

Few know of German air force base at El Paso

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EL PASO, Tex. — A Houston banker passing through the airport here recently looked out the terminal's panoramic window at the runway and saw, much to his surprise, a sleek blue and white jet that bore the familiar markings of the German air force, the big black cross and the single word "Luftwaffe."

States, a part of Fort Bliss on El Paso's outskirts. The airplane they saw belonged to the so-called "Lone Star Luftwaffe." Once a week it makes the 7,000-mile trip from Cologne, with a stop in Washington, bearing supplies for the 1,000 German officers and enlisted men at the base, and their 1,000 wives and children. The Germans constitute the only force of foreign troops regularly based on U.S. soil, and their presence has gone virtually unnoticed for 10 years largely because they maintain such a low profile and are so well behaved.

Fort Bliss is the U.S. Army Air Defense Center where men are trained to man the missile systems, home of some of the most technically advanced weaponry in the world. It is a far cry indeed from the fort it was at its founding in 1848, a remote outpost for cavalry who warred with the Apaches. It is also the home today of the German Air Force Training Command, which includes the Raketenschule (Missile School) or Luftwaffe U.S.A. — German Air Force Defense School, as it is officially known.

Luftwaffe missile men are trained here by their own instructors, to operate the Nike and Hawk ground-to-air missile systems as part of Europe's NATO defense forces. Here, in the wide open spaces of the U.S. West, there are clear blue skies and more than a million acres in which to practice — in contrast to Europe's cramped airspace and often inclement weather. The school was established here in 1966 after it was determined that the original West German Air Defense School at Aachen had too little airspace for missile warfare practice. The Luftwaffe school operates in shifts up to 16 hours a day, six days a week, with some classes starting at 4 a.m. Its mission is to teach the troops to destroy enemy jets in the air before they reach their targets.

The training involves highly sophisticated, push-button warfare, requiring precision timing, a complicated mixture of computers, radar, electronics, ballistics and tense matching of minds. The school, U.S. defense officials say, is a vital part of the NATO defense structure, which will probably continue to be based here for another 10 years. At present, the only other place for Luftwaffe missile men to practice with conventional warheads is once each year from the island of Crete in the Mediterranean.

West Germany's armed forces were reconstituted in 1955 for defense purposes and all the military services were made part of NATO. About 20 foreign countries have sent troops to Fort Bliss for training. Some, from the Middle East, have worked together, lived together and trained together here, and then returned home to make war on one another.

But only the Germans, who maintain the largest number of troops, keep a permanent party of instructors. And it is only the Germans who pay their own way. "We pay for everything," Hibbler said proudly, and it is obvious that the entire Luftwaffe force here, with its tight discipline and high esprit de corps, is most proud of the fact that American taxpayers' dollars have not been used to support the German air force school or any of the training facilities.

The West German government pays the United States \$2.1 million annually for use of the base facilities here, including even such items as laundry and copying service, as well as security and vehicle maintenance. In addition, the Germans pour about \$8 million to \$10 million yearly into the El Paso economy out of about \$14 million in salaries. The average U.S. salary in El Paso, a not-very-well-to-do city on the Mexican border, is about \$5,600. But the average Luftwaffe salary here is about \$15,000. The Germans also pay the United States about \$5 million annually to keep the weapons missile system in operation and for other services.

The chance to live abroad, particularly in the United States, the good climate of the Southwest, and the elite spirit of the school, makes the assignment here a coveted one, and only the cream of the Luftwaffe is chosen for the assignment, which usually lasts from two to three years. Although far from home, the German troops and their families have managed to make themselves comfortable in El Paso. Unlike U.S. troops and their families abroad, who often live in ghettos by themselves, the German troops in El Paso rent apartments and homes scattered around the city. They mingle with their American neighbors, most of their children go to El Paso schools and their wives shop in local stores. El Paso landlords


consider them excellent tenants. Living on the U.S. economy, the Germans find many bargains. They are used to paying \$1.50 a gallon for gasoline back home, and \$1.10 a pack for cigarettes. They find cuts of meat much cheaper in the United States and are surprised to learn that they can shop after 6 p.m. Finding fresh fruit available all year delights them, and many prefer spicy Mexican food or American steaks over German food, which they say they can always get when they return home. In the last 2 1/2 years, only one Luftwaffe airman has been returned to Germany for an infraction of the rules, which came about because of "family difficulties." "If someone misbehaves," said Capt. Uwe Marguarden, "we have a saying here: 'Proceed on the next plane back to Germany.'" The warning is apparently enough to ensure good behavior.

Each week, the Luftwaffe jet brings in newspapers, magazines, German beer, for those who prefer it, is shipped in by truck from a firm in Virginia which imports it from Germany. But in the main, the Germans like to sample American life. They enjoy steaks at the Cattlemen's Restaurant, and they like to ride horses at a ranch not far away from Fort Bliss. They use their vacations to drive thousands of miles across the United States, a country whose vastness continually amazes them because they have never met an American girl who didn't have a car, "one of them West Germany is about said."

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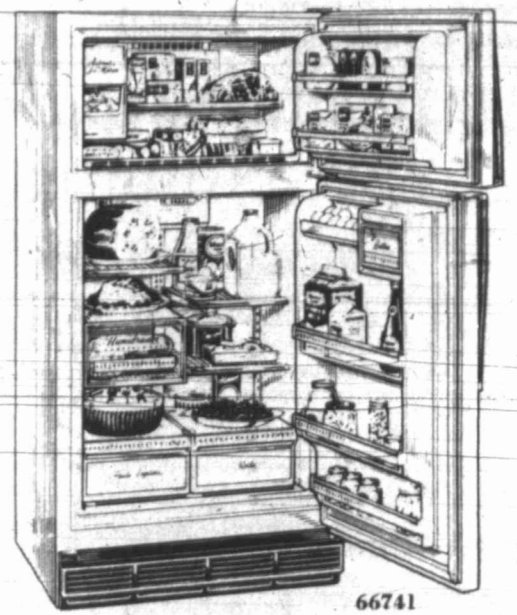
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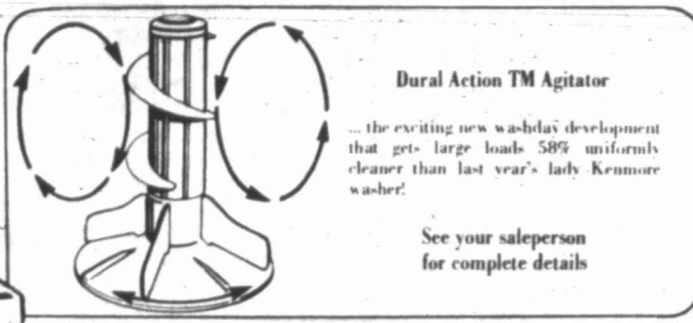
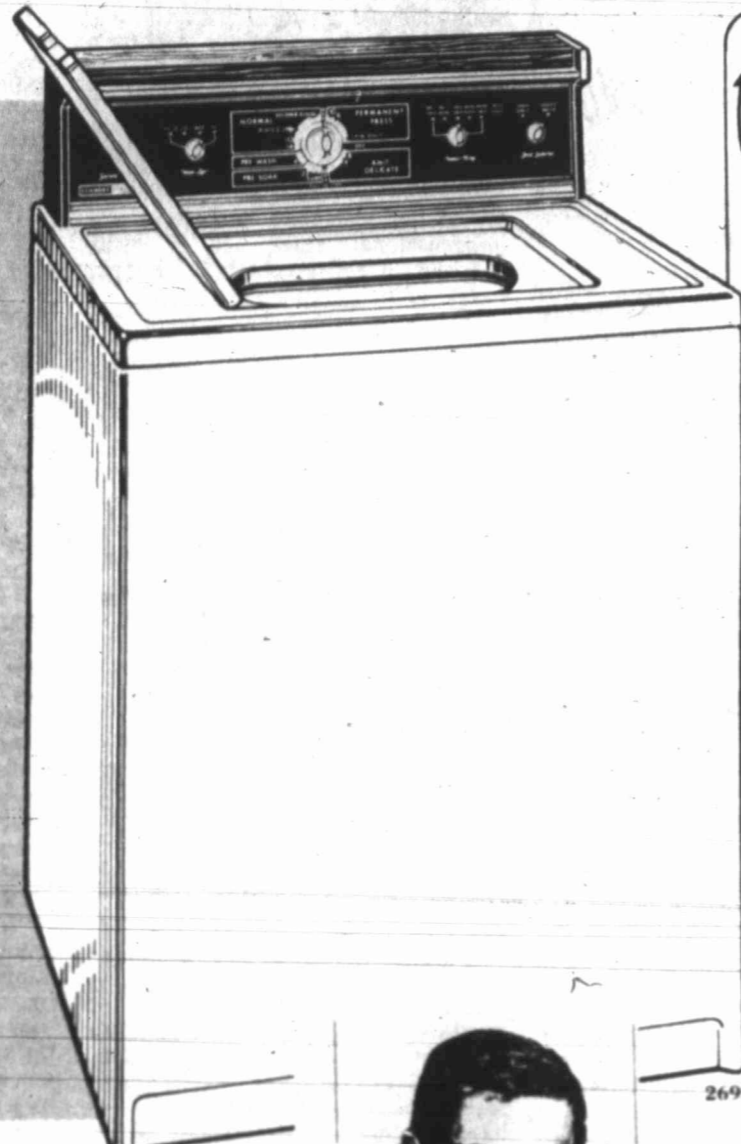
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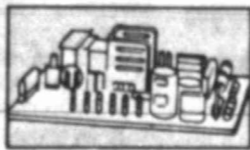
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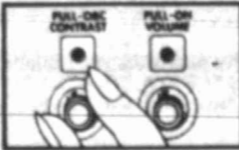


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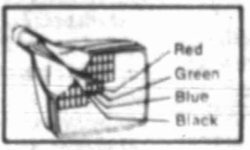
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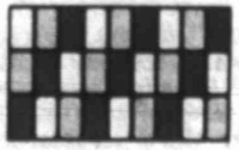
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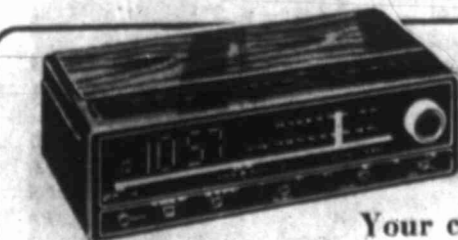


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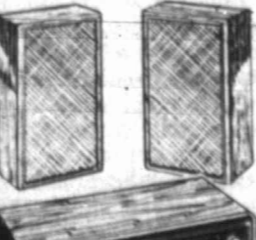


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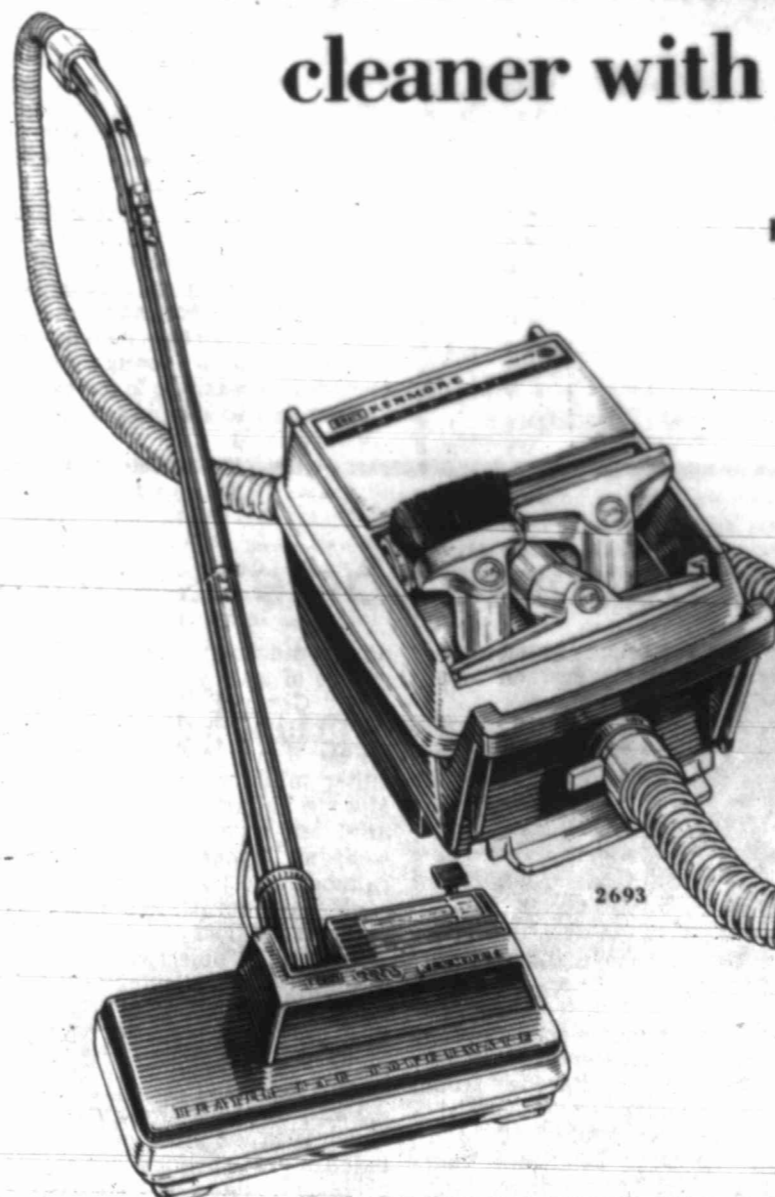
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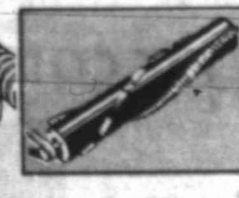
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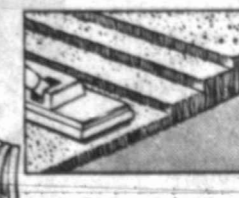
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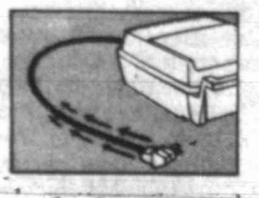
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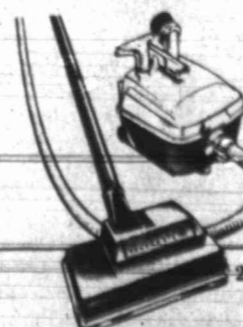


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Spanish rightists assemble to protest changes

MADRID, Spain (AP) — Rightists angered by political reforms massed for an antigovernment rally in the capital Saturday while King Juan Carlos led official ceremonies on the first anniversary of the death of Gen. Francisco Franco.

In a captain general's uniform, the army's highest rank, the king and Queen Sophia, dressed in black, attended a funeral Mass at Franco's burial place 35 miles from Madrid.

Franco's widow, Dona Carmen Polo de Franco, also attended the ceremonies at his tomb.

Heavy security was thrown around the king and Premier Adolfo Suarez after police seized arms and picked up rightist militants in Madrid.

Police also concentrated security around Orient Square in downtown Madrid where rightists called a rival ceremony to honor the dead dictator.

Police said they feared the 20-minute

open air ceremony might bring violence.

War veterans from the winning Franco side in Spain's civil war four decades ago denied their rally had political aims. But they warned they could not guarantee order away from the rally site and advised people attending to avoid arguments with "nervous" Francoists.

Thousands of Francoists were reported streaming into the capital by

bus and train, and Madrid city hall said it had reserved parking space for 1,200 cars. Loudspeakers blared out marching songs two hours before the rally as groups of young men raised their arms in Fascist salutes and sang Franco war hymns.

The anniversary came two days after Suarez put through the government's most important reform since Franco's death — approval from the Franco-selected parliament to hold

the first free parliamentary elections in 40 years.

The cabinet later sent a government request to King Juan Carlos, Franco's successor, to call a national referendum in December to endorse the reform.

The government tried to play down the Francoist rally. No national holiday was declared, although funeral Masses were authorized in all of the nation's 50 provinces in

memory of the general who ran the country for 36 years.

Rightists scattered thousands of leaflets across the capital and covered walls with anti-government graffiti.

The first violence came late Friday when rightist toughs beat a youth on the streets near the national police headquarters and later burst into a cafe used by intellectuals to threaten the customers.

U.S. letting Angola in UN for political reasons

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — The United States decided not to block Angola's second attempt at U.N. membership to increase U.S. influence in black Africa and avoid damaging the stalled Geneva talks on Rhodesia, diplomats said.

U.S. representative Albert W. Sherer Jr. told the 15-member Security Council on Friday that

while the United States will not support Angola's application, it "will not stand in the way."

This indicated a U.S. abstention when the council votes Monday. China has indicated it will not vote to protest Soviet involvement in Angola, but the council's 13 other members were expected to approve Angola's admission.

The United States

vetoed Angola's first try at U.N. membership last June 23, citing the presence of 12,000 to 15,000 Cuban troops in Angola. The Cubans, with military and financial aid from the Soviet Union, helped a Marxist faction defeat two pro-Western elements and take power after Angola gained independence from Portugal on Nov. 11, 1975.

The United States has

said since June it would bar Angola from the United Nations as long as large numbers of Cuban troops remained in the country. U.S. sources said Friday some 12,000 Cubans are still there, and renewed fighting has been reported recently with remnants of the pro-Western factions.

But in a major policy shift, officials said Friday the United States

was reconsidering its opposition because of a wider African context.

Sources here and at the State Department in Washington said the change was part of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's effort to increase American influence in black Africa and to achieve a peaceful transition to black majority rule in

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Mayor Angelo calls meeting

Midland Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr. will hold a press conference at 10 a.m. Monday in the council chamber of city hall to explain further the Dec. 14 election on two bond proposals.

One proposal is for \$4 million in general obligation bonds for improvements at the Midland Regional Air Terminal, while the other is for \$1.5 million in general obligation bonds for a downtown exhibition center.

Neither bond proposal, if accepted by Midland voters, is expected to result in a tax increase, the mayor said Thursday.

Spokesmen for both bond issues are expected to attend the session to provide additional information on the proposals.

School trustees to hear reports

Midland school trustees are scheduled to hear reports on the athletic program for girls and compensatory education programs when they meet Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the school administration building.

The board also is scheduled to consider the report by the independent auditors and the audit committee will report to the board.

Also on the agenda is an executive session on a real estate matter.

Bids will be considered for purchase of school district vehicles, including station wagons, pickup trucks and a delivery van and a radio antenna tower.

The trustees will consider bids for the sale of used school buses also.

Also to be considered is a meeting date for December. A report on football game attendance also is due.

Planners to face lengthy agenda

The Midland Planning and Zoning Commission will study a lengthy 13-item agenda during its 1:30 p.m. Monday session in the council chamber at city hall.

Planners postponed their regularly-scheduled meeting last Monday until this week to avoid conflict with the Texas Municipal League annual conference in Dallas.

The commission will consider a request by the Midland Girl Scouts to lease or purchase three acres adjacent to the Cerebral Palsy Center at Ventura and Cumberland streets.

Representatives of the Girl Scouts earlier had presented their request to the Midland City Council, but council deferred action on the matter pending a recommendation from city planners.

The group also will consider two requests by the Westside Church of Christ. One request, for a zone change from single-family district to local retail, would allow sale of the church's present property at Illinois and Midkiff streets, while the other request, for a zone change from local retail to multiple family, would allow construction of a new church outside the fire district in the 4400 block of Illinois Avenue.

