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Cautious assessments still summit 'rule'

CAMP DAVID, Md. (AP) — The Mideast summit, now in its sixth day, is moving ahead in fits and starts with no sign of a major breakthrough in resolving sharp differences between Israel and Egypt.

President Carter, host for the session, conferred today with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat — an apparent follow-up to a similar meeting Sunday with Prime Minister Mena-

chem Begin of Israel.

Although progress on some key issues has been reported by an official spokesman, there has been no formal conference of the three major summit participants since last Thursday.

There was a widespread expectation that discussions among Carter, Begin and Sadat will continue at least until mid-week.

Begin said Sunday the summit was

"going well" but other sources offered more cautious assessments.

"We need another two or three days to crystallize things," said Ezer Weizman, the Israeli defense minister, who again met separately with Sadat during the weekend.

Sources close to the Egyptian delegation said the summit was moving slowly and that there had been no breakthrough.

After taking Begin and Sadat on a Sunday tour of the Civil War battlefield at Gettysburg, Pa., Carter met for an hour with the Israeli prime minister at Camp David. The two leaders were joined by key advisers.

Begin made his optimistic comment about the meetings when he encountered reporters during the battlefield tour.

"You can see they are going well,"

said Begin.

He seemed to be referring to the evident rapport among the participants rather than to the Arab-Israeli dispute itself.

Weizman was more cryptic than the prime minister when he was asked, "How are you doing?"

"We are doing," the defense minister responded.

Before the Gettysburg trip, Carter

attended Protestant religious services here and conferred by telephone with the Shah of Iran.

Carter lent the Shah his personal support but also called for more "political liberalization" in the troubled country.

The White House press office announced the phone call, which lasted nearly 15 minutes, hours after it took place.



A strange rainstorm hovers above Midland Sunday afternoon, causing a rainbow to loop over a downtown portion of the city. Oddly enough, despite widespread unofficial reports

of some temporarily flooded streets, the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport reported no official moisture in the

area. Possibly meaning that even when it pours in the Permian Basin, it hasn't necessarily rained. (Staff photo by Bruce Partain)

Park development occurring slower than city growth

Editor's Note: This is the first article in a two-part series on the development of more park lands in Midland.

By LANA CUNNINGHAM
R-T Staff Writer

Midland has been growing at a rapid pace to the north and west, but the city parks system apparently has not been able to keep up with the growth.

That situation came to light last week during a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting when Director of Parks and Recreation Wayne Kohout said the city should consider ways to obtain park land.

While city officials say that acquisition of land for park development is not an urgent issue now, they agree it may be next year if study and action on the situation are not started soon.

Midland has not acquired park land for 18 years, according to Kohout. The fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 marks the first time in many years the Parks and Recreation Department will be allotted money to purchase park land, he said.

That amount is \$25,000, enough for about "two four-acre sites. We had asked for \$180,000 to purchase land for several sites," he said.

Some city-owned land in a tract bounded by West Wadley Avenue, North A Street and Ventura Street should be one item on the City Council agenda Tuesday to be considered for a park area.

Land in this area has been given to the City of Midland Swim Team for its pool, the Cerebral Palsy Center, the Girl Scouts and the Junior League of Midland.

But the City Council decided recently to close the land to any further sales for commercial use after the Federal Aviation Administration expressed a fear that too many buildings were encroaching on Midland Air Park.

It was also noted the land is in line with one of the Air Park's runways and would be unsuitable for residential or office buildings. But PAA officials voiced no concern over developing it for a park, Kohout said.

A lack of funds for park lands and fast development of the northwest and northeast sections of the city prompted Kohout and the Parks and Recreation Commission to study ways to obtain land. It was not until recently that he stumbled across a 1969 ordinance which would allow for purchasing park land.

The ordinance reads: "Where a proposed park playground or other public use shown in a master plan is located partially or wholly within a

subdivision, the subdivider shall reserve adequate space for such purpose within the subdivision when the commission finds the requirement to be necessary to the public health and welfare. The subdivider shall convey to the city an option to purchase the reserve site at acreage cost, as may be agreed upon, within a 12-month period after approval of the final plat. Ordinance 4480, Nov. 18, 1969."

Kohout said if the Parks Department had known about the ordinance several years ago, it could have used it to get the City Council to allocate money for parks land.

The concept of parks development dates back to the 1890s, Kohout said, when large center squares were set aside in towns and used as recreational and meeting areas.

Today, cities and parks departments have master plans on which city growth is to follow.

Plans for new areas are compared with the master plan to see if it complies, Kohout explained.

Midland has both a city master plan and parks master plan. But the city has grown so rapidly in the northwest and northeast sides, that the city master plan is becoming fast outdated and no parks have been set aside for those areas. This is what Kohout said worries him.

Richard Hennessy, director of planning and community development for the city, said Midland's master plan was developed in November 1970 and will be revised soon.

"There are no plans for development in areas that are being developed now in northwest Midland," he said.

These areas include Saddle Club South, Gibraltar Development, Crestgate Subdivision and Skyline Terrace, Hennessy said.

If the 1969 ordinance were enforced, developers in these areas would be required to set aside land for the city to purchase within 12 months. If not purchased by that time for a park, it goes back to the developer, according to Kohout.

But the legality of the ordinance must first be decided, he added. A second way for the city to get park land is to rule that developers must dedicate some land to the city.

A third possibility is to follow the lead of a few other cities, which have required a fee-in-lieu of land with the money going to purchase land for a park.

"This cost is passed on to the homeowner who buys in the developer's area," Kohout said.

A problem arises with mandatory

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Blocking sewage facility favored

By MARK VOGLER
R-T Staff Writer

At least two Midland County commissioners Sunday said they advocate seeking a court injunction as a last ditch attempt to block plans by the city of Odessa to construct a new sewage treatment plant on Midland County soil.

Commissioners Win Brown and Charlie Welch said on the heels of Saturday's bond election in Odessa that they favor going to court in order to test the constitutionality of a decision by the Texas Water Quality Board to allow one government entity (city of Odessa) to use another government entity's (Midland County's) land to discharge its wastes on

Odessans voted 4,293 to 4,003 Saturday to approve \$4 million in revenue bonds for improvements to the city's sewage treatment system, including construction of the new plant, im-

provements to the existing one and connecting lines to both facilities.

Two other bond election issues were voted down in Ector County.

The sewage treatment plant is to be financed in part by a \$10 million grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and some of the city of Odessa's \$5.4 million surplus.

Under a permit granted by the Texas Water Quality Board on the last day of its existence as a separate agency and fortified by a subsequent decision on the part of the Texas Railroad Commission following a hearing, the city of Odessa will be allowed to dump up to 5.22 million gallons a day of treated sewage effluent from the new plant into Monahans Draw in Midland County.

Odessa also will be allowed to increase its discharge from an already existing plant into Monahans Draw from approximately 6 million gallons a day to 9.8 million gallons a day.

"I think we should go ahead and file an injunction against Odessa and then proceed with a court case. I do believe that's our only recourse at this point," said Brown.

"Something like this would probably go all the way up to our state Supreme Court to see whether it's constitutional according to our state constitution. Those rules and regulations of the Water Quality Board were written by the staff people and not the Legislature."

Brown said Sunday he expected to discuss possible legal action the county may take. He said he would do that during today's 1:30 p.m. regular meeting of the court.

Welch also was in favor of pressing the issue.

"Let's take legal action and assist the residents of Midland County in a forceful manner. I still think it can be done," the commissioner said.

"I'm in favor of doing whatever

would be necessary to protect the citizens from health problems and contamination of some of the ground water."

Welch said it was "a very sad situation" that Odessa would be disposing of water it could reclaim.

"The real shame of it is that the property to be used for construction of the new plant could be used as an asset to the community. And the water could be used for something good for humanity instead of raising stinking mosquitos," said Welch.

"They're (Odessa) going to do whatever they can do that's simple and easy to do. It's just a bad thing since the draw is already contaminated. If you purify that water and put it into the filthy draw that's already contaminated, you just have more contaminated water."

Midland County Judge Blake Hansen said Sunday night that he would not commit himself to taking legal action until he had discussed the matter fully with the other members of the commissioner's court.

"The commissioner's court was already opposed to the Texas Water Quality Board's decision. So I guess we could seek an injunction and see how it flies. It's a possibility that I have thought of before," Hansen said.

"It boils down to a question of whether Midland County wants to go through the expenses to do this. The court would have to weigh the merits. If you know you're going to get beat, it would be certainly ridiculous to go in there and fight. I would have to talk with the county attorney on this before taking a position."

The city of Odessa is negotiating with representatives of the Dora Roberts Foundation about purchasing a one-section tract in southwest Midland County near the Monahans Draw.

If the Odessa is unable to negotiate with the landowners, Hansen said, he would expect to see somewhat of a test case in the state court.

However, Odessa City Attorney Joel Roberts contended Sunday that the state's eminent domain law gives the city of Odessa the power to condemn land even if it is in Midland County.

However, Commissioner Brown said: "I think the city of Odessa does have a serious problem, and my heart bleeds for them."

"They're damned if they do and damned if they don't. But do they

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Sunday showers flood some streets

Hopscooting showers in the area Sunday flooded streets in some parts of Midland but failed to yield measurable amounts of moisture in others.

The National Weather Service at Midland Regional Airport reported no rain. But those trying to drive home from downtown Midland late Sunday afternoon found themselves trying to

cope with high water in the streets.

The Midkiff area received 2 inch. But after being a regular part of the forecast several days last week, the possibility of rain has disappeared from the weatherman's reticule of predictions.

After a week of cool and cloudy weather with rain, the weatherman forecasts warmer afternoons for the Permian Basin this week.

Warm weather is predicted for the Midland area today by the weatherman.

The Weather Service predicts a low tonight in the middle 60s.

The high Tuesday is expected to be in the upper 80s.

The record high recorded for Sept. 10 is 100 degrees set in 1964. The record low for Sept. 11 is 50 degrees set in 1935.

The temperature reached a high of 85 degrees Sunday. The low this morning dipped to 65 degrees.

The weatherman predicts southwesterly winds from 10 to 15 miles per hour tonight.

Andrews, Lamesa, Crane, Rankin, Big Lake, Odessa, and Big Spring all were cool and cloudy early today. Only Stanton reported clear skies.

Odessa woman, 26, killed in Sunday night accident

STERLING CITY — A 26-year-old Odessa woman was killed in a two-vehicle accident Sunday night, according to a spokesman for the Department of Public Safety.

Authorities said Sheila Jones Bowden died when the car she was driving was in a head-on collision with a truck at 6:30 p.m. on Texas 158 about 18 miles east of here.

Two other people were injured in the accident, according to officers.

Robert Hunt, 27, of Hobbs, N.M., driver of the truck, was treated at Shannon Memorial Hospital in San Angelo and released, said a hospital spokesman.

Donald Manicoff, 42, a passenger in the Bowden car, was listed in intensive care at the same San Angelo hospital, said a spokesman early today.

The Odessa woman was driving west on Texas 158, authorities said.

Death ends life lived fully, philosophically

Death was something Bob Grimes couldn't avoid. But he would have liked, under his own terms, to put it off as long as possible. That's not an uncommon wish.

"That mysterious, wondrous 'thing' called life fled Grimes at age 53. It was expected.

He had cancer, which, unfortunately, is a common blight on mankind.

Last spring, even as he was suffering the pains of the disease and trying to overcome the mental anguish it brings, Grimes viewed his seemingly imminent death philosophically:

"I'm not scared of it. That's a debt I owe...I've had a pretty full life, no doubt about it. The Lord's been good to me."

Lanky, towering, gentle Bob Grimes probably had more real friends than just about anybody. He was sincere and wished all well.

He was known as the friendly postman who had empathy, who hummed and whistled on his route, who talked with warmth and cheer and who



delivered mail unerringly and on time.

"He made everybody his friend," remarked Betty Seay, who was on his daily route. "He wasn't just 'doing a job.'"

Grimes had been a U.S. Postal Service mail carrier for 25 years. He liked his work, his pastime and his family life. He was a loving man.

"Really," he said, "I was trying to enjoy life, but somebody jerked the rug out from under me — temporary."

