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Former President Gerald Ford, flanked by Republican congressional candidate Bill Fisher, right, answers questions at an airport press conference in Big Spring Wednesday. Ford was in Big Spring to campaign for Fisher. (Staff Photo by Ed Todd)

Ford stumps for GOP, tells voters to 'take a look... act accordingly'

By LINDA HILL
R-T Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — "In this November election, you can't undo what was done by the American people in 1976, and you can't leapfrog to 1980," former President Gerald Ford told a Big Spring audience Wednesday.

Ford, speaking at a fundraising luncheon for Republican congressional candidate Bill Fisher, said voters can, however, look at what's happened since the last election "and act accordingly."

Fisher is opposed by Democrat Charles Stenholm in the race to replace retiring U.S. Rep. Omar Burleson in the 17th Congressional District.

Ford had said earlier at a press

conference he has no plans to run again for the presidency, although he has "lots of options." But he talked much like a man running for office.

Of his 30½ months in the presidency, Ford said he "enjoyed" the role. "It was a great experience," he said. "I enjoyed the challenge. We (he and wife Betty) have nothing but the best of memories of the White House."

But, in a slip of the tongue, he indicated his period of incumbency may have seemed longer than it was. The former president referred to his "30 years in the White House."

Later in his speech, he referred to the White House by saying, "What a wonderful place! It means so much to 218 million Americans."

Characterizing what he said were

differences between Republicans generally and those associated with the Carter administration, Ford said, "How does it break up? You have Gerald Ford on one side, and Jimmy Carter on the other...liberal spenders in the Congress on one hand and...the conservative, responsible spenders...on the other."

Ford told his audience Republicans generally favor a larger tax cut than that favored by the Carter administration, a limit to growth in federal spending and a balanced budget.

The former president said one of the biggest issues concerning Americans today is "failure of the current administration...to meet the challenge of

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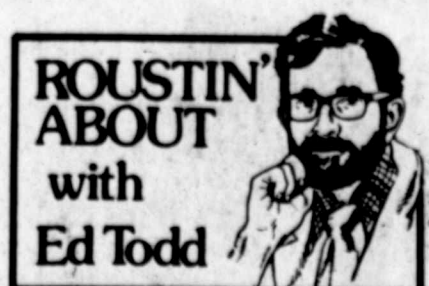
Grand Old Party stands tall for Jerry in heart of 'enemy' country

BIG SPRING — Democrats traditionally outflank Republicans in politics in Howard County.

There's virtually no contest come election time. But the Grand Old Party sure looked rejuvenated for a couple of hours here Wednesday.

A loyal leader of the old party, Gerald Ford, flew into town in a Secret Service-laden Learjet, spilled no political beans and had a fling at strengthening the party here and at bolstering support for a GOP Congressional candidate.

The soft-spoken former President



was deliberative, calm and collective. The GOP element and the curious were a mite more stirring. They seemed impressed by his presence. Approximately 150 Big Spring High

School "Steer" bandmen, clad in marigold yellow T-shirts and, generally, in blue jeans, greeted Ford at the airport with two renditions of their well-rehearsed "España" and with one playing of the "Steers Fight" song.

They saluted in military fashion, even though their dress wasn't exactly protocol.

The band's flag bearers whipped their colors, and arms bearers did some fancy ceremonial handling of their dummy rifles.

And the former President's old

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President nears formula for continuing sessions

CAMP DAVID, Md. (AP) — President Carter seems within reach of a comprehensive formula for continuing Israeli-Egyptian negotiations after the Middle East summit, now nearing a climax.

Although spokesman Jody Powell cautioned against "strong optimism or pessimism," diplomatic sources said the mood at the summit was upbeat as Carter worked to win the agreement of Israel's Menachem Begin and Egypt's Anwar Sadat to a peace-seeking blueprint.

If an accord can be achieved, it would meet at least the minimum requirements for a successful conference, even if it did not ensure an ultimate Mideast settlement.

In his drive to nail down a summit-ending agreement, tentatively called a "framework of negotiations," Carter canceled one appearance and postponed two speechmaking and politicking trips.

The broadly worded formula, which would deal with the future of the Palestinian Arabs and other key issues, would replace a "declaration

of principles" that was nearing completion last January when Sadat broke off direct negotiations with Israel.

Carter had been scheduled to host a White House reception and concert Wednesday night for race drivers from the stock car circuit, with singer Willie Nelson entertaining.

The White House press office said the president had Mrs. Carter preside at the affair "because of the demands of the negotiations at Camp David."

In addition, Carter postponed for one week trips to the Carolinas, Pennsylvania and Ohio that had been set for Friday and Saturday.

An announcement said the postponement was prompted by "uncertainty about the conclusion of the summit."

With summit participants known to be aiming for a windup by Friday, Carter concentrated on a proposed conference-ending document designed to be broad enough in language to gain Begin's and Sadat's final approval.

According to diplomatic sources,

the statement also would aim at drawing Jordan eventually into the U.S.-led peace process.

"We are obviously approaching the final stages," said Powell, the White House press secretary, in an overall assessment of the nine-day-old conference. "I can't imagine any more intensive period of discussions."

Powell said the pace of the marathon talks here had accelerated, but added, "There is still no basis for informed speculation as to the final outcome."

Powell did confirm that work had begun on drafting a summit-ending statement.

"Without getting too specific about it, there has been a reduction of thoughts to paper, and comments upon them," he said.

Up before daybreak Wednesday, Carter met with key advisers following a late session Tuesday night with Begin. It was the first formal get-together of the two leaders since Sunday.

Carter has not brought Begin and Sadat together at the negotiating table since last Thursday.

Spreading Nicaraguan rebellion pits plain people against troops

By LEW WHEATON

ESTELI, Nicaragua (AP) — An army of leftist guerrillas and local volunteers, united in their desire to get rid of President Anastasio Somoza, holds this town of 40,000 in north-west Nicaragua and keeps the national guard garrison under siege.

"Let them come. We are ready here," said a young man when told that Somoza had sent reinforcements for the garrison.

"This is a battle of the people," said one man in his 40s carrying an old hunting rifle. "We are farmers, workers, industrialists. I myself am an industrialist with a small furniture factory."

Outside a four-block area around the national guard's command post, the streets were blocked by the rebels' chest-high barricades of earth-filled flour sacks and paving stones at nearly every corner.

The Tall City among least crowded cities

Midland's population may be growing rapidly, but it's still one of the nation's 50 "least-crowded cities," according to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The department recently released data which indicates Midland has 74 people per square mile, based on the city's 1975 population.

Odessa was listed as having 107 people per square mile, according to the federal agency.

Both West Texas communities were listed among the nation's 50 least crowded cities.

San Angelo, according to the data, was less densely populated than Midland or Odessa, with 50 people per square mile.

But, by comparison, Laredo was noted as having only 25 people per square mile.

Wichita Falls was shown as having 75 people per square mile. Amarillo had 87 people per square mile, according to the data.

And Abilene was listed as having 48

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Many of those manning the barricades were young men, but there also were many older people, both women and men, armed with rifles and pistols.

They appeared to be led by a core of tough-looking men in their mid-20s with automatic weapons, members of the Sandinista Liberation Front, the leftist guerrilla army that has been fighting the Somoza dynasty for more than 10 years.

"What you must make clear to the world is that we are not Communists," said a middle-aged man on the steps of a small store. "This is a

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Now, the great debate on the better mouse trap

By MIKE SHANAHAN

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate appropriates billions of dollars for the nation's defense, wrestles with the president over foreign affairs and sets national policy on a wide variety of other issues.

But the Senate appears defeated by the lowly mouse.

Things have gotten serious enough for Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., to take to the Senate floor to speak on the problem.

In remarks prepared for delivery today, Proxmire described "legions of mice" now infesting the Senate office building where he works.

"We have brown mice, white mice, soft, furry mice, spotted mice, short-tailed mice, long-tailed mice, blunt-nosed mice, fat, satisfied, arrogant, omnipresent mice," Proxmire said.

"The problem has grown to epidemic proportions," he said. "We can no longer escape it. The mice are everywhere, and their size and numbers increase daily in geometric profusion."

An aide to Proxmire said he

saw one mouse crawl into a bowl of poison, eat it and then look around as if asking for more.

In his speech, Proxmire said the only response of Senate officials has been to hire one exterminator. "One heroic man...one man alone guards this fortress against the enemy," Proxmire said.

