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Pipeline explosion kills 6, injures 40

BROOKSIDE VILLAGE, Texas (AP) — A natural gas pipeline exploded early today near a mobile home park in a rural segment of this Houston suburb, killing at least six persons and injuring at least 40 others.

The six dead were confirmed by Lt. Tom Thacker of the Brazoria County Sheriff's Dept. who was on the scene.

He said the six bodies were found in a nearby field and it appeared as if they were trying to flee the scene when they died.

The spectacular fire which followed the explosion could be seen for 30 miles.

The fire burned itself out three hours after the explosion, and officials feared the death toll might rise when the wreckage of several of the trailer homes could be inspected.

Witnesses described the explosion as "something like an atomic bomb" and "a loud, rattling train."

Firemen said cutting off the gas supply that fed the fire also minimized a fear another pipeline in the immediate area might explode.

Pearland is in Brazoria County on the southeastern edge of Houston and is in an area that is a patchwork of oil, chemical, and natural gas pipelines that supply residences and oil

and chemical plants over a 200-mile area.

A sheriff's deputy said from 40 to 50 persons lived in the trailer park that had about 25 homes.

Witnesses said the explosion set off a fireball that settled down over a mile-wide area and then confined itself to a 30-foot hole in the trailer park. About 15 of the trailers were set afire and others were damaged.

Helicopters from Ellington Air Force Base and the Lifelight operations of Houston's Hermann Hospital assisted in carrying the injured to four hospitals.

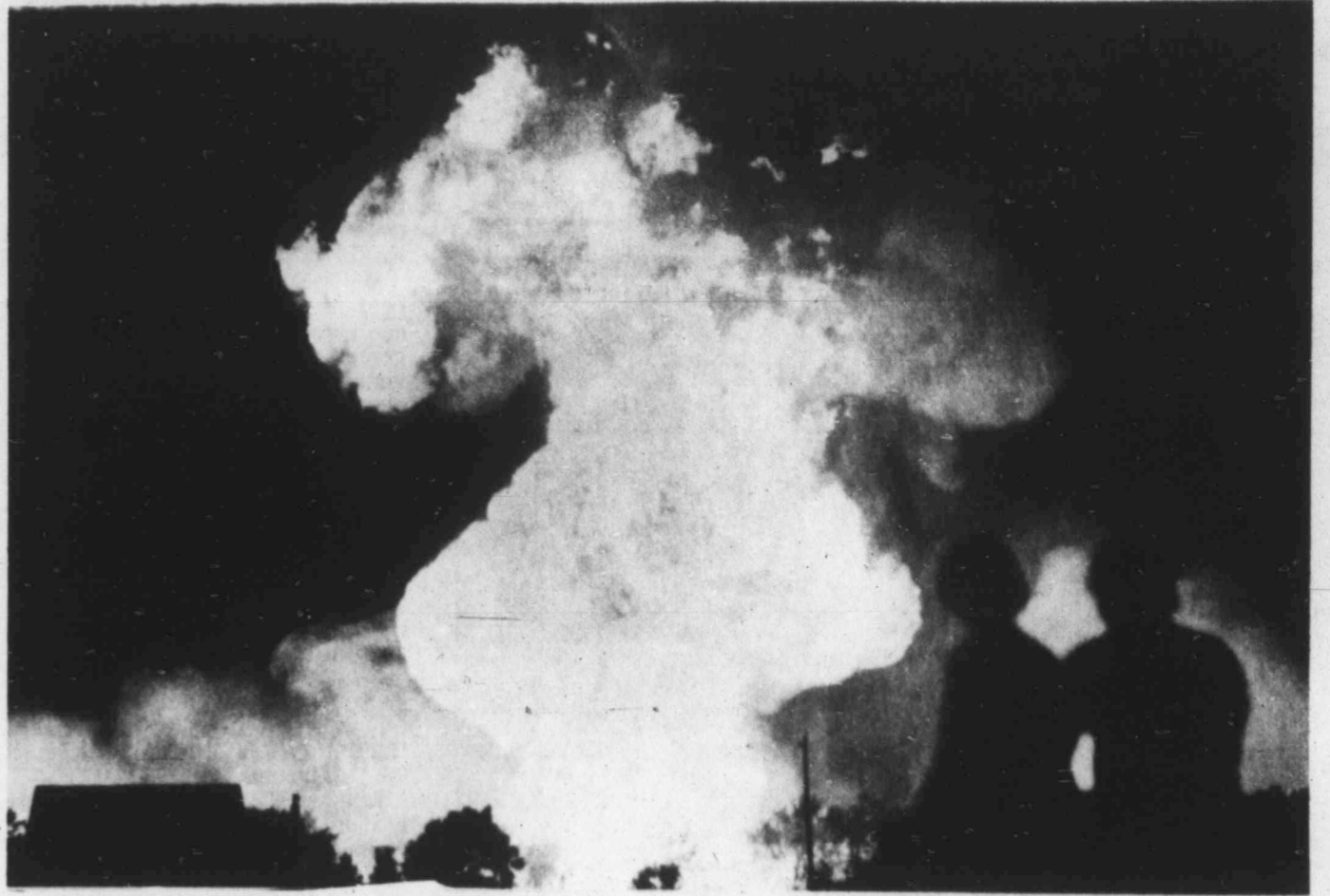
At Memorial Southeast Hospital, Bob Stephenson, an administrator, said eight of 22 persons received there were admitted and two others were transferred to Texas Children's Hospital. Two of those admitted required surgery, and, Stephenson said, a third was an expectant mother.