In other action, city planners will consider:

- A preliminary development plan prepared by the city staff on an area bounded by Andrews Highway, Midland Drive, FM 1369 and Wadley Avenue.
- A request by W. W. Wallace for a specific use permit for a guest house in the 1000 block of Alpine St.
- A request by Frank Welch for a zone change from parking district to planned district in the 100 block of W. Pine St.;
- A request by John Williams for a zone change from single-family to multiple family in the 3800 block of Andrews Highway;
- A request by Henry Culp for an amended planned district at Neely Avenue and Western Drive;
- A final plat of the Skyline Heights Addition at Midkiff and Golf Course roads;
- A request by Warren L. Faller for a zone change from single-family to local retail on three-fourths acre north of FM 868 and Midkiff Road, plus a zone change initiated by the planning commission for a change from single-family to local retail in that same general area;
- Permits of development contrary to zoning in newly-annexed areas, and,
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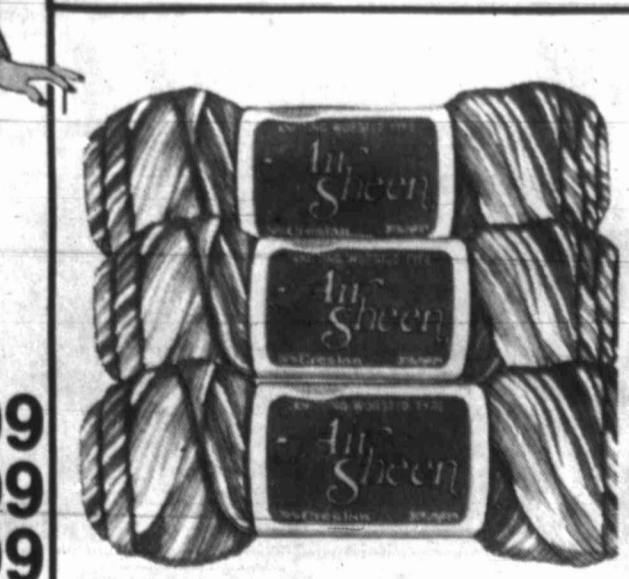
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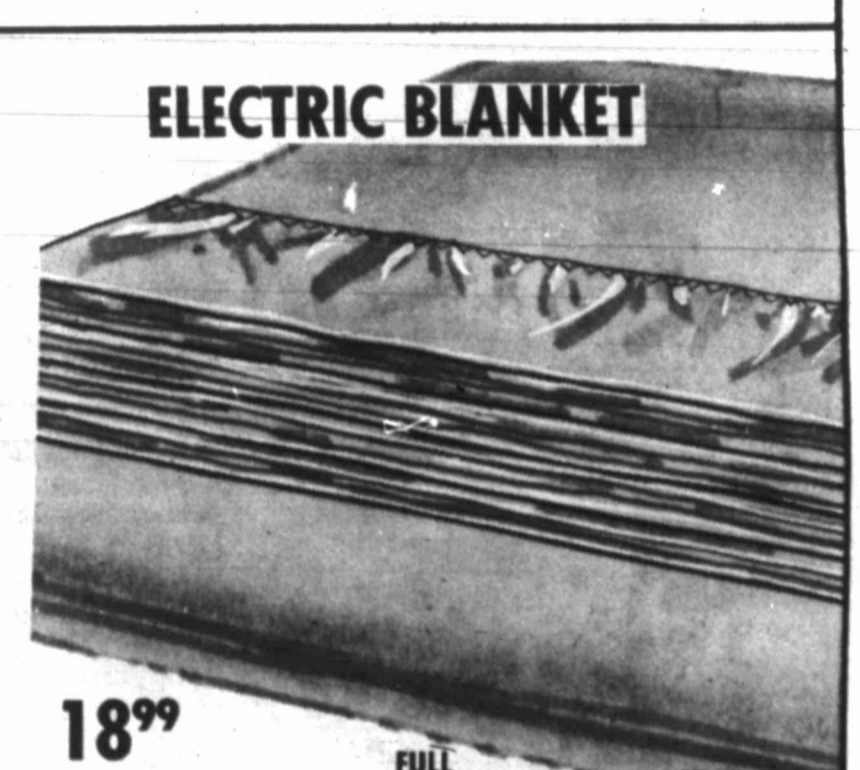


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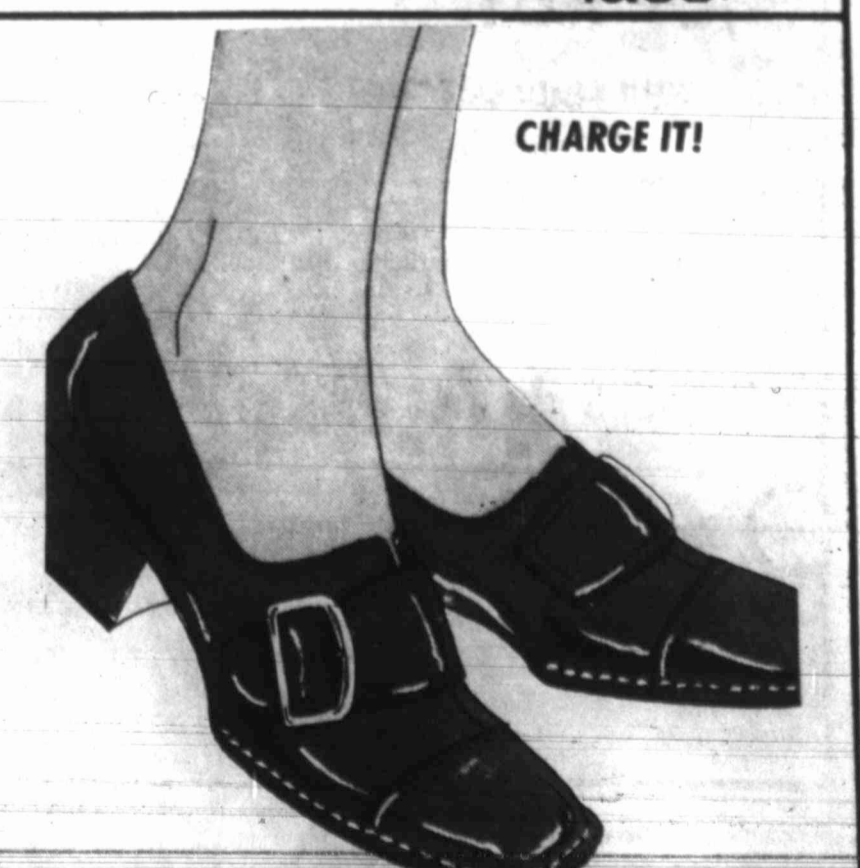


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Nuclear panel chief skeptical of report

WASHINGTON (AP) — The head of a federal nuclear safety panel is skeptical of a government report that concludes the risks are negligible in known methods of nuclear waste disposal.

David W. Moeller, of Harvard University's School of Public Health, said Friday he was "just not convinced" that there are practical solutions to the dangers of storing nuclear material for thousands of years.

Moeller is chairman of a subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, which held two days of meetings to consider a Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff report on nuclear reprocessing and waste disposal.

The panel makes recommendations to the NRC on construction requirements for nuclear power plants and other facilities.

The report concluded there is a negligible "long-term risk of failure" in nuclear reprocessing plants or facilities that will be built to store nuclear wastes underground.

Moeller said the NRC staff appears to have ignored more than 20 nuclear accidents that have already occurred.

"It's like a situation in which 68 airplanes crashed and now you are saying the 69th won't crash," he said.

There have been no fatal accidents in any of the five dozen commercial nuclear power plants now operating in the United States.

The NRC report also concluded the risk of sabotage in the handling of nuclear wastes is very small.

Herbert Parker, a nuclear consultant from Richland, Wash., took issue with Moeller. Parker noted that he had visited a newly opened exhibit of artifacts from King Tut's tomb in Egypt, now on display at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington.

"After 3,000 years even the glass they (the Egyptians) made is in great shape," he said.

Parker said if the Egyptians could preserve items from their civilization for 3,000 years, then nuclear engineers should be able to find safe ways of burying nuclear waste.

The NRC is drafting new rules for nuclear waste disposal.

A federal court struck down an earlier set of rules, causing a delay in granting some new licenses for power plant construction.

Waste materials from nuclear power plants gradually lose their radioactivity and become harmless over periods varying from a few years to many centuries.

Pact to add \$5.8 billion to GM costs

By OWEN ULLMANN
Associated Press Writer

DETROIT (AP) — The tentative agreement between the United Auto Workers and General Motors will add \$5.8 billion to GM labor costs, says the company's top labor bargainer. But he said he does not know whether that also means higher car prices.

George B. Morris Jr., GM's labor vice president, called the settlement terms "inflationary" and said they would increase labor costs for the average GM hourly worker about 33 per cent, or \$3.75 an hour, by 1979, including projected inflation raises.

That would bring the nation's No. 1 auto manufacturer's total hourly labor cost for the average worker, including wages and benefits, to more than \$15 in the third year, he said.

The shortest auto strike in industry history ended Friday morning with a three-year settlement for GM's 390,000 hourly employees after an all-night bargaining session. The announcement came only 12½ hours after 80,000 hourly workers struck at midnight Thursday.

UAW President Leonard Woodcock called it "an excellent settlement" and a GM spokesman said the 16 key plants hit by the "ministrike" probably would resume full production Monday.



George B. Morris Jr.

Pickets left most of the strike-bound plants soon after the announcement and local unions instructed second-shift workers to report to their jobs.

However, a company spokesman said only partial shifts were under way by Friday night at the previously struck parts plants.

The new contract now goes to the rank-and-file, with ratification votes scheduled the week of Dec. 6. If approved, the pact will settle contracts

for the three largest domestic automakers.

The industry pattern was set at Ford after a 28-day strike last month, and Chrysler workers ratified a similar agreement Wednesday.

The union still must negotiate a new contract for some 14,000 workers at financially strapped American Motors. No strike deadline has been set for the smallest of the U.S. automakers.

UAW Vice President Irving Bluestone said the last issue to be resolved concerned a union demand that GM remain neutral on future organizing drives at new GM plants in the South.

The UAW had accused the nation's No. 1 automaker of having a "southern strategy," under which it successfully campaigned against efforts to unionize the plants.

Bluestone said the union won the pledge it wanted in the new contract.

The ministrike strategy was unprecedented in auto industry negotiations. The union targeted key plants in seven states, concentrated in the Midwest.

Bluestone said GM gave the union a commitment on the "southern strategy" issue in the contract "which says that they will remain neutral in these kinds of organizing

drives and that they will neither discourage nor encourage the union's efforts in organizing the employees."

Woodcock said the union's concern with the issue stemmed from representation election setbacks at previously unorganized GM plants in Clinton, Miss., and Fitzgerald, Ga.

Mixup turns into liberal priestly joke

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — Dick Maresh is a sheet metal worker, not a theologian, but lately he's been talking to a lot of people who want to learn about the Catholic Liberal Church.

Maresh is repairing the copper tower of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. A telephone was installed in the tower for his convenience, but the telephone company listed the number in its directory under the heading "Churches-Catholic Liberal."

That heading has not previously been used, and no one at the phone company seems to know why the listing appeared.

Soviets expected to extend U.S. fisheries jurisdiction

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States and the Soviet Union are expected to sign an agreement next week in which Moscow tacitly recognizes the U.S. right to extend its fisheries jurisdiction to 200 miles.

American officials say Moscow had been resisting the American claim of unilateral authority to extend its fisheries zone from 12 miles. The apparent about-face came during U.S.-Soviet fisheries talks that ended here Friday.

U.S. officials said the decision of the Soviet negotiators is subject to final approval from Moscow.

One official interpreted the conciliatory Soviet position as a Soviet attempt to avoid an early confrontation with the administration of President-elect Jimmy Carter.

The new U.S. fisheries

law requiring foreign vessels to obtain permits and setting quotas on the fish catch goes into effect on March 1, about five weeks after Carter takes office.

Vessels that do not obtain proper documentation will be subject to arrest by the U.S. Coast Guard after March 1. American officials were worried that continued Soviet opposition to the U.S. law might provoke a confrontation.

A new fisheries agreement with Moscow would leave Japan as the lone country with major fisheries interests off American shores that

still rejects the U.S. 200-mile-limit claim.

The Soviet Union and Japan are among the few maritime nations that still adhere to the 12-mile fisheries limit.

U.S.-Japanese negotiations will be renewed in mid-December. Officials believe that the emerging global consensus in support of the 200-mile-limit concept will put Japan under heavy pressure to comply with the new U.S. law.

They add that the Japanese government's negotiating flexibility should increase after Japan's national elections, set for Dec. 5.

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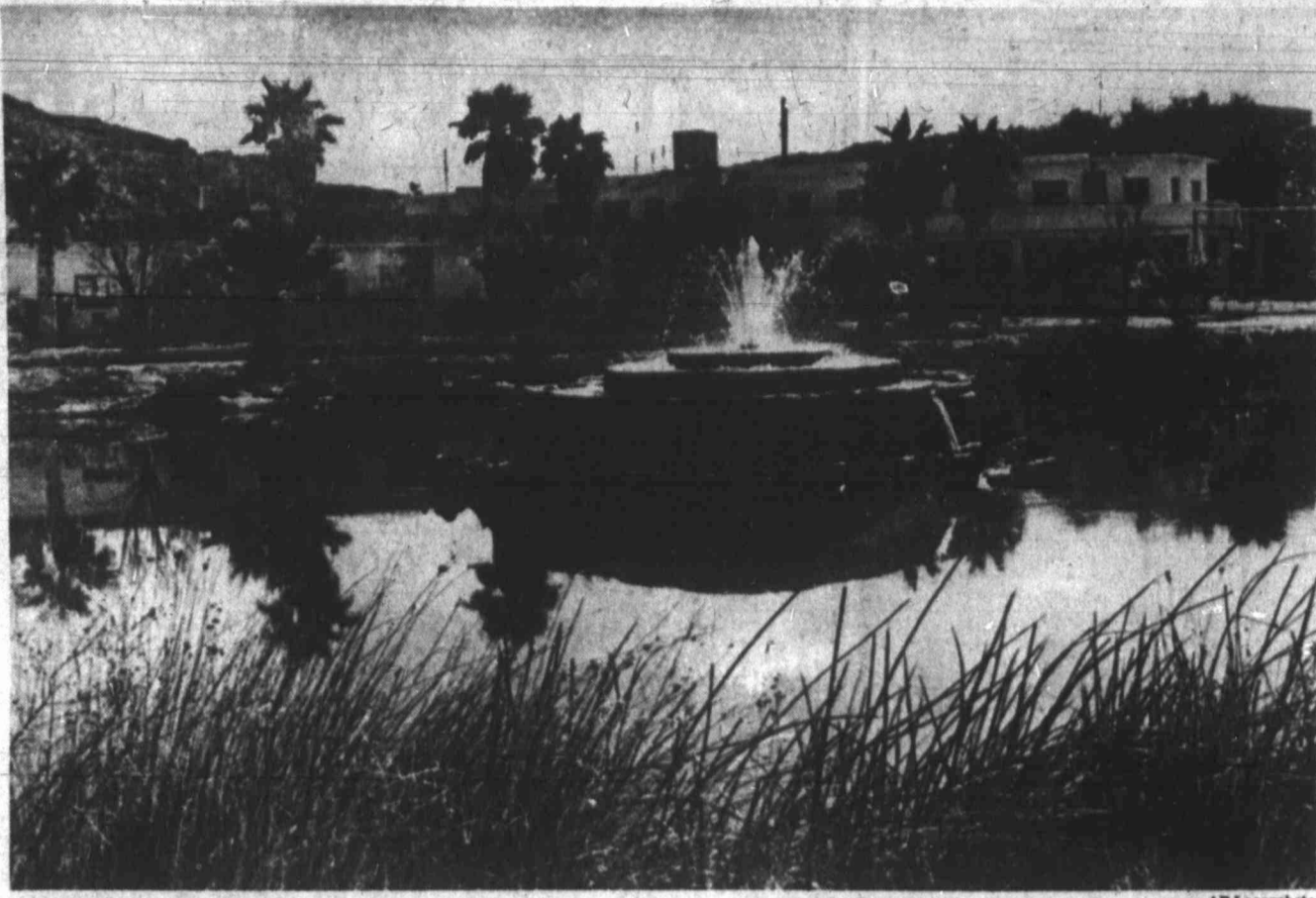
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This two-story hotel called "The Castle" when it was built and occupied at Zzyzx, Calif., is about to find a new use as a desert research center for a group of Southern California colleges.

Echeverria calls rumors of coup 'absurd;' new devaluation feared

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican President Luis Echeverria took time off from the 66th Mexican Revolution celebration Saturday to emphatically deny a wave of coup d'etat rumors economists fear may force another devaluation of the peso.

Shortly after reviewing a giant parade, Echeverria called the rumors "absurd."

"There is nothing more absurd than all this," Echeverria told newsmen at the National Palace. The persistent rumors have spread as far as Dallas, Miami, Phoenix and Sacramento, Calif.

It was rumored Echeverria planned a coup d'etat to perpetuate his power.

Other rumors told of the peso again being devalued and an abortive attempt to assassinate First Lady Esther Zuno de Echeverria or one of his eight children.

Reliable sources said Mrs. Echeverria was recently under medical treatment for an undisclosed ailment.

Echeverria is scheduled to leave office Dec. 1, completing a six-year term.

He is to be succeeded by President-elect Jose Lopez Portillo, his former treasury minister and also a member of the Institucional Revolutionary Party, which has held power in Mexico for almost half a century.

Economists have said if the wave of rumors continues, further spurring a mad flight of capital out of Mexico, the government might be forced to devalue the peso for a third time.

Echeverria has announced devaluations of the Mexican peso twice since Aug. 31, reducing its value in relation to the U.S. dollar by almost half.

The devaluations came during Mexico's worst economic crisis in many decades.

Echeverria has been under fire from many business and industrial leaders for several years because of policies his critics call leftist.

His administration has effected mass distribution of expropriated land to poor peasants and placed many essential industries under tight state control.

In Mexico, the president is almost never criticized directly by name in the press. However, the newspaper Excelsior, in a signed column, has directly blamed Echeverria for the monetary crisis in Mexico.

\$2,000 reward offered

PALESTINE, Tex. (AP) — A group calling itself the Anderson County Defense Fund has offered a \$2,000 reward "to anyone furnishing information leading to the capture, indictment and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the shotgun death of Frank J. Robinson."

The group took the action in an ad Saturday in the Palestine Herald

Press after an inquest jury ruled Friday that the civil rights leader's death was a suicide.

Timothy Smith, who placed the ad in behalf of the defense fund, said, "There were too many unresolved questions concerning Robinson's death for the inquest verdict to be acceptable."

California ghost town scheduled to become desert research center

ZZYZX, Calif. (AP) — This abandoned desert town, intended by its founder to be literally the last word in health spas, is getting a new lease on life as a research center.

Zzyzx (pronounced Zye-zix) was built in 1944 on federal property near Soda Dry Lake in the Mojave Desert about 200 miles east of Los Angeles by Curtis Howe Springer, who called himself the "last of the old-time medicine men."

With the help of workers from Los Angeles' Skid Row, Springer built a two-story hotel called "The Castle," groups of cottages, a community

dining hall, a church, a printing plant, food production area, hot baths, shops and a swimming pool.

He picked the odd name to make it the last word in the English language. It still appears on road signs pointing there from the Las Vegas, Nev., to Los Angeles highway.

But Springer himself is gone — evicted in 1974 by federal marshals and sent to jail for several months after conviction for illegally using federal property and false advertising of health food products he claimed

would cure everything from sore toes to cancer. Springer, now 80, lives in Las Vegas.

Now Zzyzx is being converted into an education and research center under an arrangement between a consortium of seven Southern California colleges and universities and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

The site will be used for field trips and desert studies in biology as well as anthropology, archaeology, geology and geography.

'Spruce Goose' eyed by Navy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A huge wooden seaplane built by the late billionaire Howard Hughes 30 years ago may be useful to the Navy in exploring new technological developments.

The Navy said Friday the flying boat — nicknamed the "Spruce Goose" — could help in research on seaplanes.

But so far, the Navy said, "No agreements or commitments have been made, between the government and the Summa Corp.," a firm which was controlled by Hughes.

The Navy said the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is helping evaluate the flying boat, now stored in Long Beach, Calif.

The Navy said the "Spruce Goose" was "a possible candidate for a flight demonstrator" for a proposed study of new airplane concepts that includes large seaplanes.

Gilmore must die or go free

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Convicted murderer Gary Mark Gilmore says he wants a special hearing before the Utah Board of Pardons this week to prevent a technicality from denying his request to die by firing squad.

Gilmore, who has said he wants to die rather than spend the rest of his life in prison, must be set free if he is not executed by Dec. 7, according to Utah County Attorney Noali T. Wootton.

But while Gilmore was in the second day of a hunger strike Saturday, one of his attorneys, Tom Jones, said Gilmore had asked him to seek the special pardons board hearing so he could be executed before the legal time limit expires.

Wootton, Utah's attorney general-elect, said state law requires that executions be carried out no sooner than 30 days and no later than 60 days after sentencing.

"The requirements of this statute are, of course, waived if the defendant initiates some action requiring a delay beyond the maximum time," Wootton said in a letter to pardons board chairman George W. Latimer. "This, however, Mr. Gilmore has not done."

Gilmore was originally sentenced to die last Monday, but Gov. Calvin Rampton issued a stay of execution to allow the pardons board to review the case.

The board was to have considered the matter on Wednesday, but Gilmore and his girl friend, Nicole Barrett, attempted to carry out an apparent suicide pact on Tuesday. Both were found unconscious — Gilmore in his cell and Mrs. Barrett in her Springville apartment.

Both were hospitalized for treatment of drug overdoses, and both recovered. Gilmore was returned to Utah State Prison, and Mrs. Barrett was admitted to Utah State Hospital on Friday.

Doctors said Mrs. Barrett, 20, was in a state of depression and that she still planned to carry out her pact with Gilmore, 35.

Prison officials, on orders from doctors and from Mrs. Barrett's family, refused to allow Gilmore to telephone Mrs. Barrett on Friday, and the prisoner began a hunger strike which continued on Saturday.

The pardons board's next scheduled meeting is Dec. 6.

"In light of Mr. Wootton's statements, I will formally ask the pardons board to reschedule the appeal for an earlier time," Jones said. "I plan to recommend the hearing be set for Wednesday."

He said that if the pardons board does not consider the case before its scheduled meeting on Dec. 6, District Court Judge J. Robert Bullock would not have time to reschedule Gilmore's execution.

Bullock sentenced Gilmore after he was convicted of killing a Provo motel clerk last July 20. Wootton prosecuted the case.

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'Crosbyton Plan' important study



DR. JOHN B. REICHERT, a member of the electrical engineering staff at Texas Tech University, is the project director of the what appears to be an orderly national plan "Crosbyton Plan," one of the first pilots in for solar research and development.

DALLAS (AP) — Long the kingpin of domestic oil and natural gas production, Texas is emerging as a key state in the research and development of solar energy.

Cities, universities and private industry across the state already are involved in solar experimentation. Others are bidding for lucrative solar-related contracts.

San Antonio, Dallas, Waco, Crosbyton and Bridgeport are a few of the cities which have plunged to various degrees into the solar arena.

Unlikely as it sounds, the sun-splashed little cotton mecca of Crosbyton on the South Plains may play a big role in unlocking the secrets of solar energy.

Lying 38 miles east of Lubbock, Crosbyton is involved with Texas Tech and a Dallas electronics firm, E-Systems, in a federal project that could eventually become a \$20 million investment.

Across the state, San Antonio is in the final of a high stakes battle for an experimental solar electric plant. The price tag: \$100 million.

The Alamo City also is an applicant for selection as the site of a permanent federal Solar Energy Research Institute.

Again, millions of dollars. "Even tiny Bridgeport is still in hot pursuit of its place in the sun: "We're optimistic that we'll have a solar system operative here by the end of 1978," says City Manager Maury Brown.

In Waco, Solar King and Baylor University are involved jointly in what some say is another multimillion dollar solar energy program. Some might find it significant that Solar King moved its operation to Texas from the sun-swept desert climes of Nevada.

Smaller projects, such as a solar home in Dallas, are scattered across Texas, one of the prime sunbelt states.

Texas is a natural leader in the search for new sources of energy, ranking as the No. 1 producer of oil and natural gas in the United States.

But the state's gas and oil supply, along with those of the nation is declining.

An official of the Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) says solar energy will be a major fuel source on a competitive level with fossil fuels by the year 2000.

And it's ERDA which is providing money for most of the rather bold and imaginative attempts to capture and convert the sun's rays into a new and economically feasible source of energy.

"The money didn't have to come from the federal government, but that was the most likely candidate," said

Dr. John D. Reichert, a member of the electrical engineering staff at Texas Tech.