Building officials say the problem is that the holes around heating and other utility pipes are substantially bigger than the pipes themselves, giving mice freedom to roam within the building walls and make forays out into senators' offices.

In the end, a Proxmire aide said, there is no solution to what the senator described as a "marauding horde."

Tongue in cheek, Proxmire said hopes of obtaining Republican support to finance plugging up the holes have been thwarted.

"But the Republicans are running scared," he said. "Elephants and mice do not mix, as we all know. Perhaps that is why there are so few Republicans in the Senate."

WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Low tonight mid-60s. High Friday mid-60s. Details on Page 4A.

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Lease bidders short of December mark

By JOE SALMAN
R-T Oil Editor

Fifty-three successful bidders paid bonuses totaling \$9,712,000 Wednesday at the 68th University Lands Auction sale which was held in the Midland Hilton Ballroom.

More than 200 bidders were on hand for the auction, which fell far short of the record bonus total of \$17,870,500, set in Midland last December.

James B. Zimmerman, geologist in charge of the University Lands office here, said prior to the sale that he thought the bonus total could approach the record. Following the sale, he said, "I guess we were spoiled by the first two sales here. Actually, I am pleased with the total, although I did expect more."

Only three University Lands auctions have ever been held outside the state capital, and all three were in Midland — in April 1977, December 1977 and on Wednesday.

The three sales have netted \$40,900,000 in bonuses for The University of

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Texas System's permanent fund. Wednesday's sale got off to a promising start with a bid by Exxon Corp. of \$800,000 for a tract in Pecos County, pushing the bonus total to \$4,356,000 with the sale only 90 minutes old. With many of the "choice" leases in Pecos County going during the morn-

ing, the bidding fell off in the afternoon.

Exxon's \$800,000 bid was the highest of the sale, and set a record for a Midland sale.

Chevron U.S.A., Inc., had the second highest bid, paying \$500,000 for each of two Pecos County tracts.

Chevron also turned in the fourth highest bid, \$370,000, also for a Pecos County tract.

Rounding out the 10 high bids were Claude E. Neeley of Midland, \$300,000; Exxon, \$300,000; Exxon, \$250,000; Exxon, \$230,000; Exxon, \$210,000, and Hunt Energy Corp., \$186,000.

The top purchaser of the sale was Exxon, spending \$2,577,000. Chevron was second with \$1,510,000, followed

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Auctioneer Blake Moore, left, points out a bidder at the 68th University Lands Auction sale held at the Midland Hilton Wednesday. (Staff Photo by Bruce Partain)

Testimony ends in health care request

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The former nursing director of a home health care agency in Orange says she had to put herself on round-the-clock call because other staff nurses "couldn't cope with dying patients."

Peggy McKenna testified Wednesday in support of an application to start Texas' first hospice for terminally ill patients. It would be based in Orange and would serve patients in Jefferson, Newton, Hardin and Jasper counties, as well as Orange County.

Mrs. McKenna, now a housewife, has applied to become director of nursing services for the proposed Southeast Texas Hospice, Inc.

Home Health-Home Care, Inc., for whom she worked in 1973-76, opposes the application.

If the application is approved by the Texas Health Facilities Commission, groups in other cities also are expected to seek permits.

The commission rejected the application in June but granted a rehearing, which lasted two days and ended Wednesday.

Mrs. McKenna said that as late as 1972 Home Health-Home Care had no psychiatrist, bereavement program, counseling or volunteers to work with dying patients.

Asked if the agency showed more concern for the terminally ill in the next few years, she replied: "I was showing more concern for the terminally ill."

She said a major difference in the proposed hospice and other home health care agencies is that the hospice "would devote all its energy to the care of the terminally ill patient in the last three to six months of his life."

Joan Lyons, who has applied to be director of volunteers for the hospice, said 42 persons already have volunteered even though the hospice is not yet in operation.

Existing home health care agencies, she said, "are not doing what we propose to do."

The agencies, however, contend that the proposed hospice would merely duplicate their efforts.



Surrounded by floral tributes to the memory of Elmer Holmes Bobst, former President Richard M. Nixon paid a last tribute Wednesday to the man who had been a friend and financial backer. (AP Laserphoto)

Nixon signs book contract

NEW YORK (AP) — Former President Richard Nixon flies home to California today after signing a contract for a new book, attending a memorial service for an old friend, and being just barely missed by an overripe tomato.

Nixon appeared unconcerned and never looked back as his limousine pulled away Wednesday from a boisterous crowd of several hundred that gathered outside the site of the memorial service.

Two of the crowd were arrested — the man who allegedly threw the tomato, missing the former president and hitting a policeman, and a teenager accused of throwing eggs at the policemen taking the first man away.

An aide said Nixon would take a mid-day flight back to California.

Nixon arrived here Monday and on Tuesday signed the contract for a book about the future of American foreign policy, as yet untitled.

His only public appearance Wednesday — and the main reason for the timing of his visit — was the service for Elmer Holmes Bobst, a long-time friend and one-time financial backer of Nixon who died Aug. 2 at the age of 93.

The ceremony at a library and study center at New York University named for Bobst drew a crowd of

about 200 for Nixon's arrival, and by the time he left the crowd had grown to about 400, many of them greeting him with loud boos.

At the closed ceremony, watched by reporters on closed-circuit television in another NYU building, Nixon eulogized Bobst as "a true and loyal friend in good times and also in bad times."

It was during one of the bad times, after Nixon's 1962 defeat by Edmund G. "Pat" Brown for the California governorship, that Bobst, the former chairman of the Warner-Lambert pharmaceutical firm, used his influence to get Nixon a job in a Wall Street law firm.

Also speaking at the memorial were Dr. Norman Vincent Peale and Laurance Rockefeller, chairman of the board of the Sloane-Kettering Cancer Center.

The man who allegedly threw the tomato, A.J. Weberman, 33, is a self-styled writer well known in Greenwich Village.

Weberman, who was booked on charges of felonious assault and "possession of a dangerous instrument," had earlier made a speech in Washington Square denouncing Nixon as "the symbol of the worst of the American character."

The teenager, 17-year-old Charles Wise, was charged with disorderly conduct.

House shreds alternate military shopping list

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Armed Services Committee, still smarting over President Carter's rejection of a \$2 billion nuclear aircraft carrier, has virtually shredded its shopping list for scores of alternate military projects.

The committee sent Defense Secretary Harold Brown back to the Pentagon without an extra penny Wednesday after one member said angrily that some of the proposed substitutes for the carrier money "are just plain turkeys."

On a vote of 36 to 1, the panel simply deleted the big ship from the defense authorization bill, vetoed by Carter Aug. 17, and sent the measure, now totaling \$35 billion, back to the floor without further major change.

The chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Sen. John C. Stennis, D-Miss., appeared to have his committee on the same course as the House group, despite Brown's fervent plea that total defense spending be kept at the president's proposed ceiling of \$126 billion for fiscal 1979, including \$37 billion in the latest bill.

Carter and Brown have claimed that Congress arbitrarily cut \$2 billion from that total to make room for the unwanted carrier, and the defense secretary asked Wednesday for virtually everything that was trimmed last spring.

As examples, the list includes \$39 million for tanks, \$35 million for air defense missiles, \$40 million for converting com-

mercially operated aircraft for possible emergency military use, \$26 million for the Trident II missile, a host of research and development projects and even \$2.8 million for "morale improvement counseling."

Brown said that "in view of the steady and long-standing military buildup on the part of the Soviet Union...we must bolster our defense and those of the NATO alliance. We must reassure the American public and our allies, and make it clear to the Soviets, that we will not falter."

The defense total of \$126 billion, he said, is "essential to our security."

But Rep. Melvin Price, D-Ill., chairman of the House committee, said that any previous cuts were made on their own merits and had nothing to do with financing the carrier.

"I oppose the addition of any new items to the bill," Price said. "There is not time to have a complete review of all the items that would normally go into a new bill."

The new fiscal year begins Oct. 1, and Congress is eager to adjourn for the November elections.

The committee's action would not preclude the administration from trying again, possibly early next year, by making a supplemental request for the same budget year. Brown confirmed he would do just that, if necessary.

"There is nothing sacrosanct about the figure of \$126 billion," said Rep.

Ronald Dellums, D-Calif., who cast the only vote against the new bill because "I'd rather cut \$9 billion, not just \$2 billion."