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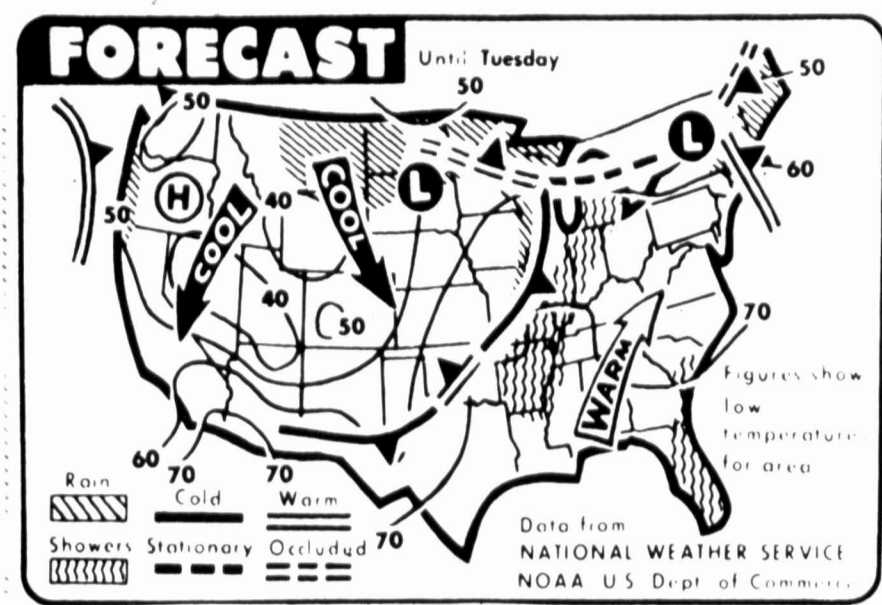
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WEATHER SUMMARY



Rain is forecast today for New England as well as part of the Pacific Northwest. Rain also is anticipated over the northern Plains, changing to showers over the Great Lakes and running as far south as Louisiana.

Midland statistics

MIDLAND, ODESSA, RANKIN, BIG LAKE, GARDEN CITY FORECAST: Fair through Tuesday. Low tonight in the middle 40s. High Tuesday in the upper 60s.

Weather elsewhere

Table listing weather conditions for various cities including Albany, Albuquerque, Amarillo, Anchorage, etc.

Texas Thermometer

Table showing high and low temperatures for various Texas cities like Abilene, Alice, Alpine, Amarillo, Austin, etc.

Border states

Oklahoma: Variable cloudiness today through Tuesday. Warm today and tonight and cooler Tuesday.

Scientists claim simple test now diagnoses schizophrenia

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Scientists say they have developed a simple chemical test to diagnose schizophrenia, a group of mental disorders believed to affect millions of people.

Blocking sewage facility favored

(Continued from Page 1A) have the right to infringe on the rights of people in Midland County? I don't think they do," said Brown.

ity, difficulty in making logical associations and a decreased range of emotion. Doctors treat the disorder primarily with drugs and psychotherapy.

lose the use of about 30 acres of land because of the increased effluent discharge, unless the draw is cancelled.

Toe now new thumb for youth

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Back in July, little Trudy Howie of Gastonia let Duke Medical Center surgeons cut one of her toes off. And then in a rare 14-hour operation, those surgeons turned that toe into a thumb for the 8-year-old.



Dr. Donald Serafin examines Trudy Howie's new thumb, fashioned in an operation last July from the second toe of her left foot. Trudy was born with only a nub where her thumb should have been. Her mother looks on. (AP Laserphoto)

Population balloons for barbecue

By GUY SULLIVAN R-T Staff Writer GOLDSMITH — The population of this small town northwest of Odessa doubled Saturday afternoon.

kins said. He said the volunteer fire department "is just a bunch of people that care."

few folks each year who I knew way back then. "My brother-in-law, Howard Haynes, put in that Buckhorn Saloon there which still stands on the main highway through Goldsmith."

Assistant Fire Chief H.E. Palmer, a member of the Goldsmith Volunteer Fire Department 28 years, said he and others cooked from 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday.

"We all tend to pitch together on projects," said Crabb. "That way it doesn't cost people anything. Guess it might hurt contractors a little bit. But when people need help, we all just pitch in. You don't see this in bigger towns."

"Every community ought to have something like this barbecue because it builds spirit in the town. It creates good will among all the people," he said.

What the barbecue pays for is items such as medical and firefighting equipment, insurance for the fire station building and the ambulances, and costs for finishing construction of a meeting room at the station.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy "Doc" Medley of Monohans came over for the barbecue as well.

He recalled that Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home of Odessa donated the first ambulance Goldsmith citizens ever used.

Mondale acts as untitled president

ELMORE, Minn. (AP) — For only the second time since he became vice president, Walter F. Mondale's car was flying the blue-and-white flag of his office and the U.S. stars and stripes.

Panels concerned development of parks slower than city growth

(Continued from Page 1A) reserved or mandatory dedication, noted the department head. Kohout said Texas traditionally has supported the idea of people having free use of their land.

allotted any money with which to buy the land within 12 months. "With other priorities, the council did not think it (park land) was a high enough priority in the past to provide those funds. As time goes on, it probably will be a higher priority," he said.

the plat for Saddle Club South first was submitted to the city for approval, a park was included and Kohout approved the plat. But a second plat without a park was approved, and Kohout said he hopes to get the developer to go back to the first plat.

Yet the vice president's first week as the in-town president resembled in large part the other 85 weeks of his tenure, except that he concentrated his time and attention on four or five key areas, said his executive assistant, James Johnson.

(Continued from Page 1A) ly, at least. "Despite the odds, he still had hope. "I'm not fatalistic — don't get me wrong," he said. "But I'm realistic. We're all here for a short while, anyway."

Unavoidable death ends Grimes' fully lived life (Continued from Page 1A) "If you can't be an asset, you have to be a detriment," Grimes said. He believed in making the best of talents and time: "I think you're cheating yourself and your family if you don't achieve all you're capable of."

Hennessy added that if the city had the money it probably would purchase land for a park in Saddle Club South.

Warfield community farmer Vernon Chadler said today he expects to

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Pilot suspected of gun-running 'railroaded,' he says

By ED TODD
R-T Staff Writer

Sam Chaney, a 30-year-old Midland rancher, businessman and commercial pilot who claims he was "railroaded" into a criminal conviction, is to be sentenced in federal court in Midland at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

He was convicted in a jury trial here Aug. 15 of conspiracy to receive and conceal a stolen aircraft and for carrying out the alleged deed.

Chaney says he is innocent of the charges and that federal investigators, who he says suspect him of gun-running and drug-smuggling, apparently are desperate to "get" him behind bars.

"Somebody is out to get me," Chaney said in an interview with The Reporter-Telegram. Currently, he is free on bond.

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The Spanish-speaking pilot of the aircraft asked for a Midland man named "Sam." The pilot, Chaney explained, had flown for a mutual friend, and it was natural for the unidentified pilot to ask for a "Sam."

Eventually, word of the disabled aircraft got to Chaney.

"They asked me if I'd try to take care of it, and I said 'hell, yeah' I would."

Aircraft mechanic Johnny "Big John" Warren came out to the ranch, checked out the airplane and told Chaney the plane could make it to Midland Regional Airport for repair,

Chaney said. "I took Big John at his word that it could get here to there, but it didn't."

About 10 minutes after take-off, the plane's six-cylinder engine "blew up," and Chaney made an emergency landing about dusk on Dec. 10 on a farm-to-market road about five miles from Greenwood in Midland County.

Chaney said he taxied the craft onto an alfalfa field, locked it and walked away.

Two days later, he was arrested in his Midland home by FBI agents, Midland County sheriff's officers and Midland police.

Before that, Chaney said, he had made arrangements to get the plane trucked into Midland for repairs. But that by then, he said, the federal Drug Enforcement Administration had confiscated the plane, which was without its rear seats.

He said DEA agent Ed Alcorn found .012 gram of marijuana under the carpet of the cockpit. Chaney said he had not suspected that the plane might have been used for illicit drug trafficking.

Since his arrest, rumors of Chaney's running guns and smuggling dope have been rampant, he said.

"I can't believe gossip goes like it does," said Chaney. "I've heard people asking me 'What happened to the \$10 million in dope that you got for it (the haul)?"

Furthermore, he said, his credit in Midland has been ruined. "I can't borrow five cents in Midland, Texas."

Chaney said the rumors go back to September 1976, when federal criminal investigators starting suspecting him of flying firearms down to Mexico and returning with loads of marijuana, cocaine or heroin.

Though Chaney, a commercial pilot since 1972, has flown to Mexico many times in taking people hunting and fishing, he denies ever having smuggled in dope or having flown guns across the border.

Chaney said he has proof via cancelled checks, airplane tickets, telephone calls and the testimony of reputable people that he was elsewhere — in Midland, Garden City or Houston — during Sept. 6 to 13, 1976, when he was suspected of running guns and bringing in dope.

A report to that effect was drawn up by federal investigators and was distributed to law-enforcement agencies statewide, Chaney said.

"Everybody in law enforcement reads that report and thinks I did it," he said.

Chaney seems convinced those allegations made him suspect last December, when he flew the plane for 10 minutes.

Compounding that was his initial

denial to an FBI agent of ever having flown the aircraft. Later, he admitted flying the plane but said he was unaware that it was stolen out of California and that it had false registration papers. Since then, Chaney claimed, he has been harassed by law-enforcement officers.

Chaney's trial in August lasted two days. His defense attorney, Tom Sneed of Odessa, opted not to place his client on the witness stand.

Sneed said Chaney had been "intimidated" and that under cross-examination, the prosecution would imply wrong-doings by asking: "Haven't you heard that he (Chaney) did this and did that?" He said Chaney was convicted on circumstantial evidence.

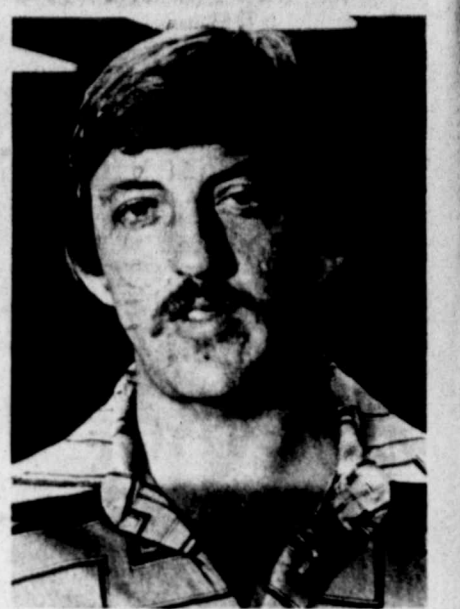
"It was a very weak case," Sneed said. "But you know the federal courts. They (jurors) get the impression from the judge that they are not to try a case but to convict."

The maximum penalty the court's presiding judge, John H. Wood Jr., could mete out in the Chaney case would be two five-year sentences and \$15,000 in fines.

"But I'm hoping," Sneed said, "to be the first lawyer to get 'Maximum John' to give less than the maximum. But I'm in virgin territory."

Wood has the reputation of not being lenient and of doling out stiff sentences, Sneed said.

According to Sneed, the conviction will be appealed. He has already asked for a mistrial and for an instructed verdict. Sneed holds that the evidence



Sam Chaney

was insufficient to prosecute in the first place.

A U.S. Federal Court official last week said that Chaney perhaps should have testified.

"If he would have talked, then, maybe, he might not have been 'railroaded,'" the official said.

"It's an interesting case, really is. I think probably there's more to it than meets the eye. If he wanted to save his hide, he should have (testified)."

However, an FBI agent investigating the case said: "There was absolutely no railroading. It's a case of a guy finally...falling."

Carter's advisers won't help fugitive

THURMONT, Md. (AP) — The White House says fugitive financier Robert L. Vesco tried but failed to get several of President Carter's closest advisers — including his choice as secretary of state — to help end Vesco's legal problems.

Jody Powell, White House press secretary, said emissaries for Vesco, who is hiding out in the Bahamas from trial on five federal indictments, made an approach in December 1976 to Cyrus R. Vance, after he was designated secretary of state, and apparently sought aid from Attorney General Griffin B. Bell.

In addition, Powell told a group of reporters at the Mideast summit press center here, a Vesco hireling wanted to seek help from Carter's principal assistant, Hamilton Jordan, but was dissuaded from doing so by Richard Harden, a lower-ranking presidential aide.

Powell said, however, the administration wants to arrest Vesco and bring him to trial. He produced statements from administration officials that the Vesco matter had gotten highest-level attention.

Powell met with reporters late Sunday after syndicated columnist Jack Anderson reported that Vesco directed a "high pressure lobbying campaign" at Jordan and Atlanta attorney Charles Kirbo, a Carter intimate.

Kirbo and Jordan both angrily denied Anderson's accusations, saying they had never made any effort to intercede on Vesco's behalf or ever been asked to do so.

Powell acknowledged that an Albany, Ga., attorney, Spencer Lee, was retained in Vesco's behalf. He said Lee, a Carter campaign manager in 1976, was a longtime Jordan friend from the same hometown.

Anderson's column, distributed to

newspapers last week for release today, originally began by saying that "President Carter's two closest confidants, top aide Hamilton Jordan and Atlanta attorney Charles Kirbo, have been linked to a \$10 million political fix."

But Anderson sent newspapers a revised version of the column over the weekend, eliminating the reference to

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Jack Anderson's revised Washington Merry-Go-Round column appears on the editorial page of this edition.)

Jordan and Kirbo being "linked to a \$10 million political fix."

The administration mounted an extraordinary effort to counter Anderson's original allegations. This effort included:

—The hiring by Jordan on Saturday of Edward Bennett Williams, celebrated Washington trial lawyer, and issuance by Jordan of a statement containing a thinly veiled threat to sue Anderson.