Reichert is project director of the so-called "Crosbyton Plan," one of the first pilots in what appears to be an orderly national plan for solar research and development.

Under terms of a \$2.4 million contract between ERDA and Texas Tech, the Lubbock university is conducting a study that could lead to a \$22 million investment at Crosbyton, population about 2,500.

"We think Crosbyton is a site that typifies a vast geographical portion of America in certain ways," Reichert said. "... Crosbyton is ideal because it's not ideal. If there was an ideal place we wouldn't want it."

Crosbyton, he explained, is like much of Texas and other areas: long on sunshine, perhaps short on people and inexpensive energy.

An imperfectly perfect place, one might conclude.

"The agricultural implications are literally fantastic," said one Tech official, Dr. John R. Bradford.

Bradford said sun generators such as those under study here could be distributed at five to 10-mile intervals through the irrigation belt of West Texas and the mid-section of the United States.

"It has vast potential and it is almost overwhelming in its implications," he said.

Equally overwhelming are the figures they're talking about at San Antonio, one of three finalists in competition for the \$100 million plant.

A final decision, again by ERDA, is due in January, according to Don Schnitz of the City Public Service (CPS), which devised the city's solar plan.

CPS also is assisting, along with Southwest Research Institute, on the application for the federal Solar Energy Research Institute.

Both the proposed systems at San Antonio and Crosbyton would harness energy from the sun to produce steam for generating electricity.

The San Antonio proposal calls for a plant to produce enough power for a city of some 10,000 population; Crosbyton's would be considerably smaller. While the San Antonio facility could lead to construction of a larger solar energy plant, Reichert said the Crosbyton plan could provide a model for similar small towns across a broad section of the country.

"I think we can develop a technique that would be useful not only to the people of Crosbyton," Reichert said. "There's a big chunk of American geography and a lot of people who live in climates like ours who can use this

Two Nader groups urge cloud caution

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Ralph Nader organizations have urged the government to issue an emergency order diverting all civil aircraft away from the radioactive cloud produced by this week's Chinese nuclear test.

and safety of airline passengers, crew members, ground personnel and others," the organizations said in a telegram to government officials.

"We urge that you act immediately to prevent all civil aircraft from entering air space contaminated with radioactive fallout and identify and isolate all aircraft which have flown

through such air space," it said.

An FAA spokesman said late Friday that no directives had been issued for pilots to avoid the nuclear cloud, expected to float over the United States this weekend.

"EPA and FAA should promptly implement a program to prepare all airports to handle decontamination

problems, and any aircraft determined to have been contaminated should be quarantined until decontamination procedures have been completed," they said.

The Nader organizations said that EPA's warning to the FAA to prepare an aircraft decontamination program had not been relayed to Washington National Airport by late Friday. They added that "most airports in the United States are totally unequipped to deal with radioactive contamination problems."

The telegram was signed by Ralph Nader and Reuben Robertson of the Aviation Consumer Action Project and Richard Pollack of Critical Mass, another Nader group concerned with health and environmental aspects of radiation.

The telegram was sent late Friday night to Transportation Secretary William D. Coleman Jr., Federal Aviation administrator John L. McLucas and Environmental Protection Agency administrator Russell E. Train.

Federal environmental agencies tell public not to fear fallout

SEATTLE (AP) — As a huge cloud of nuclear debris passed over the United States this weekend, federal environmental agencies urged the public not to be alarmed about possible contamination.

one twentieth the size of this one, raised radiation levels in the United States.

According to estimates by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the airborne mass began its passage over Washington State today at about 7 a.m. EST.

The cloud was expected to leave the United States over New Jersey by Monday afternoon. It takes about four hours to pass over one point.

Chances of radiation contamination at ground level depended chiefly on whether there was rainfall from an altitude high enough to go through the nuclear debris. The chance of that was expected to be greatest in the Northeast.

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Inflation rate cools; business spending up

WASHINGTON (AP) — New government statistics show that the inflation rate is cooling off while business spending is picking up — factors that could make it harder for Jimmy Carter to decide whether a tax cut is needed to stimulate the economy.

At the same time, the Federal Reserve Board took a small step on its own Friday that may stimulate the economy. The Fed lowered the discount rate it charges member banks to 5.25 per cent from 5.5 per cent.

The Fed also announced a major revision in its estimate of the nation's manufacturing plant capacity. It said that new data showed plants operating at 80.9 per cent of capacity in the third quarter of this year, instead of the 73.6 per cent previously estimated.

As a result, there was less room for economic expansion without renewed inflationary pressures, board member Henry C. Wallich told the Senate Banking Committee.

The news on the inflation front was good: consumer prices rose only three-tenths of 1 per cent in October, the smallest advance in seven months, the Labor Department announced.

The Commerce Department reported that a surge in business spending in October was responsible for the first increase in four months in new orders for durable goods.

The latest news brightens the economic picture after several weeks in which most major economic indicators — industrial production, retail sales and over-all economic

performance for the fall quarter — have shown little sign of any strong growth in the economy.

Carter has said a tax cut is a strong possibility if the economy remains stagnant when he takes office in January.

Federal Reserve Board Chairman Arthur Burns has cautioned the incoming Democrats against the dangers of inflation that might ensue if the economy were overstimulated.

The Labor Department said that real spendable earnings — the amount left after taxes and adjusted for inflation — grew five-tenths of 1 per cent in October. However, real earnings were down four-tenths per cent over the year because of higher taxes.

Consumer spending has slowed down over the last four months. The slowdown was apparently a key factor in what administration economists are calling a pause in the recovery from the recession.

The surge in business spending may help counteract that slowdown.

Durable goods include anything with a life expectancy of three years or more. October's increase was estimated at \$1.4 billion, or three per cent, pushing new orders to a level of \$48.04 billion.

The biggest chunk of the increase was on the business side, where manufacturers of the capital goods used to produce other goods were up \$1.7 billion.

Traditionally, when business approaches the limit of its capacity to produce goods, it begins spending more rapidly on expansion, and that generates new jobs in both the industry doing the spending and the industry doing the supplying.



KATIE VIEUX, 21-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Vieux of St. Louis, Okla., gets acquainted with the family pet, Willie, a St. Bernard puppy.

Five guilty in silver swindle

DALLAS (AP) — Five men were found guilty in federal court here Friday on 16 counts of fraud and conspiracy in connection with a silver mine fraud in which investors nationwide reportedly lost about \$1 million.

The jury deliberated about four hours in

returning a guilty verdict that said the defendants' claims to have a secret process to extract silver from ore in a Llano, Tex., mine were false.

Government prosecutors said each of the defendants faces up to 110 years in prison and \$70,000 fines.

U.S. District Court Judge Robert M. Hill set sentencing for Dec. 17. Found guilty were

James McCollum of Dallas; Kyle G. Bretz who listed a Dallas motel as his residence; Troy Becker of Sparks, Nev.; Theodore Dunkle of Long Beach, Calif.; and James L. Cockrell of Arizona.

The five were accused of cheating investors by selling refining contracts, silver options and obtaining advance money on loans for fictitious projects.

Several of the defendants testified they believed in the project and had no intent to defraud investors. The government said the ore from Central Texas was worthless.

Appeals will be filed, according to lawyers for four of the defendants.

Each defendant was found guilty on one count of conspiracy to commit fraud, five counts of mail fraud, five counts of wire fraud and five counts of interstate transportation of checks obtained by mail.

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Landowners going to court to fight expropriations

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Representatives of Sonora state landowners who lost almost a quarter of a million acres by government expropriation Friday, say they were robbed and will fight in the courts to get their land back.

"The farmers who were dispossessed of their legal property consider it plain robbery," said Francisco Borques, president of the Farmers Association of Southern Sonora, a state bordering Arizona in northwestern Mexico.

"It was an illegal act serving political purposes to exalt the image of Mexican President Luis Echeverria Alvarez," he said.

He added, "We will continue for the return of our land through the judicial system."

Echeverria's agrarian reform secretary announced the seizure Friday, saying the 243,100 acres of rich Yaqui Valley grain and livestock land was illegally owned by 72 families under Mexico's small landholdings law. Echeverria said it would be distributed among 8,037 poor farmers—or "campesinos."

Borques and three other landowners' representatives held a news conference in Mexico City Friday

night to protest the expropriation. Others participating were Pablo Castillon, manager of the Farmers Association; Hector Aguilar, president of the Sonora Conference of Farmers and Antonino Esquer, president of the Yaqui Valley Credit Union.

Sonora produces 60 per cent of Mexico's wheat, the landowners said, and a major part of its beef cattle. The farmers estimated the expropriated property grows 45 per cent of the country's wheat, or about 800,000 tons yearly.

"With these lands in the hands of campesinos, poorly trained and with only small plots, there will be a production crisis," Castillon said.

"We're not planting now and if nothing is changed, production will fall 100 per cent," he said.

The farm leaders said Echeverria had not mentioned compensation. They estimated the farmers had \$32 million invested in machinery, which they expected also would be expropriated.

The agrarian reform secretary first tried to take the land away in July when it initiated legal proceedings to seize the property.

The government claims the land is in the hands of 72 families. The farmers assert it is owned by 800

separate individuals, although many of them are related.

The landowners filed an appeal in the courts after the secretary's move in July and were granted a "provisional suspension" of the action against them.

Borques and others at the news conference Friday said Echeverria had illegally bypassed the courts in announcing his expropriation.

They also said they expected

Sonora was just the first move by the government and the same thing could happen in Sinaloa, an adjoining state to the south which grows much of Mexico's produce, rine and chick peas (garbanzos).

Landless campesinos have for years tried to squat on the land, claiming the owners violated the law that limits private farm owners to 250 acres. The law does not say that various members of the same family

cannot each hold adjoining lands.

The confrontation has been marked by bloodshed. In 1975 former Gov. Carlos Armando Biebrich ordered the army to remove the squatters from the valley, and seven campesinos were killed. Their deaths resulted in the governor's resignation.

Campesinos have flocked to the valley and Sinaloa from other parts of Mexico. Just Wednesday night, 5,000 campesinos moved onto about 22,000

acres of farm and ranch land in Sinaloa, which is just south of Sonora. The landowners estimated that 70 per cent of the Sonora agricultural land was privately owned before Echeverria's announcement. In Sinaloa, 30 per cent is in private hands and the rest is in communal farms.

They said the property taken away Friday contained some 90,000 acres of irrigated land and 150,000 acres of cattle land.

Red Crossers to aid elderly

The Midland Red Cross again is planning to provide Christmas gifts and a party for the residents of Midland's nursing homes this year.

Mrs. Robert B. Morris, chairman of the nursing home auxiliary, said any club, civic organization or church group who desires to participate in this project may provide gifts or contributions through the Midland Red Cross.

Contributions may be mailed to the Red Cross at P. O. Box 1706, Midland, Texas.

Those seeking additional information may contact the Red Cross at 684-6161 or Mrs. Ruby Richardson at 682-3031.

Special records show Hughes sick at end

VANCOUVER, Canada (AP) — Howard Hughes was "a very sick man" in the last stages of his life and spent most of his time "going to the bathroom and watching old movies," according to a former adviser who obtained copies of logs kept by Hughes' personal aides.

John Meier, at one time a science adviser to the late billionaire and now being sued over some of his activities during that period, said the files also shed some light on the Hughes' will. But Meier added he is unable to say which way the files point in terms of making one of the wills legitimate.

Several purported wills have surfaced since Hughes died last spring of kidney failure while being flown from his luxury hotel suite in Acapulca to Houston for emergency medical treatment. However, none of the wills has been accepted as genuine.

Meier said he obtained copies of Hughes files that were seized by Mexican authorities shortly after Hughes' death.

Meier, now living in Tsawwassen, south of here, said in an interview Friday night that the files include the logs

maintained by Hughes personal aides in the billionaire's waning days. These files, Meier said, noted what he did "minute by minute, hour by hour," including his preference for old movies.

But Meier declined to reveal any further specifics from the Hughes files. He said the documents cover the last few years of Hughes' life and the originals are in the possession of Mexico's attorney general in Mexico City.

Meier, now a landed immigrant in Canada, was Hughes' mining and scientific adviser from 1966 to 1970 while the industrialist ruled his financial empire from the Desert Inn Hotel in Las Vegas. Meier acquired thousands of mining claims for Hughes while in his employ.

Meier is being sued in federal court in Salt Lake City by Summa Corp., the holding company that administers most of Hughes' estate estimated at \$2.5 billion. Summa claims Meier fraudulently purchased Nevada mining claims for Hughes.

Meier said he obtained the Mexican documents to use as evidence in this court battle.

School bond election set

CRANE — Trustees of the Crane Independent School District have set Dec. 14 as the date for a \$4.5 million bond election for construction of new facilities and renovation of old facilities.

Underwood Neuhaus & Co. Inc. was chosen as financial advisors to handle the single-proposition bond issue, which the board of trustees voted to retire within a 20-year period.

In other action during the board's regular session, an audit of the school's accounts for the year ending Aug. 31, 1976, was approved as conducted by the firm of Eckert, Story, Ransom & Ingram.

The board also approved purchase of an Olivetti calculator, a Gamco projector and Royal typewriter No. 1.

Midlander to be in 4-H congress

COLLEGE STATION — Kathy Knox of Midland year's congress is "4-H — Room to Grow." The congress will emphasize how 4-H provides opportunities for young people to grow as they set goals and respond to new challenges.

The Texas delegation, one of the largest ever to attend the national congress, will be among 1,600 4-H members across the nation who have been winners at the state, regional and national level in 4-H projects and activities supervised by the Cooperative Extension Service. The theme of this

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WEST TEXAS OUTDOORS

Opening day turns white

By GREG AKINS

There are two events which West Texans don't normally expect each year—a white Christmas and a white opening day of deer season.

highly dedicated. The wives used another word... Stupid. BUT IN fairness to myself, Kent Gaultney and Lowell Fuller, who spent part of the day Saturday riding in an open jeep with no heater, dedication is more befitting.

some photographs of some of the deer brought in this year. Take a little time to photograph your deer or turkey and mail them or bring them by the paper.



Midland's Judy Rankin appears to be unhappy with this shot in the Colgate Hong-Kong Open Women's Invitational Golf Tournament, but she went on to win the tournament and \$10,000.

Rankin captures golf title

HONG KONG (AP) — Judy Rankin of the United States, battling tricky winds and a late challenge from Japan's Chako Higuchi, shot a one-over-par 73 Saturday to win the \$50,000 Hong Kong Open women's invitational golf championship with score of 216.

Mrs. Rankin, a 30-year-old housewife who was in fourth place, finished three strokes behind at 219. She shot a final round 73 in the three-day tournament at the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's 6,199-yard course in Fanling, near the Chinese border.

Dallas eyes playoff spot

ATLANTA (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys, closing in on another playoff berth in the National Football League, hope to regain some of their offensive magic Sunday when they collide with the inconsistent Atlanta Falcons.

"They still have some of those old hands who are great football players," he said. "The difference in a team with a good record and one with a bad record in this league is a step. If you don't take that step, then you are going to get beat."

for 2,125 yards and 11 touchdowns, with only four interceptions. Hunter became Atlanta's starting quarterback three weeks ago and has engineered two victories in three games. He has completed half of his 46 passes for 311 yards and four touchdowns.

THE KICKOFF is set for 1 p.m. EST in Atlanta Stadium, with the season's first home sellout of 58,850 expected. Only a few seats remained unsold late in the week.

THE RECORD difference in these two teams is decisive. Dallas has logged a 9-1 mark and the Falcons are struggling along at 3-7, having won twice in five games since General Manager Pat Peppier took over as interim coach for the fired Marion Campbell.

Dallas has dominated the brief series between the two, winning five in a row—the last two with shutouts—13-0 in 1970 and 24-0 in 1974.

ATLANTA. A big underdog, received a shot in the arm last week when the Falcons upset playoff hopeful San Francisco 21-16. Scott Hunter fired two touchdown strikes to Alfred Jenkins to spark the victory.

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LAST 3 DAYS! Los Angeles signs Sutton



LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Dodgers have regained the services of pitching ace Don Sutton, the man the Dodgers call "an artist as a pitcher," signing the righthander to a 4-year contract reportedly worth \$1 million.

In signing the new contract Friday, Sutton removed himself from baseball's list of bonanza boys, players who let their options run out and then sign on with the club offering the biggest bucks.

Dodger vice-president Al Campanis was overjoyed by Sutton's decision to stay with the club, where he posted a 21-10 record last year, with a 3.06 earned run average.

He is "an artist as a pitcher," Campanis said of the 30-year-old Sutton. "He's a leader and other guys look for guidance from him."

Sutton earned \$155,000 last year and had asked for a multiyear contract and job security after his playing days, specifically for a job as a Dodger broadcaster. The Dodgers balked at promising Sutton a sportscenter job, and he was reported to have asked to be traded to a club that could offer him what he wanted.

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Father writes of murdered son

EDITOR'S NOTE — Mike Sullivan, a copy editor on the Long Island Press, raised four sons. This is the tragic story of his youngest.

By **MIKE SULLIVAN**
For The Associated Press

There were 20,510 persons murdered in the United States in 1975, according to "Crime in the United States," the FBI's annual report.

Three out of every four homicide victims were male and 51 per cent of the males were white. The age group with the largest number of victims was 20 to 24, with 2,934 killed.

If you search through the voluminous report, you will learn that there were six homicides in rural Mendocino County, California, in 1975.

These are all statistics, lacking flesh and blood. All but one.

One of these 20,510 murder victims, one of these 2,934 between the ages of 20 and 24, one of the six killed in Mendocino County was Jerry Sullivan, 20.

Who was Jerry Sullivan?

Jerry Sullivan was my son. Jerry was born and reared in Howard Beach, a community on the shores of Jamaica Bay, hard by Kennedy Airport in New York City.

He was the youngest of four brothers and, when still a toddler, he tagged along with me to watch his older brothers play baseball. Jerry caught on fast and later became a good ballplayer himself.

Jerry went to Our Lady of Grace School in Howard Beach and to Bishop Loughlin High School in Brooklyn. Growing up, he played on many Catholic Youth Organization baseball and basketball teams. He soon earned the reputation of being a team player.

Jerry was extremely modest and was embarrassed by praise. A few nights before he graduated, he told me he had to go back to school for something. When he came home, the trophy he carried was a little too big to sneak up to his room unseen. A little plate on it read "MVP — 1973 Jerry Sullivan."

One summer, Jerry and a few friends rode their bicycles from Howard Beach to Cooperstown, N.Y., on the western slope of the Catskills to visit the Baseball Hall of Fame. The trip over the mountains wasn't easy for boys accustomed to the flat, sea-level terrain of Long Island.

Jerry had the usual after-school and summer jobs. He worked in a local drugstore; he was a busboy in a small Italian restaurant. He saved his money and wanted to ride his bicycle across the country the summer after he graduated from high school. Jerry couldn't get anyone to go with him, and I refused to let him make the 3,000-mile trip alone. I was afraid that something might happen to him on the road.

Jerry's disappointment was assuaged when I gave him permission to go to a small college, Dana, in Blair, Neb. He worked hard that summer and saved his money to help pay his college expenses.

But Jerry stayed in college only six weeks. He came home and told me he'd had enough of school and wanted to work with his hands.

He had several run-of-the-mill jobs and then, one day, in the spring of 1974, Jerry took off. He left a note and told us not to worry. "We were only a telephone call away," he promised to keep in touch with us and he did. A few days later we got a note from him from Hazleton, Pa., where he visited a college friend at Penn State. A few days after that a letter arrived from Blair, Neb., where he had stopped to see his Dana friends.

Hitchhiking and riding buses, Jerry made his way across the country and landed a job on the Dwyer ranch in Murrieta, 40 miles north of San Diego in southern California. Austin Dwyer, the owner of the ranch, breeds and boards thoroughbred racehorses.

Jerry took to the ranch work as if born to it. He worked hard six days a week and loved it. He learned to ride and acquired a dog and a horse of his own. Dwyer said Jerry never complained about the laborious, unglamorous parts of the job — moving irrigation pipes, lifting heavy bales, and the like. Both Dwyer and Tiofilo Lopez, the ranch foreman, were amazed at the speed with which Jerry, a city boy, picked up the work of the ranch and the affinity he had for the horses.

Jerry worked on the ranch for a year and came home on vacation in June 1975. Working in the southern California sun, he had lost weight but he had never looked better in his life. He was slim, tanned, strong. His friends were delighted to see him and I think they had a party for him every night. Jerry had a ball.

He returned to California on June 23, 1975. I last saw him at Kennedy Airport as he was about to board a flight for San Diego. We shook hands warmly and Jerry said, "Thanks a lot for everything, Dad."

Some time in August, 1975, Jerry broke his leg. It was put in a cast from his ankle to his hip and he had to use crutches to get around.

Jerry tired of hanging around the ranch, unable to work. A horse that he had taken care of in the spring was due to run on Sept. 10 at Bay Meadows, a race track near San Francisco 450 miles to the north.

The people at the ranch tried to dissuade him, but Jerry hitchhiked up to Bay Meadows to watch the horse run. The owner of the horse was surprised to see Jerry in the barn area, took him to dinner and offered to drive him back to the ranch.

Jerry told the man that people had been good to him on his trip up from Murrieta and, as long as he was unable to work, he'd continue hitchhiking to see what Oregon looked like. The trainer let Jerry sleep in the barn that night and Jerry told him he'd be back the following Wednesday to see the horse run again.

Jerry left the track alone early on Thursday, Sept. 11, 1975. Somewhere along the road, another hitchhiker, a man in his 20s with shoulder length hair, joined him. Four persons have been found who gave the two of them rides to Navarro, about 100 miles farther north.

Jerry was last seen alive in Navarro with the other hitchhiker about 7:30 p.m.

His body was found in a stand of redwoods near Navarro on Tuesday, Sept. 16 by an elderly man taking a shortcut through the woods.