"To come up here and say that since we don't have that nuclear aircraft carrier we should spread that money around someplace else is just ludicrous, ridiculous, totally absurd," Dellums said.

Rep. Thomas Downey, D-N.Y., snapped at Brown: "You're playing fast and loose with the legislative process. Some of the things you've asked for are just plain turkeys."

Time and again, Brown represented the difference between \$124 billion and \$126 billion as one rifle with danger. "I would hate it if the Soviets invaded Western Europe and we had to wave signs to say we didn't intend to cut our capability," he said.

Test reveals genes

BOSTON (AP) — A test that reveals the makeup of the genes that control immunity provides an almost foolproof way to find the identity of a child's true father, researchers say.

The new paternity test already has been used in some court cases in California, and doctors report it is so sensitive that it can even determine the rare cases when twins are fathered by different men.

Researchers say the new method, called HLA typing, is far more accurate than the standard blood test used in the past to shed light on paternity.

"This is the single most powerful test for determining paternity," said Judy Bond, a researcher at UCLA Medical School in Los Angeles.

A report on the test was published in today's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine.

HLA typing has been known for about 20 years. But until now, it has mainly been used before organ transplants to make sure that the risk of rejection by the body is as small as possible.

The human body reproduces HLA antigens, which fight the introduction of foreign substances such as a transplanted kidney. These antigens are controlled by a group of genes whose specific makeup varies from person to person.

With HLA typing, researchers are able to perform chemical tests on white blood cells that will reveal the kind of antigens in the suspected father's body. By identifying the antigens, they are able to determine the kind of genes he has.

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11 area students named Merit semi-finalists

Eleven students from the Midland area have been selected as National Merit Scholarship semi-finalists.

The students were selected from more than 1 million high school students enrolled throughout the United States. Some 15,000 were selected throughout the country on the basis of test scores and class standings.

Merit semi-finalists from Lee High School include Kimberly A. Davis, John Denier, Judy A. Roop, Catherine A. Shelley and Robert Warfield. Midland High School semi-finalists

include William N. Creager and Peter Schweinfurth.

Area students who qualified for the honor include Mark A. Jones and William J. King of Big Spring, John M. Sheppard of Crane and Gregory L. Brower of Lamesa.

Miss Davis, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Davis, No. 3 Reo Court, received an academic letter for maintaining a 4.0 grade point average and a PTA award both her sophomore and junior years. She served as French Club treasurer her junior year. She is also a member of the Rebellets honor squad, the

National Honor Society and Junior Achievement. She was recognized in Who's Who in American High School Students.

Denier, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Denier, 4804 Leisure, has received an academic letter his sophomore and junior years, is a member of the French Club, National Honor Society and has been recognized in Who's Who Among American High School Students. He was selected to attend

the American Legion Boys State and placed fourth in the Sul Ross government competition.

Miss Roop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Roop, 3609 Shell, received an academic letter and band letter her sophomore and Junior years. is a member of National Honor Society, the band, the German Club and toured Europe last summer with the German Club.

Miss Shelley, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Richard L. Shelley, 3220 W. Shandon, has received an academic letter and a band letter for two years, is a member of the medical Explorers Post, the Latin Club and the National Honor Society where she serves as vice president. Warfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Warfield, 3202 Boyd, received an academic letter two years, is a member of the astronomy club, the National Honor Society and Mensa. He was selected to attend the American Legion Boys State his junior year.

Creager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nance Creager, 2511 Camerie, is a member of National Honor Society, the German Club, the band, the Student Council and Junior Achievement where he serves as treasurer. He was selected as a national delegate and national treasurer of the year for Junior Achievement for 1977-78. He attended a math and science workshop at Cornell last summer.

Peter Schweinfurth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schweinfurth, attended Midland High School last year and is presently a student at Lawrenceville School in Lawrenceville, N.J.

Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clement R. Jones, is a member of the Key Club and the Boy Scouts.

King, son of Mr. and Mrs. David King, is active in the science club and cross country track team.

Sheppard, son of Mr. and Mrs. B.D. Sheppard, served as manager for the football and basketball teams, is president of the National Honor Society and is a member of the annual staff. Active in debate and the speech club, he has placed in several area tournaments and was selected to attend the American Legion Boys State.

Officials disputing potential of Los Angeles busing plan

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The nation's newest and largest racial busing program completed a second day with school buses slowed by rain and education officials disputing the plan's potential for success.

Children wearing slickers and carrying umbrellas clustered on street corners Wednesday across the 711-square-mile Los Angeles Unified School District waiting for buses that were up to an hour late.

Many of the 2,300 buses were stuck in rush-hour traffic that worsened as a light, warm rain made congested freeways slick.

In spite of transportation problems, Board of Education President Howard Miller pronounced the second day of busing a major success.

He said attendance increased dramatically after parents heard that the first day of integration had been peaceful. The second day also was

free of violence and there was no recurrence of the scattered picketing of opening day.

Miller released figures showing that about 5,000 children who stayed home Tuesday rode the buses on Wednesday. Miller said the second day's enrollment throughout the district was up to 97 percent of first week expectations and that proved a threatened white boycott had failed.

The figures, however, also included schools not involved in the integration program that covers only the fourth through eighth grades. It affects 60,000 children in the 570,000-pupil system.

Board member Bobbi Fiedler, chief foe of the busing plan, noted that Miller's figures ignored the question of whether integration truly is taking place.

Mrs. Fiedler said calls made by herself and members of the anti-busing group Busstop to schools involved in the

integration plan showed that 78 percent of students on the buses were minorities and only 22 percent were white.

Vitamin E shots may offer protection from fatal respiratory complication

BOSTON (AP) — Vitamin E shots may be able to protect babies from a dangerous complication of respiratory distress syndrome, the biggest killer of premature infants, a Yale Medical School study says.

The lungs of premature babies often are not fully developed, and the infants must be kept alive on respira-

tors. But the rich oxygen pumped into their bodies can damage the lining of their lungs. This complication, called bronchopulmonary dysplasia, can itself be fatal.

The Yale research, published today in the New England Journal of Medicine, found that injections of vitamin E can trap a damaging form of oxygen before it harms the lungs.



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District Governor will address Southside Lions

Continuing his round of meetings with Lions Clubs of Midland, Lions District Gov. Harland B. Brancel of San Angelo will address the Southside Lions Club Friday noon at luncheon in the club's den, 111 E. New York St. Mrs. Brancel is expected to accompany her husband.

The governor, a member and past president of the San Angelo Sundown Lions Club, paid his official visit to the Midland Westside Lions Club today noon. He will meet with the Evening Lions Club at 8:30 today in the Westside Lions Den.

He will return to Midland Sept. 20 to visit the Terminal Lions Club. The other Midland clubs will be visited at later dates.

The governor has held numerous assignments at local and district levels and last year was chairman of the District Eye Bank's board of directors.

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J. Falkenburg Jr.

DENVER CITY — Services for Jake Falkenburg Jr., 52, of Denver City, father of Jeff Falkenburg of McCamey, were to be at 4:30 p.m. today in First Baptist Church of Denver City, with the Rev. Truitt House, pastor of Faith Baptist Church in Denver City, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Houston of Lewisville.

Burial will be in Denver City Memorial Park directed by Singleton Funeral Home.

Falkenburg died Tuesday in a Denver City hospital after an apparent heart attack.

He was born in Roscoe. He was a World War II veteran. He was a member of Faith Baptist Church. He moved to Denver City in 1940. He was married to Ava Falkenburg Feb. 14, 1948. He worked as a gauger for Shell Pipeline.

Other survivors include his wife, two daughters, his mother, five sisters, a brother and a grandson.

Ora Huitt

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. Charlie (Ora) Huitt, 52, will be at 3 p.m. Saturday in Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Huitt died Tuesday. She was born Feb. 18, 1926, in Jayton. She had been a Big Spring resident 35 years. She was a member of the College Park Church of God.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Ronnie Huitt, Roger Huitt and Rodney Huitt, all of Big Spring; four daughters, Charlene Kennedy of Fort Polk, La., and Eva Chapel, Brenda Dugger and Elaine Huitt, all of Big Spring; two sisters, Mrs. Lloyd Arnold of Big Spring and Mrs. Jewell Kelley of Lufkin; two brothers, Ed Hamlin of Lubbock and Joe Hamlin of Big Spring, and 16 grandchildren.