—The convening of at least two unannounced White House briefings at which Jordan, Powell and officials of the Departments of Justice and State sought to refute Anderson's original column.

Anderson said Sunday he rewrote parts of his column because the Justice Department later provided him new information about its efforts to get Vesco back to the United States.

The columnist originally reported the department abandoned efforts to extradite Vesco from Costa Rica, where he lived until he fled to the Bahamas last May 3, five days before the inauguration of a new president who had made his presence a campaign issue.

In his revision, Anderson said the department "quietly switched tactics" to seek Vesco's expulsion.

The columnist acknowledged "there was no hard evidence (Jordan and Kirbo) lifted a finger to help" Vesco. But he contended that on the question of whether they were contacted, "there are telephone messages and letters."

Jordan called Anderson's story "an incredible fabrication and despicable lie." Kirbo called it "an absolute lie by an irresponsible reporter."

Anderson said Vesco interpreted abandonment of the extradition effort and the transfer of Terence Todman from his ambassadorial post in Costa Rica "as a signal that the fix was in."

Mediator, union leaders trying to head off strike

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a group of local leaders trying to drum up support for a postal strike on Wednesday, national union leaders met with a special mediator today in an effort to resolve labor disputes with the Postal Service.

There still were no reports of progress in the talks held with special mediator James J. Healy, a Harvard professor called in to try to help achieve a settlement.

The main issues are wages and the Postal Service's desire to weaken a guarantee against layoffs the workers won in previous contracts.

"The Postal Service doesn't want to give on wages without getting something in the no-lay-off area," said a source close to the talks, who declined to be identified.

The union leaders are Emmet Andrews, head of the American Postal Workers Union; J. Joseph Vacca of the National Association of Letter Carriers, and Lonnie Johnson of the mail handlers division of Laeement to bring Healy into the talks.

The two sides adopted a 15-day bargaining procedure due to end Saturday with either a voluntary contract settlement or binding arbitration by Healy.

However, several big-city leaders of the American Postal Workers Union are pushing for a walkout on Wednesday to bring pressure on union leaders to reach a negotiated settlement by the Sept. 16 deadline.

William Burrus, president of the Cleveland local of the APWU, said the group pushing for strikes would make a determination by polling members before Wednesday to see if there is enough support

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Armed county jail escapee recaptured by Midland police

Jack Friday, 50, of Midland was back in custody in Midland County Jail early today after he took deputies and policemen on a short chase following his escape from the facility late Sunday night, according to authorities.

Friday was captured by Midland Police Department officers at 11:12 p.m. in the vicinity of the 200 block of East Florida Avenue, said officers.

Patrolmen Robert Richardson, Al Chitwood and Steven Otto made the arrest, according to reports.

Sheriff Dallas Smith said today that Friday escaped by allegedly brandishing a loaded .38-caliber pistol in the faces of unarmed jailers and armed deputies at 10:20 p.m. Sunday.

Smith said the jailer on duty was confronted by a prisoner pointing a pistol at him.

Other deputies had been in the process of taking prisoners upstairs to the jail, said Smith.

"He simply put a few officers in a small area and took another officer down to the county courthouse area where he handcuffed the deputy and walked out the front door of the building," said Smith.

Smith said Midland Police Department officers and other deputies were notified of the escape and a swift search for the man was launched in downtown Midland.

"Fortunately, the Midland Police Department was in the process of a shift change and there were many men on the street at the time," Smith said.

"One of the Midland Police officers spotted the man in a taxi cab and he was transported back to jail from a downtown location," said Smith.

Smith said Friday was being held in jail after transfer from state prison because he appeared in court here to appeal a prison sentence on a murder charge.

Friday, described as 6 feet 4 inches tall and weighing over 230 pounds, was dressed in a sports shirt and gray trousers, said Smith. He said regular jail clothes wouldn't fit the man.

Smith said he believes the weapon must have been smuggled into jail to Friday earlier during visiting hours.

"It's kind of hard to check everyone. We're trying to limit the number of people able to visit prisoners. It's difficult to search everybody who comes in here."

"The problem is we're always moving prisoners in and out of jail and bringing them to and from court and allowing them to see their lawyers," said Smith.

He said no officers were hurt during the escape incident.

"The escapee merely stuck a pistol in the faces of our officers and told them he'd kill them if they didn't work with him," said Smith.

Syrian head begins first visit in West Germany

BONN, West Germany (AP) — President Hafez Assad of Syria arrived today to begin a five-day stay including discussions on the Mideast situation. It is the first visit to West Germany by a Syrian head of state.

West German leaders will explain to Assad that they think any agreement Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is able to work out with the Israelis could open the way to a Middle East peace settlement, Bonn government sources, who asked not to be identified, said.

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Another dilemma

President Carter, who seemingly promised most any and everything at the recent Bonn, Germany, summit, now finds himself in another predicament.

This particular dilemma stems from Panama's decision to grant asylum to the guerrillas who engineered the release of 59 "political prisoners" in Nicaragua.

Mr. Carter and the leaders of six other nations at the Bonn conference adopted a tough policy toward governments which provide a haven for terrorists.

The Bonn agreement was to suspend airline service to countries which harbor airline hijackers, refusing to prosecute them or turn them over to authorities in another country that will.

If the U.S. State Department chooses to see no culpability in Panama's attitude toward its guests from Nicaragua, it can be assumed the administration is willing to split hairs.

The Sandinista guerrillas did not hijack an airliner, of course, so in that respect the Bonn principle does not apply. What they did, however, was to kill 15 government guards, wound many others with gunfire and hold 1,000 people hostage in the National Palace under threat of death. Again, whether that constitutes terrorism or insurrection is a

matter of definition.

Mr. Carter may find it difficult to be the stern moralist in this situation. The dictatorial regime of President Anastasio Somoza scores low on the scale of human rights. The Sandinistas are heroes in the eyes of many of their countrymen.

Practical diplomacy may demand that the United States swallow the fact that its new treaty partner in operation of the Panama Canal is giving aid and comfort to people who are terrorists and criminals in the eyes of the Nicaraguan government.

However, one argument for the Panama treaty was that it would strengthen rather than weaken the ability of the United States to deal with the political ferment in Latin America.

If Panama's chief of government, Omar Torrijos, decides not only to grant asylum to the Sandinistas, but also to aid and abet their effort to overthrow the government of Nicaragua, the United States' new relationship with Panama certainly will be put to the acid test.

This undoubtedly is just one of the many problems which will face President Carter and the nation as a result of his determined treaty dealings with Omar Torrijos and his cohorts. The President will have to work out of this one the best way he can.

Friend to the West

Death has taken Jomo Kenyatta, who ruled the East African nation of Kenya for 15 years with a firm but benevolent hand, holding to moderate economic and racial policies.

Kenyatta's goal for his country was stable prosperity. He leaned toward the West in foreign affairs but, as one of Africa's most prominent national figures, kept Kenya firmly in the neutralist Third World.

He was a member of the Kikuyu and proud of his tribe. His grandfather was a seer and a magician and Kenyatta was his apprentice. His specialty was love potions.

Born some 85 years ago — he never was certain of his age — Kenyatta learned to read and write at a missionary school near Nairobi.

Later he traveled to London, where he lived for a time with the late Paul Robeson, the American singer, whom he somewhat

resembled in physique and appearance.

It was in the mid-1940s that Kenyatta began urging black leadership in Africa, a somewhat novel concept at that time.

Kenyatta was convicted by the British as a Mau Mau terrorist leader in 1953 and spent the next seven years in prison.

Following his release, he became prime minister and then president of his country.

The terrorist suspect became a respected leader.

His passing is a loss to Africa and the troubled world of today. The Third World nations need leaders of Kenyatta's caliber.

BIBLE VERSE

An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression. — Pro. 29:22.



WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Justice alters Vesco case tactics

BY JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON—The Justice Department quietly switched tactics in its long standing pursuit of fugitive financier Robert L. Vesco in his allegedly plundered union during the spring of 1977. That decision was to drop the until then fruitless course of formal extradition and seek instead his immediate expulsion from his heavily-guarded refuge in Costa Rica.

What has not been disclosed until now is that this major change in tactical signals was made in the aftermath of a high pressure lobbying campaign directed at two of President Carter's closest political confidants—pre-White House aide Hamilton Jordan and Atlanta attorney Charles Kirbo.

Both Jordan and Kirbo denied any knowledge of the Vesco scheme which was aimed at fixing the Washington legal problems of the expatriate millionaire in exchange for a \$10-million slice of his allegedly stolen mutual fund fortune. There is, in fact, no hard evidence that either man lifted a finger, in Vesco's behalf, said attorney Richard B. Bell for the president.

But letters, telephone messages and sworn affidavits gathered by us during the six-week investigation document the extensive campaign aimed at both Kirbo and Jordan by the Georgia-based intermediaries for the Vesco fix.

Attorney General Bell insisted to us that the sudden decision to drop efforts to extradite Vesco was made in the Justice Department. Bell said the prosecutors felt they had exhausted the available avenues for bringing Vesco back to the U.S.

But Terence Todman, former U.S. Ambassador to Vesco's hideaway country, Costa Rica, told us he had been preparing a new extradition request and was also in the midst of making a new attempt to get authorities there to honor it.

"We hoped he would be returned to the U.S.," Todman said. "But Justice never got the whole thing together. We still wanted him returned but we never got the formal request from Justice to present the request." (Vesco took refuge in the Bahamas after the new Costa Rican government declined to extend his residency privileges.)

According to the sworn testimony, Vesco wanted the Carter administration "to get Todman off his back." Documents in our possession show the two ringleaders of the Georgia group were R.L. Herring, now in jail under \$500,000 bond awaiting trial on unrelated fraud charges, and Spencer Lee IV, who claims he merely acted as Herring's attorney. Herring had the connection with Vesco, and Lee was a close personal friend of Jordan.

Herring has sworn under oath that he arranged with Lee to get Hamilton

THE UNWANTED DRAFT: The U.S. Congress had better bite the bullet

By V. H. KRULAK
Copley News Service

Richard Nixon has been criticized for a lot of things, mostly justified, but he has so far gone unblamed for one of the costliest and most imprudent acts of a broadly flawed administration.

In his 1969 campaign for the presidency, Nixon promised to end the draft. Although we had not been without Selective Service since before World War II, although we had no idea whether we could meet our military needs without it, Nixon was quick to see that the idea of scrapping the system had political appeal.

To a Vietnam-sick America the draft symbolized everything bad about that unhappy conflict. Getting rid of it was a welcome thought and Nixon capitalized on it.

Unpopular though the draft had been, its replacement has turned out to be infinitely worse — a voracious monster with an insatiable appetite for dollars and a record of only minimal contribution to national security.

Called the "All Volunteer Army," the substitute for Selective Service is a purely mercenary concept — a projection of the military into the manpower marketplace with the power of the U.S. treasury behind it.

Competing with industry, competing head-to-head with each other, the Armed Forces have spent almost one and a half billion dollars in advertising and recruiting over the past five years to try and find "volunteers" to fill their ranks. And, despite

the fact that the overall size of the armed forces has gone down, they have had great trouble in meeting their recruiting goals.

Fathered by intense interservice competition for manpower, there have been recurrent recruiting abuses — winking at mental and physical standards — to the extent that between 10 and 15 percent of all recruits now have to be discharged in the first 90 days because they are incapable of meeting even the minimum physical or mental standards.

The disruptive personnel problems and the great costs that have come with the All-Volunteer concept are serious. But of equal concern is what the disappearance of Selective Service has done to our mobilization readiness.

Since World War I we have relied heavily on our citizen soldiery — the Reserve forces and the National Guard — as a mobilization base. These forces were not just an essential reservoir of trained manpower to which we could turn in time of crisis. Additionally, they provided an alternative for young men who, because of educational or other commitments, preferred to discharge their obligation to their country through eight years of Guard or Reserve service rather than two active years in the regular establishment.

Today our National Guard and Reserve components are in disarray because there is no longer any stimulus to join them. Young people either sign up in the active military, because of the pay or other recruiting blandishments, or they have nothing at all to do with the service. There is little to attract them to the Reserve and, as a result, a major component of our national security is sick.

Many a senator and representative understand the wisdom of what we have done. They know that the All-Volunteer concept is a costly mistake and would like to see Selective Service back in business.

But they judge that the political volatility of the idea is still very great, and only the most steadfast are willing to be counted.

Recently, a modest proposal before the U.S. Senate to reinstitute Selective Service registration — just to ascertain for the record who is 18 years old, and where he lives, for use in case of a crisis — was badly defeated, some 71 votes to 11. This is not because seven-eighths of the senators believe the All-Volunteer scheme is working. They don't, but they still remember the searing heat of the anti-Vietnam sentiment that eliminated the draft.

However, unless we are satisfied that the only likely form of war is to be a two-hour mutual thermonuclear incineration, the Congress had better swallow its butterflies and set about putting a Selective Service registration program in motion.

Because, the longer we risk being without a mobilization system the more likely we are to need it.

The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



THE BIBLE

CAN YOU QUOTE IT?