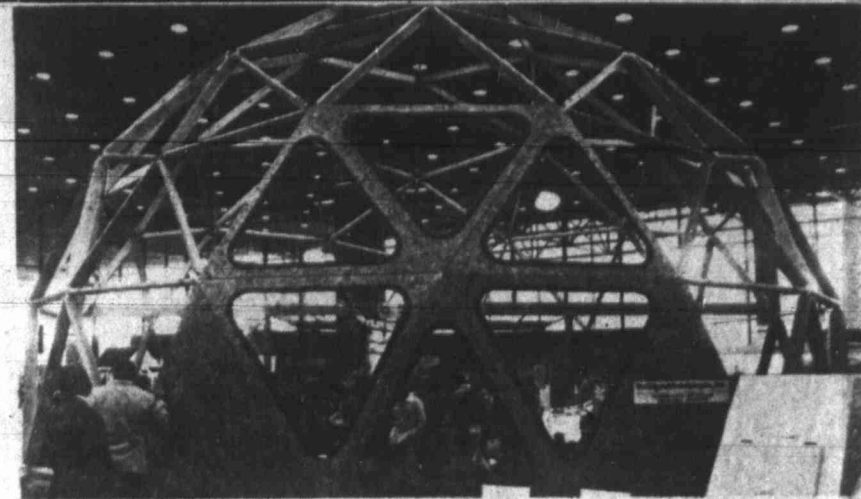
Jerry had been shot through the head with a .38 caliber gun. His body was half-in, half-out of a sleep-

ing bag. His wallet and meager possessions were missing. His crutches stood against a tree. He had been dead at least four days.

Jerry was identified the next day by the thumbprint on his California driver's license application on file in Sacramento. That evening, two New York policemen came to my house and told my wife and me that Jerry was the victim of a homicide in California.

Detective Sgt. Ralph Maize of the Mendocino Sheriff's Department in Ukiah, Calif., has been working on the case for more than a year. Lead after lead has taken him nowhere, but he remains hopeful that the murder will not go unsolved.

"We are still looking for Jerry's companion ... I think we'll be able to find the guy. I have to think that. Every day I go out, I think something will come up."



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Zinnemann talks about new film

By **BOB THOMAS**

PARIS (AP) — "Movies in recent years have featured all kinds of close relationships between men. I think it's time for a film about two women."

Film maker Fred Zinnemann was talking about the project that has brought him back to production after a four-year absence; his last was "Day of the Jackal." His new subject is "Julia," based on a chapter of Lillian Hellman's book "Pentimento." Jane Fonda is playing the young Hellman, Vanessa Redgrave is Julia, her childhood friend who becomes enmeshed in the anti-Nazi movement in pre-war Germany.

After shooting the 20th Century-Fox film in England, Zinnemann had come to Paris for scenes around the city and at the Bologne studios, then planned to finish at Strasbourg.

"I'm half-way through the picture and it feels good," said the double Oscar winner ("From Here to Eternity," "A Man for All Seasons"). A vigorous 69, he stood bare-headed in a misty chill, directing a scene near the Louvre in the Tuilleries with Maximilian Schell and Miss Fonda.

Zinnemann said that the project had come to him through producer Richard Roth, who had commissioned a first-draft screenplay by Alvin Sargent. The director described it as the story of "a friendship of two girls who are school chums and then drift apart; Julia becomes enmeshed in the intellectual ferment of Berlin, and Lillian brings money to provide escape for people in danger — not only Jews but liberals who oppose Hitler."

An important figure in "Julia" is Dashiell Hammett, with whom Miss Hellman lived for many years. "I'm portraying him as a father figure, since he was older than Lillian," said Zinnemann. Jason Robards is Hammett.

The relationship between Julia and Lillian? "It is totally platonic," said the director. "Anyone who goes to the picture looking for kicks will be terribly disappointed."

Jane Fonda seemed totally absorbed in "Julia." "I can't tell you how exciting it is to be doing a story about the internal dynamics of two women who really care for each other," said the actress. "It is a rare script that deals with intellectual growth. There is no game-playing, no neurosis, no sense of women competing with each other. If nothing else, 'Julia' will present a positive image for women."

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Gambling sweeping the country

By JOHN BARBOUR
AP Newsfeatures Writer

From Las Vegas East to Las Vegas West, gambling is sweeping the country.

When Atlantic City, N.J., won the right to be the nation's second casino city this month, it only underscored a trend starting to behold.

More and more it is legal to try to get something for next to nothing. Four of five Americans approve of gambling as a pastime and two of three freely admit they gamble within the law, or without it.

Thirteen states, all in the East and Midwest, sell lottery tickets, thereby putting the aegis of government on betting. In New York, bettors can wager on the horses and never leave home. And while New Jersey was authorizing its decaying resort area to spin the wheel of fortune, New York City and Long Island voters authorized "Las Vegas Nights" with roulette, blackjack and craps for charitable institutions "and other worthy causes."

From the public Horseshoe Club in Gardena, Calif., where people line up to play poker, to the private Mayfair Club in Manhattan, where consenting adults wager discreetly on bridge and backgammon, the name of the game is betting.

Even on daytime television, game shows sport the Las Vegas accoutrements of craps table dice and oversized playing cards for "21." The audiences shriek and groan with the winners and the losers.

All over America, people bet on anything that moves — a whopping \$80 billion a year on sports alone, illegally at that, and no one knows how much on other forms of gambling. Something not too subtle is happening to the Protestant Work Ethic, which brands gambling as frivolous and sinful.

It has been an abiding contradiction of American life that millions bet every day, while often supporting legislation that makes that activity illegal.

And it has produced strange ironies. When New Jersey, a reputed stronghold of the Mafia since Prohibition days, turned down statewide casino gambling in 1974, one of the arguments against the tables and the slots was that it would attract the wrong elements to the state.

Even while Atlantic City interests spent more than a million dollars to convince New Jersey voters that casino gambling was okay, a federal commission issued the results of a three-year study. It said that gambling is "a pastime indulged in by two-thirds of the American people, and approved by perhaps 80 per cent... contributes more than any other single enterprise to police corruption... and to the wellbeing of the nation's criminals."

Enforcing laws against gambling is impossible, the commission said flatly. It recommends the legalization of gambling, making it competitive with illegal gambling.

Not that all the nation embraces legalization. On the same day Atlantic City won, Detroit voters turned down an advisory referendum to permit casino gambling in the Motor City. Nor are there other casino cities on the horizon, although moves persist in Florida and New York state.

Anti-gambling sentiment is alive even in the lottery states, but gets stronger toward the Midwest and especially stronger in the South and Southwest. "There, people thoroughly believe, as their church tells them, that one works to produce products for other men," said James Ritchie, executive director of the National Gambling Commission. "And that you're rewarded by God's grace in money for your efforts. And to waste God's grace is a sin. The work ethic is reflected in attitudes that permeate all our laws."

Legal gambling winnings are heavily taxed. Since taxes are rarely paid on illegal winnings, the legal games suffer the disadvantage. For that reason, among others, state lotteries have barely put a crimp into illegal numbers games, Ritchie says.

"The gambling spirit is part of the American spirit," says sociologist Frederick Preston of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. "It is a sort of plunging ahead and conquering, a kind of boldness, aggressiveness."

In the glitter of Las Vegas, one man from Los Angeles sipped a glass of water at a casino bar and wondered how to tell his wife that he had blown the whole vacation kitty of \$800 in his first hour at the craps table. They had not even gone up to their room yet.

In the breakfast hours of the morning, another man fidgeted nervously, his hands trembling, at the wildly ringing quarter slot machine where he had just hit the \$150 jackpot. He was waiting for a casino aide to arrive with the rest of the payoff.

In Gardena, Calif., the Horseshoe Club and other poker clubs are an aberration of California law. When legislators long ago banned most gambling, they could not bring themselves to rule out a friendly game of draw. So poker and an oriental game called Pan survived.

The club rents seats to players at up to \$8 an hour, depending on the betting limit. The players are mostly older. Most seem to know each other. The games are serious, quiet and conservative. There is no liquor and the only holiday on which the club closes is Christmas.

"Some of them you can set your watches by," explains Tom Parks, one of the partners.

The staff of 175 manages the games, runs the dining room and keeps order. Above every table, hidden in the ceiling, is a TV camera. All play can be monitored to catch cheats,

mechanics, card manipulators. The Gardena clubs hire former casino employees as managers. When a cheat is discovered, his chips are divided among the other players, and in some cases he is prosecuted.

A man called Acey Ducey keeps coming back to the Horseshoe — in disguise — and keeps getting caught.

The club also bans people who let their gambling get out of control. Occasionally a spouse will complain that a husband or wife is gambling away the grocery money, and occasionally a player will write and ask to be barred for his own good.

The compulsive gambler is an increasing problem everywhere. Gambler's Anonymous, patterned after Alcoholics Anonymous, demands total abstinence. It estimates there may be nine million problem gamblers in America.

In New York's Off Track Betting parlors, it is mandatory for the parlor manager to post the local telephone numbers of Gambler's Anonymous, and posters plead, "Gamble with your head, not over it."

Interestingly, government — as the gambling entrepreneur — has usually tried to protect its players. Government in the lottery business isn't a new idea.

In the 1700s, London sported lottery houses that made money for government and charitable groups. Those houses also instituted a numbers game to make money for themselves, and the idea came to America.

"Some state lotteries are moving toward making their legal system competitive with illegal games, as an alternative to them. But it takes some major revisions."

The legal counterpart must pay better, and the winnings will have to be tax free, Ritchie says. Most states put lottery revenue into the general fund where it gets swallowed up. "But if they wanted to devise a strategy of success, they would give the money back to the community where people could perceive the benefit."

Bookmaking is another widespread illegal betting activity, and most people don't even think of it as illegal.

"If you take a scale of 100, betting on football in this country is at 100," Ritchie says. "Betting on horses, on the other hand, is about ten."

In between, basketball would rate 25, baseball 15.

The horses run every day, and so does football, in a sense. At least the middle-class bettor manages to enjoy it almost all week.

The betting line comes down on Tuesday. Bookmakers take bets until noon Saturday when they close the books on the college board.

is, in Ritchie's words, "the biggest game in town, the largest single event in terms of money bet is Monday night football."

The popularity of football as a betting game is no mystery. There are now 26 franchises, and five or six games a week are televised.

"There is probably 10 times as much money wagered on televised football games as on those that are not televised," Ritchie says. "People like to watch a game and bet on it. It doesn't mean that more people bet on football than numbers. They are fewer and different — middle income to upper middle, even a smattering of the very affluent who bet huge sums. It's almost a subculture in itself."

"We allow TV sportscasters to talk about the line (point spreads) on virtually every newscast," Ritchie says. "We publish injury reports as early as possible so everyone knows who isn't going to play. And after we create a demand for this service, we say it's against the law to accept a bet. It's no wonder the system is fighting itself."

Parimutuel betting on horseracing exists in 32 states. Dog racing is popular and spreading as a blue collar activity. Jai Alai is just getting started.

New York's Off Track Betting is a going proposition. It handled \$780 million in bets during its last fiscal year, and gave \$124 million back to the city, state and industry.

Why do Americans gamble? Excitement. Entertainment. The chance of beating the house. A way to escape the doldrums of our slow but secure lives.

"Gambling is not limited to the tables," notes sociologist Hess. "Investment, the stock market, things like that are often cited as gambling. Business, too, is a gamble in a sense, or offers the challenge of a gamble. Farming is one of the biggest gambles in business, and I suspect you will find few farmers at the gambling tables."

Dr. Craig Walton, a young philosophy professor on the Las Vegas campus, is less sanguine and charitable to this human enterprise. There are some, he says, who would think it a moral advance to drop strictures against many things like gambling.

"But there are others who say, 'I know in my gut that it's wrong, and don't give me any of your sociology. It's bad and I can't tell you why it's bad, but it is, so don't argue with me.'"

The argument that it is a victimless crime is probably wrong, Walton says. Where do you draw the line? Does the gambler hurt some loved one by indulging in his personal pleasure? Does he ignore responsibility, personal or social? Does the gambling industry foot that bill? Does gambling as an industry attract unsavory characters, muggers, hold-up artists, burglars, loan sharks? Does it cost the community?

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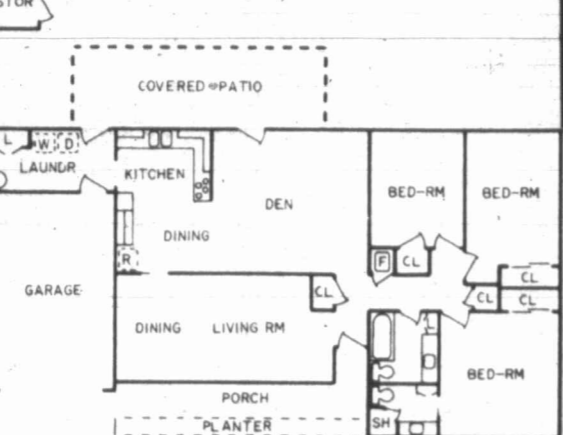
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SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Stonewall is there. So is Chandler's wobble, smart bomb, fat city, megadeath and schlockmeister. You'll find hydrocracker, and Baltimore chop.

This is not a menu for disaster, but words from the "new English" — the thousands of new words and meanings that have become firmly established in the language over the past 15 years and have added a whole new dimension to the way we speak. "The vocabulary of English, like that of every other living language, is

constantly growing," says James Lowe, associate editor of "6,000 Words," a dictionary of new English just published by G. & C. Merriam Co. "However, the past 15 years has probably seen more changes than at any time in our history.

"We have lived through a time of great social change and of world-shattering events, and it follows that we needed new words and new meanings to express these events," he adds. "These range from Vietnam and the moon landings to the new sexual permissiveness and the search for

personal identity. We made the word 'establishment' pejorative, and new words and phrases — ego trip, counterculture, sexism, funky — were developed to describe our new ways of living, new ideas, new philosophies."

The most prolific sources of new words were science and technology. Lowe points out, including space flight (moonwalk, earthrise, astronomy quasar, black hole), genetics (messenger RNA) and mathematics (Fourier transform), to name a few.

But the book also shows that over

the past 15 years Americans were talking about the Peter Principle, veganism (extreme vegetarianism), vexillology (the study of flags) and ufology (the study of UFOs). We looked into cloning (growing identical things from a single cell), bionics (solving engineering problems with biological information), and cryonics (freezing the dead).

We used "in" words like flaky and ticky-tacky. We discussed rapid eye movement, synetics and aversion therapy. From Watergate we learned to stonewall it, although the word

itself is not new. And the word watergate is still only a synonym for floodgate.

It was a time of unisex, when straight not only meant heterosexual attitudes and mores. The interest in sexual identity gave us Ms., chairperson, macho and many others. "There were, of course, many influences on the language in those years," Lowe says. "The stock market gave us uptick. Sports gave us roller hockey, squib kick, square out, zilch and many more. "Surfing gave us almost a whole

new vocabulary, including head dip, hang ten, goofy foot, hotdog and hodad. You are a hodad, if you hang around but don't surf."

Chandler's wobble, according to "6,000 Words," refers to an "elliptical oscillation of the earth's axis." A smart bomb is a bomb that can be guided to its target; "fat city" means being well off; megadeath is one million deaths; schlockmeister is one who deals in schlock; hydrocracker is an apparatus for cracking hydrocarbons; a Baltimore chop is a baseball that bounces too high.

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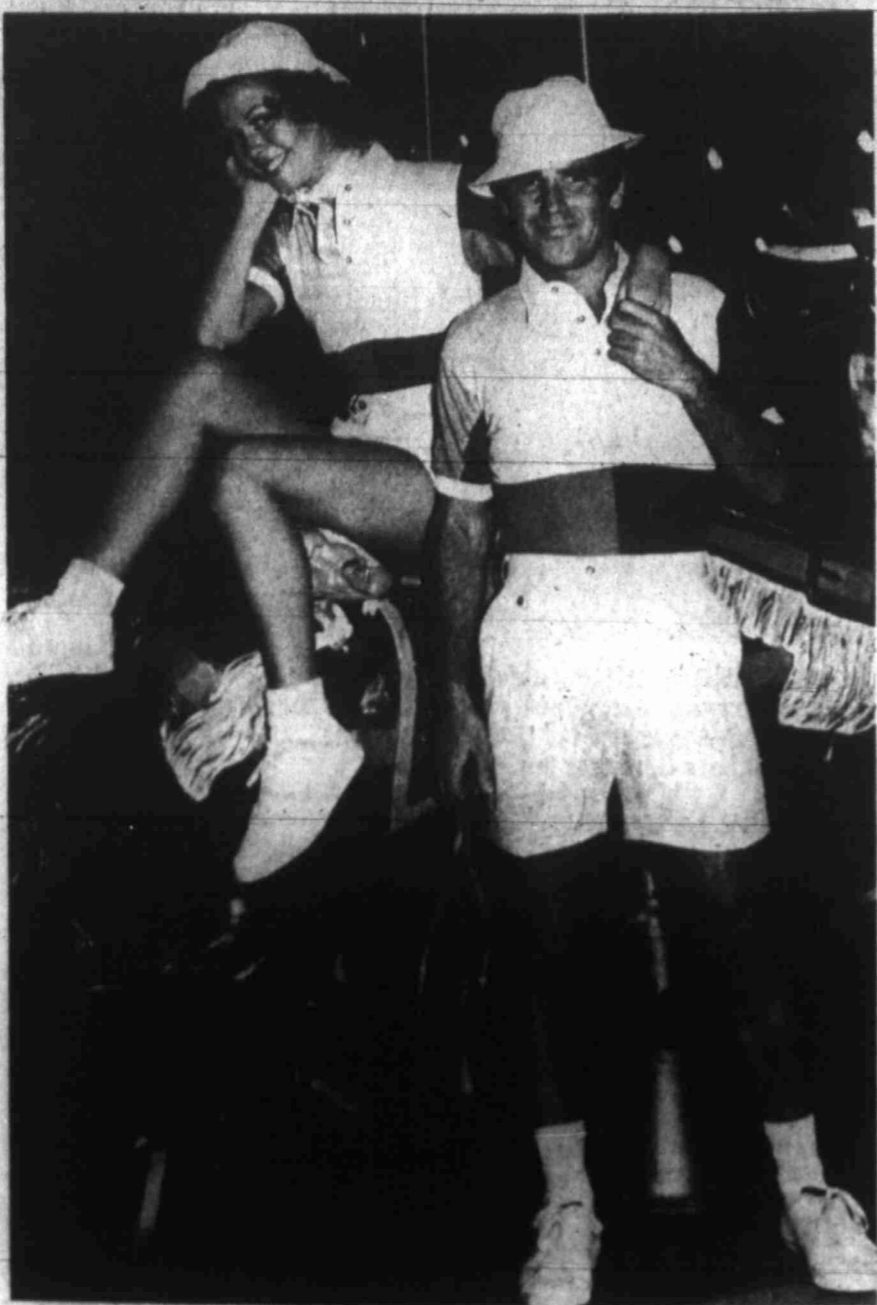
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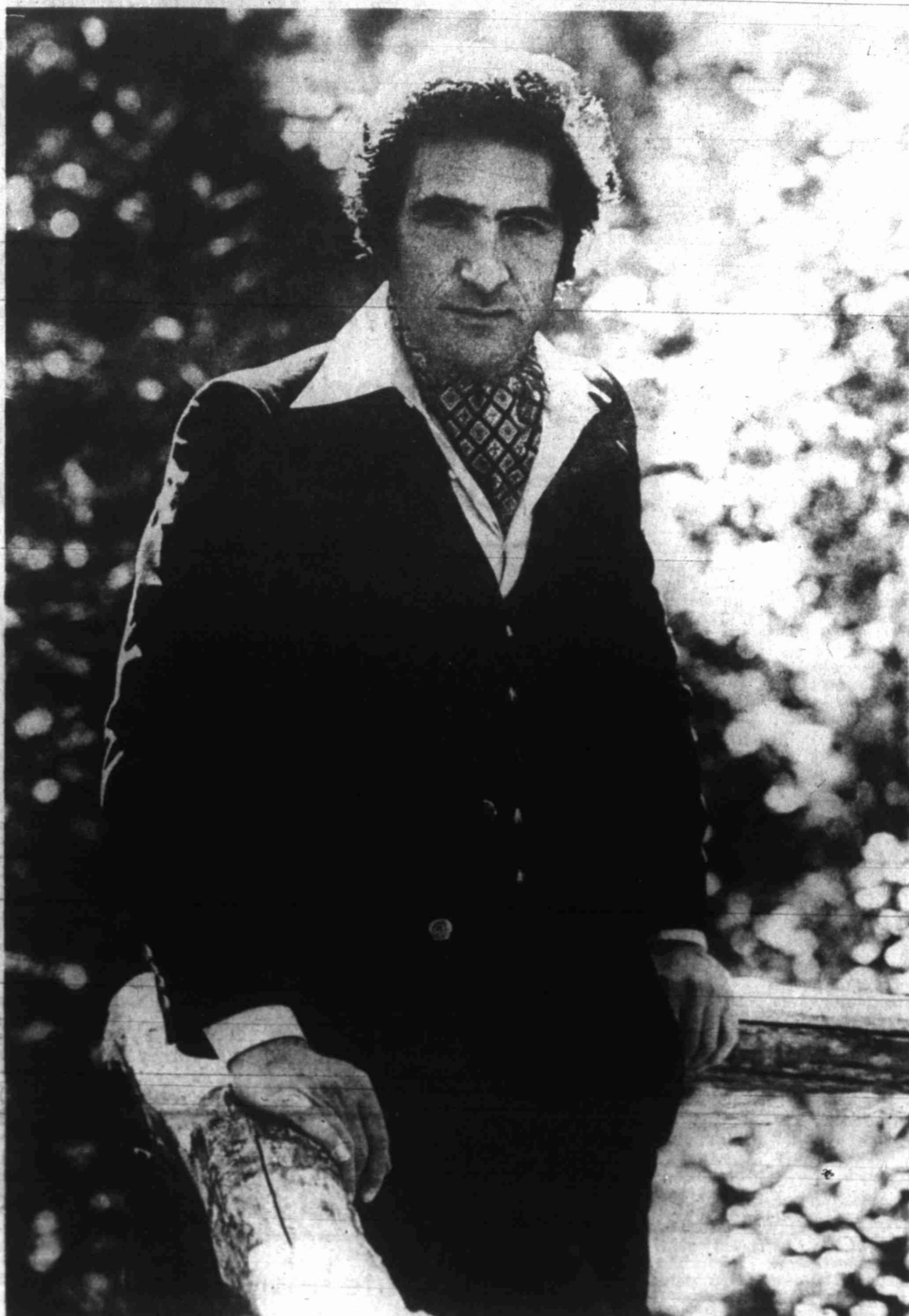
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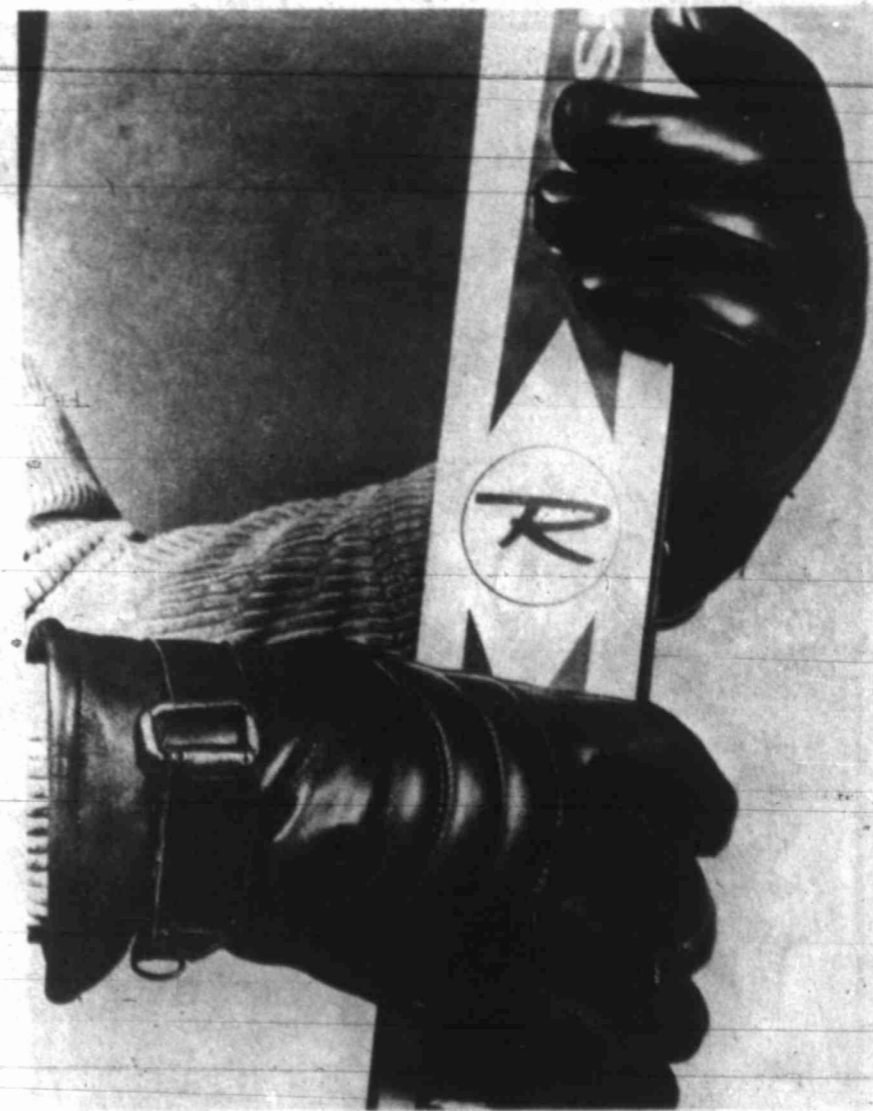
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Midland Alumnae of Gamma Phi Beta had a Founders' Day program. Left to right are Mrs. Al Carameros, alumnae president, and Mrs. Bill Murrah.