A hospital survey indicated 15 persons were admitted after treatment, with at least three in critical condition from massive burns. All were in Houston hospitals except one who was taken to John Sealy Hospital in Galveston, about 35 miles south.

One unidentified survivor said he sought to use his automobile in escaping but was unable to do so.

"The heat was melting the paint on the car," he said. "It was too hot to touch and I was afraid the gasoline tank might explode. The whole place was like an oven."

In Washington, the National Transportation Safety Board said an investigator, Richard G. Marini, would arrive in Houston during the afternoon to investigate the explosion. Marini was expected to be assisted by an investigator from the board's Fort Worth office.



A thundering fireball shoots skyward early today after a gas pipeline exploded near Pearland, Texas. At least six persons are known dead and

some 40 others are injured, many of them critically. (AP Laserphoto)

Whalen order takes both sides off guard

By MARK VOGLER
R-T Staff Writer

Monday's surprise decision by the Texas Railroad Commission to suspend oilfield waste disposal operations at Whalen Lake in Andrews County has caught both Whalen Corp. and the chief opponent of the operation off guard.

Arnold Darrow, president of the Dallas-based subsidiary of Triton Oil and Gas Corp., Monday night attacked the commission's suspension order as "precipitous and basically political."

He predicted the decision would

have an adverse impact on the Permian Basin oil industry if enforced over a long period of time.

According to the Associated Press, Harold Irby, director of the migration game program for the state Parks and Wildlife Department, said Monday that "the Whalen Lake situation is something that a little preventive medicine could cure."

Meanwhile, U.S. Interior Department agent Richard Endress, the chief opponent of waste disposal practices occurring at the lake, said he was "suspicious" of the commission's motives and suggested that it might be a last-minute effort to discourage

intervention by the federal government — particularly the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Endress had taken issue with the company's operation more than two years ago when he accused Whalen Corp. of violating the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act by, he claimed, killing thousands of birds with alleged discharges of petroleum materials into the playa lake.

The official also said his agency's probe now has been expanded to investigate any alleged bird kills related to oilfield disposals throughout West Texas.

Endress said, although the Inter-

rior Department's sole jurisdiction in the matter is over birds, he considers the possibility of ground water contamination throughout West Texas to be the primary concern now facing the Railroad Commission.

Whalen Corp. is scheduled to seek a renewal of its discharge permit at a Railroad Commission hearing in Austin Thursday.

The shutdown order was issued Monday by telephone and by certified mail to Whalen Corp., Phillips Petroleum and Petroleum Corp. of Texas, three companies which were licensed by the commission to discharge brine into the 630-acre playa lake located 15

miles west of Andrews.

The Railroad Commission's chief engineer, Bob R. Harris, Monday said the hearing, initially considered to be "a routine part of renewing the permit," would focus on "a show-cause proceeding on why the operators should be allowed to discharge oilfield waters into the lake.

"Little or no progress has been made toward correcting the situation even though repeated attempts have been made by the Commission to obtain corrective action," said Harris, who added he believes "sub-

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Midlander dies as tractor rolls

A Midland man died late Monday in a tractor accident while he was trying to aid another man, according to a spokesman with the Midland Sheriff's Office.

Kevin James Turner, 18, died about 10:30 p.m. Monday from injuries received in the accident.

According to the spokesman, a man's car got stuck in the mud on County Road 1223 1/2 South, about one mile south of Interstate 20. The man, who officials declined to identify, told officers he saw Turner on a tractor

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Duck soup in forecast

Note seasonal rains amid a sea of fog and clouds again fell over the Midland area last night and early this morning, and more may be in the offing tonight.

For the second day, Midland streets were rain swept, though the showers seemed to be slacking early today.