By LAVINA ROSS FOWLER AND ELIZABETH ROSS WERSEMA

1. Anne Morrow Lindberg says in, "Gift From the Sea" that she believes most people "are aware of periods in their lives when they seem to be 'in grace' and other periods when they feel 'out of grace.'" The happy feeling of experiencing God's approval does not come too often at least not for me. Complete. "My grace is sufficient for thee for ——" 2 Cor. 12
 2. "God is able to make all grace abound toward ——" 2 cor. 9:8
 3. "God resisteth the proud, and giveth ——" 1 Peter 5:5
 4. To what does the name Maacha (MAY-uh-ka) apply? 1 Kings 15:2 (K.J.)
 5. What is the fifth book of Moses called? Follows Numbers.
- Four correct...excellent. Three correct...good.

INSIDE REPORT:

Is human rights tail wagging foreign policy dog?

By ROWLAND EVANS and ROBERT NOVAK



WASHINGTON—A thrice-repeated but unsubstantiated indictment of Argentina by Assistant Secretary of State Patricia Derian testifying publicly before Congress reveals the shattering impact on U.S. foreign policy of human rights crusading.

Under questioning Aug. 9 by the House inter-American affairs subcommittee, human rights chief Derian responded with language seldom used by one friendly power to another, accusing the Argentine regime of killings, kidnappings and torture. So harsh was her language that the State Department tried to expunge it from the record. But apart from being undiplomatic, there is considerable doubt of accuracy.

The impact could prove tragic for U.S.-Argentine relations and perhaps for Argentina itself. Moderate and pro-U.S. elements within the Argentine junta have been weakened; deterioration of the U.S. position in the strategic southern corner of South America has been accelerated.

This cannot be dismissed as merely unfortunate ardor by an idealist unfamiliar with diplomacy. Deterioration of U.S. relations with Brazil, Chile and now Argentina too closely follows the scenario of Latin American specialists in the Carter administration who privately predicted the human rights crusade would foster the left in the Western hemisphere.

ing attention is paid to the imminent loss of up to \$1.4 billion in sales to Argentina—including \$620 million in Export-Import Bank transactions.

So when Ms. Derian testified Aug. 9, she was asked by subcommittee chairman Gus Yatron of Pennsylvania why her human rights office recommended against the Export-Import Bank loans. Even Derian's own aides were taken aback by her answer:

"The reason for our advice was the continuing violation of basic human rights by Argentina. The systematic use of torture, summary execution of political dissidents, the disappearance and the imprisonment of thousands of individuals without charge, including mothers, journalists, professors and members of human rights organizations."

Moments later, Derian repeated her indictment, adding "kidnappings" and "unwarranted killings" this time. In her soft Mississippi accent, she read the litany a third time, concluding: "We see nothing to indicate that there is a genuine trend

toward human rights."

Horrified officials in the State Department's Inter-American Bureau crossed out Derian's indictment in the transcript, but it was too late. Word had gone to Argentina, where Pat Derian has become a household word. The U.S. ambassador in Buenos Aires was called in for a stiff protest; the Argentine ambassador in Washington was called home.

The tragedy is that Derian's outburst may well weaken the junta's relatively moderate elements headed by the president, Gen. Jorge Rafael Videla, and strengthen the extreme right. While President Carter's human rights admonitions probably have improved conditions in Argentina, the point of diminishing returns has been reached.

Apart from undiplomatic ravages, was Derian telling the truth? Her office insists the Argentine junta has "executed" 3,000 persons since seizing power in 1976 and at least another 5,000 persons are missing. But these figures come from private sources of dubious reliability. U.S. government bureaus with vastly more experience than Derian's say the figures cannot be verified and seem inflated.

Actually, the junta in confronting bloody far-left revolt in 1976 used an iron fist to prevent Communist takeover. But many killings and kidnappings are traceable to rightist paramilitary groups not under government control and should not be counted as government "executions." Moreover, objective observers agree

that Argentina's human rights record has improved markedly the past year.

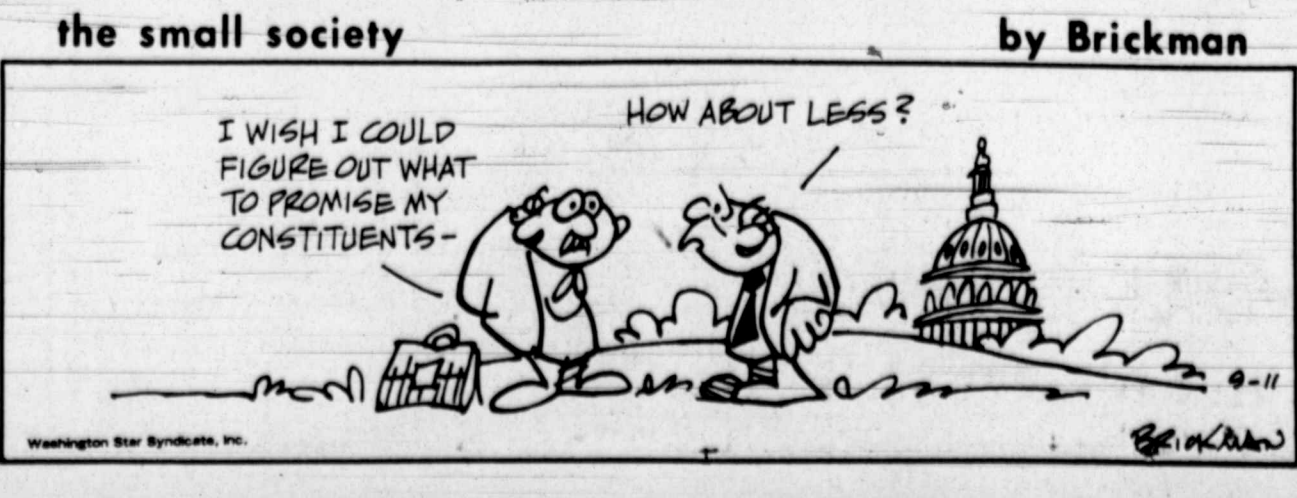
Those nuances are disregarded by Derian's office. While unable to draw distinctions between moderates and extremists inside the junta, the human rights crusaders claim military rule in Argentina cannot last much longer and the U.S. should disengage from the junta. Such a prospect is rejected by Latin American experts, whatever their ideology.

But behind the naive, a pattern emerges. A prediction was made before Mr. Carter took office by Brady-Tyson, now with the U.S. mission to the United Nations, that human rights would be used to support revolutionary forces in the hemisphere. An identical prediction was made privately last year by Robert Pastor of the National Security Council staff. Ms. Derian's undiplomatic incident could help fulfill those prophecies.

The flight records show that on the following Feb. 7, Lee and Herring flew to Washington from Georgia. Telephone messages and correspondence in our possession indicate that Lee spoke to Hamilton Jordan about the PRL deal. In a letter to Jordan, Lee also reported that "the necessary arrangements have been made to protect our interest in Nassau."

Both Jordan and Lee deny that the documents are authentic. They have been verified, however, by independent sources, including the secretary who typed and mailed Lee's letter to Jordan.

Footnote: We have been investigating the allegations against Hamilton Jordan and Charles Kirbo for several weeks. We have tracked down the details from Costa Rica to Nassau. We have also made repeated trips to Georgia. Herring was questioned under oath for 14 hours.



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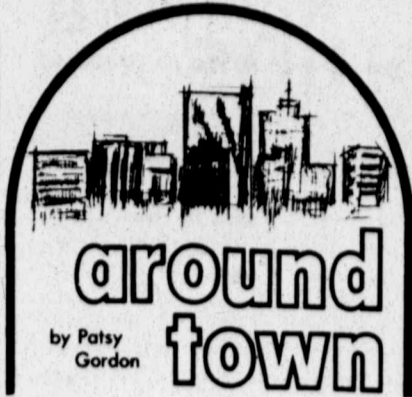
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Flagstones can create garden look

By BARBARA HARTUNG
Copley News Service

Q. Our apartment living room is only 15x20 feet, so I would like to furnish it with light, small-scaled furniture in a natural decor. I have been thinking about rattan or wicker. I'd like to create a sophisticated, yet cool, crisp, garden atmosphere in the room.

My real preference is chrome and glass and teak but that's beyond my budget right now. What sort of plan would you suggest for the living room furniture, floors and draperies?—T.H.

A. You might like a room created where designers started with a vinyl floor covering of off-white simulated flagstones. The walls were painted a dark tone to contrast with the light, natural tones of rattan, cane and wicker.

At the window the designers placed narrow chrome venetian blinds and softened the treatment with off-white linen tie-back draperies. The chrome was repeated in the frame of a rocking chair whose seat and back were cane and a chrome-based wine rack. End tables were a variety of sizes of round plaited and twisted wicker which could double as extra seating as needed.

The sofa was a heavy framed design with woven back and arms and upholstered in an off-white, nubby fabric. The room has an extremely sophisticated look and the furnishings would allow you to move from there into more chrome and glass and teak pieces as your budget increases.

Q. Help! I can't seem to figure out what to do with my living room. I have pretty much decided the colors of rust, dark brown, tan and white will be used throughout the house. The carpet in the living room is rust and that's all there is in there. I like a rustic, casual, almost "cabin" effect—nothing formal at all. We might someday put in a fireplace.

What style and location would you suggest? Also we have an upright piano we want in the living room. I am planning draperies across one eight-foot window using a self-fabric cornice-type valance and sheers. Should I do the three feet of wall on each side of the window in the drapery, too? What would be good for a sofa and chairs? What about a textured linen or a velvet?—S.K.

A. A rust, dark brown, tan and white color scheme is appealing, and you have a good start with the rust carpeting. About your arrangement question, I'd suggest you draw out your room on a large sheet of paper to scale and then also in scale try arranging a sofa or a pair of very small sofas in the paper arrangement.

Also draw in chairs, end tables and piano so you can place them against and out from walls to find the best location. Remember to plan for traffic patterns in a room.

If you are planning a fireplace and want a rustic effect, think about a Franklin stove. They can be charming and appropriate for the look you're trying to create. But keep in mind that a fireplace nearly always is a focal point in the room. Somehow, even a modest fireplace steals center stage, so place it on a wall so you can arrange furniture around it or out from it.

Your draperies seem well planned, and I believe I would use draperies across the entire wall. You would have to extend the draperies about 12 inches over the window at least and that would leave you with only a tiny space on each side—hardly large enough to look pleasing.

I would definitely not choose velvet for a sofa or chairs if I were trying to create a rustic look. Somehow I feel velvet is much too formal for that. Rather, choose wide-wale corduroy or nubby linens.

CULTURE BRIEFS

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — "Art of Norway: 1750-1914," an exhibition of works from Norway's leading museums, is scheduled to be on display at the Elvehjem Museum of Art from Nov. 5 through Jan. 7, 1979.

The more than 260 works in the show "highlight the unique contributions made by Norwegian artists and illustrate three areas of Norwegian art during its most prolific and creative period since the Viking Age."



MIDLAND POLICE AUXILIARY has presented Midland Memorial Hospital with a check for \$189.95, which will be used to purchase a refrigerator for the hospital's Physical Therapy Department for storage of materials used in treating burn patients. Accepting for the hospital was Wayne E. Ulrich, administrator, and Donna Patteson, right, chief physical therapist. Making the presentation was Jody Tate, auxiliary president. The auxiliary has been organized approximately one year, Darlene Heinemann, auxiliary vice president, explained. Liz Miller is secretary. (Staff Photo)

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DEAR ABBY

Love blooms through jailhouse floor

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: I'm sitting here in the county jail and I have a problem I need help with. Since I've been here I have fallen in love with a wonderful guy who is locked up on the floor below me. We have been talking through a crack in the floor, and have really gotten to know each other very well. We went to the same high school together, but we never dated.

We did a lot of talking back and forth, and he wants to marry me when we get out. Do you think it's really love, or are we just lonesome? I am nearly 20, and he is the same age. I could sure use some good advice, so please answer soon.—IN LOVE AND IN JAIL

DEAR IN: Being locked up and lonely can distort one's thinking, so don't make any decisions until you are free.

Get to know each other better, and then decide whether you want to marry. "I do" is a two-word sentence—for life!

DEAR ABBY: I am a faithful reader of your column, and I kept hoping to come across a problem similar to mine from one of your readers, but so far no one has dared to declare himself.

I know I need help, but I don't know how to get it without incriminating myself. I am a shoplifter. I have been shoplifting for a long time, but it just dawned on me that I am doing wrong and I must stop myself before I get caught and disgrace myself and my family.

I am a woman in my late 50s. I have a wonderful

husband and family, all the money I need, plus charge accounts in all the best stores.

Most of the things I take I neither need nor want. Please direct me to the right place for help.—CAN'T SIGN

DEAR CAN'T: Your problem is a medically recognized illness. Ask your family physician to recommend a psychiatrist or psychologist. And don't delay treatment out of shame. Your problem is not as uncommon as you might think.

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Classes at Midland College have been under way for two weeks, but there are still three days left to register late for the fall semester.

Potential students must register not later than Wednesday, according to registrar Dee Windsor. They may sign up for as many as three classes before the registration deadline.