Fred Armstrong

KERMIT — Fred W. Armstrong, 67, of Kermit, father of R.C. Armstrong of Big Lake, died Wednesday in a Kermit hospital after an illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Kermit Cemetery directed by Cooper Funeral Home.

He was born Aug. 26, 1911, in Weatherford. He was a retired operator for Sid Richardson Gasoline Plant. He was a member of First Baptist Church. He had lived in Kermit 26 years, moving here from Levelland. He was married to Florence Davis March 31, 1936, in Levelland.

Survivors include his wife, a son, three brothers, three sisters, six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Dorothy Barlow

ROSWELL, N.M. — Services for Dorothy Louise Barlow, 54, of Roswell, N.M., mother of Charlotte Myers of Midland, will be 10 a.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church with Dr. John S. Rasco, pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. David Moore, visitation minister. Burial will be in South Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Barlow died Tuesday in a Roswell hospital.

She was born Nov. 16, 1923, in Florida, Ala., and was married to Aubrey Barlow on March 22, 1941, in Bloomburg. He died in July 1975. She was an executive supervisor of business offices for Mountain Bell Telephone Company. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Roswell.

Other survivors include three sisters and two grandchildren.

Rosa Mauldin

BRECKENRIDGE — Rosa "Dollie" Mauldin, 79, grandmother of George McBride of Midland, died Tuesday in a Breckenridge hospital.

Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Melton Funeral Home in Breckenridge with the Rev. Harry Grant, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Breckenridge cemetery.

Mrs. Mauldin was born Rosa Geneta Davis July 20, 1899, in Cistern. She married George Mauldin July 12, 1919, in Sipe Springs.

She had lived in Breckenridge since 1923. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and Fidelis Matron Sunday school class. A Gold Star Mother, she was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Daughters of the Confederate Army. She was a member of the Women's Forum and the Women's Club in Breckenridge.

Other survivors include a sister, a nephew and four great-grandchildren.

Groppi hoping for new start

MILWAUKEE (AP) — James E. Groppi, a civil rights activist in the 1960s and a former Roman Catholic priest, says he anticipates becoming a father and an Episcopal priest.

In a letter published here Monday, Groppi said he is teaching at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and is studying at Virginia Theological Seminary to become a priest in the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.

Bertha Heffernan

BIG SPRING — Services for Bertha Heffernan, 91, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home with burial in Lamesa Cemetery.

Mrs. Heffernan died Tuesday night in a Big Spring hospital.

She was born Feb. 23, 1887. She came to Big Spring in 1904.

Survivors include a son, Herman Heffernan of Los Angeles, Calif.; a sister, Ethel Peterson of Phoenix, Ariz., and two grandsons.

Bridgeport jails are filled with striking teachers

By The Associated Press

Teachers have new contracts in Boston, Burlington, Vt., and Elgin, Ill., but efforts to settle wages disputes are still stymied in Cleveland, Dayton, Seattle and especially Bridgeport, Conn., where more than 70 teachers remain in jail today for refusing to end their walkout in Connecticut's largest city.

The Bridgeport Education Association, representing the striking teachers, asked for resumption of negotiations today. A group of 63 teachers joined 13 union leaders and negotiators in jail Wednesday for refusing to obey a back-to-work injunction.

The jailed strikers are being fined \$350 a day for every day they disobey the injunction while the union has to pay a \$10,000-a-day fine. The association also must pay the cost of keeping the teachers in custody.

Nutrition program gets divided vote

Only one issue received a divided vote when the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission board of directors met Wednesday.

A grant application from West Texas Opportunities to fund a community food and nutrition program passed the board by a 10 to 5 vote.

The group is applying for \$12,753 in federal funds for the program to operate in Dawson, Martin, Upton and Glasscock counties. Plans call for a program coordinator to be hired.

The board gave favorable comment to the grant application from the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation for construction of a north frontage road along Interstate-10 in Pecos County and to a grant application from Pecos to develop Saragosa Park.

The city of Goldsmith received favorable comment on its application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for \$234,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds.

If approved by HUD, the money will be used to improve the city's gas distribution system which reportedly leaks. The current system is a "threat to the public health and safety of the community," according to a report.

Also receiving favorable comment on their applications for CDBG funds were the city of Ft. Stockton and the city of Big Spring.

West Texas Opportunities' grant is for funding its administration and general services while another grant is to fund a Head Start program in Lamesa, Stanton and McCamey.

Title VI Plan and Title III Plan, both for Manpower Services, were passed.

Applications from Midland Community Action Agency for a community food and nutrition program and to fund a citizen participation program were withdrawn before the meeting.

Man charged with assault

A Midland man was in jail Wednesday night following his being formally charged with aggravated assault by threat, according to authorities.

Samuel William Bryan, 29, of the 300 block of South Terrell Street was in custody in City Jail Wednesday night in lieu of a \$10,000 bail bond after he appeared before Peace Justice Robert H. Pine earlier in the day.

Bryan was arrested by Midland police officers early Wednesday morning in the 2100 block of West Washington Avenue for alleged aggravated assault on a police officer, according to reports.

He was arrested after an incident in which a man allegedly refused to put down a .22-caliber pistol with which he reportedly threatened officers and a woman, said authorities.

Family doctor in great demand

The family doctor, at one time considered to be the level in the medical profession for those who couldn't make it as specialists, is in more demand now than the specialist, according to a member of The University of Texas Board of Regents.

Sterling H. Fly, the doctor on the three-member board, told members of the Downtown Lions Club Wednesday that Texas is "quite short" of general practitioners. The state overall has a doctor shortage, he said.

"Family practice is the most sought out specialty in the medical profession. It has gone from the least to the most," Fly said during a dinner address.

"The problem is not that students are not anxious to go into family practice these days, but just that it takes a lot of resources and people to train them."

Fly said the state's seven medical schools need to graduate 1,000 to 1,200 doctors each year in order for Texas "to catch up" in the area of health care. He added that the institutions have the potential for turning out as many as 1,400 doctors each year and also indicated that "we're making some headway."

"We don't need any more medical schools. What we do need is more doctors; more general practitioners," he said.

"But it's very expensive. The University of Texas medical branch at Galveston with 2,000 students has a budget slightly less than The University of Texas at Austin with something like 40,000 students.

"Twenty-five percent of the doctors who have graduated should go into family practice. We're quite short of that now. We need to be training 300 general practitioners each year."

Fly said in an interview later that Texas should experience an influx of new doctors within the next three to four years.

"The doctor distribution problem is more serious than the actual number of doctors. It's worse in the rural and poverty areas. But at the current rate of our medical school growth, the seven medical schools in the state will be more than adequate to take care of the need in the future," he said.

"An important thing we have to keep in mind is the funding situation. We have enough medical schools. The medical schools we have, have got to be properly financed in order to reap their full potential.

"The funding right now is at a level adequate enough to keep the schools going. But as the additional students are brought in, funding has got to be increased."

It cost the state between \$75,000 and \$100,000 to graduate a doctor, according to Fly.

The Ulvade doctor, who is also a member of The University of Texas Land Lease board, told the Lions that two million acres of West Texas land in The University of Texas Land System has through the years generated more than \$1 billion.

The interest from the special funds is used to finance new university construction projects and educational programs, he noted.

He said he was pleased that The University of Texas of the Permian Basin has introduced a petroleum engineering masters program into this year's curriculum in conjunction with The University of Texas at Austin.

Commenting on the investigation by the American Association of University Professors of several faculty complaints at UTPB, Fly disputed reports that the university's federal or state funds may be in jeopardy.

"The board of regents does take this very seriously since we're dealing with personnel problems. We need to discuss the matter fully in executive session before we decide whether there's a need for any action," the regent said.

"I am not aware of any threat of withdrawal of funds. We've read

lots of letters and had lots of communication on the matter. It is under considerable discussion. But I do anticipate that The University of Texas of the Permian Basin will grow and prosper. It has every reason to be highly successful."

Midland man jailed for pot

An 18-year-old Midland man was in custody in City Jail early today following his arrest by police at 12:50 a.m. for alleged possession of marijuana, according to authorities.

Police said the man was arrested in the 100 block of Spraberry Drive after the vehicle he was in was stopped for a alleged traffic violation.

Two men got out of the vehicle, police said. A bulging bag of a substance police believe to be marijuana was seen protruding from the pocket of the 18-year-old, according to reports.

When the bag dropped to the street, the man picked it up and tried to swallow it, according to authorities.