The forecast calls for a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms today and a 20 percent probability of more precipitation tonight.

More than an inch of rain wetted the ground in most of the area over the

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Clements lashes Carter energy bill, ties Hill to package

By LINDA HILL
R-T Staff Writer

ODESSA — Republican gubernatorial candidate Bill Clements Monday called his Democratic opponent "a lackey" for the Carter administration.

Calling the recently passed energy bill a "disaster for Texas," Clements said Attorney General John Hill, his foe in the governor's race, would "find it impossible" to pressure the federal government into adopting an energy plan good for Texas.

Clements spoke to an overflow crowd at an Odessa luncheon. Organizers had over-booked the event by 100 persons, resulting in some of them being served after the speech.

Reading from a prepared speech, Clements said Texas, in conjunction with other energy-producing states,

should work for an energy plan which would include provisions to "remove the regulatory harassment" and provide incentives for increased energy and invest in technology for conversion of coal to liquids and gasses.

He also called for removing barriers to "siting and prompt construction of nuclear power plants" and redirecting import policies away from "vulnerable locations, such as the Middle East, to our good friends and neighbors, such as Mexico and Canada."

Texas also should produce a state plan, Clements said, which would include a "fall-back position."

The elements of this plan, which the candidate conceded are not "in the national interest," would be reducing energy production rates and enacting legislation to tax natural gas intended for shipment out of state.

"I would vastly prefer that the industrial Northeast face up to its problems. But if they can't, or if they won't, then we need a tough-as-nails Texas governor to meet them head-on," said Clements.

He questioned whether Attorney General Hill would follow through after the election on a suit against the energy bill.

"Is this just another Halloween trick, a put-up job?" asked Clements.

The Republican asked Hill to "either join me in calling for (Department of Energy) Secretary (James) Schlesinger's removal and replacement with someone who knows something about energy, or admit that you are in league with him."

Also during his speech, Clements accused Hill of interfering "with the

workings of local law enforcement officers where it was expedient to do so, as he has done here in Odessa."

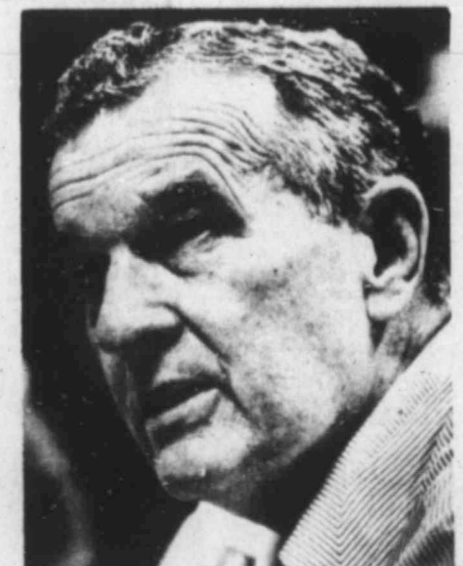
In earlier statements, Clements had said he does not think Hill as attorney general had jurisdiction to investigate the Ector County Jail death of inmate Larry Lozano.

Ector County District Attorney John Green, who also has criticized Hill's entry into the case, was one of the sponsors of the luncheon.

Clements claimed a recent statewide poll shows the race for the governor's mansion to be "absolutely a dead heat," so close a winner cannot be predicted.

But Clements said he is confident of victory.

"We have caught our opponent after several months of hard work...and the momentum is with us."



Bill Clements

Seasonal brush fires ravage Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Brushfires raged near Los Angeles today after destroying at least 100 expensive homes, scorching some 33,000 acres and turning thousands of wealthy canyon and beachfront residents into refugees.

Firefighters struggled in vain against walls of flame driven by gale force desert winds, as columns of flame roared 100 feet into the air. Officials said there was no hope the fires would be brought under control quickly.

The twisting canyon and coast roads came alive with animals — horses and goats led by soot-blackened owners, and snakes, rats and other small animals of the brush fleeing the flames toward the sea. Off-

icials said some firefighting efforts were hampered by hundreds of cars jammed with panicky residents trying to leave the fire area.

A dozen persons, both firefighters and civilians, were hospitalized for injuries ranging from smoke inhalation to burns and broken ribs. One helicopter dropping fire retardants crashed and another made a forced landing, but only minor injuries were reported.

The hot Santa Ana desert winds, nicknamed "Devil Winds" because of their history of destruction, were expected to subside today.

One Agoura homeowner was critically burned while trying to save his

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Flames erupt from a mountain overlooking Malibu Lake near Agoura Monday afternoon, the beginning of one of several fires that destroyed more than 100 homes in Southern California. This view is looking north with the fire burning southwest toward Malibu where it eventually burned into the sea. (AP Laserphoto)

Never on Sunday?