Persons wishing to register should visit the Office of Student Services in the Administration Building between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Additional information can be obtained by calling 684-7851, extension 166.

"While classes have started, there are many courses which still have openings and where early work would not be too difficult to make up yet," Windsor said. "Of course, some courses have closed their enrollments due to limited space, particularly in the vocational and technical fields."

Windsor noted that both daytime and evening courses are offered in both academic and vocational areas.

More than 2,000 already have enrolled and the final total for the fall semester is expected to be between 2,100 and 2,200 students...

...ADDITIONAL COACHES and assistants are needed to manage the Junior Boys Flag Football Association. Please call 683-4281, extension 280 if you can help.

Any boy aged 7-11 can sign up. There is no fee and games will be played on Saturday mornings at Trinity School Athletic Field. The association is sponsored by the City Parks and Recreation Department. The number is 683-4281...

...AN END OF SUMMER neighborhood block party was held in the cul-de-sac of 2300 Auburn Place.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Don Redifers, Mr. and Mrs. Mac McAllister, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Polson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fleetwood, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Story, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Al Casamajors, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Castor and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hanna.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, homemade ice cream and cold drinks were on the menu.

This is the second summer for the block party, and the neighbors are planning their second Christmas party for the coming holiday season...

...MIDLAND CHAPTER of the United Negro College Fund Friday and Saturday will have its first UNCF basketball tournament in the Washington YMCA.

Games will begin at 7 p.m. Sept. 15 Friday, with the championship game getting underway at 9:30 p.m. Saturday.

Earl Townsend can be contacted at 682-6294 for more information...

...THE FIRST MEETING of the Midland Country Club Ladies Association will be Friday in MCC, featuring a musical, "The Art Splawn Show."

Splawn, who lives in Austin, has 12 years experience as a master of ceremonies and hosting musical variety shows. He has entertained in numerous officers clubs throughout the Far East while serving in the United States Air Force.

His show has had performances in the Hilton Hotel in Austin, The Inn at Farmington, N.M., Mike's Supper Club at Longview, The Passport Inn at Laredo, The Hilton Hotel at Bossier City, La., just to name a few.

He has performed with "The Four Freshmen," "The Della Reese Show," and "The John Gary Show." He also made a guest appearance with The Lettermen at The Fairmount Hotel in San Francisco.

The social period will begin at 11:30 a.m. Friday, followed by luncheon. Reservations are required and can be made by dialing 682-4378...

...MIDLANDERS Mr. and Mrs. James E. Rasco and Billy, Lottie Rasco, Mildred Rinehart and Mr. and Mrs. David Fawks and Celina attended a family reunion in Hasse.

There were 102 people in attendance from 20 different Texas cities. The reunion has been held over Labor Day weekend the past 30 years.

Center to research sleep

NEW YORK (AP) — A Sleep Disorder Service and Research center that will deal with a wide range of sleep disorders has been opened at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center.

"It is unique because we are also working with

patients who have dream disorders, especially those who suffer from frightening, recurrent dreams," said Dr. Rosalind D. Cartwright, director of the center and professor and chairman, department of psychology and social sciences at the Medical Center.

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MIDLAND JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB celebrated its 10th year with a "Birthday Brunch" in the Midland Hilton. Special guest was Jean Beard, right, the club's first president. She is looking through a scrapbook filled with clippings from over the years with Janet Smith, current president. Other charter members attending were Betty Miller, Marilyn Harrison, Cecilia Davis, Gloria Du-

Bose, Carol O'Briant and Donna Campbell. Guests brought by members were Betty Schory, Marsha Crawford, Beverly Vaughn, Judy Rhoades and Dana Murrell. Mrs. DuBose gave a brief history of the club, citing early programs and projects. Hostesses were Kathy Eudy and Glenda Pollard. (Staff Photo)

SUPER HANDYMAN

There's no hit, miss with this shield

By AL CARRELL
Hardwood floors have always been beautiful, and they seem to be coming back in popularity. If you're going to tackle the installation of one, you'll find that a hammer slip could cause a dent in a fairly expensive board. Even the best hammer could be distracted for a split second and make a boo-boo. If you want to play it safe, you can easily fashion a hammering shield out of plastic from a container with square edges. Look under the sink, and you'll find a detergent bottle or something similar. Then cut a section of the container that will have a lip to fit down against the tongue with the other part resting flat against the board. Now make a notch in the lip that will be over the tongue face. After a nail is started, slide the shield in place with the nail in the notch, and your near miss won't dent the floor. Leave it in place until the nail set has driven the nail completely home.

behind a stationary power tool. I have a patch of window screen formed to fit over the end of the shop vacuum cleaner hose. It's held in place by a worm-gear hose clamp which means it can go on and come off easily and quickly. When I drop something, the vacuum will reach into almost any crevice and suck the part against the screen, and I don't have to grope or crawl around. The vacuum is strong enough to hold fairly good-sized parts against the screen too. — N.S.L.

Dear Al:
Did you ever wish your pliers had big, wide jaws? I keep an old butt hinge around, and when I could use such big-mouthed pliers, I merely slip the hinge into the pliers and use the pliers to apply pressure on the wide jaws of the hinge. It's great to have such a tool for bending sheet metal as well as for other chores that pop up from time to time. — W.A.
Would also serve as glazier's pliers.

Dear Super Al:
Here's my trick for retrieving lost parts from under a workbench or

A SUPER HINT — If you have need for a pigtail adapter for any of your

portable power tools, here's a way to corral it. Latch onto a plastic pill bottle that will house the adapter plug. Tape this to the power cord of your drill. Now you won't have to dig through the drawers for the pigtail when you need it.

Dear Al:
With a carport, you don't have much protection against theft for many things that a garage owner could lock up. However, it's easy to set anchors into concrete. I found threaded anchors and made L-shaped metal plates with holes in them for a chain to go through. The bolts were coated with epoxy adhesive before inserting them into the anchors. Once the epoxy is set, the bolts hold the plates and won't come out, and I can chain bikes, lawn mower and other big items to the concrete floor to deter a thief. Maybe other readers can adapt this idea. — K.O.

QUICK ANSWERS FOR HARRIED HANDYPERSONS: Q: The commode often requires two flushes to

It's time to plant bulbs

By HENRY MITCHELL
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — From Labor Day to Thanksgiving is the time to plant spring-flowering bulbs, and I prefer September for daffodils, October for hyacinths and November for tulips.

It is sometimes said daffodils should not be planted until October — September is supposed to be too warm. But September planting of daffodils gives that much more time for the roots to grow before bitter weather.

In March and April nothing is more cheerful than patches of daffodils in front of houses, where passersby can enjoy them. Even five or six daffodil bulbs go far to make that contribution.

The two most important rules for the gardener are these:

1. Plant bulbs. Nothing else in all gardening produces such fine results for so little work.
2. Let the leaves die down naturally after flowering. Do not cut them down in the interests of neatness.

This may be the place to say there is no such thing as a green thumb, which is hardly necessary in gardening and which might not be attractive.

The important things are to plant things that will flourish and to arrange them so they give what you think is a good effect. It is fairly clear, probably, that daffodils by the tens of thousands look fine in meadows, old

orchards and expressway slopes in Rock Creek Park. But that does not mean that in a 25-foot garden daffodils should be broadcast in great sweeps, or that (since there is not space for many) they are therefore not worth growing.

Assuming the town gardener is not going to make any great study of daffodils or exert himself to acquire any sorts that he cannot find at a garden center, I suggest these as a reasonable group for small town gardens:

"Tete a Tete" a first-rate little bright, rich-yellow daffodil, usually with two blooms on a 6-inch-high stem. The petal segments sweep back just a little, not as much as mules' ears in a moment of anger, but just a trifle. A clump of six bulbs, spaced 4 inches apart, in a spot that catches the spring sun (at the edge of a box bush facing south, say) will provide two or three weeks of surprising delight in early March.

Daffodils in the garden should not be cut, not that it hurts the plant in the slightest, but simply because cut blooms may last three days, while the identical blooms outdoors may last three weeks.

It is sometimes said, "My clump of Ceylon was in bloom for a month," and in some springs that is not exaggeration at all.

In the first place, "Ceylon," like "Sun Chariot," is a particularly long-lasting flower. But all daffodils last much longer on the plant than in vases, and this is equally true of

tulips. I am horrified to see magnificent plantings of tulips in front of embassies in which all the flowers are cut just as they come into full perfection. People sometimes simply do not realize tulips, which look delicate and luxurious, may last more than two weeks (in individual bloom) in the garden.

If there is room enough, it is fine to have a few rows of daffodils, hyacinths and tulips grown just for cutting, but it seems poor planning to get only two days' pleasure from a flower by cutting it, instead of two weeks of color in the open garden.

After "Tete a Tete," a clump of perhaps five bulbs of "Spellbinder." This is a yellow trumpet (like what people call "King Alfred") only a sulfury yellow with a good hint of green in it, and after a few days the inside of the trumpet fades to almost white. It is almost always one of the first large daffodils to bloom, and I have several times known clumps of this variety to be colorful for four full weeks.

"Binkie" is similar in coloring but has a large cup rather than a trumpet, and it blooms later. Like "Spellbinder" it is a very good grower indeed and multiplies more rapidly than most.

"Orange Wonder" looks rather like a paper-white narcissus, the sort grown in bowls of pebbles and water. It has maybe seven flowers on a short stocky stem, somewhat lacking in grace.

Wool requires special care

SILVER SPRING, Md. (AP) — The natural fabrics of spring and summer — cotton and silk — are giving way to the winter natural — wool. But wool, like all natural fabrics, needs special cleaning and handling care, says Charles R. Riggott of the International Fabricare Institute.

"Wool is warm and comfortable to wear because it readily absorbs moisture without making the wearer feel cold. It resists wrinkling and holds creases and shape very well," says Riggott, executive vice president of the association of professional laundrers and drycleaners.

Riggott offers these tips for the care and handling of wool garments, to give you added years of wear and good looks:

- Allow your wool garments to air

before hanging them in the closet, to freshen them after wearing.

— Hang them on shaped hangers to allow your wools to retain their natural shape and prevent sagging. Knitted woollens should be folded and stored in drawers.

— Have them cleaned before they become too soiled. Perspiration can build up in the underarm area, change the color of the garment and break down the fibers. This weakens the area and can cause rips and tears.

— Clean your wools before storing them for the warm months. Research has shown that moths and silverfish attack fibers more vigorously when food stains are left on garments.

Wool obtained from sheep is the most widely used and durable of the wools on the market, Riggott says.

adequately clean the bowl. Everything seems to be working, and the drain isn't clogged. How can I correct this?

A: The first thing to do is look inside the tank to see if the water level is adequate. It should be about an inch from the top of the overflow tube. Then check during a flush to see if most of the water in the tank stays there. If that's the problem, move the guide through which the lift wires move up a bit. Experiment with how high it should be to let the water run out down to within about an inch or two of the bottom of the tank.

Got a question or a handy tip? Write to Al Carrell in care of this newspaper.

Colonel Sanders good for 'another 12 years'

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Col. Harlan Sanders, a man who has made a fortune from fried chicken, will be 88 years old on Saturday, and he's not thinking of retiring.

Miss America 1979 enjoys chivalry practiced by men

By PETER MATTIACE
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The new Miss America, pretty and petite Kylene Barker of Virginia, sees herself as "the all-American girl next door" who enjoys having men open doors for her and take her to dinner.

"I feel that I am a typical American citizen," said Miss Barker, 22, looking fresh with only 2½ hours sleep on the Sunday morning after becoming the 51st Miss America.

"I think a Miss America should look like an all-American person, like the girl next door, and not someone superficial that people are afraid to touch. I don't want people to put me on a pedestal," she said.

Miss Barker, a former college cheerleader, defeated 49 other state contestants here Saturday night for a \$20,000 scholarship and more than \$50,000 in personal appearance bookings that go with being Miss America.

She said she "enjoys the advantages of being a woman" and likes fussing with her hair and makeup. "That's why I competed for Miss America and that's why I'm standing here today," she said.

Miss America added, "I don't get upset when someone calls me a girl."

Born on a dairy farm near Galax, Va., the blonde, green-eyed Miss Barker was named after her father, Kyle, a supermarket meat cutter. She is a recent graduate of Virginia Tech, where she majored in apparel design and fashion merchandising.

Becoming Miss America, she said, "will add a

little prestige" to the dress shop she had planned to open in Roanoke, in her home state. But now that she's Miss America, Miss Barker said, "I might just start out on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach (Fla.)."

Unlike most Miss Americas, Miss Barker has no desire to be an entertainer. Her talent competition was a lively gymnastics floor exercise to the music of the movie "Rocky" and the current instrumental "Feel So Good."

The new Miss America offered some opinions on social issues: On marijuana: "I feel that if you start out with marijuana, then you could eventually go to the harder drugs. So I would not vote for the legalization of marijuana." She said she has not smoked it.