Loren Guess of the 1300 block of West Wall Avenue told police at 11:09 p.m. Wednesday that two windows of a pickup truck in the vicinity were broken earlier. Damage was estimated at \$50, according to reports.

Speakers named

Tall City Toastmasters Club members winning honors in today's early meeting included George Horst, best speaker; Charlie Newsom, most improved speaker; Roger Freidline, best evaluator; Steve Wright, spark plug, and Don Eckerty, best table topics.

Club members said interested persons are invited to a Humorous Speech Contest next week at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Western Sizzlin' Steakhouse, 515 Andrews Highway.

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'Coursing' should be outlawed, Hance insists

By MARK VOGLER
R-T Staff Writer

"Coursing," the practice of using jackrabbits as live bait in greyhound training exercises, ought to be outlawed in Texas, according to congressional candidate Kent Hance.

Hance, a Democrat and the state senator from Lubbock who is opposing Republican George W. Bush of Midland for the 19th Congressional District seat, said Tuesday that he personally opposes the activity for "disease and inhumane reasons."

"I don't think it should be taking place in Texas. I sponsored a bill this year by Rep.

Chris Miller (D-Fort Worth) that would have prohibited 'coursing,' but it died before it ever reached the floor because it never got on the calendar," Hance said in a telephone interview Tuesday afternoon.

"I believe the bill would have passed had it gotten out of committee. I'm sure that somebody will try to enter a bill next year and I expect that it will pass. I don't think there's any need for 'coursing' in dog racing. Mechanical rabbits can be used."

Hance said that his stand on "coursing" is not part of his platform in his run for Congress.

Commenting on several feder-

al investigations into the sale of West Texas jackrabbits to greyhound trainers in as many as 40 states across the country, the state senator said he thought the issue ought to be resolved within each of the states rather than develop into a federal case.

The transportation of jackrabbits from the Midland-Odessa area has already sparked independent investigations by the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Agriculture Department, the FBI, the IRS, the Colorado Racing Commission and the Texas Attorney General's office into various phases of the unusual animal industry.

Hance said he was unaware of

any of the investigations and indicated he was "a bit surprised that it's this big a deal."

Sharon Burrer, a legislative assistant for Rep. Miller, said Tuesday that Hance was eager to push the bill through the Legislature this year, but claimed the bill was killed by a committee chairman "for political reasons not germane to the rabbit issue."

She said she believes the citizens of Texas are opposed to the practice because of some of its far-reaching implications.

"Since some of the 'coursing' takes place in public view, it's bound to have a bad influence on the children who watch it. A

certain amount of gambling goes on at these events. And there are rumors of Mafia connection because of the money involved," Ms. Burrer said.

"It's an emotional issue that has a lot of people upset. There are quite a few 'coursing' tracks located throughout the state. We have received feedback from people all over the state who are opposed to it."

"We didn't realize the emotional need for banning this activity until we got into the testimony. We've run with the bill two years in a row. The bill would have passed. But it was getting the bill to the floor that was difficult."

Rep. Miller initially was contacted by the Tarrant County Chapter of the Humane Society of the U.S. before bringing the 'coursing' issue to the attention of state legislators.

Humane Society members later provided Ms. Miller's office with photographs, diagrams and written reports of coursing events in Texas. Some of the photographs show rabbits being torn apart by hounds.

"It (coursing) seems a little bit grisly. It's not something I would want to take my kids to on a Sunday afternoon. It's rather disgusting that this is allowed to go on," said Ms. Burrer.

Escapees roam Arkansas after shootout, hijacking

MARIANNA, Ark. (AP) — Poor weather hampered a search today for four pistol-packing Tennessee prison escapees who hijacked a private plane and later commandeered a pickup truck in east Arkansas.

Low clouds and heavy rain washed out plans for an aerial search of the sparsely-settled section of eastern Arkansas where the escapees were believed hiding with a hostage.

Arkansas State Police and FBI agents began gathering shortly after dawn to begin a ground search for the fugitives who landed in a small, hijacked airplane in a rice field east of Marianna just before dark Wednesday.

State troopers patrolled hundreds of miles of rural roads during the

night but authorities said they expected their quarry had gone into hiding or had escaped from the area.

"They had an hour head start on us," Lt. Charlie Logan, an assistant commander of the state police at Forrest City, said.

One of the escapees grew up in Forrest City, and police say that could make their search more difficult.

Logan said escapee Larry Chism is intimately familiar with the area's tangled network of rural roads, swampy woods, creeks and rivers.

"That's our problem — Larry Chism knows every nook and cranny. He's fished and hunted in there all his life," Logan said.

The minimum-security inmates boarded a green-and-white, single-engine Cessna 182 in Dickson, Tenn., some 220 miles east of Marianna, at mid-afternoon Wednesday. They had blasted their way out of a bowling alley in Dickson while on a field trip and grabbed the first in a string of hostages.

The hostage they still held was Richard Rutledge, a Lee County farmer, who heard the airplane land near his home and drove out in his pickup to offer help. Sheriff Robert May said, "From what we can gather they got in and forced him to take them someplace."

Authorities sealed area roads, called in the FBI and started a manhunt.

Edward Atchison, owner of the Bowl-O-Rena in Dickson, said that

when the four men came out of the bathroom, "it didn't look like they were trying to hurt anybody."

"They were just trying to get away," he said. "They were shooting at the ceiling. They shot one of the guards who was shooting back at them. And they shot one of the prisoners but that was an accident."

Transportation guard Howard Talley, 35, of Centerville, Tenn., was hit in the arm and was in stable condition at a Dickson hospital. A prisoner, James Wine, 24, was slightly wounded by some buckshot that ricocheted off the ceiling.

The fugitives were among 30 inmates from Turney Center, a minimum security facility at Only, Tenn., visiting the Dickson bowling alley on a monthly outing. Dickson is about 40 miles west of Nashville.

The fugitives abducted a bowling alley employee, Carolyn Barnett, and sped away in another worker's car. Authorities believe the two shotguns were hidden in advance in a bathroom storage closet by an accomplice.

At the airport they released Miss Barnett, unharmed, grabbed Dickson Municipal Airport manager Mel Romine and jumped aboard the plane.

At least a dozen private planes and two helicopters from the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky., participated in the search for the

hijacked aircraft.

Jim McPeters, associate warden at the Turney Center, identified the escapees as George Bonds, 24, of Granite City, Ill., serving a 20-year sentence for rape; Larry Chism, 28, of Forrest City, Ark., serving a 40-year sentence for selling a controlled substance and armed robbery; Ronald Lyons, 38, of Ohio, serving a 50-year sentence for robbery with a deadly weapon; and Floyd Brewer, 28, of Rutherford County, serving a 35-year sentence for rape.

Community efforts to buy company boosted

WASHINGTON (AP) — An unusual campaign to purchase Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company's abandoned Campbell Steel Works got a cautious shot in the arm with release of a report that said community ownership, "though difficult, is technically feasible."

The report, funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, says the aged Campbell Works could be purchased and modernized for an estimated \$525 million, including \$300 million worth of federal loan guarantees.

Advocates of the Youngstown venture believe President Carter will be drawn to it as an economic development showcase for his new urban policy.

A year ago, without warning,

Youngstown Sheet and Tube shocked Ohio's Mahoning Valley with an announcement that it was closing its Campbell Steel Works. Within weeks, 4,100 employees — including many who had worked at the plant for decades — were put out of work.

Facing community catastrophe, Youngstown religious leaders organized the effort to study the feasibility of reopening the steelyard under community ownership and are leading the campaign to establish a "for-profit" community corporation to buy the plant.

The report acknowledged two principal difficulties in reopening the Campbell Works — arranging the hefty financial package and developing an annual market for at least 1.5 million tons of steel.

Services bill OK'd

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bill extending the federal government's social service programs for the elderly for three years has been approved by House and Senate negotiators.

The compromise measure, with a \$4 billion price tag, was accepted by a voice vote on Wednesday.

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Six wildcat operations set in West Texas areas

Six wildcat operations have been announced in West Texas counties. HNG Oil Co. of Midland No. 1-16 Felmot-State will be drilled as a 5,000-foot operation in Reeves County, 17 miles northwest of Pecos.

It is 645 feet from south and 530 feet from east lines of section 16, block 55, T-4, T&P survey. Ground elevation is 3,040 feet.