Does a governmental body have the right to decide whether a cemetery may allow burial services on Sundays?

That's what Midland County Commissioners were asked to decide Monday. But the commissioners washed their hands of any role in the matter, saying the city — and not the county — has the power to create ordinances.

Some commissioners, seemingly a bit relieved of not having to pass judgment on a request from the local Ministerial Al-

liance to prohibit Sunday burial at Fairview Cemetery, predicted the issue may lead to a hot debate between members of the clergy at a Midland City Council meeting slated later today.

Representatives of the Ministerial Alliance told commissioners Monday that a ban on Sunday burials would simply be a matter of convenience for members of the clergy who needed a day off and for local law enforcement agencies who

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ROUSTIN ABOUT with Ed Todd

Innovations sometimes are unsettling and inconvenient.

They upset the mind's routine. The numbering of city residences for address purposes disturbed the purists years ago.

The building of shelves in refrigerator doors must have appalled some and pleased others.

The advent of the ubiquitous electronic calculator must have been viewed distrustfully by some. It must have been looked upon like the mechanical adding machine before it: You'd get your pen and pad to check out the accuracy of the so-called "brain" or "guts" of the machine.

When some of us were an innocent, naive toddlers, we may have wondered about those voices coming from the radio, about how people could be so small as to fit inside that receiver — one of many wonders of the century.

After the telegraph, telephone, moving-picture shows, radio and radar, the coming of television, another real wonder, didn't seem all that spectacular.

The airplane was looked upon as impractical. You know, if man were meant to fly, he'd have been born with wings, feathers and all that.

If man were meant to speed overland, he'd have wheels to complement his limbs and agile feet. If he were meant to swim or sail, he would have

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Times are changing, not moving

By ANN BLACKMAN

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lyle Pichelman is general manager of a metal manufacturing company in Peoria, Ill. He and his family have moved 10 times in the last 16 years, always because he was offered a better job.

But times are changing for today's executives. The last time Pichelman, 41, was offered a new job — which meant another move and about a \$4,000 salary increase — he turned it down.

And it will take more than a few thousand dollars in pay to get Pichelman — and thousands of professionals like him — to move again. "I left the decision up to him, but we both knew that this time there was my job to consider," said Mrs. Pichelman, who at 38 is the mother of two children, ages 12 and 15. "I had been at home for 13 years, but two years ago I decided I wanted a paying job."

She got one and now earns about \$18,000 as a financial analyst for the City of Peoria, bringing the family income to \$45,000-\$50,000.

"If the right job for Lyle came along, we'd take it," she said. "But I wouldn't want to step down financially or professionally. I like my job."

The Pichelmans are not alone. Executive recruiters, management consultants and company personnel officers report that American professionals agonize more now over job transfers. And more people turn down jobs, even promotions.

Behind the wariness are myriad changing social attitudes. More wives are working, and they are contributing significantly more to family income. And couples are finding that uprooting a family has more hidden costs than once realized, psychological and financial.

"Back in the mid-1960s, the go-go '60s, there was a risk-taking tempo I don't see today," said Gerard R. Roche, president of New York-based Heidrick & Struggles, one of the largest executive recruiting firms. "People would go anywhere for an extra \$4,000 and a new title."

"But there's been a swing back to the hearth. People are saying, 'I have a beautiful home; my kids are in school. I'd prefer not to uproot.'"

Carl W. Menk, president of another large recruiting firm, Boyden Associates, put it this way: "Five and 10 years ago, people were more inclined to change jobs. Today people have different goals and different values. Not everyone wants to be chief executive officer anymore. They get to a point where they say, 'I've achieved what I want to do. This kind of thinking didn't exist 10 years ago.'"

Dr. Eugene Jennings, a Michigan State University business management professor, said that with inflation growing, he finds people get choosier about whether and where they'll move.

"People are developing geographic tastes in ways I've never seen in the 25 years I've been monitoring mobility in corporations," he said. "A whole psychology has developed that says, 'I want to be environmentally free of congestion, pollution, commuting. It's a resurgence of the old theme — go West. Now it's not a direction but a spirit. People are saying, 'Get off my back. Let me live my life.'"

Jennings' research shows the most popular places in which to live are: San Francisco, Seattle, Boston, Connecticut, Denver, Dallas and Cleveland.

A study this year by the Employment Relocation Council in Washington shows that 30 percent of its member companies report problems with employees

accepting transfers to high-cost or undesirable locations. However, only 3 percent reported serious problems.