Gammas observe special day

The Midland Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta had a Founders' Day celebration in the home of Mrs. Al Carameros, 2304 Auburn Place.

Mrs. Rusty Buckingham, president, conducted the ceremony commemorating the 102nd anniversary of the founding of the sorority at Syracuse University.

Gamma Phi Beta has 90 collegiate chapters and more than 200 alumnae chapters in the United States and Canada. The sorority established the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation in 1958, which provides scholarships and fellowships for members, operates camps for under-privileged girls and awards campership funds for local camps in the United States and Canada.

Mrs. Buckingham reported on a recent visit by Mrs. J. Dovel Moore of Tulsa, Okla., province district director.

It was announced Lisa Kingrea has pledged the sorority at Texas Tech University.

Mrs. Bill Murrah, vice president, announced there will be a Christmas coffee honoring collegiate members and their mothers in the home of Mrs. Aggie Anguish, 1705 Lexington St.



MILDRED RIDDLE, right, presented a program on holiday floral arrangements for a meeting of the Midland Branch, American Association of University Women, Garden Group in the home of Esta Geron, at left.

Ruth Revilla Gonzales, Rodriguez united in holy matrimony here

The Rev. Manuel Rodriguez officiated for the double ring ceremony held at 3 p.m. Saturday to unite in marriage Ruth Revilla Gonzales and Joe Alfred Rodriguez. The service was held in Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gonzales of 1407 E. Walnut Lane are the parents of the bride. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Rodriguez of 401 E. Hickory St.

Mrs. Drake appointed coordinator

The board of directors of Lancaster Garden Center-Museum of the Southwest, met in the center, with seven Midland garden clubs represented.

Doris Peck, chairman for the bake and bazaar sale held Wednesday and was open to the public.

Mrs. W. L. Drake was named as new coordinator for the center. Mrs. A. P. Shirey is the new assistant coordinator. The recording secretary will be Peck.

Plans were announced for the center's annual open house to be Dec. 7.

Tejas Garden Club members were hostesses to the meeting. The next meeting will be Jan. 17, with Yucca Garden Club as hostess group.

Martha Cano was the matron of honor, and Gilbert Cano was best man. Flower girls were Erica Cano, Lora Mendoza and Alice Rodriguez.

The bridesmaids were Corina Jasso, Noemi Granado, Yolanda Quiroz, Lety Rivas, Sylvia Galan, Irma Gonzales, Sisana Sosa and Olivia Salazar. Their escorts were Richard Jasso, Ylario Fuentes, Ray Madrid, Johnny Cavallos, Felipe Galan, Ramiro Rodriguez, Johnny Rodriguez and Tony Salazar.

Bridesmaids were Lety Rodriguez, Evon Rodriguez, Linda Rodriguez, Terry Cano and Carol Lara.

Anabelle Revilla was the maid of honor.

Music was furnished by Esther Palomo, pianist, and Gabriella Gamboa, Rosa Fuentes and Mary Jimenez, vocalists.

Train bearers were Richard Jasso and Lisa Jasso.

When presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown of Oriental silk in A-line styling. The fitted bodice was enhanced with an overlay of Venise lace and had a scalloped neckline and full sleeves with lace cuffs. Lace bordered the full chapel train and circular flourish. Her mantilla veil of French illusion was edged with matching Venise lace and was held by a pearl and crystal headpiece.

The reception was held in the Southside Lions Club Building.

After a trip to Dallas, the couple will reside in the Warwick Apartments. The bride is attending Midland High School. The bridegroom is a graduate of Lee High School and is employed by Ramrod Landscaping.



Mrs. Joe Alfred Rodriguez

State hospital volunteers slate bazaar

A bazaar for patients at the Big Spring State Hospital will be held Dec. 4 in Big Spring's Highland Park Mall by the Midland volunteers to the hospital.

This announcement was made at a recent meeting of the volunteers, at which time a report on the 18th annual Volunteers Services State Council meeting held at San Antonio was made. Twenty-six volunteers, including 14 from Midland, in the area of the BSSH won the Dr. David Wade plaque for the second time.

It also was announced the annual Christmas party for all patients will be held Dec. 14 in the Alford Building at the hospital.

The next meeting of the Midland volunteers will be a Dec. 9 Christmas party, with invitations extended to the volunteer office personnel at BSSH and to Mrs. Wallace Hunter, wife of the hospital's superintendent.

Tea honors Miss Brooks

A bridal display tea honoring Rhonda Brooks, bride-elect of Grant Standefer, was held in the Service Building of the North A and Tennessee Streets Church of Christ.

Miss Brooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brooks of Morenci, Ariz., and Standefer, son of Mrs. John Prather, 3205 Cimmaron St., and the late Mr. Prather, will be married at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Broadway Church of Christ.

Hostesses were Mrs. Richard Lowery, Mrs. W. F. Walker, Mrs. Ross Dawkins, Mrs. Leonard Sparks, Mrs. Raymond Hayes, Mrs. Frank Forsyth, Mrs. E. V. Mitchell, Mrs. James Hull, Mrs. I. J. Holder, Mrs. Bill Chrane, Mrs. L. A. Kuykendall and Mrs. A. L. Arnold.

Couples are together on, off job

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — Not only are William R. and Priscilla C. Beck both in the United States Air Force — he is a major and she is a captain — but they work as doctors in the same hospital.

The Becks are just one of more than 60 military couples at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland AFB here. Like most in-service couples, they have to put in a little extra effort to make their marriage work.

"The marriage would probably never survive if I was just a housewife," said Dr. Priscilla Beck. "With Bill's hours in his pediatric residency I would go crazy without my career."

The couple met and were married three years ago while in medical school at the University of Nebraska. Major Beck — he had been in the Air Force since 1969 — was there through the Air Force Institute of Technology Educational Program. When he and Priscilla decided to get married she joined the Air Force under a scholarship program.

"I felt that the only way I could marry Bill and still pursue my medical profession was to join the Air Force," said Captain Beck, who is in her first year of a pathology residency.

She spends about 50 hours a week at the office, taking some of her work home with her, while her husband needs to be at the medical center for about 100 hours a week. The Becks don't get much of a chance to see each other.

At home, chores are shared. "The first one home makes dinner and the other washes dishes," said William Beck. "Lawn chores are also shared."

He explained they "simply need each other. A separation would hurt."

Lee H. and Mary L. Chalfour have been married for 11 years. Their situation has an added dimension: she's a lieutenant colonel and he's a noncommissioned officer, a chief master sergeant.

"They say there is only one way a marriage like theirs can work: 'Be mature enough to accept the fact that there is a difference in rank and the officer member of the family has certain traditional social obligations that must be fulfilled,'" said Lee Chalfour.

The Chalfours, who are now both at Lackland AFB, met at Moody AFB in Georgia before departing for Tachikawa Air Base in Japan.

Courtesy fetes city bride-elect

Vikki Snow, bride-elect of Ric Weaver, was honored with a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. Miller Goodman.

Miss Snow is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snow, 2107 Hughes St.

Guests from out-of-the-city were Mrs. R. E. Weaver, Mrs. Rod McLeod, Mrs. Virgil Foss and Mrs. R. G. Carleton of Odessa and Marietta Weaver of San Angelo.

The hostesses were Mrs. Kovey Powell, Mrs. Hollis Liles, Mrs. Buck Harris, Mrs. Alan Hewitt, Mrs. Barry Burgert and Mrs. Goodman.



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City couple marks 40th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson, 903 Howard Drive, were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary with a surprise dinner given by their children, Bobby Wilson, Lee Wilson and Mrs. Duane Castleberry.

Out-of-city guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brazelton of O'Donnell, Mrs. Mollie Wilson of Orange, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Castleberry and Desira of Hobbs, N.M.

Mrs. Wilson, Brazelton, Mrs. Castleberry, Lee Castleberry and Desira Castleberry represented five generations of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were married Nov. 8, 1936, in Tahoka. They moved to Midland in 1949.

Stew goes Oriental

Beef cubes for stew, first braised tender in liquid seasoned with soy sauce and ginger, mix harmoniously with vegetables cooked tender-crisp. Mandarin orange segments add color and water chestnuts contribute crunch for a delicious dish inspired by Far Eastern cookery.



'Holiday Sparkle' was the theme of a luncheon and style show held by the Permian Basin Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary. Those attending included, left to right, Mrs. Bill Kalil, Mrs. Bernold Hanson, Mrs. Jack G. Goodwin and Mrs. James R. McCreight.

Basin auxiliary has luncheon, show

The Permian Basin Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary had a "Holiday Sparkle" luncheon and style show in Midland Country Club.

Fashions for the approaching holiday season were shown by Grammer-Murphey. Narrator for the show was Mrs. William W. Henry. Models were Kathy Crunk, Gloria Eng, Dorothy Moring and Kan Kalil.

Venetta Birmingham was pianist.

Mrs. Paul E. Haskins won the membership prize.

Co-chairmen for the luncheon were Mrs. Jack G. Goodwin and Kalil. Hostesses were Mrs. Bernold Hanson, Mrs. James R. McCreight, Mrs. Fred D. Mayer, Mrs. Wallace L. Saultz, Mrs. Glen Specht, Mrs. Schumaker, Edwin H. Unger and Mrs. John Wetzel.

New members announced were Mrs. C. Markle, Mrs. John Seay, Bud Star, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Bob Messier.

W. Musgrove, Mrs. Vaughan Hubert and Mrs. Robert D. The next meeting will be a holiday party Dec. 9.

Guests were Mrs. Cecil White, Mrs. N. K. White, Mrs. John Seay, Mrs. C. Markle, Mrs. John Seay, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Bob Messier.

The next meeting will be a holiday party Dec. 9.

Supper planned

MIDKIFF — Sam Pendergrast gave a program on journalism when members of the Xi Epsilon Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the Exxon Community Building here. Hostesses were Sue Winters and Sybil Browning.



Miss L. Joan Reid daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Reid of Midland, graduated from Lee High School in 1976. She enrolled in Commercial College of Midland Texas and pursued a course of Executive Secretary, in just 6 months. Miss Reid obtained sufficient skills to be placed in a business position with an Independent Oil Co. Training at Commercial College of Midland gets results, it does not cost, it pays.

'Get out there ... and win,' woman advises

By JANET LOWE
Copley News Service

I remember hearing from my brothers about the speeches that their coach made at father-son banquets, and delivered in the locker room before games. He would talk about the value of sportsmanship, teamwork, loyalty, and always ended with the

admonition to "get out there and win."

The importance of such training hadn't occurred to me until one day I talked to championship motorcycle racer Mary McGee. Mary felt that one of her greatest disadvantages was lack of experience in teamwork. Men are taught about that at a very early age.

They do it naturally, eventually, and sometimes have difficulty accepting women as members of a team.

It's not only that they never saw a girl in the locker room, or never included one in their fellowship. It's also that girls don't know much about teamwork and competition. It looks like we're going to have to learn.

In an article in the August, 1976, Money magazine, Caroline Donnelly talked about teamwork while pointing

out attitudes that keep women back. "Girls less frequently have the experience of highly competitive team sports, which help teach boys how to set goals, anticipate opponents and spread the blame in event of failure."

Team sports prepare players to plan for and expect to win. They learn to feel good when they win.

The fear of winning is so deeply ingrained in some women that it puts them in awkward, if not comic positions. Even Elizabeth Ray, after publicly exposing, then exploiting, through a book, her relationship with Congressman Wayne Hayes, felt terrible when he finally resigned. She went on television with an apology. In her wildest dreams, she claimed, she never thought it would come to this. It had seemed obvious, in the

beginning of the melodrama, that Ray thought it should come to this. She said her conscience had caused her to go public. Then it was her guilt over winning that caused her to suffer when she'd achieved her goal.

I'm not suggesting that growing up with Little League would have changed Ray's life, but other successful women feel they could have learned something from team sports.

Players are taught to keep their mind on the game; they learn strategies to help them win. Players are expected to be sportsmanlike in their attitudes and restrain their hostilities, except in those ways approved by the rules of the game.

It doesn't always work that way, which is one of the first things my brothers learned from football. In a pile-up, there's apt to be at least

one who can't resist the chance to give the opponent an extra dig in the ribs. At least the fellows grew up knowing that, accepting it, dealing with it.

Teamwork has other dangers. If you join the wrong squad you could spend a lot of time out of step. When Bella Abrug, unsuccessful candidate for the Senate from New York, recently disagreed publicly with another

member of her party, she was chastised for her lack of team spirit.

Teams and political parties are supposed to stick together, even if it means putting aside the beliefs of individual members.



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Two experts give simple tips to reduce meal cooking time

Copley News Service - National Enquirer

You can easily cut by one-third the time you spend preparing family meals by following a few simple tips, say two leading experts.

"Housewives waste a great deal of time by not working efficiently in the kitchen," declared Carl Jerome, a culinary expert and former director of New York's James Beard Cooking Classes.

Added Dr. Gladys Peckham, adjunct professor of home economics at New York University, "The key to reducing cooking time is applying work-simplification principles."

Here are their suggestions:

—Wash potatoes, carrots and apples instead of peeling them. Removing the skin will not improve either appearance or taste. It needs only to be thoroughly cleansed.

—Blanch thin-skinned fruits and vegetables, like peaches or tomatoes, instead of peeling them. Blanching involves plunging these foods into rapidly boiling water for a few seconds. Then nick the skin slightly with a paring knife, tug gently—and you'll find the skin will come off in large, neat sheets.

—Don't snap both ends off fresh string beans. "You need only remove the stem end, where the bean was attached to the vine. The other end is as sweet and tender as the rest of the bean," Peckham said.

—Use wax paper instead of flour as an anti-stick agent when rolling out pie dough. Place the ball of dough between two pieces of wax paper and roll. It's a neat, simple task when done this way.

—Use trays to set and clear the table, and put away dishes. Instead of making many trips to carry everything to its proper place, you'll need only one.

—When baking potatoes, cut a thin slice from each end. This trims 15 minutes off the usual one-hour baking time—by breaking the skin's natural heat barrier.

—Make sure equipment and supplies are near the point of first use. For instance, the vegetable brush should be at the sink, along with paring knives and peelers.

—Don't use a separate pan for everything you cook.

"Use the bacon pan to fry or scramble eggs. It'll mean one less pan to wash—and the bacon residue

gives eggs a marvelous flavor," Jerome said.

—Store food in transparent containers. If you're looking for something in the refrigerator, you'll spot it quickly.

—Use trimmers so you can get out of the kitchen and stay out as long as possible.

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Debbie Lynn Roberts, Terry Harris marry

The marriage of Debbie Lynn Roberts and Terry Glenn Harris was solemnized at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Mabel Holt Glass Chapel of the First United Methodist Church. Dr. Charles E. Lutrick officiated for the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Claude E. Roberts, 2300 W. Dengar St., and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Harris of 2409 Stutz Place.

Shirley Roberts was maid of honor for her sister. Carolyn Futrell and Nancy Roberts, sister of the bride, were bridesmaids.

Gary Don Futrell was the best man. Dan Crowley and James Harris, brother of the bridegroom, were the groomsmen, and Jim Choate and Terry Peoples were ushers.

Providing the music was George DeHart, organist.

Mr. Roberts presented his daughter in marriage. She was formally gowned in a dress of silk organza and Cluny lace in a princess silhouette.

Ruffled Cluny lace filled the stand-up neckline and created the cuffs of the fitted lace sleeves and outlined the deep oval lace yoke. Panels of the gown ended in a chapel train. Applied Venise lace motifs enhanced the flared skirt above the deep lace hemline flounce.

The bride's headpiece of French illusion fell in tiers to elbow length from a lace Camelot. She carried a semi-cascade of bridal pink roses and stephanotis accented with foliage.

The reception was held in the church parlor.



Mrs. Terry Glenn Harris



Vicki Lynn Goodenough



Sharon Kay Hale

Couples to be wed

The couple will reside at 1224 S. County Road after a trip to Galveston and Del Rio.

The bride is a graduate of Lee High School and is employed by Flag-Redfern Oil Co. The bridegroom, who attended Midland High School, is employed by Harris Rat Hole Service.

Bridge club meets

RANKIN — The Rankin Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. Son Jackson. Guests were Mrs. Ray R. Barrett Jr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith of Midkiff and Mrs. Duane Lowery of Rankin. Mrs. Barrett won high score and Mrs. James D. Gossett was second high.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goodenough of 703 Sinclair St. announce the engagement of their daughter, Vicki Lynn, to Hal Wayne Hutchens, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hutchens Jr. of Rankin.

The wedding will be at 1 p.m. Dec. 18 in Asbury United Methodist Church.

Miss Goodenough is a senior student at Midland High School and is a Vocational Office Education student. She is employed by The Midland National Bank. Her fiancé is a graduate of Rankin High School and is employed by the Rankin News.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Hale of 2210 Humble St. announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon Kay, to Arthur Ray Rainwater, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Rainwater of 2306 Golf Course Road.

Vows will be exchanged at 7 p.m. Jan. 15 in the chapel of the First Baptist Church.

Both Miss Hale and Rainwater are graduates of Midland High School. She is employed by Mims and Stephens Insurance Co. and he is an employe of Skaggs Albertsons Produce Department.

Bardena Matthews wed in home rites

Bardena Matthews of Route 3 and Richard Matthews of 2607 Roosevelt St. Friday were reunited in marriage. The wedding was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Matthews of Route 3, parents of the bridegroom.

The double ring ceremony was officiated by The Rev. Ken James of Crestview Baptist Church.

The bride wore a floor-length gown of off-white muslin, accented by a royal blue velvet front panel. The dress was trimmed with crocheted lace delicately topped over the royal blue velvet V-neckline. Long, puffed sleeves of lace were enhanced by a wide, blue velvet cuff. The dress featured an empire waistline laced in front and was complimented with a

long sash. The flared skirt was finished with a small row of lace trimming the two large muslin ruffles.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Donald R. Quest and best man was the father of the bridegroom.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony. After a wedding trip to Carlsbad, N.M., the couple will reside at 2607 Roosevelt St.

Play Day Unit luncheon held

The Midland Woman's Club Play Day Unit had a luncheon and bridge and canasta games in the clubhouse.

Guests were Marge Jamison, Ellen Bland, Clara Vanderpool, Grace Brunson, Alma Weyman, Lorene Bohman, Margaret Newman and Okemih Weaver.