The drillsite is 2.5 miles northwest

2,000-foot wildcat in Crockett County, eight miles southeast of Iran and one mile southeast of the Millard (Queen oil) field.

Location is 467 feet from south and 1,200 feet from west lines of section 61, block 1, I&G survey, abstract 57.

Elevation at drillsite is 2,150 feet.

UPTON PROJECTS

John L. Cox of Midland spotted three projects in the Spraberry Trend Area field of Upton County.

Scheduled for 8,700-foot bottom, they are approximately 16 miles northeast of Rankin.

No. 1 Amacker is one and one-fourth miles southwest of production and 1,320 feet from south and east lines of section 56, block Y, TCRS survey.

Cox No. 1-B Priest is to be drilled 1/2 mile north and west of production and 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 12, block Y, GC&SF survey.

Cox staked No. 1-L Owens one mile southeast of production and 1,320 feet from south and east lines of section 9, block 2.5, GC&SF survey.

TOM GREEN RE-ENTRY

Texan Resources Corp. of Houston announced plans to re-enter a Tom Green County project and attempt completions as the second well in the Cristoval, North (Palo Pinto gas) field.

It is the former Tucker Drilling Co., Inc., and Jones & Lyons No. 1 J. Willis Johnson and others. It will be operated by Texan as the No. 3 Johnson.

Hole will be cleaned out to 4,900 feet. It is 670 feet east of the southeast corner of J. DeBoer survey No. 93, thence 656 feet north to location in John Craddock survey No. 1.

The project was abandoned in 1959. Project site is 2,310 feet southwest of the discovery, Texan No. 1 Johnson.

SCHLEICHER TEST

The Sterling Co. of Midland No. 1-A

Mertz has been spotted as a north stepout to the three-well Mertz-Hamill (Strawn gas) field of Schleicher County, five miles south of Eldorado.

Scheduled for a 6,700-foot bottom, it is 760 feet from south and 990 feet from east lines of section 24, block A, HE&WT survey. Ground elevation is 2,383.4 feet.

NOLAN STRIKE

W. H. Price of Granbury filed potential test for a Canyon Reef discovery in Nolan County, 4.5 miles northwest of Blackwell.

It is No. 1 Whiteside. It finalized for a daily flowing potential of 286 barrels of 40-gravity oil, no water, through perforations from 3,967 to 3,999 feet after 500 gallons of acid.

The flow was gauged through a 20/64-inch choke. Gas-oil ratio is 423-1. The potential was based on a 12-hour flow.

Total depth is 4,060 feet and 44.5-inch casing is cemented at plugged back depth of 4,028 feet.

Wellsite is 330 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 67, block 1-A, H&C survey. It is a south offset to the Saddle Creek opener in the Group, South (Saddle Creek and Ellenburger) field.

The Canyon reef was topped at 3,958 feet on Kelly bushing elevation of 2,237 feet.

WARD RE-ENTRY

D. H. Hunt of Dallas will re-enter the former Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 1 F. H. Scott, 21,041-foot wildcat failure in Ward County and attempt to complete the project as the second Cherry Canyon well in the Scott multipay field.

Operator also will attempt completion in the Delaware zone, a field pay.

Location is 1,320 feet from north-east and 1,980 feet from northwest lines of section 31, block 33, H&C survey and one mile northeast of the Cherry Canyon discovery.

ENERGY OIL & GAS

of an undesignated gas discovery.

HOWARD EXPLORER

Estoril Producing Corp. of Midland No. 1 J. E. Underwood has been staked as a 10,000-foot wildcat in Howard County, eight miles north of Big Spring.

The drillsite is 1,980 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 33, block 32, T-2-N, T&P survey. It is 1.5 miles southwest of the Luther, Southeast (Atoka) discovery.

FISHER WILDCAT

Jordan Engineering, Inc., of Abilene announced site for a 7,200-foot wildcat in Fisher County, 1/4 mile north of a 6,894-foot dry hole and 12 miles west of Roby.

The project is No. 1 Raymond Hefner, 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 32, block 2, H&C survey.

It is three and three-eighths miles north of the only well in the Claytonville, North (Ellenburger) field.

FORTUNE PROJECT

Fortune Drilling Co., Inc., of San Angelo staked location for a 5,200-foot wildcat in Schleicher County, 23 miles northeast of Eldorado.

Location is 1,980 feet from north and west lines of section 27, block H, GH&A survey.

It is No. 1 Whitehead, one and seven-eighths mile northwest of the depleted Judy Alice (Strawn oil and Gas, Strawn and lower Strawn gas) field. It also is two and five-eighths miles north of the Fortune (Strawn gas and 4260 oil) pool.

IRON PROJECT

Delta Drilling Co. of Midland spotted an 8,000-foot wildcat in Iron County, eight miles south of Mertz.

It is No. 1 Crawford, 660 feet from south and west lines of Greenleaf Fish survey No. 1160, abstract 94. Ground elevation is 2,548 feet.

The drillsite is 3/4 mile northeast of gas production in the Baker field, and one and three-eighths miles northeast of the pool's oil discovery.

BEACH STAKES SITE

William N. Beach of Midland No. 1-61 Half-Bivins is to be drilled as a

Amoco faces spill suit

NEW YORK (AP) — The government of France has filed a \$300 million suit against Amoco International, whose tanker Amoco Cadiz ran aground off France's northeastern coast and caused extensive petroleum damage in one of the worst recorded oil spills.

The suit was filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Manhattan against Amoco International, a wholly owned subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.

Also named as a defendant was Claude Phillips, director of Amoco's marine operations.

The tanker, which had been transporting 220,000 tons of crude oil from the Persian Gulf to Rotterdam, lost its steering last March 17 in heavy seas while going through the English Channel.

DRY HOLES

EDDY COUNTY
Sourmer Drilling Co. No. 1 C Hackberry-Ste. White City (Pennsylvania) field, 1,800 feet from north and east lines of section 16-25-26, six miles southeast of White City, oil 300 feet.

FISHER COUNTY
John L. Cox No. 1 Leon Goswick, wildcat, 2,173 feet from south and west lines of section 10, block 2, T&P survey, four miles south of Longworth, oil 1,612 feet.

KENT COUNTY
John L. Cox No. 1 Deborah, wildcat, 1,650 feet from north and 467 feet from east lines of section 19, block G, W&N survey, 13 miles northwest of Clairmont, oil 728 feet.

MIDLAND COUNTY
Cota Petroleum, Inc. No. 1 Driver, re-entry Calvin (Dean) field, 1,900 feet from south and 600 feet from east lines of section 16, block 37, T-4-S, T&P survey, 19 miles southeast of Midland, abandoned location.

NOLAN COUNTY
Sourmer Drilling Co. No. 1 Porter, wildcat, 1,200 feet from south and 1,400 feet from east lines of section 6, block X, T&P survey, five miles northeast of Marynale, oil 480 feet.

D.D. Feldman No. 1-A Nita Mae Brooks, wildcat, 3,107 feet from south and 467 feet from east lines of section 19, block X, T&P survey, six miles northeast of Marynale, oil 603 feet.

UV Industries, Inc. No. 1 Oliver, wildcat, 660 feet from north and west lines of section 18, block 3, T&P survey, two miles northwest of Dora, oil 671 feet.

RUNNELS COUNTY
Lifestyle Energy Corp. No. 1 Kresta, wildcat, 1,900 feet from south and 600 feet from west lines of H.I. Debet survey, No. 122, abstract 124, five miles southeast of Bellamy, oil 1,270 feet.

A.L. Sander Jr. No. 1-C Bill McMeans, Ben S. (Tanner) field, 3,287 feet from north and 1,383 feet from west lines of section 30, block D, H&C survey, eight miles northwest of Swenson, oil 2,822 feet.

WARD COUNTY
Southern Royalty Co. No. 1 Winters, Crawler, West (Devonian) oil 667 feet from north and 2,173 feet from east lines of section 7, block B-26, pd survey, seven miles southeast of Tomahawk, oil 639 feet.

DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY
Marlin, Inc. No. 4-B Southland Royalty oil 10,323 feet, waiting on completion unit.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 Long, oil 4,820 feet, shut in.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 Borg, oil 7,200 feet, flowing fracture load, fractured 10,221 to 10,714 feet, flowed 647 barrels oil in 24 hours, through a 20/64-inch choke, with tubing pressure of 500 pounds.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 GAO, drilling 4,010 feet in line.