"California was noted as a problem most frequently, generally due to housing problems," the report says. "The New York-New Jersey area followed, problems mainly attributed to the cost of living. Other (problem) areas mentioned were: Chicago, the northeast United States-New England; Washington, D.C.; Houston; Detroit; and Philadelphia."

The study shows the average cost of moving a homeowner in 1977 was \$11,740 — up 12 percent from the 1976 average of \$10,440 and 50 percent higher than the 1973 cost of \$7,800.

And rising moving costs are only part of the problem. Researchers say executives who once demanded salary increases of 10 to 15 percent to move now are getting 20 to 30 percent.

One result of this shift in values is that many firms

are balancing the benefits of moving an employee with the rising cost of transfers. Many others are looking more closely at such family considerations as a working spouse or a reluctance to change children's schools.

Some companies are luring good professionals to transfer with financial sweeteners — bonuses, stock options and helping with some of the chores of selling one house and finding another.

"We used to take the point of view that we were moving one person," said Felix Moleterri, employment manager for the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. "But now we're more and more concerned about the impact a move has on the employee's home environment."

Moleterri said AT&T offers various transfer incentives to employees. They help find a new home or rent an old one, with AT&T paying the management fee. It also has a cost-of-living formula to minimize the differences in real estate prices, as well as city and state taxes.



Lyle and Junnella Pichelman represent the new trend among executives. Pichelman turned down a promotion and raise so he would not have to move his family an 11th time in 16 years. (AP Laserphoto)

New programs may aid 'independent' students

WASHINGTON (AP) — An estimated 100,000 independent students, including widows and divorcees who go back to college, stand a better chance of receiving federal aid from the government's new line-up of programs to aid the middle class, a Carter administration official says.

For the first time, owning a home — as many widows and divorcees do — will no longer mean it is all but impossible for independent college students to receive a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant, Lee L. Kornfeld, HEW's student aid chief, said in an interview.

The Middle Income Student Assistance Act, which Congress passed in its closing hours on Oct. 15, gave a break to independent students at the same time it sweetened the federal aid pot for the middle class, Kornfeld said.

The bill, which President Carter is expected to sign shortly, treats independent students like

dependent students in figuring a family's need and ability to contribute toward college costs. In the past, the independents — including many adults whom Kornfeld says are struggling to raise a family while they put themselves through college — were expected to apply 30 percent of their assets after certain exemptions toward college costs, compared with only 5 percent for a dependent student's parents. Now the 5 percent rate will prevail for all and deductions also will be equal.

Currently, 30 percent of the estimated 2.1 million college students entitled to basic grants are classified as independent, and 70 percent of these independents are age 22 or older, said Kornfeld.

The basic grants program for this school year is restricted to those with

income below roughly \$15,000, but the new bill will open it up to an additional 1.5 million collegians with family incomes up to about \$26,000.

The grants will range from \$1,800 for the neediest to \$200 to a student from an average family with \$26,000 income.

The higher grants won't be available until the 1979-80 school year starts next fall, but Kornfeld said HEW hopes to get its expanded Guaranteed Student Loan Program operating in time for the coming spring semester.

Undergraduates can apply for loans of up to \$2,500 a year, and graduate students up to \$5,000, with the government paying all the interest until nine months to 12 months after the student leaves college. The interest during repayment is 7 percent.

Jurors request review

HACKENSACK, N.J. (AP) — Jurors began to deliberate the fate of Dr. Mario Jascalevich but recessed after only 45 minutes, asking a review of key evidence from the marathon murder trial that also led to a reporter's jailing.

The 12 jurors and one alternate, after being sequestered overnight, will return today to the Bergen County courthouse to review testimony by a toxicologist who said it is impossible to find curare — the muscle relaxant which prosecutors claim Jascalevich used to kill three patients — 10 years after the deaths.

Proving the presence of curare is considered key to Jascalevich's prosecution.

The 51-year-old surgeon was indicted in May 1976 on charges he murdered five patients at Oradell's Riverdell Hospital. Two of the charges were dismissed due to lack of evidence.

The indictments came after a New York Times series on the mysterious 1965 and 1966 deaths by reporter Myron Farber, who had identified Jascalevich only as "Dr. X."

While Jascalevich remains free on \$150,000 bail, Farber is in Bergen County jail for refusing to surrender files that the surgeon's lawyers insist were crucial to their client's defense.

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Jim Baker favored

The race for attorney general of Texas certainly is one of the most important facing voters of the Lone Star State in the Nov. 7 election. It also promises to be one of the closest and most interesting.