Vera Krist was introduced as a new member of the canasta group. Bridge winners were Vida Severance, high; Nova Campbell, second; Jean Lent, special, and Vanderpool, guest high. Marjorie Hisey, Ethel Estes and Violet Smyres were canasta winners.

Program on art

"The Beauty of Art" was the program presented by the Midland Porcelain Art Club for the Midland Woman's Club monthly luncheon. Evalena Simmons read a devotional, "The Little Blessings." Ima Joy McCoy explained painting of china. Sam Pendergrast spoke on "The Beauty of Art."



AT WIT'S END

Americans run out of autos first

By ERMA BOMBECK

I don't pretend to be any great shakes on the economy, but when I read that car loans are being extended to 48 months, a shiver went up, and down my spine.

For years now, Americans have been running out of car before they ran out of payments. Back in the '40s you were pushing your luck to sustain four wheels through 24 months. Then in the '50s someone decided to extend the payments over a 36-month period. (We paid on our babies that long — but at least they ran.)

What we're dealing with here is Detroit's Law: "If God had meant for you to ride around in a car, He'd have recalled your feet!"

When a car comes off the assembly line, someone stamps an expiration date somewhere under the hood. It is no coincidence that the date is one day after the warranty on everything expires. The car has no interest whatsoever in your personal problems. It does not care if your three-year-old toes in carry all kinds of junk — that you became pregnant two days before

your health insurance went into effect. . . that you have a sudsing picture in your front door and was a real engineering bow-wow."

For you Future Shock fans, the 48-month loan means that in another ten years you could conceivably be paying for a car that you don't even remember.

"Hey what's this bill for \$73.94?" "It's the car payment," I answer.

"What car?" "You remember. The brown station wagon with the wood on it. Don't you have the note on it in the budget book?"

"This one?" he asks, plucking a piece of paper out of the drawer. "It says, 'See Transmission.'"

"Here's another reminder on that car. It says, 'See Battery.'"

"I sure wish I could remember the car," he mumbles.

"I know you'd remember if you saw it again. We had it when the kids were small and there was a big space in the back where we used to carry all kinds of junk — playpens, strollers, toys."

"Yeah . . . yeah . . . I think I've locked in a four-door and was a real engineering bow-wow."

Just then our son comes in to borrow the car keys for the current car. As we walk to the driveway with him, my husband gestures to the five clunkers parked there. "Just think, son, someday all of this will be yours."

Area club

meeting held

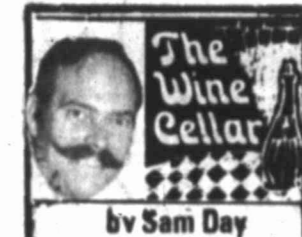
MIDKIFF — Mrs. Tennie Rosenbaum was hostess to a meeting of the Midkiff Bridge Club. Prizes were won by Mrs. Ray R. Barrett Jr., Mrs. Son Jackson and Mrs. Evelyn Melear.

Plans were made for a Christmas party, with Mrs. Marvin Smith and Mrs. Jackson as hostesses.

Guests were Mrs. Ernie Carwile and Melear of Midland.

For nice cloth

To make a lovely tablecloth for a silver wedding anniversary party, tape enough aluminum foil together to cover the table, then put a lace tablecloth over it.



by Sam Day

How do you decide if you should bring a bottle of wine to your dinner host? Then, how do you choose the right wine? Wine is almost always a most appreciated gift. If you do not know what is being served, try a sparkling wine or champagne for before dinner. Right white wines are also appropriate here. The host and hostess should not feel compelled to serve the wine presented that evening. It is perfectly acceptable to save a gift wine for a more appropriate meal or occasion. But, rest assured, any wine is a tasteful gift. You just have to choose.

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WINE WISDOM: Use leftover wine to spice your meals. Foods should be simmered with the wine to get the full benefit of the wine taste.

Check out all gadgets

By BETTY W. KINSER Copley News Service

Once upon a time there was a sewing machine that had many, many attachments, cams and other helpful features. But, alas, no one bothered to find out what these gadgets could do.

So, the little sewing machine went right on stitching — backward and forward — forever, never uttering a word about all those goodies in the sewing drawer.

We do get lazy. So often we do not want to take time to study our machine manual or practice using some of the very helpful attachments. Granted, many machines today have built-in features, but that does not mean we give them any more attention. Why pay for something and then not use it?

Next time you have a few minutes, dig out your manual, study it, then sit down and practice using

some of the extras on your machine. You may discover a miracle!

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Debbie Lynn Roberts, Terry Harris marry

The marriage of Debbie Lynn Roberts and Terry Glenn Harris was solemnized at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Mabel Holt Glass Chapel of the First United Methodist Church, Dr. Charles E. Lutrick officiated for the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Claude E. Roberts, 2300 W. Dengar St., and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Harris of 2409 Stutz Place.

Shirley Roberts was maid of honor for her sister. Carolyn Futrell and Nancy Roberts, sister of the bride, were bridesmaids.

Gary Don Futrell was the best man. Dan Crowley and James Harris, brother of the bridegroom, were the groomsmen, and Jim Choate and Terry Peoples were ushers.

Providing the music was George DeHart, organist.

Mr. Roberts presented his daughter in marriage. She was formally gowned in a dress of silk organza and Cluny lace in a princess silhouette.

Ruffled Cluny lace filled the stand-up neckline and created the cuffs of the fitted lace sleeves and outlined the deep oval lace yoke. Panels of the gown ended in a chapel train. Appliqued Venise lace motifs enhanced the flared skirt above the deep lace hemline flounce.

The bride's headpiece of French illusion fell in tiers to elbow length from a lace Camelot. She carried a semi-cascade of bridal pink roses and stephanotis accented with foliage.

The reception was held in the church parlor.



Mrs. Terry Glenn Harris



Vicki Lynn Goodenough



Sharon Kay Hale

Couples to be wed

The couple will reside at 1224 S. County Road after a trip to Galveston and Del Rio.

The bride is a graduate of Lee High School and is employed by Flag-Redfern Oil Co. The bridegroom, who attended Midland High School, is employed by Harris Rat Hole Service.

Bridge club meets

RANKIN — The Rankin Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. Son Jackson. Guests were Mrs. Ray R. Barrett Jr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith of Midkiff and Mrs. Duane Lowery of Rankin. Mrs. Barrett won high score and Mrs. James D. Gossett was second high.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goodenough of 703 Sinclair St. announce the engagement of their daughter, Vicki Lynn, to Hal Wayne Hutchens, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hutchens Jr. of Rankin.

The wedding will be at 1 p.m. Dec. 18 in Asbury United Methodist Church.

Miss Goodenough is a senior student at Midland High School and is a Vocational Office Education student. She is employed by The Midland National Bank. Her fiancé is a graduate of Rankin High School and is employed by the Rankin News.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Hale of 2210 Humble St. announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon Kay, to Arthur Ray Rainwater, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther R. Rainwater of 2306 Golf Course Road.

Vows will be exchanged at 7 p.m. Jan. 15 in the chapel of the First Baptist Church.

Both Miss Hale and Rainwater are graduates of Midland High School. She is employed by Mims and Stephens Insurance Co. and he is an employe of Skaggs Albertsons Produce Department.

Bardena Matthews wed in home rites

Bardena Matthews of Route 3 and Richard Matthews of 2607 Roosevelt St. Friday were reunited in marriage. The wedding was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Matthews of Route 3, parents of the bridegroom.

The double ring ceremony was officiated by The Rev. Ken James of Crestview Baptist Church.

The bride wore a floor-length gown of off-white muslin, accented by a royal blue velvet front panel. The dress was trimmed with crocheted lace delicately topped over the royal blue velvet V-neckline. Long, puffed sleeves of lace were enhanced by a wide, blue velvet cuff. The dress featured an empire waistline laced in front and was complimented with a

long sash. The flared skirt was finished with a small row of lace trimming the two large muslin ruffles.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Donald R. Quest and best man was the father of the bridegroom.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony.

After a wedding trip to Carlsbad, N.M., the couple will reside at 2607 Roosevelt St.

Play Day Unit luncheon held

The Midland Woman's Club-Play Day Unit had a luncheon and bridge and canasta games in the clubhouse.

Guests were Marge Jamison, Ellen Bland, Clara Vanderpool, Grace Brunson, Alma Weyman, Lorene Bohman, Margaret Newman and Okemih Weaver.

Vera Krist was introduced as a new member of the canasta group.

Bridge winners were Vida Severance, high; Nova Campbell, second; Jean Lent, special, and Vanderpool, guest high. Marjorie Hisey, Ethel Estes and Violet Smyres were canasta winners.

Program on art

"The Beauty of Art" was the program presented by the Midland Porcelain Art Club for the Midland Woman's Club monthly luncheon. Evalena Simmons read a devotional, "The Little Blessings." Ima Joy McCoy explained painting of china. Sam Pendergrast spoke on "The Beauty of Art."



AT WIT'S END

Americans run out of autos first

By ERMA BOMBECK

I don't pretend to be any great shakes on the economy, but when I read that car loans are being extended to 48 months, a shiver went up and down my spine.

For years now, Americans have been running out of car before they ran out of payments. Back in the '40s you were pushing your luck to sustain four wheels through 24 months. Then in the '50s someone decided to extend the payments over a 36-month period. (We paid on our babies that long — but at least they ran.)

What we're dealing with here is Detroit's Law: "If God had meant for you to ride around in a car, He'd have recalled your feet!"

When a car comes off the assembly line, someone stamps an expiration date somewhere under the hood. It is no coincidence that the date is one day after the warranty on everything expires. The car has no interest whatsoever in your personal problems. It does not care if your three-year-old toes in that you became pregnant two days before

your health insurance went into effect... that think I've locked in a you have a sudsing picture. It was a four-problem in your front door and was a real engineering bow-wow."

Just then our son comes in to borrow the car keys for the current car. As we walk to the driveway with him, my husband gestures to the five clunkers parked there. "Just think, son, someday all of this will be yours."

"Hey what's this bill for \$73.94?"

"It's the car payment," I answer.

"What car?"

"You remember. The brown station wagon with the wood on it. Don't you have the note on it in the budget book?"

"This one?" he asks, plucking a piece of paper out of the drawer. "It says, 'See Transmission.'"

"Here's another reminder on that car. It says, 'See Battery.'"

"I sure wish I could remember the car," he mumbles.

"I know you'd remember if you saw it again. We had it when the kids were small and there was a big space in the back where we used to carry all kinds of junk — playpens, strollers, toys."

Area club

meeting held

MIDKIFF — Mrs. Tennie Rosenbaum was hostess to a meeting of the Midkiff Bridge Club. Prizes were won by Mrs. Ray R. Barrett Jr., Mrs. Son Jackson and Mrs. Evelyn Melear.

Plans were made for a Christmas party, with Mrs. Marvin Smith and Mrs. Jackson as hostesses.

Guests were Mrs. Ernie Carville and Melear of Midland.

For nice cloth

To make a lovely tablecloth for a silver wedding anniversary party, tape enough aluminum foil together to cover the table, then put a lace tablecloth over it.

Check out all gadgets

By BETTY W. KINSER
Copley News Service

Once upon a time there was a sewing machine that had many, many attachments, cams and other helpful features. But, alas, no one bothered to find out what these gadgets could do.

So, the little sewing machine went right on stitching — backward and forward — forever, never uttering a word about all those goodies in the sewing drawer.

We do get lazy. So often we do not want to take time to study our machine manual or practice using some of the very helpful attachments. Granted, many machines today have built-in features, but that does not mean we give them any more attention. Why pay for something and then not use it?

Next time you have a few minutes, dig out your manual, study it, then sit down and practice using

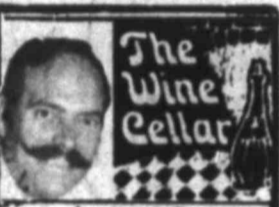
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by Sam Day

How do you decide if you should bring a bottle of wine to your dinner host? Then, how do you choose the right wine? Wine is almost always a most appreciated gift. If you do not know what is being served, try a sparkling wine or champagne for before-dinner (light white wines are also appropriate here. The host and hostess should not feel compelled to serve the wine presented that evening. It is perfectly acceptable to save a gift wine for a more appropriate meal or occasion. But, rest assured, any wine is a thoughtful gift. You just have to choose.

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Stacy Ann White, James Simmons wed

James A. Simmons Jr. married Stacy Ann White in a double ring ceremony at 7 p.m. Friday in Memorial Christian Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy R. White, 2812 Stutz. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Simmons of 206 Spraberry are the parents of the bridegroom.

The Rev. John Long officiated. The sister of the bride, Kimberly White, was the maid of honor, and Bill Shock was best man. Dan Michael White, brother of the bride, was the ring bearer.

Organist for the ceremony was Mrs. Horace Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. White presented their daughter in marriage. She was wearing a gown of white cotton organza accented with crocheted lace. The fitted bodice was accented with sheer embroidered lace and had leg-of-mutton sleeves. The full Juliet skirt had a ruffled hemline. Her fingertip veil was held by a cap of pleated tulle studded with seed pearls and sequins.

The bride carried a semi-cascade bouquet centered with a Japhette orchid surrounded with Spanish Sun roses and blue gypsophila.

A reception was held in the church parlor.

Out-of-city guests attending the



Mrs. James A. Simmons Jr.

wedding included Mr. and Mrs. Finis White of San Angelo, grandparents of the bride.

The couple will reside in Pearsall after Dec. 1.

The bride is a graduate of Lee High School and the bridegroom attended Midland College. He is employed by Mustang Mud.

Miss Barnes, Hillger married in church

QUINCY, Fla. — Harriett Ruth Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Malone Barnes Jr. of Quincy, and James Richard Hillger, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Robert Hillger of Midland, Tex., were married at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church of Quincy.

The Rev. Herschel Hudgins of the Centenary United Methodist Church performed the double ring ceremony.

Mrs. John Moreau of Tallahassee was the matron of honor. Betty Barnes, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid.

Mrs. James Malone Barnes III, sister-in-law of the bride, was bridesmatron.

James Williams of Tallahassee was best man. John Holloway and Edward Fleming of Tallahassee were the ushers.

Candles were lit by Key Barnes, brother of the bride. Mrs. Bert Morgan was the organist.

Given in marriage by her brother, James Malone Barnes III, the bride wore a floor-length gown in white with an A-line skirt ending in a train. The Victorian bodice, long puffed sleeves and hemline were accented with reembroidered Alencon lace. She also wore a short mantilla of English net appliqued and edged with Alencon lace. She carried a nosegay of white roses and gypsophila with a Phalaenopsis orchid.

A reception was held in the church parlor.

The newlyweds will reside at 1839 Miccosukee Road, Apartment 13A, in Tallahassee after a trip to Mexico and Texas.

The bride is a graduate of Florida State University in Tallahassee and is an instructional television and radio



Mrs. James Richard Hillger

employ with the Florida Department of Education. The bridegroom attended DeVry Institute of Technology in Phoenix, Ariz., and Chicago, Ill., and is a maintenance engineer with Florida Public Broadcasting in Tallahassee.

Slides shown at meeting

Mrs. Alice Chapman showed slide pictures and discussed her trip to Alaska for a meeting of the American Association of University Women's International Group in the home of Mrs. William Hoover, 2310 Gulf St.

Mrs. Margaret Surratt, sister of the speaker, was a guest.

Mrs. Henry Krusekopf announced plans to invite foreign students attending Midland College to spend Thanksgiving with AAUW members and their families.

Pollard, Renaud engaged to marry

LEAWOOD, Kan. — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Alec Pollard of this city announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynn, to Charles Louis Renaud, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benham Renaud of 1205 Lawson St., Midland, Tex.

The wedding ceremony will be performed at 8 p.m. Dec. 31 in the chapel of St. Ann's Catholic Church here.

Miss Pollard attended Sophie Newcomb College at New Orleans, La. She is a graduate of The University of Texas-Austin and now is attending UT's graduate school. She is a member of Pi Beta Phi.

Renaud is a graduate of St. John's Preparatory School at Danvers, Mass.

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Margaret A. Hillman, Dan Gafford to marry

Margaret Agnes Hillman and Dan Gafford will be married at 2 p.m. Dec. 18 in St. Ann's Catholic Church, according to an announcement by her parents, Martha A. Hillman of 4317 Anetta St. and Dr. R. Hillman, also of Midland.

The couple will say vows at 2 p.m. Dec. 18 in St. Ann's Catholic Church. Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gafford of Lubbock.

Miss Hillman is attending Texas Tech University and is employed by Safeway in Lubbock. Her fiancé attended Texas Tech and is employed by Conwood Corp. at Lubbock.

Wrap separately



Margaret Agnes Hillman

Couple engaged

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Furrey of Long Beach, formerly of Midland, Tex., announce the engagement of their daughter Karen Sue, to Robert W. Landenberger III, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Landenberger Jr. of 2303 Culpepper St., Midland, Tex.

The couple is to be married at 2 p.m. Jan. 8 in St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland.

The bride-elect attended Texas Tech University and was graduated from Orange County Business College. She was a member of the Fashion Board at Tech. Her fiancé received a bachelor of fine arts degree from Tech, where he was a member of Phi Psi fraternity. He is employed by the Daily Oklahoman and Times newspaper in Oklahoma City, Okla.

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First: Mrs. Marian Sims and Jimmie Jones.
Second: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers.
Third: Mrs. C. C. Cool and Mrs. J. S. McNulty.
Fourth: Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gifford.

Tuesday
Duplicate Bridge Club
First: Mrs. J. T. Dickerson and Mrs. W. W. Royce.
Second: Mrs. Robert Myers and Mrs. E. D. Penn.
Third: Mrs. Charles Dellenback and Mrs. J. L. Fortin.
Fourth: Mrs. J. L. Smith and Mrs. R. L. Cryles.
Fifth: Mrs. C. C. Cool and Mrs. Montes Caraway.

Wednesday
Permian Basin Duplicate Bridge Club
First: Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gifford.
Second: Mrs. Max Levin and Ray Day.
Third: Mrs. J. T. Dickerson and Mrs. E. D. Penn.
Fourth: Mrs. Marian Sims and Pete Shaner.
Fifth: Joe Salman and Bill Isbell.

Thursday
Duplicate Bridge Club
First: Mrs. C. L. Chase and Mrs. Bill Lively.
Second: Mrs. Raymond Howard and Mrs. A. L. Gifford.
Third: Mrs. Kay Jones and Mrs. Robert Walker.
Fourth: Mrs. Charles Dellenback and Mrs. Robert Myers.
Fifth: Mrs. Mabel Shaw and Mrs. Joe Ranne.

Friday
Midland Country Club
First: Mrs. C. E. Fritchard and Mrs. W. B. Smith.
Second: Mrs. J. L. Fortin and Mrs. Charles Dellenback.
Third: Mrs. James N. Allison and Mrs. Dale Chase.
Fourth: Mrs. J. C. Williamson and Mrs. J. E. Swoeizer.
Fifth: Mrs. William Potts and Mrs. Sheila Smith.
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Teachers meeting held

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Mrs. Jeff Hume was the co-hostess.

Mrs. James Finley, Mrs. E. F. Motter and Mrs. Benton Howell served as panelists for critical analysis of performances by Lanie Robb, Gretchen Koch, Sarah Stone, Melody Stewart and Chris Sullivan.

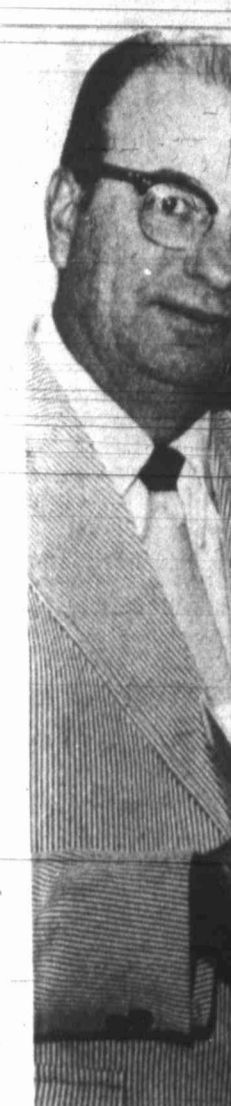
During a business session conducted by Mrs. C. J. George, it was announced the Sonatina-Concerto Contest will be held in the First Baptist Church.

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JAMES E. BRAMLETT, director of the Department of Community Services at Midland College, accepts a copy of *Writer's Market '77* from Sharon Turner, president of Midland Writers Association, on behalf of the association and the Writing For Fun and Profit continuing education class, Mary J. Goodwin, right, instructor and publicity chairman for the association. The publication will be placed in the Learning Resource Center for future classes

to use, as well as any other student looking for a market for written material. The association meets once a month from September to May on the first Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is slated for 7:30 p.m. Dec. 7 in the home of Margaret Larkin, 2400 Elizabeth St. Other officers of the group are Thelma Gardner, program chairman, and Becky Elliott, telephone chairman.

NEEDLEPLAY

Padded applique gives needlework life

Have you ever worked a flower still life in beautiful crewel stitches and had that uneasy feeling once it was done that it needed a little extra something to REALLY bring it to life? I have just the thing. Padded applique.

Applique comes from the French verb meaning "to put on," and it's simply the cutting out and applying of one fabric on top of another. Add the word "padded" to applique and what you have is a wonderful technique for complementing your needlework with intriguing raised shapes, shapes that can turn a "nice" project into an exciting one!

The center of a daisy could be cut out in a yellow felt circle sewn down with tiny invisible stitches. Then, before the stitching is completed all the way around, you steal a wad of cotton from an aspirin bottle and stuff it inside the felt circle to raise it. Voila. A daisy that looks real enough to water.

The final touch is your favorite decorative stitch — perhaps French knots — around the outside of the shape. The vase that holds the daisies could be done in much the same way, with a different colored fabric. And if you're truly a realist, you could quilt the material of the vase so that it looks like a woven basket or a textured pot.

Speaking of quilting, whether you decide to add it as dimension to your padded applique or not, quilting batting is a terrific stuffing because it comes in flat sheets, is very soft and pliable, and won't go into lumps when it's washed the way cotton often does.