Amoco No. 3-D David Pasken, drilling 8,216 feet.

CHAVES COUNTY
Dopo No. 1 Single Federal, drilling 7,900 feet.

John L. Cox No. 1-22 State, drilling 4,783 feet.

R. E. Williamson No. 1 Plains-State, drilling 2,700 feet in dolomite.

CUNCHO COUNTY
Lynch Exploration No. 2 Canino, plugged back total depth 3,910 feet, waiting on completion unit.

Bass Enterprises No. 1 Fields, building roads and location.

CHROCKETT COUNTY
William Beach No. 1-B Noelle, oil 1,961, pumped 16.2 barrels oil per day through perforations from 10,311 to 10,714 feet, fractured with 1,500 gallons and fractured with 18,000 gallons and 18,000 pounds sulfur.

William Beach No. 1-17 Owens, oil 6,100 feet, flowing approximately 200 thousand cubic feet of gas per day through perforations 1,902-600 feet after 300 gallons of acid.

DAWSON COUNTY
Cota Petroleum No. 1 McMaster, oil 8,770 feet, pumping load.

RR No. 1-13 Houston, drilling 11,817 feet in line and shale.

Warren American No. 3 Weaver, oil 8,600 feet, set 4 1/2 inch casing at 10,000 feet, waiting on completion unit.

ECTOR COUNTY
Benchmark Oil Co. No. 1 Diamond-Lill, oil 4,236 feet, cementing second stage.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 TXL, oil 4,450 feet, pumping, no gauge.

EDDY COUNTY
Southern Royalty No. 2-19 State, drilling 11,110 feet in line and shale.

Amoco No. 1-1 Igalls Gas Co., oil 13,187 feet, preparing to run 5-inch casing.

Oria Petro. No. 2 Gourley Federal, oil 2,656 feet, set 4 1/2 inch casing at 2,628 feet, fractured open hole section 2,628 to 2,456 feet with 6,000 gallons and 4,500 pounds sand, preparing to run rods and pump.

Oria Petro. No. 3 Gourley Federal, fractured open hole section 2,042-2,087 feet with 3,000 gallons and 2,000 pounds sand, formation break, flowed 29 barrels oil and 6 barrels water in 24 hours, well gas locked, will continue tubing.

Hill Development No. 1 Trees, drilling 2,738 feet.

Getty No. 1 Laughlin, oil 11,000 feet, preparing to squeeze top of liner.

Texas Pacific No. 12 Montgomery-Park, drilling 3,902 feet in sand and shale.

Northern Natural Gas No. 1-4 Herndon, drilling 15,976 feet in shale.

International Oil & Gas No. 1-4 Coates, fracturing perforations from 4,905 to 5,073 feet, amount not yet shut in.

REAGAN COUNTY
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Hanley No. 1-10-11-A University, oil 14,330 feet, cemented 7 1/4 inch liner top to 11,449 feet. Getty No. 1-27-19, oil 11,171 feet, running 1 1/2 inch casing.

LEE COUNTY
Bass Federal No. 1 State, drilling 8,361 feet, waiting on completion unit.

HNG No. 1-34 Shaw Bar Ranch, oil 12,811 feet, logging.

Amoco No. 2-DH State, oil 11,003 feet, completed through Wolfcamp perforations from 10,721 to 10,714 feet, flowed 647 barrels oil in 24 hours, through a 20/64-inch choke, with tubing pressure of 500 pounds.

Amoco No. 1-A Nellis Federal, oil 13,190 feet, testing, flowed 925 mcf and 30 barrels water in 4 1/2 hours, through a 22/64-inch choke and perforations from 10,182 to 10,247 feet.

Amoco No. 1-H Federal, drilling 11,091 feet in line and shale.

Union Oil No. 1 Laguna Deep Federal, drilling 8,831 feet in line, shale and sand.

Amoco No. 1-32 State, drilling 3,903 feet in line and shale.

Antelope No. 1 Landlady, drilling 10,335 feet in line and shale.

LUBBOCK COUNTY
Sameday Corp. No. 1 Collier, drilling 8,465 feet in line and shale.

MARTIN COUNTY
MGF No. 1-28 Burns, drilling 8,655 feet in line and shale.

MGF No. 1-28 Davis, drilling 6,697 feet in line and shale.

MGF No. 1-11 Sowell, oil 8,580 feet, preparing to run 4 1/2 inch casing.

RR Petroleum No. 1-21 Crowden, drilling 2,810 feet in line and shale.

Rial No. 1-40 University, drilling 6,208 feet in line and shale.

MIDLAND COUNTY
Halvey Energy No. 1-C Braun, pumped approximately 5 barrels oil (36% water) in 24 hours, through perforations from 2,525 to 2,527 feet.

Parker & Parsley No. 1-C Snyder, oil 8,520 feet, laying down drillpipe.

RR Petroleum No. 1-21 Crowden, drilling 11,028 feet.

CITGO No. 4011 Dora Roberts, oil 12,465 feet, waiting on completion unit.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 Davenport, oil 8,110 feet, flowing load.

Amoco No. 1-22 State, oil 11,000 feet.

Cota Petroleum No. 1 Hatchison, oil 7,900 feet, cleaning out to 3,465 feet.

PEEDS COUNTY
Amintool No. 1 Harrah, oil 20,000 feet, plugged back depth 7,600 feet, shut in.

HNG No. 1-33 Neal, oil 7,000 feet, perforated from 6,497 to 6,522 feet, preparing to run 5-inch casing.

Oria Petro. No. 2 Emma Lou, oil 9,232 feet, preparing to squeeze top of liner.

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Taking bites between bids, Bill Dollar, right, was one of many oil and gas operators attending the 68th University Lands Auction at the Midland Hilton Wednesday. Don Dow, Tom Moore and Paul Ferguson (from left) work with

Dollar at the Union Texas Petroleum division of Allied Chemical. Allied Chemical was one of the sales top bidders, paying \$433,000 in bonuses. (Staff Photo by Bruce Partain)

Canadian government making decisions in energy development

By MICHELLE SCOTT
DALLAS (AP) — The lessons of two world wars and a global depression have awakened governments to the necessity for developing systems that can respond to the issues of world economic interdependence, according to Peter M. Towe, Canada's ambassador to the United States.

In Canada that realization led to last month's announcement by Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau that the size of the government must be reduced in order to release the nation's resources to sustain economic growth. It has also led to the loosening of federal controls and regulation of the

private sector, Towe said.

Speaking at a dinner hosted by the Dallas Council on World Affairs and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night, Towe said governments in all countries have been putting greater emphasis on the management of their economies, realizing that the distinction between domestic and international well-being grows dimmer each year.

Towe said the Canadian government recently relaxed government controls on businesses and individuals in an effort to return some regulatory functions to the private sector and remove government intervention and red tape in others.

"We believe this reordering of our priorities — over \$2 billion will be cut by the federal government from its current and planned expenditures by 1980 — will release resources within the economy, put more people back to work and stimulate new investment in manufacturing and in the energy and natural resource sectors," he said.

In the energy industry, he said, provincial and federal governments have assumed decision-making roles to encourage rapid development of the country's natural resources, something that in another time would have been left up to private industry.

Foreign capital, primarily from the United States, was instrumental in the rapid expansion of the production, transportation and marketing sectors of Canada's oil and gas industry, he said.

University Lands auction results

ANDREWS COUNTY
Tract 1, J. Cleo Thompson, Dallas, \$4,000. Tr. 2, Texas International Petroleum Corp., Oklahoma City, \$10,000. Tr. 3, Florida Gas Exploration Co., Midland, \$12,000. Tr. 4, Texas International \$8,000. Tr. 5, Texas International, \$10,000. Tr. 6, H. H. Way, Midland, \$10,000. Tr. 7, William N. Beach, Midland, \$4,000.

Tr. 8, B&A Oil Producers, Midland, \$8,000. Tr. 9, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 10, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 11, pass. Tr. 12, U. S. America, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$8,000. Tr. 13, Amarillo Oil Co., Midland, \$8,000. Tr. 14, pass. Tr. 15, pass.

ANDREWS AND GAINES
Tr. 16, B&A, \$8,000.

ANDREWS COUNTY
Tr. 17, pass. Tr. 18, pass.

ANDREWS AND GAINES
Tr. 19, pass.

ANDREWS COUNTY
Tr. 20, B&A, \$8,000.