On the Equal Rights Amendment: "I'm for the equal employment and equal pay ... but I think they're taking it a little bit too far. Essentially, they want a sexless society and I still believe there is a big difference."

On abortion: "I do not personally endorse abortion, but I feel that in some cases it may be necessary."

On gay rights: "I believe a human should have the right to do anything he wants to."

Taxis make record try

LANETT, Ala. (AP) — Two Lanett taxi drivers plan to depart Saturday on a 33-day, 12,000-mile drive that they hope will lead them into the Guinness Book of World Records. The goal of drivers Charles Dailey and Freddie Hambie is to set a world record for the longest paid taxi trip. The current record is 6,752 miles in 15 days, set two years ago, according to the Guinness book.

Traveling with the drivers will be Henry Seidinger of Lanett, who will keep the official travel log while doubling as a mechanic, and Johnny Watkins of Langdale, whose son owns the cab company.

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MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Do those little thoughtful things for your mate that will bring increased happiness to both of you. Be logical.
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SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Be careful in talking to co-workers at this time since the wrong words could lead to a severance of connections. Be alert at all times.
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BRIDGE

Break familiar rule when it can pay off

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

Every defender is taught not to lead a suit that dummy can ruff. If he learns enough about bridge to play for the world championship, however, he will sometimes see a reason to break this rule.

East dealer
Neither side vulnerable

NORTH

♠ A 2
♥ A K Q 8 6
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 6 4

WEST

♠ 10 5 3
♥ 7 4 2
♦ A K 4
♣ Q J 10 2

EAST

♠ Q 8 4
♥ J 10 5
♦ Q 8 7 2
♣ A 9 8

SOUTH

♠ K J 9 7 6
♥ 3
♦ J 6 3
♣ K 7 5 3

East South West North

Pass Pass Pass 1♥
Pass 1♣ Pass 2♥
Pass 2♠ All Pass

Opening lead — ♣ Q

Swedish expert Anders Morath took the ace of clubs and shifted to diamonds. West won two top diamonds and led a third diamond to the queen.

With dummy out of diamonds, a

rule-bound defender would switch back to clubs, but Morath knew from the opening that clubs were hopeless. If West's clubs were headed by K-Q he would lead the king rather than the queen.

It was clear that the defenders could win no further trick except in trumps. Morath also saw that leading the 13th diamond could do no harm and might help.

MAKES QUEEN

When East led the last diamond, West threatened to ruff high enough to force out dummy's ace. South could prevent this only by ruffing with the jack of spades. Either way, East was sure to get a trick eventually with the queen of spades.

Stopping an overtrick wouldn't be a dramatic defense at rubber bridge, but since the hand was played in the recent World Open Pair Championship in New Orleans the Swedish defense earned a very fine tournament score.

DAILY QUESTION

Partner opens with one heart, and you respond one spade. Partner now bids two hearts, and it is once more up to you, holding: S-KJ976; H-3; D-J63; C-K753. What do you say?

ANSWER: Pass. Since partner's bid is weak and you have a poor hand, game is out of the question. Pass at the first reasonable part-score contract. Partner's hearts are unlikely to be weaker than your spades.



Jackie Mason, comic and ex-rabbi, goes through one of his routines recently in Los Angeles. Mason will make his acting debut in CBS' new television series "Flying High."

Captain Underwood won't call it quits

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — Capt. Harris Underwood has piloted boats up and down the Tennessee, Mississippi and Ohio rivers for 61 years. And at 80, he's still not ready to call it quits.

"I don't want to work a regular job any more," Underwood said, "but I don't count myself retired. They still call me up when somebody's off for sickness or something."

In fact, he said, he would have been on the river that day piloting a sand boat except for the death of a friend.

Capt. Underwood — the title is honorary — got his pilot's license in 1917 but his career on the river began even earlier. He recalls that when he was 10, his father, also a lifelong riverboat pilot, learned he was smoking cigarettes and playing hooky from school and

said, "Doggone it, I'll put him to work." And he did.

One of Underwood's first jobs was waterboy, finding cool spring water and carrying it in big buckets to the boats.

"It's much easier today to be a river pilot, with the dams, locks and modern equipment," Underwood said. "Now there's no heavy current and pilots run by maps. I've seen the Tennessee River from one end to the other."

In the old days, the pilot had to know his river intimately, its sandbars and reefs and treacherous currents. There were no markers and the pilots had to follow natural landmarks along the way, Underwood said.

In those days, when a boat would get stuck on a reef, you had to pull it off by hooking a line to a tree or some other solid object ashore. "You just had to keep it jumping until you got it over the reef," he said.

But today, with uniformly deep water, lack

of strong currents, boats equipped with radar, sonar and better steering, "it's just like driving a car."

Underwood achieved national publicity about 10 years ago when he piloted the sternwheeler Belle of Louisville to victory over the bigger and more powerful Delta Queen in races at Louisville.

Actually, Underwood won the race three or four times — he couldn't recall the exact number — after losing his first outing because of a faulty boiler.

He said he had an advantage over his opponent because he had worked for several years on the Delta Queen making excursion runs on the inland waterways. "I knew what she could do," he said.

Underwood said he got the smaller and lighter Belle off to a faster start and piloted her into the channel to force the Queen into shallower water where the big paddlewheel becomes much less effective.

Road agency urges more aids to safety

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 5,000 people are killed or injured in the more than 12,000 train-vehicle accidents each year, according to a recent study by The Road Information Program. Only plane crashes have a higher percentage of casualties per accident.

"Most train-auto collisions result from motorists' inattention, carelessness or an assumption that they have the right of way," says H. W. Reece, president of TRIP, a research and public information agency supported by the road-building industry.

"But it is not always the motorist's fault," Reece adds. "More than 15,000

active grade crossings have no warning devices at all — not even a 'cross-buck' sign. And thousands of others fail to give drivers adequate protection."

TRIP's report noted that 43,944 crossings need additional safety devices such as warning signs, flashing lights, bells or automatic gates, and overpasses are needed at 2,167 particularly hazardous crossings to separate vehicle and train traffic. There are 218,975 grade crossings on public roads.

These recommendations would bring each of the nation's grade crossings up to the average of safety standards used by the states. There are no federal criteria for grade crossing safety.

If its recommendations are followed, TRIP predicts deaths would be reduced by half and injuries by more than one-third.

The recommended warning devices and construction of the overpasses would cost about \$4.3 billion, TRIP estimated. More than half of the \$594 million Congress has appropriated since 1974 for grade crossing safety has not been spent because of technical problems and administrative delays, the agency said.

American eligible in Japan

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Bob Schiavone, a 16-year-old junior at Orchard Park High School, has become the first foreign high school student to be officially registered to play baseball in Japan.

Schiavone, an American Field Service exchange student, is spending a year attending school and living with a family in Shimoda, a beachfront city about 100 miles southwest of Tokyo.

The uniqueness of his status was pointed out recently by the Yomiuri Shimbun, a national daily there.

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Protect against serious diseases

Dear Dr. Solomon: If you are treated for syphilis and cured, does this make you immune to any new infection?—X

Dear X: No, it doesn't. You can catch syphilis all over again. And after the typical chance of the primary stage, it can go into the secondary and tertiary stages later on unless you are again treated.

Dear Dr. Solomon: I'm a new mother. Our doctor said that our daughter should be inoculated against D-T-P. Exactly what are they, and do you recommend it?—Mrs. P.K.

Dear Mrs. P.K.: Diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough) and tetanus (lockjaw) are serious diseases that usually occur in children, although each, especially tetanus, also strikes adults. Effective protection against these diseases, in the form of a combination vaccine called DTP, has been available and widely used since the early 1950s.

Yet, today, nearly 13 million children, or 24 percent of all children 13 years of age or under, are inadequately immunized. In discussing diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus, in that order, I will describe the benefits and risks of the DPT vaccine.

Years ago, diphtheria was a widespread and greatly feared disease. Before the turn of the century, 15 out of every 1,000 Americans died from diphtheria each year. Through the 1920s, about 150,000 cases occurred annually, with about 15,000 deaths. Since that time, the disease has gradually declined. There were 910 cases in 1960, 435 in 1970 and only 146 in 1976.

Nevertheless, diphtheria remains a threat in many parts of the U.S. today, and because it is most dangerous in the very young, it is still a disease that parents should know about and have their children protected against. Diphtheria is caused by a

bacterium that is found in the mouth, throat, and nose of an infected person. This germ is easily passed to others in the tiny droplets of moisture that are expelled through coughing or sneezing. Diphtheria also can be spread by carriers (people who harbor the bacteria but remain in apparent good health).

Usually, diphtheria develops in the throat, where a patch or patches of grayish membrane may begin to form. Other early symptoms are sore throat, a slight fever and chills. If the membrane continues to grow, it can interfere with swallowing. If it extends to the windpipe, it can block the passage of air and cause the patient to suffocate. Diphtheria is a treatable condition, but if treatment is inadequate, or if it is not begun in time, a powerful toxin, or poison, may be produced by the diphtheria bacteria and may spread throughout the body.

The poison may cause serious complications such as paralysis that last for as long as three or four months, heart failure or broncho-pneumonia. Five to ten percent of all diphtheria cases are fatal.

Pertussis, or whooping cough, as it is more com-

monly known, is a highly contagious disease that occurs with greatest frequency in late winter and early spring and is most likely to strike children under the age of seven. Pertussis is caused by a bacterium that is found in the mouths, noses and throats of infected persons and is spread through the air, to others. When it begins, pertussis acts like a common cold, accompanied by an irritating cough.

As the disease tightens its grip on the airways from the lungs, the cough increases in intensity and occurs in violent and prolonged spasms, with high-pitched whooping sounds between each spasm as the patient fights to inhale air. A severe case of whooping cough prepares the way for a range of grave complications, among them convulsions, collapse of the lungs, pneumonia and brain damage. These effects are most likely to occur in the very young, and when they do, they can be fatal. Unless adequate treatment is given early in the course of the disease, one infant in four who gets whooping cough before the age of six months will not survive.

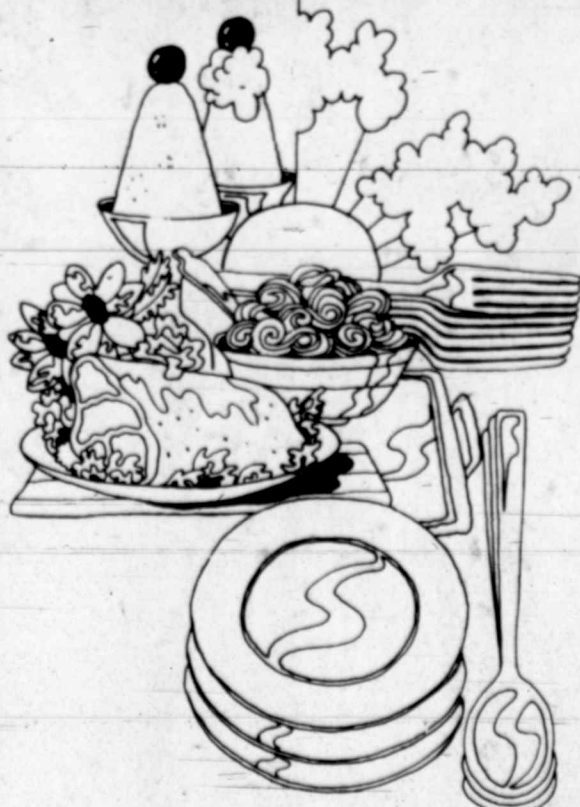
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Birds fly early

NEW YORK (AP) — Flights of early migrating birds are mystifying the Audubon Society and Empire State Building officials.

Flocks of birds have caused officials to turn off the tower lights at the Empire State Building three times in the past two weeks. Since the migration season usually begins about Sept. 15, wildlife observers are speculating that the appearance of the flocks may signal an early winter.

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Lillie Helms

ANDREWS — Services for Lillie Agnes Helms, 62, of Andrews will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Singleton Funeral Home with Dallas Oliver and Roy DeJulio, both of Andrews Jehovah's Witnesses, officiating. Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery.

Mrs. Helms died Saturday in a Brownwood hospital.

A native of Turkey, she had lived in Andrews the past 20 years, moving here from Estaline. She married Herman M. Helms Nov. 22, 1934, in Alice, Okla. She was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses of Andrews.

Survivors include her husband; six sons, Sonny Helms, Johnny Helms and William Helms, all of Andrews, Nathaniel Helms and James Helms, both of Odessa, and Earl Don Helms of Houston; two daughters, Lillie May Chapman of Edgar Springs, Mo., and Estelle Grissom of Andrews; her mother, Lidia James of Brownwood; four brothers, Elvin James of Mulvane, Kan., J.V. James of Abilene, Kan., Joe James of Brownwood and Buss James of Lubbock; four sisters, Ruby Ashmore of Chickasha, Okla., Jeanette McClain of Kirkland, Nadine Woolfe of Groesbeck and Mary Edna Parradee of Huntington Beach, Calif., 24 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Pall bearers will be John Oliver, Roy DeJulio, Billy Queen, Dennis Moore, Edwin Cox and Tim Lerzo.