Two prominent Houston attorneys are seeking the important post, waging aggressive, statewide campaigns. Neither candidate previously has held elective office, although both have held high positions in government by appointment.

Jim Baker is the Republican nominee, while Mark White carries the Democrat banner.

Baker served as Undersecretary of Commerce in Washington (the No. 2 ranking job in that Cabinet department) in 1975-76 and has been active in GOP affairs in Texas. White is a former Texas secretary of state.

The Reporter-Telegram, after having considered qualifications, views, issues and responsibilities of the office, picks Jim Baker as the man for the job.

Baker, a fourth-generation Texan and a Marine Corps veteran, has 18 years experience in the full-time, active practice of law. The attorney general is Texas' chief legal officer and we believe that Baker's legal talents and practical experience well qualify him for the position. He would represent Texas favorably and well as its attorney general.

Both candidates are considered to be conservative, but it is our opinion that Baker is the more conservative of the two. His opponent reportedly has the endorsement and financial support of the AFL-CIO and other major labor unions.

In terms of issues, we par-

ticularly are impressed with Baker's stated views on fighting crime. His proposals in this category include fixed-length sentencing, which would toughen the criminal sentencing process and, at the same time, eliminate punishment disparities and inequities; fighting narcotics through a redirection of state resources to make combating narcotics a top priority; raising minimum standard of parole from one-sixth of a term to one-third; separating the minority of hard-core juvenile offenders from the many who can be helped, and striving to establish a state program to deal with career criminals.

Baker also is completely familiar with the energy situation, particularly as it affects Texas. He is pledged to fight federal pricing control and allocation authority over intrastate oil and gas; force setting of new natural gas prices; contest oil subsidy payments to Northeast; monitor coal conversion in other states, and support suit against Montana coal tax. He also is pledged to be an active voice for Texas consumers in energy planning and rate matters.

Human needs is another area in which Baker is interested. If elected to office, he has promised to fully endorse all consumer protection laws.

These are the major strong points, along with political independence, stressed by Baker in his campaign. It is his credit that he offers specific proposals to solve the problems about which he talks.

In view of these and other factors, The Reporter-Telegram endorses Jim Baker and recommends his election as attorney general of Texas on Nov. 7.

Hopeful, to say least

Optimism would be unrealistic in assessing the potential of a meeting of seven Arab nations to bring peace to bloody Lebanon.

Syria, whose troops are engaged in the fighting with Christians in Beirut, is a participant in the Arab Deterrent Force which seeks resolution of the conflict. Syrian forces also made up the bulk of the 30,000-man ADT army which "rescued" the Christians from utter defeat almost two years ago.

Much of the difficulty now stems from Christian resent-

ments against the curbs imposed by the Syrians in Christian neighborhoods.

And the Christian alliance with Israel in southern Lebanon distresses Syrians and Lebanese.

Nevertheless, ADT leaders, including representatives from Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Sudan and Kuwait as well as Syria and Lebanon, insist they are "committed" to find a peaceful solution.

Optimism is out, but the Arab pledge does leave room for hope.

'HEY - LOOKIT THE CAKE I BAKED'



WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

High drama behind testimony

By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — There was high drama behind mobster Santos Trafficante's recent appearance before the House assassinations committee. He had been implicated in an incredible murder plot which had been aimed at Cuban Premier Fidel Castro that allegedly had backfired against President John F. Kennedy.

We reported the first half of the story, in all its fascinatingly sordid details, in January of 1971. We added the last half, carefully hedging, in September of 1976. It took until this month to get Trafficante to respond on the witness stand. He denied playing any part in the Kennedy assassination. "No, sir," he said firmly.

The man who implicated him, mobster John Roselli, was not available to testify against him. The unfortunate Roselli was executed, gangland-style, on July 28, 1976.

But before he died, he told us that the Mafia killers, who had attempted to rub out Castro for the Central Intelligence Agency, had been captured and tortured. Then Castro, as the supreme irony, turned the killers against Kennedy, Roselli suggested. He said they belonged to the Trafficante mob.

The flamboyant Roselli, out of lifelong Mafia habit, was guarded in relating the story to us. He had come to trust us over the years, and we had dragged the story from him bit by bit. But now we have learned he confided the same story, in far more explicit

detail, to his attorney Edward P. Morgan.

A former FBI official, Morgan went as far as attorney-client privilege would permit and tipped off the FBI on March 20, 1967. Because his client is dead, Morgan has now confirmed to us that Roselli was the confidential source who told him about the counterplot against Kennedy.

Roselli was in a position to know what he was talking about. As the hit man recruited by the CIA to kill Castro, Roselli developed informants close to Castro. These sources, never uncovered by Castro, kept Roselli fully informed on how the assassination plot had boomeranged, Morgan said.