GAINES COUNTY
Tr. 21, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 22, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 23, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 24, B&A, \$8,000. Tr. 25, Earl Whitman, Midland, \$8,000. Tr. 26, B&A, \$8,000.

ANDREWS AND GAINES
Tr. 27, B&A, \$8,000.

MARTIN COUNTY
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Tax group may ask balanced budget or new constitution

By W. DALE NELSON

WASHINGTON (AP) — An organization that wants a balanced federal budget says it might present Congress next year with the first demand for a national convention to rewrite the Constitution backed by two-thirds of the states.

If it were held, such a convention would be the first since the Constitution was drafted in 1787, and some constitutional scholars fear it could turn into a no-holds-barred affair encompassing various efforts to alter the document that is the basis of U.S. government.

Officials of the National Taxpayers Union don't expect their demand for a constitutional convention to actually produce one, however, and the 10-year-old anti-tax organization isn't discouraged.

It says its real aim is to force Congress to act on its own, and it thinks Congress will indeed initiate a balanced budget amendment.

The Taxpayers Union wants an amendment requiring the government to balance its budget within four years of ratification — and to keep it balanced except in times of national emergency.

Amendments to the Constitution can be originated either by two-thirds vote of both houses of Congress or by a convention called by Congress after receiving

applications from two thirds of the states.

To go into effect, amendments must be ratified by three-fourths of state legislatures or state conventions. Congress decides which.

For all but one amendment, Congress has chosen legislative ratification. Repeal of prohibition was ratified by conventions.

Congress has received more than 300 applications for constitutional conventions, ranging from the first demand for a Bill of Rights in 1789 to recent proposals for world government and school prayer amendments — but none has had the backing of enough states.

The Taxpayers Union says chances are its request will be different. It now has approval of 22 of the 34 legislatures required. And, says the group's director, Charles S. Crawford, "It is quite possible that next year we will be able to get the necessary 12 states."

"We could. We could," adds Democratic State Sen. Jim Clark of Ellicott City, Md., who heads the Taxpayers Union lobbying effort. At any rate, he says, "we're going to get pretty close to it."

But, Clark says, "I don't think Congress is going to let it go to a convention. I think they will go ahead and give us an amendment. They can control an amendment."

There is some precedent for his view. In 1912, when 30 states asked for conventions to get direct election of senators, Congress proposed such an amendment. However, Congress did not act after 32 states asked for a convention on apportionment of state legislatures after the 1964 Supreme Court one-person, one-vote ruling.

Some legal experts argue that a convention, though called for a single issue, would be free to make an overall constitutional revision.

Professor Charles L. Black Jr. of Yale University Law School has said a constitutional convention could propose "such amendments as that convention decides to propose." He said the procedure should be used only "to take care of a general dissatisfaction with the national government, or a breakdown thereof."

A committee of the American Bar Association concluded in 1974, however, that a convention could be called for a specific purpose.

A bill designed to limit constitutional conventions to the purposes for which they are called was passed by the Senate in 1972, but died in the House Judiciary Committee.

The calling of a constitutional convention raises all kinds of questions, among them:

How many years are allowed for persuading two-thirds of the legislatures to call for a convention? Is it mandatory for Congress to call a convention when it gets a request from enough states?

Does Congress have the power to review the convention's work? Do the courts? Does the president have any role?

How are the delegates to the convention to be chosen?

"It raises a broad range of really frightening possibilities," said Nels Ackerson, chief counsel to the Senate subcommittee on the Constitution. "It's wide open."

Ackerson said that if applications from 34 states were received, their validity presumably would be debated in Congress and "the answers also would very likely be tested in the courts."

The first legislature to call for a convention on budget balancing was North Dakota's on March 11, 1975. Others are Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and Wyoming.

The Wyoming and Colorado legislatures are among the four in which both houses are controlled by Republicans. Arizona, Kansas and North Dakota are among the 10 in which control is split. The others are controlled by Democrats, except for Nebraska's, which is nonpartisan.



"Love will keep us together," sing The Captain and Tennille. The couple will be bringing their hit songs and more to The Chaparral Center here at 8 p.m. Friday for the first concert in the new Midland College facility. Tickets

are \$7.50 and may be purchased at the doors when they open at 7 p.m. Sales have picked up the past week, but some good seats still remain, according to a spokesman.

Dallas fireman real commuter

KIOWA, Okla. (AP) — City workers dream of owning a farm or ranch. The farmer sees the advantage of a job in the city.

Roy Chapman, fireman-rancher, is combining both even though it means driving from his ranch in this southeastern Oklahoma farm country to Dallas, where he is a fireman.

The 46-year-old Chapman drives the 155-mile route to put in every third day for 24 hours on duty at Station No. 16 in Dallas, then back to the farm. He has been commuting for six years after deciding to move with his two sons from Grand Prairie, Texas, to the Oklahoma ranch, which he had been tending to only on weekends.

Chapman had decided he wanted to free himself and sons of the hectic city life and at the same time give his sons an opportunity to practice their rodeo skills by moving to the country.

The hardest part, he concedes, is going back to work.

"It's not too bad coming back when I'm thinking about getting home," he said, "but that long drive down when I'm already hot and tired is really hard to take."

Chapman, a 19-year veteran of the fire department, finds the job challenging. "No two fires or calls are alike," he said.

Assignments have ranged from two big ones — a Texaco Oil Co. refinery fire and one at the Neiman-Marcus department store in Dallas — to "a lot of crazy calls."

One time the crew had to rescue a 300-pound woman from a bathtub. And there are always the children who get caught in a situation that takes help to free them.

After his 24 hours on duty, Chapman gets in his pickup and heads back to the ranch. His two sons still at home are David, a foreman at a stockyards, and Don, 18, a senior at Kiowa High School. Both sons are active in rodeo competition.

They also work with their father in the soybean fields and raise calves.

Chapman and his sons farm 200 acres which they own and another 310 acres leased from a neighbor.

He also has a daughter, a nurse in a Dallas hospital.

Mystery cloaks Moon center

By BONNY RODDEN

HUDSON, N.H. (AP)

Talk of love, God and family is constant in the ivy-covered house in Hudson, while whispers of brainwashing, kidnapping and prison spread through the community outside.

"There's a mystique that surrounds it," says Police Capt. Kenneth Seddon, describing the house that has been converted into a training center for members of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church.

Residents of the town of 15,000 on the Merrimack River are wary of their unusual neighbor because of "the fear of the unknown," says Seddon. "Even I don't know what's going on, and as a

cop, that bothers me."

About a year ago, members of the Boston branch of the church leased the two-story house on Route 102 for a retreat for new members of the controversial religious organization.

Recruits are kept busy during three- and seven-day workshops. Clusters of new and veteran church members move from the living room for lectures, to the lawn for discussion to the volleyball net for vigorous exercise combined with cheers of "We're No. 1."

But some people outside think the workshops are not the religious retreats the church claims. They suspect the incessant action weakens children, making them susceptible to brainwashing so they will believe in the

Korean minister's philosophy.

Seddon says at least six sets of parents have come to Hudson to take their children away.

Most of the departures have been peaceful, except for one which resulted in an assault conviction for a church member who hit a mother retrieving her daughter.

"I've talked to approximately 100 young people who have come out of cults and about 90 percent said they could not have walked out by themselves," says the Rev. George Swope, a Baptist minister who grabbed his daughter away from the Unification Church.

"It's not essential to have the doors locked because they secure you

through fear. If you are convinced that Moon is the Messiah and you walk out on the Messiah, you walk out on God," says Swope, who last year at his home in Bradford ran the only half-way house in New England for young people who have left new religious movements.

Swope says it is not "the bizarre religious beliefs" that bother him. Instead, it is "the mind control, and their procedures of recruitment and maintenance of members."

Bonnie Kamp, whose mother was hit by church member Richard Jones, says her peers at Hudson made her feel guilty about wanting to leave.

She says they told her stories of disasters visit-

ed on the families of young people who abandoned the church.

But Seddon says there is nothing police can do even if people are being held captive psychologically. "No one's been able to show people are being held against their will. They may be being mentally restrained, but New Hampshire has no laws for that," he says.

Aidan Barry, director of the Boston branch of the church, rejects criticism of Moon and says people oppose the church "because we're trying to do something much more profound than other churches."

"We're trying to save the world or to change the tradition of love in the world so people will begin to live for others," he says.

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