A word about fabrics: If you decide to use a delicious linen instead of felt, you'll have to do something so the raw edges don't fray. I iron the reverse side with "stitchwitchery," that wisp adhesive pellow web, available under all sorts of different names in

notion, variety and fabric stores. (Whatever did we do without it—it's as useful as Scotch tape!)

And another tip: Keep in mind that padding your fabric will shrink your shape a little, so always remember to cut your shape slightly bigger than what you want, or you'll find your petal or bumblebee or gingerbread man turning out to be an insignificant blob of fabric once you're done.

There are all sorts of marvelous variations of padded applique. You can stitch over your shape with a weaving stitch (see diagram) so that your entire project is done in stitches, with some flat and some raised. Or if your shapes are small enough, you can do the satin stitch over them.

You can even applique and pad needlepoint canvas — either attaching it to another piece of canvas or to a linen background. I recently

needlepointed some baskets and appliqued them to linen at the base of an early American crewel screen — and the baskets didn't need any padding whatsoever because when I turned back the canvas "hems" on the shapes, that raised them sufficiently.

With a little ingenuity padded applique can become soft sculpture, too. A young artist friend who lent me her work for one of my TV shows made a large tote bag with free-form flowers "growing" out of the fabric. She painted flowers (with permanent felt-tipped pens) in soft pastels onto neutral colored muslin, cut them out, stuffed them and stitched them, so that they were miniature padded pillows and finally stitched them onto the bag in overlapping clusters. As a fabulous last touch, she did the handle to look like a long leaf bent over.

Coolidges mark 25 years of marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Don Coolidge will be honored with an open house in observance of their 25th wedding anniversary at 3 p.m. today in the Coolidge home, 4416 Stanolind St.

Hosting the event will be the daughters of the couple and their husbands. They are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Galbraith of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ellis of Odessa.

The couple was married Nov. 18, 1951 in Sterling, Colo. Mr. and Mrs.

Coolidge have lived in Midland for the past nine years. Coolidge is the equipment manager for The Orloff Corp. and Mrs. Coolidge is employed by Permian Electronics. They also have two granddaughters.

Out-of-city guests for the event are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coolidge of Bayard, Neb., parents of Don Coolidge, and Mrs. Hilda Castellon of Bayard.

Society meets in Herd home

The Midland Society of Parliamentarians met in the home of Mrs. J. Harvey Herd, 1411 Cuthbert St.

The program on "Protocol and Courtesy" was presented by Mrs. Harold G. Clark, Mrs. Robert A. Hobbs and Mrs. Frank N. Shriver. Mrs. Clark also discussed "The Duties of the Parliamentarian."

The next meeting will be Feb. 15 in the home of Mrs. Edwin M. Unger, 2405 Gulf St., with Mrs. W. H. Franz and Mrs. Unger in charge of a program on "Bylaws and Amendments."

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Vegetarian diet must be carefully planned

By **SHIRLEY BRIGHT BOODY**
Copley News Service

Many young people, particularly the counterculture members, are showing considerable interest in vegetarian diets. This radical change from the accepted dietary habits of the Western world leaves many doctors and health professionals concerned about the nutritional adequacy of some of these regimens.

Parents, too, have become distressed with the unusual diets of their teen-agers. In many instances their concern is justified as fads and foolish diets can produce malnutrition and major health problems.

Vegetarian diets can be divided into three general classifications: (1) the lacto-ovo-vegetarian, in which plant foods are taken with dairy products and eggs; (2) the lacto-vegetarian that uses only plant foods and dairy products; and (3) the total vegetarian, which includes only plant foods.

Since man is by nature a carnivore, or meat-eating, animal, having been supplied all the necessary enzymes and digestive equipment to eat and utilize meat, fish and fowl, converting entirely to a vegetarian diet requires careful planning.

It is possible to create a good vegetarian diet, but the basis must include a variety of plant foods, preferably supplemented by dairy products and eggs.

Legumes, especially soybeans, are high in protein, iron, B vitamins and fiber.

Vegetable oils, especially iron and safflower, are high in fat-

soluble vitamins and polyunsaturates.

Fruits and vegetables provide many vitamins and minerals. Cereal taken with dairy products and grains are high in thiamin, iron and trace minerals, fiber, complex carbohydrates and protein. Selecting from these groups can supply nutritional adequacy.

On a daily basis, include four or more servings of fruits and vegetables, four or more servings of bread and cereals, two cups of milk, two or more servings of cheese, legumes and nuts.

Because most plant proteins are low in all eight essential amino acids, it is necessary to combine them to provide the complete protein necessary to human nutrition and health. The following is a list of combinations that will provide all of the essential amino acids.

— Vegetables — combine with dairy products, cashews, eggs, converted rice, sunflower

seeds, wheat germ and spinach.

— Spaghetti, pasta, noodles — combine with cashews, dairy products, eggs, spinach and wheat germ.

— Peanut butter — combine with peanuts, cashews and other nuts, dairy products, spinach and wheat germ.

— Rice — combine with dairy products, eggs, legumes, wheat germ and sunflower seeds.

— Beans — combine with corn, dairy products, eggs, legumes, nuts, beans and spinach.

Soybeans have become important in recent years since they have been recognized as a rich source of protein and unsaturated fat. The abundance and availability of soybeans have greatly increased their use as human foods.

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Painting session held

Members of the Permian Civic Ballet Guild met in the garage of Mary deCompiegne, president-elect of the guild, for a painting session. The women are preparing the stage scenery for the Dec. 2 production of "The Nutcracker," which will feature 16-year-old Japanese ballerina, Kumiko Maeda.

The 54 active members of the guild are responsible for taking care of sets, costumes, programs, tickets, finding "extras" for the cast and for sheltering, transporting and taking care of guest artists and guest director, Bill Martin-Viscount. In the case of ballet prodigy, Maeda, this involves finding a Japanese translator for her and her coach. The coach is paying his own expenses from Japan to supervise her performance here.

Ticket chairman, Aggie Anguish, will fill telephone orders at 683-7384 for those who did not receive order forms in the mail. "The Nutcracker Suite" by Peter Tchaikovsky was completed in 1878 as a festive Christmas ballet for Russian children to dance. Midland children will be dancing these traditional roles.



Left to right are members of the Permian Civic Ballet Guild, Mrs. Glen Aaron, Mrs. Henry deCompiegne, Mrs. James Stone, Mrs. Gene Rubarts and Mrs. Chic Murphy, painting scenery in the deCompiegne garage at #1 Ashland Drive.

Dinner reported

The Golden Agers had an annual Thanksgiving dinner with 135 persons attending in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church. "The Magnitude of Gratitude" was the topic of a talk given by Lee May. Mark Slattery provided the special music.

Luncheon held

A bridge party and luncheon was held by the Oldtimers Bridge Club in the home of Mrs. Betty McClure. Winners were Mrs. Fay Mott, high. Mrs. Lois Hulsey, second, and Mrs. Lee Fisher, special.

Gardeners hold meeting

The Newcomers Garden Club met in the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library, with Virginia Lyle and Dean Fisher as the hostesses.

Connie Brown, president, reported on the District I, Southern Zone, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., meeting held in Snyder.

New members attending were Frances Blain, Kay Overcash, Judy Kusert and Doris Rountree. Rountree was appointed reporter.

Don Nedgpath, library director, spoke on the history of the Haley family and the new library. Members presented the library with a plant and made a tour of the facilities.

Start 'em early

Parents who allow their children to make decisions at an early age and continue to trust them as they develop enable their children to be independent thinkers and decision makers, Debby Johnson, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, says.

Soak the dish

Soak a casserole dish in which food has burned in cold water to which baking soda has been added. Both burned food and stains then are easily removed.

Holly Harpweaves surprises-in styles

By LUCRETIA STEIGER Copley News Service

LOS ANGELES — She started out designing sandals in Mexico about 13 years ago.

Holly Harp since has built up a million-dollar business in designing clothes for women.

Her soft, sensuous, draped, easy flowing creations, favorites at California designers' shows which attract many New York buyers, are the evolution of Holly's design philosophy of "assimilating all the things I see in life."

"Just about every experience in life can be a source of inspiration," the dark-haired, green-eyed designer, 36, said during an interview.

"Children's artwork on the wall, going to the ballet, being tuned in to things, can be inspirations."

"I love spontaneity. If you can enjoy unexpected things in your life, you're way ahead. The surprises are what turn me on in life, and I try to express that in my clothes. A woman of any age can have a free attitude."

She began developing her own free attitude, Holly said, when she moved to Acapulco from her home town of Buffalo, N.Y., a case of "moving into a tropical paradise from a very uptight area of the country."

"I couldn't buy ready-to-wear, so I had dressmakers doing things for me. Mexico had a very liberating influence on my feelings about the body and sense of color. I wore things like knee socks and Bermuda shorts when I got there, and even tried the wonderful Hollywood look of gold lame stretch pants. Can you imagine?"

"Well, after awhile in Acapulco, I knew that I wanted to study costume design, so I went to North Texas State University. That was the only place I could afford, and a school where you could minor in costume design and major in art."

"I married the English teacher there, Jim Harp, and then when he wanted to work on his doctorate, we came to Los Angeles. I knew I wanted a fashion career in this area, so I became a sort of assistant's assistant for a design firm in downtown Los Angeles."

"Jim had a fellowship then and I had to work, but I had to get out of that job. So I called my father, an engineer in Buffalo who designs machinery, and said I wanted to open a little boutique. He sent me \$10,000 and I opened my shop."

"We were a little cottage industry at first and then about three years ago we started to wholesale. We have our own factory now — Jim and I were separated a year and a half ago, but he still is my business partner and we have a son, Tommy, 6."

"We got a tremendous break when a New York store, Henri Bendel, opened a little Holly Harp boutique on their second floor. A year later, my first collection was

nominated for a Coty award, which is a great honor."

"Now I show regularly in New York, a spring collection in November and a fall collection in May."

"When I'm doing a collection, I stop reading all the fashion newspapers and magazines, because you get insecure and look for reassurance. I know that it is more important to please me, to do what I feel is right, than to try to please the press. I have to isolate myself."

"I try to maintain a clear vision of what I want to do. My influences are very much my own individual assimilation of all the things I see in life. Not just clothes, but how I feel about myself as a woman, what I might like."

"I love spontaneity, the unexpected things in life, and I try to express that in my clothes. I'm definitely into women's lib. Why is like asking

why you're into eating; because you can't survive without it, without the idea that you're a totally capable and equal human."

"There is nothing backseat about being female. I can be delicately dressed but tough when I need to be. That's a human characteristic. Not male or female, just human."

Save scraps for a quilt

If you make family's clothes, save pretty cotton scraps of your dresses, little brother's dresses, little brother's and dad's shirts and piece them into a quilt for your daughter.

Do not use it until she is grown and old enough to care for it herself. She will be pleased to have it to recall the garments worn by herself and others in the family when she was a child.

Fat not beautiful

By LEIGH FENLY Copley News Service

Barbara Gibbons suggested Mexican food for lunch. After scanning the menu, she ordered enchiladas verdes and a beer.

Somehow it didn't seem incongruous that Mrs. Gibbons, author of a diet column, should order enchiladas and a beer.

She wasn't interested in making the "slim" selection from the menu to impress her interviewer. She was, however, interested in how she could make a skinnier low-cal enchilada.

Mrs. Gibbons, 41, who now weighs 126 pounds, has been through all the pains, all the depression and all the gulfs of being fat.

She was fat — in the eighth grade she had to wear a nurse's uniform to graduation because she couldn't find a white dress in size twenty and a half.

She began to lose weight — 100 pounds in all — because she found a challenge to dieting.

"There's nothing to do when you're dieting but wait," she says, and the simplicity of the statement makes her laugh. "It's all so negative."

Her challenge came when she began decolorizing recipes for foods that she loved.

"I tried all sorts of things in the beginning. Some were real failures, like trying to boil doughnuts."

She also began making agreements with herself. "I'd say I can have a fruit sundae (one of her low-cal concoctions) only if I eat just the foods I should and if I don't have any other desserts today."

"It's so much better than thinking you'll never be able to eat desserts again."

Her formula helped her drop from 208 pounds to 126 pounds in two years. She says she hasn't backslid in the eight

years since she started her diet.

Her success at creating low-cal recipes led first to adult education classes at universities in New Jersey, her home state, then to a syndicated column and a number of cookbooks. The latest is Consumer Guide's "The Diet Cookbook."

Having experienced "fat," she has learned some of the problems the fat person faces.

"The concept of skinny

as fashionable is a vicious cycle." Fat people, she says, are always barraged with pleas to buy fattening foods but also are confronted with the social stigma against being fat.

However, she says, the stigma has a purpose: "It serves as a check and balance that keeps us from eating ourselves into our graves."

Overweight is related to heart disease, diabetes and kidney problems, she says.



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WOODS W. LYNCH, Auxiliary Unit 19, American Legion, collected gifts to take to the Big Spring Veterans Hospital at a covered dish supper, with Legion members as guests. Each year the auxiliary buys and donates these gifts in order that the patients may select Christmas gifts for their

families. The unit also decorates at the hospital and wraps and mails the gifts for the veterans. From left to right are Joyce Campbell, rehab chairman, Wanda Scott, unit president, and Shirley Ott, District 16 president.

Permian AIMES name new committee heads

The Permian AIMES Committee chairmen met for a luncheon, with introduced were Mrs. Mrs. Jack Sayers, John Berry, junior chairman, presiding.

Mrs. George Hacke, Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Jim Sublett, membership; Mrs. Bob Nickell and Mrs. John Kelsey, scholarship; Mrs. Kenneth Freeman and Mrs. Marley Reavis, ways and means; Mrs. P. H. Kelly, program; Mrs. Leldon Brown and Mrs. Jerry Schoenberg, telephone.

Bill Hill, vice president and senior trust officer of The First National Bank, gave a program on estate planning and making a will.

Quick thinking saves carpets

By SHIRLEY GALLINA
Copley News Service

Dirt underfoot is fine in the great outdoors, but it's a disaster to your carpeting.

Wall-to-wall carpeting, even in a small home, is a major investment. Keeping it in good condition is up to you.

"Dirt and sand can get ground into the carpet's fibers and will cut them like scissors," says Jack Spencer, owner of a carpet care firm.

He recommends vacuuming carpets at least twice a week, and oftener if possible. This can't wear the carpet out, he says.

"And it should be an upright vacuum instead of the tank type.

"The basic reason is that the tank type doesn't have a beater which removes the soil from the carpet fibers," he explains.

"Give carpets a thorough vacuuming at least once a week, so you can get the dirt out while it's still on the top of the carpet," says Skip Jarvis, owner of another carpet cleaning company.

Both experts agree carpets should be professionally cleaned at least once a year.

Spills are another hazard to your carpet's longevity. Speed is of the essence.

"Wipe up the spill as quickly as possible with paper towels, Kleenex or anything handy," Spencer says.

Efficiency really possible

ROSSFORD, Ohio (AP) — Macie McNaull, on a trip to Camden Maine, wanted to send a postcard to friend Margie Crepe. Not having her address at hand, Miss McNaull addressed the card to her mother, Mrs. Aggie McNaull, and asked her to deliver it.

The card never reached Mrs. McNaull, however. The mailman delivered it directly to Margie Crepe.

Jewelry talk given

Mrs. Erle Payne presented a program on Indian jewelry for a meeting of the Woman's Wednesday Club in the Midland Woman's Club.

The speaker showed pictures of an Indian jewelry collection, including necklaces with silver and turquoise, bracelets and silver ornaments.

Hostesses to the social hour were Mrs. Lewis Davis and Mrs. Alan Leeper.

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Mushrooms

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By DARLA WELLES
Copley News Service

Hail the humble mushroom. Though grown in the dark, huddled close to the soil, the earth little fungus brightens the table where it's served as almost no other food can.

It generously shares its delicate taste and pleasing texture with meat and vegetables alike, enhances sauces, blends with almost anything, yet stands up well on its own.

Slice it raw in salads, serve it with dips, simmer it in elegant entrees, like the steak dish shown here — or simply broil it and serve it filled to the brim with its own subtle broth.

No matter how it's served, it's a sure bet that a mushroom invited to dinner — or any other meal — will do its share and more to enhance the menu.

STEAK WITH MUSHROOMS

- One and one-half to two lbs. beef flank steak
- 1 lb. fresh mushrooms
- 4 tbsps. oil, divided
- 1 med. onion, sliced
- 1 green pepper, cut into one-half-inch squares
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 tbsps. flour
- 1 beef bouillon cube
- Three-fourths cup boiling water
- 1 (8-oz.) can tomatoes, broken up
- 2 tpsps. Worcestershire sauce
- One and one-fourth tpsps. salt

Thinly slice meat on the diagonal (for easy slicing; place meat in the freezer for one-half hour). Rinse, pat dry and slice fresh mushrooms (makes about five cups); set aside. In a large skillet heat two tablespoons of the oil. Add a few pieces of the beef at a time; brown on both sides; remove all of the meat and set aside.

In same skillet heat remaining two tablespoons oil. Add onion, green pepper, garlic and reserved mushrooms; saute for five minutes. Stir in flour; cook and stir for one minute. Dissolve bouillon cube in boiling water. Stir into skillet along with tomatoes, Worcestershire sauce and salt. Bring to the boiling point, stirring constantly. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for three minutes. Stir in browned meat; cook and stir until hot, about three minutes. Serve with parsleyed noodles and tossed green salad, if desired. Serves six.

MUSHROOM FLAMBE
1 lb. small whole mushrooms
4 tbsps. butter or margarine
1 cup chopped onions
Three-fourths tsp. salt
One-eighth tsp. ground black pepper
One-fourth cup chopped parsley
One-fourth cup brandy

Rinse, pat dry and trim stems of mushrooms; halve, if desired. In a large skillet melt butter. Add onions; saute for one minute. Add mushrooms, saute for three minutes. Stir in salt, black pepper and parsley. In a small pan gently heat brandy; ignite and pour over mushrooms, stirring with a long-handled spoon. Or, if desired, flambé at the table in a heatproof serving pan placed on a trivet. Serves six.

Chapter meets

The Beta Delta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mrs. Jane Blanton. Guests were Mrs. Jill Arthur and Mrs. Sandra Mitchell. Mrs. Janice Hastings will be hostess to the Dec. 7 meeting.



PAUL GLAMM is receiving an award as Nurse of the Year at Midland Memorial Hospital from Gwendolyn McKay, nursing director at MMH. The honor came during the annual RN Banquet held at Ranchland Hill Country Club as part of Texas Nurse Week.

Ph.D. is now a director

RICHMOND, Va.—A few years ago, Marcia Lawton, who holds a Ph.D. in clinical psychology, was an inmate at an alcoholism rehabilitation center.

Today, she directs the Alcohol Education Program at Virginia Commonwealth University. The program, which is funded by a state grant, trains counselors and others in the alcoholism rehabilitation field.

"They took a real chance, but they wanted a recovering alcoholic," she said of those who hired her for that position.

Dr. Lawton says she now abstains from alcohol totally.

"It doesn't bother me to see other people drinking," she said. "I love to go out and sometimes when they have those big frosted mugs of beer, I think it might be nice to have a glass of beer. But I never do."

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Food editors provide information on eating trends around nation

By WILLIAM RICE
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Inspired by the often-repeated allegation that Washington doesn't really know what's happening around the country, I initiated a discussion of eating and entertaining trends at the recent Newspaper Food Editors Conference, in Atlanta. Editors from seven other cities participated and provided information the following topics.

Special Diet: Joanne Will of the Chicago Tribune reported that dietitians in Chicago are setting up private practices and offices. She said the Tribune had listed 15 to 20 who do counseling and work at hospitals with patients, doctors and with hospital dietitians. Clients are referred to them by doctors. Others work from their homes.

Betsy Baisley of The Los Angeles Times said that in addition to the "Chic and jet set" popularity of a restaurant called Ruffage, her city

was developing a series of "thinner" restaurants. These are not salad bars, but serve fresh, uncooked foods along with low-calorie baked goods. They are popular, she said, attracting such diverse customers as sweets lovers on diets and joggers looking for an energy lift after exercise. As with so many food fads in recent years, she expects them to move East. The baked goods, described as "atrocious," eliminate or minimize flour and utilize sugar substitutes.

Harvey Steiman of the Miami Herald said a similar restaurant had opened in Miami several years ago and failed.

Gail Perrin of the Boston Globe said a firm in her city was offering computer analysis that would provide a complete dietary profile of a given recipe. The price, \$20 per recipe, makes it a luxury.

Home Entertaining: "Chic economy" was a label several editors agreed on to describe current efforts. Informality in dress and presentation

are stressed, elaborate dishes and service are downplayed. Ella Elvin of the New York News listed chili and omelets as two continuing favorites for elegant, off-beat gatherings in her city. Someone predicted the cooking of India is waiting in the wings for partygivers to tire of Chinese and Mexican meals.

In Boston and Miami, co-op cooking parties are popular. Another current food fashion in Miami is to order home-delivery of hot meals from Cuban caterers. Some will order daily dinners a week at a time. Steiman reported the cost is attractive (\$4 to \$5 for a meal that serves four), the selection and portions large and the food itself "is not especially good, but comes out okay."

A popular exercise in Los Angeles is the small gourmet club, in which three of four couples meet with some regularity to cook. The publication of the Time-Life Foods of the World series had been a stimulant to these clubs several years ago. Now, it was

agreed, these explorations of international cuisines tend to be less lavish and better organized.

Peggy Daum of the Milwaukee Journal told of parties at which a hostess or host will serve several elaborate salads and complete the menus with fried children purchased at a fast-food chain outlet. Paula Bucholtz of the San Francisco Examiner said there was a trend in her city toward moveable feast meals. Instead of entertaining at home or in a restaurant, a couple will invite guests to a park, an excursion boat or other public facility and provide a picnic-style meal and wine.

Wine, particularly white wine, was said to be used increasingly in all parts of the country in place of cocktails as well as with meals. Bucholtz commented that a dramatic improvement in the quality of California red wines available in large containers was stimulating a demand for red wine as well as white before and between meals.