Police suspect Roselli may have been murdered for talking too much about this bizarre plot. Twelve days before his death, he dined with Trafficante at the fashionable Landings restaurant in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. It is the custom in the Mafia to wine and dine a wayward member before he is executed.

Underworld informants told police that Roselli was lured aboard a private boat by his executioners. It is also the Mafia practice to give murder contracts to friends whom the victim trusts.

According to the police, the 70-year-old Roselli was strangled and his legs were sawed off so the body would fit in a metal drum. The murderers cut holes in the drum so it would fill with water and weighted it down with heavy chains. Then they heaved it into Miami's Biscayne Bay for a

Mafia-style burial.

But apparently the gases from the body caused the drum to rise eerily from its salt-water grave. The drum, with its grisly contents, washed up on the shore.

Earlier Roselli's associates, knowing he had been in touch with us, called us to report his disappearance. They feared foul play because of his contacts with us.

Two years later, Trafficante was summoned before the House assassinations committee and granted immunity to assure his testimony. He hunched down in the witness chair, a balding old man who did not appear to be the sinister Mafia chieftain whose name is feared throughout the underworld.

House Select Committee on Assassinations Chairman Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, read him our Sept. 7, 1976, column suggesting that the plot against Castro may have boomeranged against Kennedy. "Do you have any knowledge of that?" Stokes asked.

"No knowledge whatsoever," replied the mobster.

"Do you have any information concerning any retaliatory action by Mr. Castro?"

"No, sir."

"Do you have any knowledge concerning how this information could have been given to this columnist, Mr. Anderson?" the chairman pressed.

"No, sir," said Trafficante.

"Did you and Mr. Roselli ever discuss any retaliatory action by Castro?"

"No, sir."

"Can you tell us," asked Stokes, "when was the last time you had seen Mr. Roselli prior to his death?"

"I would say two, three weeks before his death."

"And where was that?"

"At Fort Lauderdale," said Santos Trafficante.

Footnote: As we have stressed in previous columns, Fidel Castro has vigorously denied any connection with the Kennedy assassination.

RHODESIAN ELECTIONS

Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith agonizes that the nation's first biracial election will have a disastrously low voter turnout if it takes place in December, but fears international anger if it is postponed.

There always has been concern that rural black Africans, unfamiliar with voting, would be intimidated by guerrillas into staying home.

Consequently, high white officials close to Smith would like a postponement for a few months, at least until the rainy season ends. But Smith was told here by American friends that a postponement would endanger what public support he has in the U.S.

The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



"Everyone's willing to share something — if nothing more than their opinions."

BIBLE VERSE

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. — Psalm 34:14.

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by Brickman

TODAY IS UNITED NATIONS DAY —

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INSIDE REPORT:

Kemp and Jarvis engage in angry shouting match

By ROWLAND EVANS AND ROBERT NOVAK

WASHINGTON — Angry disagreement between two rival leaders of the tax revolt, Howard Jarvis and Rep. Jack Kemp, exploded into a shouting match Oct. 10 in the congressman's office.

The immediate cause was Kemp's objection to the way Jarvis handled endorsements of congressional candidates. He refuses to lend his now-towering prestige to any candidate who does not back his new federal tax-cut proposal.

The broader disagreement involves opposing views on gearing spending reductions to tax reductions. The Jarvis bill limits federal spending to a flat percentage of gross national product; the Kemp-Roth tax-cut scheme ignores spending, claiming that economic growth induced by tax cuts will expand revenue.

Jeffrey Bell, the former Ronald Reagan aide who upset Sen. Clifford Case in the New Jersey Republican primary, supports the Kemp-Roth concept and refuses to accept the inflexible spending restraints of the Jarvis bill. As a result, Jarvis refused to campaign for or even endorse Bell — assistance badly needed in his uphill race against Democrat Bill Bradley, the former basketball star.

Kemp asked Jarvis to reconsider. That set up the Oct. 10 confrontation between two strong personalities: 43-year-old Kemp and 76-year-old Jarvis.

Kemp argued that commitment to wholesale spending cuts would alienate one voting bloc after another. Furthermore he contended that the Jarvis spending commitment is



Evans Novak

"hard," while the linked tax-spending reduction (sponsored by Sen. Sam Nunn of Georgia) just passed by the Senate is "soft." That explains why only a handful of congressmen have endorsed the Jarvis plan, Kemp said.

Jarvis snapped back that he would support nobody who could not bring himself to slash federal spending. Asked whether Jeff Bell was not incomparably better on the tax-spending issue than Bill Bradley, Jarvis allowed that Bradley was "terrible," but refused to budge beyond agreeing to a future meeting with Bell.