George Ryan

LAMESA — George T. Ryan, 73, of Lamesa, died Sunday in a Lamesa hospital after an apparent heart attack.

Services were to be at 3 p.m. today in Branon Funeral Home with the Rev. Alvis Cooley, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Lamesa Memorial Park.

Ryan was born in Jasper County, Miss., and moved to Lamesa from Lubbock in 1937. He was a cotton buyer until his retirement. Ryan was an Air Force veteran of World War II. He married Nell Barrington Dec. 7, 1942, in Lamesa.

Ryan was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his stepmother, Claudia Ryan of Lamesa; a sister, Elizabeth Lengert of Lamesa, and five brothers, P.V. "Doc" Ryan of Lamesa, Claude Ryan of Miami, Fla., that will be in Miami, Fla., Bill After a nail is started, slide the shield in place with the nail in the notch, and your near miss won't dent the floor. Leave it in place until the nail set has driven the nail completely home.

Dear Super AI:
Here's my trick for retrieving lost parts from under a workbench or

Miss America chivalry practice

By PETER MATTIACE
Associated Press Writer

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The new Miss America, pretty and petite Kylene Barker of Virginia, sees herself as "the all-American girl in a door" who enjoys having men open doors for her.

"I feel that I am a typical American citizen," Miss Barker, 22, looking fresh with only 2½ hours of sleep on the Sunday morning after becoming 51st Miss America.

"I think a Miss America should look like an all-American person, like the girl next door, and someone superficial that people are afraid to put on a pedestal," she said.

Miss Barker, a former college cheerleader, defeated 49 other state contestants here Saturday for a \$20,000 scholarship and more than \$50,000 in personal appearance bookings that go with the title.

She said she "enjoys the advantages of being a woman" and likes fussing with her hair and makeup. "That's why I competed for Miss America and why I'm standing here today," she said.

Miss America added, "I don't get up when someone calls me a girl."

Born on a dairy farm near Galax, Va., green-eyed Miss Barker was named

slated this week

By The Associated Press

Democratic voters in New York and Connecticut will pick gubernatorial candidates in primary elections Tuesday, while Minnesota voters seek a candidate to run for the late Hubert Humphrey's Senate seat.

New York Gov. Hugh Carey is favored to win renomination over his former lieutenant governor, Mary Ann Krupsak, and state Sen. Jeremiah B. Bloom. The winner faces Assembly Minority Leader Perry Duryea, the unopposed Republican whose extensive television advertising has been aimed against Carey.

Connecticut Gov. Ella Grasso also is expected to survive a challenge by her lieutenant governor, Robert Killian. The Republican gubernatorial candidate, Ronald A. Sarasin is unopposed.

A lively campaign for the Democratic nomination to fill the rest of Humphrey's Senate term between Rep. Donald Fraser and businessman Robert Short comes to a close with Minnesota's elections. The Republicans have a five-way race for a shot at the Humphrey seat. The featured combatants in that election include party-endorsed David Durenberger and former University of Minnesota President Malcolm Moos.

Texas citizens wage war on property taxes

By The Associated Press

From the blackland farms of the north and east to the oil fields of West Texas to the sprawling cities of Houston and Fort Worth, Texans are waging a guerrilla war on escalating property taxes and local government spending.

In Sherman and Palestine, citizen groups have successfully blocked implementation of new property tax rolls that would raise their levies as much as 500 percent.

About 100 residents of Odessa in West Texas, angered by property tax revaluations, burned a barrelful of tax notices at City Hall this summer.

In Fort Worth, 3,000 property owners attended a tax protest rally where Howard Jarvin, an author of California's Proposition 13, was the keynote speaker.

In Houston, the state's largest city, a protest group has petitioned the City Council for property tax reform and threatened a recall of elected officials unless their demands are met.

While the Texas protest movement lacks the statewide coordination of the tax rebellion in California earlier this year, brush wars have sprung up all across the state.

"It wasn't until things like...this Proposition 13 in California that peo-

Houston tax hike sparking recall drive

HOUSTON (AP) — When home builder Jim McConn became mayor of the nation's fifth largest city last January he inherited a property tax problem that now has ballooned into some talk of a recall election.

A storm of protests exploded less than two months after McConn took office when the city tax department mailed tax revaluation notices to residents in 250 subdivisions.

The notices, initiated by the previous administration, involved tax hikes ranging from 100 to 500 percent.

One example: A three-bedroom, inner-city home of frame construction with a \$340 tax bill in 1977 would have seen a 1978 jump to \$1,730.

More than 9,000 property owners began perfecting appeals to the board of equalization that included McConn and four of the eight city councilmen.

Before its first meeting, however, the board indicated it had had enough. Without hearing a single appeal, the board rolled back the 1978 revaluations to 1977 levels and would set into motion a new revaluation program with a 10 percent increase before

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at didn't stop continuation of ong attack initiated by a Tax Group organized in the spring representatives of civic clubs in of the 250 subdivisions.

and the council now must ly attention to two demands protest group:

the city charter be amended property taxes to one-half of cent of market value with increases through revaluation nited to a maximum 10 per-

that a tax reform ordinance ed to hold all property valua- 1977 levels pending reassess- the entire city.

ons seeking the charter ment required 20,000 signa- and the protest group turned in Petitions seeking the ordi- equired 37,000 signatures and were turned over to the city

councilmen, Louis Macey and McKaskle, left a council ses- sign the charter amendment

the signatures on the petitions rified, McConn and the council ave five days in which to call a er amendment election and five in which to enact the demanded

ance or submit it to a citywide

hen the petition drive began in y August, George Polk, president the protest group, said a campaign to recall McConn and the council was a possibility if they ignored the de-

Such a possibility was repeated as Polk carried the voluminous petitions to city hall on Wednesday.

"We want a guarantee against selective and flagrant revaluations," Polk said.

No one has as yet attempted to estimate how enactment of the two demands would affect city revenues and services and McConn says that is his major concern.

"The threat of recall always puts you under the gun, but we're going to do what we think is right, recall or no recall," McConn said.

Angelo serves as state chairman

Midland Mayor Ernest Angelo, Texas Republican national committeeman, served as chairman of the state Republican convention last weekend in Dallas.

Angelo said the permanent chairman is nominated by a convention committee on permanent arrangements. This was the second year in a row a Midlander served that function, he said, since 318th District Court Judge Barbara Culver held that role last year.

"It was an extremely good convention," Angelo said today. "The debate and the discussions were conducted in good humor."

ple got mad enough to make a big issue out of it (property taxes)," said Houston Councilman Homer Ford after residents in that city held a big rally earlier this year.

"These tax protestors are plenty mad, and we've got to damn sure do something," Ford added.

Reports from Texas newspapers which are members of The Associated Press showed that property owners in communities across the state have stepped up their battles against rising property taxes and spending by local governments.

City officials, like Ford, say California's Proposition 13 success has probably encouraged tax protestors and given them higher visibility, but griping about taxes is nothing new.

"The complaints I got about taxes

came before the California vote June 4," said Nueces County Judge Robert Barnes of Corpus Christi. "But I couldn't say Proposition 13 doesn't encourage you."

"People are coming unglued when they discover their property appraisals have increased by 40 to 50 percent within four years," said Mayor Pro Tem Jim Bradshaw of Fort Worth. "I think there has to be a way to assure these people their tax money is not being wasted through unnecessary bureaucracy."

"They (the protestors) recognize, and I believe they are right, there is a lot of waste at City Hall and a lot of fat that can be cut without affecting essential services."

But determining what is "essential" is not easy.

Corpus Christi City Council members voted to reduce property taxes by 16.1 percent this summer, then had to back down to a 7 percent reduction because of citizen protests against service cutbacks.

And, even with the smaller reduction, the council — to balance the city budget — approved higher fees for such services as garbage collection, building permits, swimming, tennis, golf, slip rental at the city's marina and for keeping animals at the city shelter.

Smaller cities and counties have not escaped the taxpayers' anger, either.

In Sherman and Palestine, suits by taxpayers have blocked, at least temporarily, the certification of 1978 property tax rolls which contain revalued — and higher — property listings.

Farmers in Grayson County, around Sherman, had for years seen

their land taxed at the 1920 level of \$7 an acre. They sued to block the new roll that values some property at \$500 an acre.

The revaluation, however, was the result of a suit brought by taxpayers living in the city, whose property was valued at far higher prices than that of their rural neighbors.

Most communities, especially larger ones, revalue property in sections of the city each year, on a rotating basis, so that a home is revalued once every several years instead of annually.

And inflation in several years causes some big value increases.

Many cities have partially offset the higher property valuations by lower tax rates. Politically, a city council does not have to raise taxes. It can simply allow the tax assessor to increase property values.

It was the revaluation notices that angered the Odessa residents who burned their tax notices.

Three killed, seven injured when train crashes into house

MIAMISBURG, Ohio (AP) — Two women and a month-old baby were killed when a Conrail freight train derailed and crashed into a two-story house while people inside were playing cards, authorities said. Seven people suffered minor injuries.

"Someone said, 'Here comes the 5:30 and she is going awful fast,'" said Michael Call, whose son was among those killed in the train wreck Sunday night. "When I saw what was happening, I turned around to yell for everyone to get out of the house and the whole wall just came down on top of me."

"All we've got left is a hope chest. It's all gone," Call said today as he watched workmen clear way the crumpled freight cars from his home.

One freight car stood inside the ruins of the house where the bodies were found and another was part way into the structure. Other cars in the 20-car train were piled nearly as high as the house.

"They just stacked up like a car wreck," said Police Chief Ronald McBride. "They squeezed together like an accordion."

The dead were identified as 4-week-old Michael Joseph Call and Kathy Barkalow, 17, both of Miamisburg; and Linda Humerick, 28, of Germantown, Ohio.

Seven people were taken to Grandview Ambulatory Center, where six were treated for minor injuries and

released, officials said. The seventh, a bystander who was not in the house, was kept at the hospital and was reported in good condition today.

Police said they believed they had accounted for all the people in the house but that they were still searching the debris.

Police said Call and his wife, Donna, who lived in the house, Ms. Barkalow and Ms. Humerick apparently were playing cards in the living room when the train hit Sunday. They said Ms. Humerick was found clutching the child when the rubble was cleared from the bodies nearly two hours later.

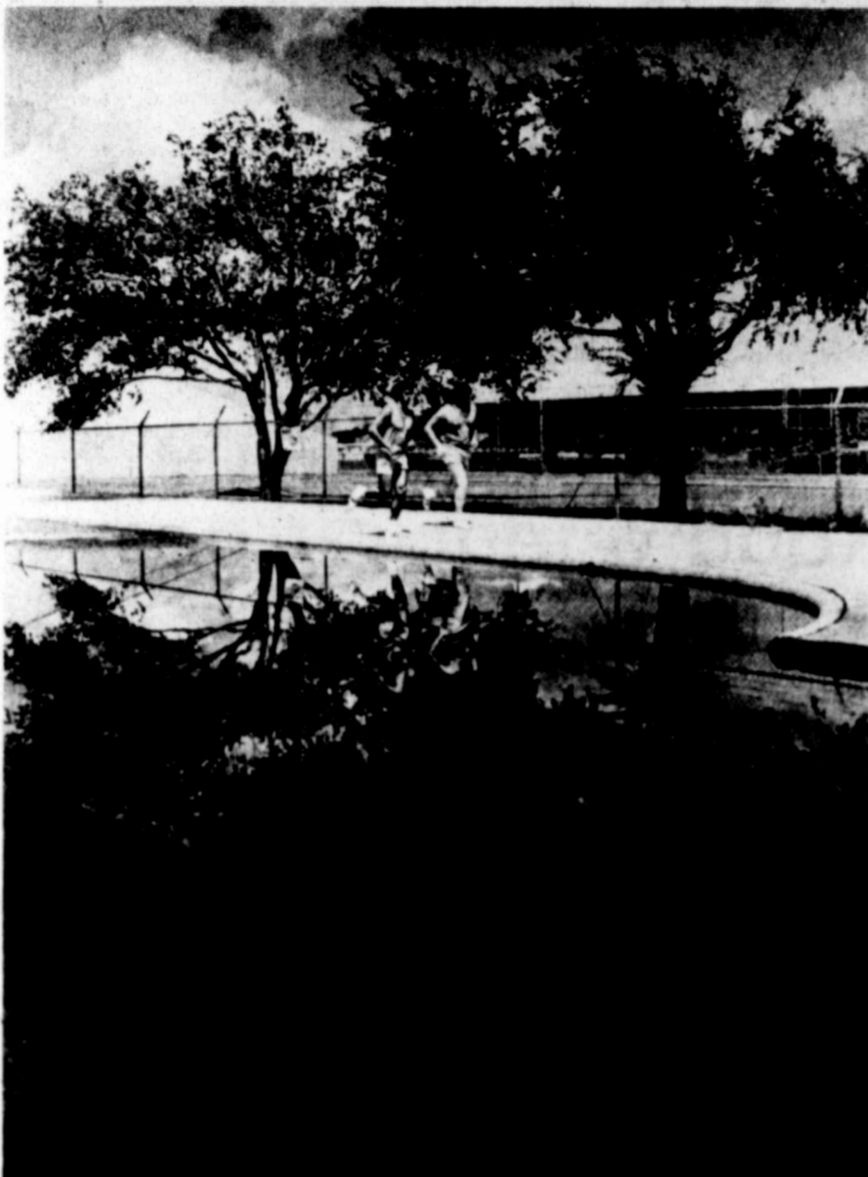
Police and Conrail officials were still trying to determine the cause of the derailment, which squeezed most of the cars against an abandoned feed mill.