Restaurants: Around the country very expensive and very cheap restaurants are doing well, but family and neighborhood places in the middle-price range have been suffering. Informal and inexpensive eating places are booming. Around the country cafe restaurants continue to proliferate and omelets are being featured in single restaurants and at least one chain. Editors expressed some hope that the public would tire of a diet of fast-food hamburgers. It was pointed out that the fast-food chains have begun to expand their menus while traditional restaurants have been reducing theirs. Specialization with some variety appears to be the current pattern.

Bucholtz said the trend toward eating less is evident in new San Francisco restaurants. She cited three popular new seafood bars, more stylish in decor than traditional fish restaurants. A retail fish counter is part of the operation as well. There, and in Chicago, soup and salad restaurants have taken hold. A restaurant serving only casserole dishes is doing well in Chicago. All these places do considerable business outside the usual luncheon and dinner periods, capitalizing on the nation's changing eating patterns. Dim Sum, Chinese pastries, are being sold out in San Francisco and New York. Served as requested, they offer diners the chance to eat as much or as little

as they wish. Vegetarian restaurants and coffee houses also were said to be increasing in number.

In the Miami area, Steiman said, one can find less predictable menus these days. In some instances, retired chefs from other parts of the country have moved to Florida and continue to practice their craft in a limited way. One fast-food operation has even introduced French cheesecake. He said one restaurant in the state has a "no smoking room," but he and other editors could not find a trend in this.

There may be a trend toward offering small and large portions of the same item, however. Marriott and Sheraton have conducted experiments along this line. In some areas submarine-type sandwiches are being sold by the inch; steaks are being sold by the ounce. One restaurant in the Miami area offers a "skeleton dinner." The customer may order a complete meal minus the entree. Miami's restaurants continue to offer large, even outsized, portions. In Milwaukee, according to Daum, there would be resistance to small portions.

Diners there eat what they can and take the remainder home with them. Food shopping: there was talk of increasing concentration of supermarkets in cities such as Milwaukee and Los Angeles. Editors were in general agreement that chains were

offering shoppers less variety and more of their own house brands. Food co-ops, as one editor put it, "come and go like yo-yos."

There are five warehouse shopping stores in Milwaukee and about six in the Boston area. Staples and canned goods are the backbone of these operations although some have begun to offer produce. There are no clerks and items — sometimes national brands but usually not may be sold by the case of individually. Daum said a survey had established that shoppers could save 4 to 8 per cent, but that meat tends to be less expensive at chain stores.

Street markets, where farmers sell their goods directly to the public, have sprung up in several cities, including New York.

The editors noted little interest among their readers in metric measure, and commented that the government's push for agricultural exports has led to confusion and anger in Michigan, where cherries were scarce and costly despite a bumper crop, and in California because lemons have been sent to Japan in record numbers.

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NEWCOMERS CLUB members Ellen Hodgson, Sherry Mayhill and Karen Bishop, left to right, are among those attending a "Show and Sell" of arts and crafts made by members in Ranchland Hill Country Club.

Woman records success

DETROIT, Mich. (AP) — Twenty years ago Shirley Davis worked as a curb-girl at a restaurant owned by a chain. Today, she operates two franchises for the chain and is thinking of opening a third. She is the only woman who has ever been given a franchise by the 35-year-old company. Her annual income is in six figures.

Mrs. Davis, 45, said she started working when her children were small because, "We had some big medical bills and I wanted to help out." Her husband is an employee of an automotive company.

Mrs. Davis' son, Barry, 22, manages one of the restaurants. Her daughter, Donna, 26, is general manager for both.

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By JOE WING
The Associated Press

What wouldn't you give to live some part of your life over again?

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Now, don't let the idea throw you. Although you may never have written anything more ambitious than a letter, and are still the only person on earth who can do this par-

ticular job. Even if your grammar and spelling aren't perfect, you alone can set down on paper, or dictate into a tape recorder, the unique anecdotes and events that have made up the mosaic of your existence.

My mother used to spin yarns to me about her girlhood and about the lives of her forbears as far back as she could remember. But when I tried to tell my own children about her life on the prairie, about her parents' journey West and about things that had happened to me, they wouldn't sit still for it. By then there was more excitement in radio programs and comic strips than in any narrative of mine.

As a result, our family legends, like those of many families, were on their way to oblivion. But I resolved not to let them die. I started to write them down. And those children of mine, now grown up, are fascinated with what I have written.

Writing my "book" has been more fun than watching football games or taking up golf, and the anecdotes have become a bulky manuscript. Your account need not be that long—a single page is better than nothing.

You don't have to be famous to rate an autobiography. There have been notable ones by slum dwellers, servants, buck privates, beggars and misfits, as well as by statesmen, philanthropists, generals, politicians, doctors, editors, artists, industrialists and travelers.

You're lucky if you have old diaries or letters or account books to draw on. Even without them, however, you will find yourself recording incidents you haven't recalled for years. They may even heighten your spouse's interest in you, and certainly they will give you new insights into your own existence.

You are on your own as to the period covered. Some people concentrate on their childhood. Chief White Horse Eagle wrote about most of his 107 years. If your war experiences, school days, romances, wanderings or business career were most important to you, by all means zero in on one or more of those.

The events need not be put in logical order. What

difference does it make? Perhaps you think you now whether a date was haven't the health or 1944 or 1945? Mark Twain energy to tackle such a dictated his project. Well, then, think autobiography piecemeal of the New Zealand judge and never did get it who wrote "Cheerful organized, but it makes Yesterdays' while dying reading hard to lay aside. of cancer.

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Romania may be easing aloofness to Russia

VIENNA — Romania, the only member of the Warsaw Pact that does not allow Soviet troops on its soil and that has taken foreign policy positions different from Moscow's, now appears to be moving toward better relations with the Soviet Union and other members of the Eastern bloc defense alliance.

Western observers say Soviet Communist party chief Leonid Brezhnev may visit Bucharest next week for the first time since he came to power in 1964, and that top political leaders of the Warsaw Pact will hold a meeting in the Romanian capital for the first time in more than 10 years.

The two events, observers say, are indicative of a trend toward improved relations in the defense alliance, which was established in 1955 to counter the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO); Romania, along with Yugoslavia, has often trod an independent path in international affairs.

To date, President Nicolae Ceausescu's government has combined a strict Marxist-Leninist orthodoxy at home with an independent foreign policy, maintaining good relations, for example, with China in contrast to positions staked out by the rest of its allies in the Warsaw Pact.

Although its membership in COMECON, the Eastern bloc economic organization, has never been questioned, Romania has often accorded its responsibilities to it and to the Warsaw Pact only secondary

importance, giving the lead to its own autonomous economic interests.

Following the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact intervention in Czechoslovakia — an operation in which Romanian troops did not take part — the government spearheaded a move in the National Assembly to require Romanian authorization before foreign troops could occupy its soil.

The country has never taken part in military maneuvers outside its borders and has never allowed foreign forces to carry out maneuvers within the nation.

Such independent positions stem partly from the fact that the nationalistic Romanians, who are not Slavs like the majority of their neighbors, are anxious to maintain national identity and fear the intentions of their neighbors to the north.

Western observers attribute the apparent softening of Romania's hard line toward Moscow to two principal factors: The country's economic difficulties and the Soviet Union's grudging recognition of the sovereignty of independent Communist parties, given at last June's

Berlin conference of European Communist parties.

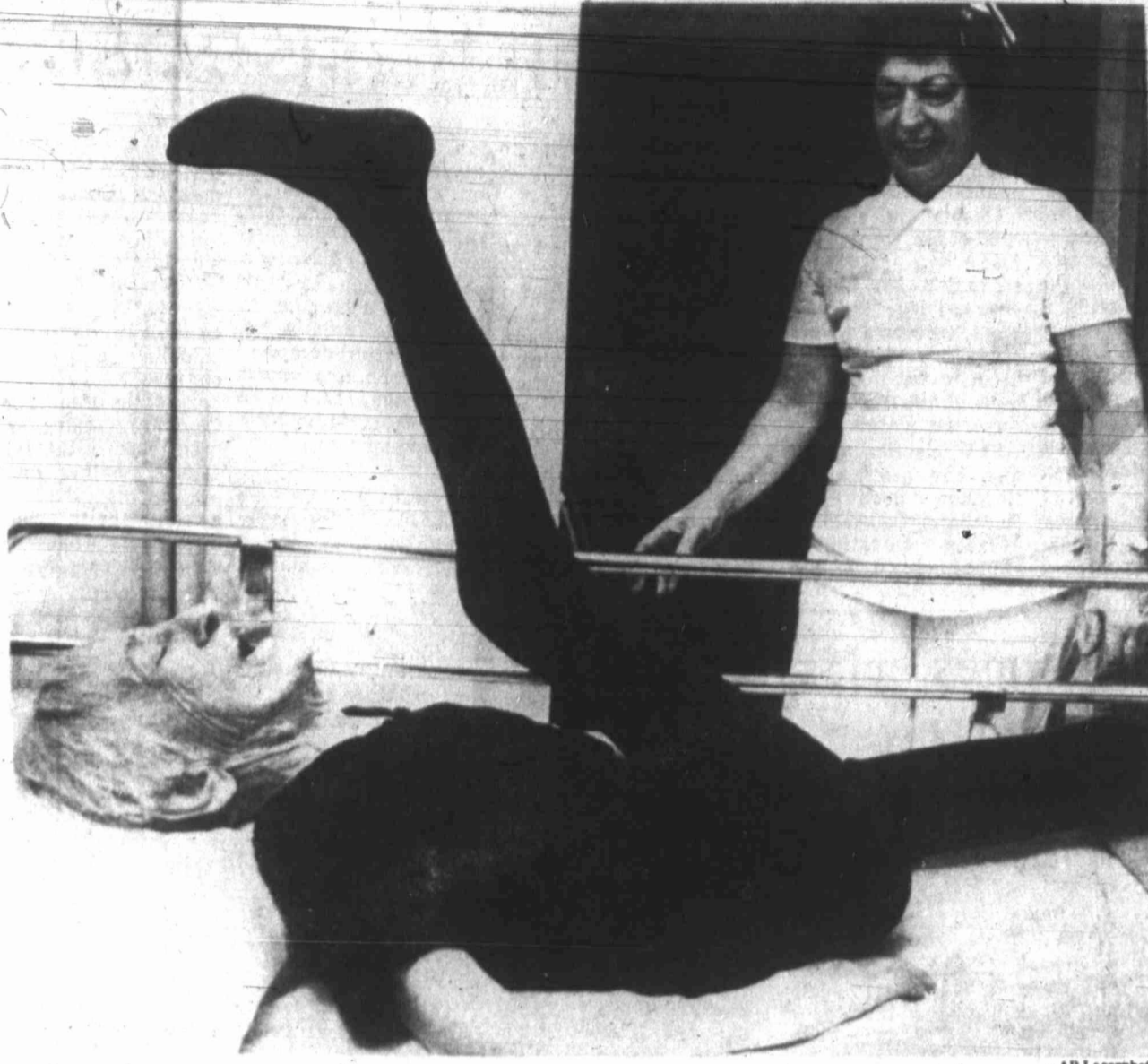
Like all countries of the Eastern bloc, Romania has suffered the effects of the 1974-75 worldwide recession and the ravages of inflation imported from the West.

Current estimates put its indebtedness to the West at between \$2,500 and \$3,000, and its terms of trade have been worsening.

Presenting an economic analysis to the National Assembly two weeks ago, President Ceausescu implicitly recognized the current difficulties, dropping much of the bombast that had characterized earlier such speeches.

Thus the country apparently feels that the moment has arrived to redefine its relations with Moscow which, observers point out, would be only too happy to welcome the prodigal son back to the fold.

In this sense, Moscow's recognition of the independence of Communist parties, affirmed at the Berlin conference, will prove doubly valuable to the Bucharest government, observers say.



—AP Laserphoto

'CLEAN LIVING, EXERCISE and deep religious faith' are what Mary Cryer, performing a leg raise in her Toronto nursing home, attributes to her

longevity, 103 years. Mrs. Cryer says she is a fitness fan and does exercises twice daily as nurse Lillian Richardson watches.

Pet Rock is this season's—what?

The Washington Post Last year's Pet Rock is this year's—what?

That's the blank manufacturers and store buyers are trying to fill in to take the place of last

year's multimillion-dollar Christmas gift gimmick, the pre-packaged Pet Rock.

Since stores measure their gains against the business they did the year

before, buyers are hoping to come up with new items to sell along with the mood ring, the digital watch and the pocket calculator to swell their tills next month.

There is no shortage of gimmicks as useless as the Pet Rock. But there is the risk of not finding something as captivating as a rock in a box with a booklet.

Among this year's offerings:

—The Sand Breeding Kit, which is the new entry by the pet rock folks (who answer the telephone with, "You

have reached Rock Bottom Productions"). Two test tubes of sand, one labeled male and the other female, for breeding your own beach, about \$5.

(According to Gary Dahl, creator of the original item, Pet Rock sales fizzled when the product was introduced in Europe but continued to sell here, admittedly in meager quantities. He claims no responsibility for the water beds and clothing pushed for Pet Rocks.)

—Pacer, the mood ring folks' current entry. This is a bracelet that is supposed to respond to your heartbeat and thus register your anxiety, thus enabling the wearer to be anxious about being anxious about \$11.

—Thumb Therapy, an oval of Mexican onyx, designed to serve as a thumb rest.

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Jimmy Carter defeated President Ford in Texas, 2,082,319 votes to 1,953,294, the official canvass of the Nov. 2 election returns disclosed Friday.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe, Secretary of State Mark White and Mrs. Blake Sparenberg certified the returns as members of the State Board of Canvassers.

The certified returns showed that the American Party national ticket of Thomas J. Anderson and Rufus Shackelford received 11,442 votes; independent Eugene McCarthy 20,118; and Socialist Workers Party candidates Peter Camejo and Willie Mae Reid, 1,723.

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Survey ministers call U.S. moral vacuum

WACO, Tex. (AP) — America is not so much a Sodom and Gomorrah as it is a moral vacuum, a nationwide poll of protestant ministers suggests.

"Defiance of the church is not the problem. Due to our apathy, we are being ignored," summed up one minister responding to the survey.

L.L. Sams and Sons, a nationwide manufacturer of church furniture based in Waco, Tex., conducted the extensive survey and received replies from more than 3,100 ministers across the nation.

According to the poll, churchmen said social issues, or the church's role in society as a force for guiding people through everyday problems, is the single most important concern facing organized religion.

Apathy, complacency, contentment, indifference among church members were words

ministers most often used to describe what they said was the next most important problem confronting the church.

Although ministers most often agreed that the church's position on social problems was the key issue, they differed strongly on how the church should deal with society and its ills.

One minister said the

church should "remain the church as opposed to a social organization." Another said the church should be a "social action issue group instead of Bible teaching."

On divorce among laymen, 62.4 per cent of the 735 ministers responding to that question said that while their churches do not condone divorce,

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Total economy Shopping by mail to be safer this season shows signs of cracking

By DON COOK
The Los Angeles Times

PARIS — After a brief Indian Summer in which recovery trends seemed discernible, the outlook for the industrialized nations of the world now has turned to decline — and the worst pessimism since the 1930s.

President-elect Jimmy Carter not only has a sluggish American economy to worry about. He must also face an international economic situation which is now seen to be far deeper and far more intractable than anybody had calculated. There are intelligent men in government in Europe who now seriously speculate whether democracy might not be at stake in a descent into a new recession.

There is a feeling quite suddenly which we have never experienced before, at least not since the war, that economic events are out of our hands, beyond our control — that whatever policies governments adopt they can no longer really cope or control the economic influences which are working against us," a senior French civil servant said a few days ago.

"I have never seen Europe so confused, so uncertain, and so pessimistic," said an American director of a Washington think tank who has just concluded a swing around the European capitals.

"Everybody sees things turning down again and this time nobody has any idea of how to get out of it. They all talk about export-led recovery, but who is going to do all the importing? The inflation goes on, the unemployment goes up, the trade deficits go up, the productivity curves level off or go down, and nobody sees a way out."

Here is a brief look at bits and pieces of unrelieved bad news on the international economic scene in the last week or 10 days only.

—In France, it was announced that the number of unemployed has passed the million mark, up 70,000 from the September figures.

—From the Paris headquarters of the 24-nation Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, word leaked that its analysts will be forecasting a marked decline in the economic growth rate of its member states in the coming year, a return to world recession by the second half of 1977 after the brief recovery of 1976.

—In Brussels, the commission of the European Economic Community abruptly and bluntly informed the Japanese that Japan had to cut its present level of exports to the Common Market, now running at \$4.2 billion a year, or face trade restrictions and quotas. This would be a complete reversal of pledges which have been given and regularly renewed by all the OECD members — which include Japan and the Common Market nations for the last 16 years.

—In Tokyo, the Japanese Ministry of Finance announced a balance of payments deficit of \$100 million for October, despite all those exports to Europe.

—In Vienna, the Austrians, who are in better shape than most of the countries of Europe, announced that their trade deficit increased by 70 per cent for the first nine months of 1976, compared to the same period of 1975.

—In Paris, the OECD released its regular monthly survey of consumer prices showing the average monthly inflation rate for its members rose from 0.5 per cent in August to 0.8 per cent in September.

HOROSCOPE

By CARROLL RHYTER (Sun., Nov. 21)

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You are excited and want to put into effect too quickly a plan of action that can bring you much advancement toward goals and ambitions that mean much to you. Consider carefully whatever new course of action you engage in and avoid a big mistake.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): Get busy at those obligations that have different conditions attached to them and you can clear them up nicely now. Don't take on face value whatever is told you by new contact.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): Your hunches are good and should be heeded for more success in the future. Use good judgment as well. Be more aware of what a loved one desires instead of being so forceful.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Make sure you know what is expected of you by associates otherwise you could get into something dangerous. Get into a civic affair that will turn out well and to your benefit.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): Try to be of more service to others and avoid possible trouble later. Show more affection and gentility in dealing with mate. Make evening a happy and romantic one.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Once you get important work done, get into the form of amusement you like and relieve tensions. Show more affection for close tie and get good results. Avoid a troublemaker.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Try a different method to make home conditions more harmonious and get good results. You are interested in some new venture that is unusual but can work out just fine. Study it further.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Get into the philosophical studies that can be helpful to you in the future. Take time to visit with friends and relatives later in the day. The evening is best spent at home with closest ties.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): If you think big today you can attract more of the finer things of life and be happier in the future. Look over property and see how to make it more valuable and attractive. Be clever.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Find new ways to gain your cherished aims, whether of a spiritual or a practical nature. Later be social and make big headway with friends. Avoid one who has an eye on your assets.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Ideal day to think about what is best course to follow to have a fuller and richer life. Spend time later with good friends and get to know them better. Take good care of your health.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Solve personal problems early and you have more time to work on projects that help you to advance. Be careful of strangers.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Handle outside affairs wisely and add to present prestige and prosperity. Become more successful in your career by making wise plans now.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: Use your most articulate qualities to let close ties know of your interest in them. You will find that some untired situations arise to give you chance to display your talents. Be more outgoing.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): Discuss your plans with those who are capable of helping you put them across. The evening can be an inspiring one.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): Showing more affection for the one you love is wise at this time. Begin the week right by handling responsibilities well.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Taking part in civic affairs can yield fine benefits at this time. Make long-range plans for the future.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): Listen to what fellow workers have to suggest and come to a far better understanding. Take needed health treatments.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Consult business experts for financial advice. Come to a better understanding with mate. Strive for happiness.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): A new project can be helped through the suggestion of another, so listen carefully. Show more devotion to mate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Take no chances with one who has a proverbial axe to grind. Obtain the data you need at proper sources. Express happiness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Make plans that will bring you more success and security in the future. Consult a monetary expert for advice you need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Know what others expect of you and do your best to please them. Attend a group activity and gain new acquaintances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Take time to clear up any problematical affairs that are pressing. Use a direct approach. Relax at home tonight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Visit as many persons as you can and express generosity to good advantage. Take no chances with a trickster.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Make plans to improve your position in life. Listen to what a trusted adviser has to suggest. Discuss the future with mate.

By LOUISE COOK
The Associated Press

Consumers planning to do their holiday shopping by mail face less risk this year of presents arriving after Christmas or, even worse, not at all.

Federal Trade Commission regulations that took effect earlier this year are designed to cut delivery delays and make it easier for shoppers to get refunds.

The rules were imposed as the result of a growing number of complaints about mail-order

deliveries. The Office of Consumer Affairs of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare reports that it gets more complaints about mail-order service than about any other item except automobiles.

Under the new regulations, companies must fill mail orders within 30 days. If the deadline cannot be met, the company must notify customers, giving them the option of accepting the delay or cancelling the shipment and getting

a full refund.

The company has to provide an adequate, cost-free means — such as a postage-paid card — for consumers to use as a cancellation notice. If the company gets no reply, it can assume the customer has consented to a delay of a maximum of another 30 days. Beyond the 60-day point, the customer must provide written consent to further delay or be given a refund.

The rules do not cover magazine deliveries, COD orders or services —

such as photo finishing — connected with merchandise. Despite the risks, the mail-order business is booming, with an estimated \$60 billion a year in sales. "People are more receptive to mail-order buying than they used to be," said Ann Cole of the Direct Mail Advertising Association.

The selection of items also has grown. Roger Horchow, head of the Horchow Collection, a catalog operation of luxury mer-

chandise, said he sold two \$3,000 necklaces by mail last year.

Weren't the customers nervous at the idea of sending \$3,000 for something they had never seen? "I would be," said Horchow. "But they know we're reputable and they know they can return things."

Horchow allows returns and full refunds on all items, except those offered at special sale prices in non-Christmas catalogs.

Frederick Simon, executive vice president of Omaha Steaks International, which ships meats and gourmet items by mail, said about one-half of one per cent of his shipments arrive spoiled or wind up in the wrong place. The company guarantees customers their money back or a replacement if they have any complaints.

Dealing with established, reputable firms is one way to cut the risks of mail-order higher prices.

—Read catalogs carefully. Compare catalogs, checking shipping and handling charges as well as the price of the product itself. Compare catalog prices with those in the stores. Decide whether you are willing to trade the convenience of shopping by mail for what may be

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(G) Youth-Dew Cameo Compact for Solid Perfume. \$13.50

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