan which once took financial hanky panky among its politicians somewhat for granted has suddenly become aroused over the cases of two men, unrelated, named Tanaka.

As a consequence, the Japanese public is being treated to the unusual spectacle of Cabinet ministers being grilled about the sources of their wealth and their ties to big business.

The more prominent of the Tanakas, Kakuei, 56, quit as prime minister early in December in a swirl of suspicion over how he accumulated his large private fortune.

A poor boy who clawed his way to the top, his vision of the future Japan encompassed the virtual renovation of its industry and population structure.

His plans for moving people and factories from the teeming Pacific coast to more thinly settled inland areas won initial applause which quickly turned sour when they led to land speculation.

An advocate of expansion in an era of reduced growth ushered in by the Arab oil squeeze, Tanaka's once-high popularity swiftly plummeted. His response

was to use money in extraordinary dollops in a vain effort to restore his image.

Though no major wrongdoing has been proven, public pressures forced him to step down in favor of Take Miki, 67.

As a reform-minded politician promising clean government, Miki has indicated he wishes to get at the truth of Tanaka's financial holdings. But the resignation placated some of Tanaka's critics and it is not at all certain that anything further will emerge.

The other Tanaka, Shoji, 71, was sentenced the other day to four years in prison for blackmail, fraud, and breach of trust. A former Liberal-Democratic legislator, he headed the powerful lower house audit committee for years. From that vantage point it was charged he blackmailed businessmen and politicians involved in shady land or financial deals.

O. K. Thatcher Dies At Odessa

ODESSA — Olan Kenneth Thatcher, 52, died Tuesday in his home here following a sudden illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Wetumka, Okla., Church of Christ with interment in Wetumka Cemetery. Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home handled local arrangements.

An Army veteran of World War II, Thatcher was born Dec. 2, 1922, in Wetumka where he resided until moving to Odessa in 1948.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Annie Thatcher of Okemah, Okla.; four brothers, Ray Thatcher and Donald Thatcher, both of Odessa, R. D. Thatcher of Dallas and Zelmer Thatcher of Hayward, Calif.; and two sisters, Mrs. Marie Harjo of Wetumka and Mrs. Faye Redding of San Diego, Calif.

History Repeats Itself; Neighbors Remain Aloof

NEW YORK (AP) — A decade ago 38 tenants of a Queens apartment building did nothing about Kitty Genovese's screams as a man stabbed her to death on the sidewalk outside.

On Christmas Day, Sandra Zahler's next-door neighbor heard the 25-year-old model scream several times, followed by a crash and the yelping of a dog.

But the neighbor, Mrs. Madeline Hartmann, said she did not want to interfere in a lovers' quarrel. "It was not my business," she said.

Sandra Zahler's body, partially clad, was found in the apartment Thursday by a friend, George Boguslaw, who had a key. Police were examining a hammer to determine if it was used to bludgeon her to death.

Mrs. Hartmann said a man went into the apartment with Miss Zahler early Christmas Day. Minutes later Miss Zahler screamed "No, No!" several times, according to the neighbor.

Some slapping sounds and a crash of a heavy object came next, followed by the yelping of the dog. The victim's pet was found in the apartment with a bruised head and broken leg.

Many of the neighbors questioned after the Genovese slaying on March 13, 1964, said they also did not interfere because they thought the 28-year-old bar manager was involved in a lovers' quarrel.

Sentenced to life in prison for the Genovese slaying was Winston Mosely, then a 28-year-old business machine operator.

Explosion In Mine Kills 36

DOUAL, France (AP) — A coal dust explosion killed 36 miners and injured six others early today in a mine at Lievin in northwestern France, company officials said. At least three miners survived.

The explosion occurred 2,300 feet underground, the officials said.

The miners had just resumed work after a five-day holiday.

It was the worst French mining disaster in 15 years.

An official of the nationalized company said "the night watch crew recorded a very low level of dust. We still can't explain this accident."

Rescue workers reported extremely dusty air in the mine and a constant danger of cave-

ins. The wounded miners, almost all suffering from burns, were brought out first and taken to hospitals.

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