Dale Trucker, who lived with his family in the other half of the two-family house, said he was on the back porch when he saw a freight car "with all its wheels in the air and all of a sudden, there was a sound like they dropped a bomb."

Trucker said he ran inside, grabbed his 6-month-old baby and yelled to his wife to get out of the house.

As they reached the front door, he said, the train hit, dislodging bricks and plaster.

Their four other children, ranging in age from 4 to 9, were playing in the front yard and ran across the street to safety.



Runners James Lari and David Simmons are reflected in a pool of water west of Memorial Stadium following several days of intermittent rain in the area. Both youngsters are in their junior year at Midland High School. They are members of the school's track team. (Staff photo by Bruce Partain)



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Stock market gains

NEW YORK (AP) — A rising dollar gave the stock market a boost today, continuing a week-long rally. The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial issues was up 3.06 to 930.79 at noon.

Conglomerates show signs of regaining some of old allure

NEW YORK (AP) — Though their collective image took a severe beating a few years back, the diversified companies known as conglomerates have hung on to a prominent place in American industry.

Among the conglomerates formed in the 1960s that have survived, Williams noted that some are still struggling, but that others have grown into "solid organizations."

First movie tycoon dies at age 86

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Jack Warner, the fan-loving motion picture producer who produced the first talkie and helped shape Hollywood's "Golden Age" with a stable of stars, is dead.

Big Spring officials return with agreement

BIG SPRING — A regulations during the transferred from federal group of city officials led by City Manager H.W. Nagel returned from California late last week with an agreement from Lockheed Air Service that may bring some 500 jobs to the area within the next year.

New Midlander subject of appreciation banquet

SWEETWATER — A former member of the Sweetwater Evening Lions Club. A large number of former members of Sweetwater, formerly of Sweetwater, held Saturday night in the County Coliseum Annex here, under the sponsorship of the Sweetwater Downtown and Evening Lions Clubs.

Volunteers must have TB tests

All persons who plan to work as volunteers with the Midland schools this year must have a tuberculosis skin test, according to Betty Edgar, chairman of the volunteer program.

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Baggage labels one remembers

By HUGH A. MULLIGAN
AP Special Correspondent

DUBLIN, Eire (AP) — For some years now in lieu of nicking lobby ashtrays, which in some emerging and quite a few declining nations is deemed a felony, this itinerant Toscanini of the typewriter has been collecting hotel labels as a souvenir of his to-ing and fro-ing on the face of the earth.

These rapidly vanishing status symbols of the inkeeper's trade are the colorful gummed stickers that bell captains and hall porters in the posher hostels freely affix to one's impedimenta to gain some free publicity for the premises and provide another reason for giving them a pourboire.

The paste-on ad gimmicks impart to both the house and its departing guest a glossy aura of prestige. They also serve to cover up the scuffs and rips in one's luggage and even keep the old carpetbag in one piece against the onslaughts of morose airport baggage handlers and violence-prone stewards.

Forty or 50 overlapping labels gaily trumpeting the traveler's peregrinations from "The Ritz" in Lisbon to the "Cillon" in Paris to the "Savoy" in London to the "Shah Abbas" in Isfa-

The other night I sat on the cellar stairs in the silent company of an old bag, the constant companion of many years and miles. Just below the handle in bright green and yellow loomed the Montreux Palace Hotel against a backdrop of purple Alps and, in the foreground, a large swan on Lake Geneva. Memories rose with the dust of my interview with Vladimir Nakov, his last. He spoke of winter coming on.

Two Belfast labels speak to me again of Ulster's lingering tragedy and dogged courage that permits laughter after tears. The Grand Central Hotel, a press favorite, never was reopened after a bomb destroyed the kitchen and now serves as a British army barracks. "To this day," jested the breadman, "they don't know whether that bomb was placed by the IRA or an irate gourmet." The tattered symbol of the British-owned Europa Hotel, bombed more than 30 times, calls to mind the green tie ornamented with flaming red bombs that the management awarded to guests who survived a bomb blast.

There's the Royale in Phnom Penh — who goes there now? — and the Royal in Saigon, now a communist flag factory. I wonder what became of the sign, in French, over the registration desk: "This is a family hotel, all ladies of the evening must be registered."

Some of the stickers remind me of wars where first we went out of the hotel to cover a battle but in time the hotel became the battlefield: the Phoenix Intercontinental in Beirut, a Christian stronghold in Lebanon's bloody street fighting; Nicosia's lovely Ledra Palace, right on the green line between battling Turks and Greeks; the Jordan Intercontinental, a hilltop objective for Israeli paratroopers storming the Old City of Jerusalem in the Six Day War.

Then there's the Tel Aviv Hilton with its wonderfully arrogant Jewish waiters: "You ordered prune juice? Take the orange juice, it's better for you." And Moscow's proletarianly uncomfortable Intourist Hotel, brought to you by the same people who brought you the Gulag Archipelago, and the pardonably tedious Saga Hotel in Reykjavik, where reporters hung around for weeks that seemed like years waiting for Bobby Fischer and Boris Spasky to glower headlines across a chess board.

In an age when most hotels around the ball are becoming as alike as army barracks and as inhospitable as a state prison farm, it's soothing to gaze at the labels of Peking's Hotel of the Nationalities, the Negresco in Nice or the Oriental in Bangkok and know that at any hour of the night a room-boy lurks in the corridor ready to fetch a cold beer or a freshly shined pair of shoes.

The Gresham in Dublin speaks of elegance without obsequiousness, which is why the dawn comes up rather unthunderously with a brogue on the telephone lifting: "This your 8:30 wake-up call sir. Actually, it's gone quarter past nine, will that be all right, sir?"



han and "The Regent" in Fiji might not save a calfskin three suiter from being cleft in twain by a forklift truck at Orly Field or from being agandoned on a dolly in the monsoon rains of Panang.

They might, perchance, keep the outer skin attached to the frame long enough for Uncle Sam's customs men to have a go at it, with their singular skill and leaving everything hanging out at the hinges, before a New York taxi driver applies the coup de mort by slamming down his trunk lid.

A global spread of fading hotel labels on a wellworn Galstone bag gives fair warning to porters and bellhops everywhere on the spreading palms circuit that here is an experienced traveler not prone to giving lavish rewards for surly service. Ice cubes, quick, my good fellow.

The desk clerk knows straight away not to settle this lodger next to the elevator shafts, directly below the disco bandstand or across from the church steeple that bongs the quarter hours all through the night, unless he wants to hear language that will wilt his carnation and blow the computer.

In addition, when there's no place to go and no readies to get there with, the grounded globe trotter can always sit on the cellar stairs dreaming of the far away places, the bygone vacations and long-spent expense accounts spelled out in living color on a dusty portmanteau or busted carry-all.

Bargain Canadian dollar increasing U.S. tourism

OTTAWA (AP) — A bargain Canadian dollar has helped increase the number of U.S. tourists this year to the provinces of Quebec, British Columbia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, Canada's tourism industry says.

But in other parts of the country the cheaper Canadian currency, selling at around .86 U.S. cents; lower provincial sales taxes; and other incentives have not attracted enough U.S. visitors to cancel a national tourism trade deficit of \$1.4 billion for the first half of 1978.

Industry spokesmen in British Columbia on the West Coast predict a record year for U.S. tourism and report a major increase in U.S. vehicles entering the province, many from California. Hotels were fuller than usual, restaurants 10 percent busier than last year and gasoline sales up, they said.

The lower Canadian dollar, extensive provincial government promoting of travel and the Captain Cook bicentennial celebrations were major reasons for the increase in the west-

ern province, an industry spokesman said.

The King Tut exhibition in Seattle has brought an overflow of American visitors across the border to Vancouver, British Columbia, where an alternate accommodations program finds lodging in private homes for travelers unable to find hotel space, the spokesman added.

In the East, Quebec appears to have recovered from a tourist slump following the 1976 Olympics, according to a spokesman there.

Montreal hotels were booked well into last winter, which is unusual for a cold and snowy city. The occupancy rate in Quebec City is up from 68 percent last year to 79 percent so far this year.

The cheaper Canadian dollar and Quebec's abolition of the 8 percent hotel tax yield U.S. visitors a benefit of 20 percent and were listed by the tourism industry as major reasons for the influx.

In the Maritimes on the Atlantic coast, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island registered noticeable increases in U.S. visitors over 1977: 170 percent in Newfoundland and 103 percent in Prince Edward Island.

Toronto, Canada's business center, was the only other bright spot for U.S. tourism this year. Hotels were booked nearly solid in August, thanks to the annual Canadian National Exhibition and an 11,000-delegate convention of the American Psychological Association, tourism officials said.

Toronto's stores were reducing prices by as much as 20 percent. Elimination of Ontario Province's 7 percent hotel tax, the cheaper Canadian dollar and a reduction of the provincial sales tax to 4 percent from 7 percent were other lures.

Hotels in Ottawa, the Canadian capital, reported average numbers of American guests, and U.S. visitors said they had no problems getting reservations.

Some of the Americans interviewed here said the cheaper Canadian dollar was not a factor in their decision to come to Canada.

"You don't really hear much about the Canadian dollar where I live," said Tom Lydon of Washington, D.C. "There's a lot of talk about bargain Mexican money, but not about Canada."



Ling-Ling, the National Zoo's female giant panda, munches on a stalk of bamboo at the zoo in Washington while her keepers speculate on whether she may at last be pregnant. The reason is that Ling-Ling built what could have been a nest last weekend. (AP Laserphoto)

Things readers have asked about

By MINNIE BERNARDINO
The Los Angeles Times

Q. Do you have some tips for measuring accurately ingredients such as lard or shortening, oil, powdered sugar, brown sugar, melted butter and sticky syrups?

A. These ingredients do seem to invoke certain problems in measuring but there are some practical ways to get accurate measurements which have been standardized by home economists and people in the trade.

Solid fats such as lard and shortening used to be measured using the old water-displacement method but this is no longer considered accurate. The more accurate way is to pack the fat a little at a time in a dry measuring cup (not the clear glass or plastic liquid measuring cup). Press out air pockets and level off. Scrape out completely with rubber spatula.

When a recipe calls for certain amounts of melted butter, cut butter to measure before melting to avoid any waste. If using leftover melted butter or shortening, remelt butter if it has hardened then measure, but if soft, measure as for solid fats.

Like flour, powdered sugar should be sifted before measuring. Then spoon lightly into measuring cup and level off. Do not tap or shake the cup. Brown sugar should be packed firmly into the dry measure. If it is lumpy, place between sheets of wax paper and roll out before measuring.

Molasses, honey and other syrups can be measured more easily in lightly greased dry measures so that the surface can be leveled off, then scrape out with rubber spatula.

Q. What would you suggest as a substitute for buttermilk when a recipe for chocolate cake calls for buttermilk? We've tried making sour milk in which we add 1 teaspoon vinegar to 1 cup of milk. Is that right? It would be a saving to use a substitute as we always end up throwing away leftover buttermilk.

A. You can substitute sour milk for buttermilk in chocolate cake and certain baked goods and get about the same effect. In some instances though, you may just learn to stick to buttermilk if you're after the proper flavor and texture. To obtain 1 cup of sour milk, add 1 teaspoon vinegar or lemon juice plus enough milk to make 1 cup and let stand until soured.

Q. I've discovered that some casserole recipes called for cooking on top of the stove and others in the oven.

Could you please tell me the difference in the two cooking methods?

A. Casserole cooking in the United States has come to mean a "one-dish meal."

Both preparation methods may or may not require preliminary cooking on top of the stove, as for instance, sauteing garlic and onions or browning meat. But in the end both usually require a long simmering or baking period to blend seasonings with the meat and/or vegetables.

Top-of-the-stove casseroles should be done in deep fireproof utensils.

Oven casseroles are usually baked in ovenproof or heatproof metal, tempered glass, terra cotta or porcelain.

Many of these utensils are handsomely designed

and meant for serving as well as cooking, as for example, the French and Italian earthenware casseroles.

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Spanish leader visits Castro

HAVANA, Cuba (AP) — Adolfo Suarez, the first Spanish premier to visit Cuba, arrived here Saturday to a 21-gun salute and a warm embrace from President Fidel Castro.

Suarez, who flew in after visiting Venezuela, was greeted by a crowd of several hundred people waving paper Spanish flags and a sign reading, "Long Live Spanish-Cuban Friendship."

Diplomatic observers described the reception here as "formal" and less elaborate than that accorded visiting leaders from socialist and Third World countries.

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