INFLATION BLUES

Behind all the tough White House talk about a Stage II anti-inflation program lies deep forboding that, no matter what President Carter dishes up in the next few weeks, it will not and cannot work.

This has led to quiet second thoughts at high administration levels. Since inflation has become so intractable, both here and in many industrialized democracies, the president should have delayed Stage II and tried a radical new approach: basic studies of all the economic and politi-

cal factors that are causing runaway inflation and how they fit together.

"We just do not know the root causes of this inflation," one presidential adviser confides. His worry: that unveiling a new Stage II program will not produce any good results and thus lead to even more disillusion among voters rocked by double-digit inflation. Indeed, some presidential aides fear that disillusion over solving inflation has reached such a point in this country that Stage II has already been discounted by many American citizens.

A footnote: Supporting this concern was the stunning increase in the last wholesale price index reported: the index was up .9 percent, but its food component roared ahead at 1.7 percent. Neither increase had been expected by government experts.

TRUCKING STRIKE?

Post-Camp David euphoria inside the White House has been limited by the prospect of President Carter's worst domestic crisis within a few months: a national trucking strike.

Mr. Carter's anti-inflation fighters feel the national Teamsters' contract due next March will be the make-or-break test of the new Stage II wage guidelines. If the Teamsters break the ceiling, the United Auto Workers cannot be expected to obey them. That would set off repercussions among the Steelworkers and other unions.

The president will push all-out against the Teamsters, but the giant union has been totally uncooperative. That points toward a national strike with far worse economic repercussions than the coal or rail stop-

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Hospice program: Death with dignity for dying

By DARLA WELLES
Copley News Service

When the diagnosis is cancer, the reaction is fear.

Fear not only of death, but of a prolonged and painful death.

Fear of dying in a sterile hospital room, isolated from family and all that is familiar.

Hooked up to artificial life-support equipment. Surrounded by efficient, and usually kind, professional caretakers for whom death is something of an embarrassment—a kind of defeat to their efforts at healing.

That's one picture of contemporary American death.

But it's a picture that can be changed, and is being changed, according to Dr. William C. Farr, medical director of Hillhaven Hospital in Tucson, Ariz.

Farr, in an interview, said that the picture of death is being changed by a concept of care that is most easily defined by what it is not.

A hospice, he said, is not another name for a

nursing home as they have been known in the past.

It is not a death house. It is not a facility—a building or a suite of rooms.

Rather, it is a program, an approach to care. Yet it is more than simply death with dignity.

"It is an expansive move away from the traditional mode of caring for the dying," Farr said, "an approach designed to provide comfort care, not cure.

To alleviate the symptoms. To enrich life without actively shortening or prolonging it unnecessarily."

It is, he said, designed to prevent the physical discomfort, the emotional dependency that are an integral part of the conventional way of dying.

Hospice is the word used to describe a growing number of programs in this country based on the system in operation since 1967 at St. Christopher's Hospice in England.

"The (hospice) ap-

proach to treating the pains of the dying is one that is described briefly," Farr said, "as one that in addition to providing medical management of symptoms also addresses itself to the other problems related to the cancer process and is a great step toward eradicating many of the not unreasonable fears of the patient."

That means, he said, providing help with the physical, psychological, socioeconomic and spiritual problems of both the patient and family.

To do that, he said, takes a team of physicians, nurses, counselors, volunteers and clergy, who draw on other existing community resources to provide solutions for problems, who work closely and supportively with the patient and family throughout the course of the illness and, as needed, after death, and who are not at odds with inevitability of death.

Philosophically, he said, that last point is particularly important in providing an alternative to conventional care.

"It's difficult, I think, for doctors and nurses and other people taking care of the patients in acute care facilities (hospitals), in that when you're geared up for success in the form of cure or prolongation of life, it's sometimes difficult to switch hats.

"You take care of someone who has a little pneumonia or something and who is going to get better, and then you go down to room 303 and see this lady who's dying and you know she's never going to leave the hospital.

"We don't have to deal with that because we're not defeated by death.

We know it's inevitable. So we can wash our hands of that worry that they have to deal with in an acute facility. And, of course, the people we have are there because they want to deal with

this kind of a patient and not because they have to.

"It's an atmosphere and an environment which is rather nebulous, but I think produces an effect on pain control. It has been shown in Canada at Royal Victoria, in comparing the pain control in a regular medical ward and in a hospice, that they have much better success in controlling the pain in the hospice unit. It's attributed to this nebulous environment created by the fact that the hospice has a positive attitude toward dying. There's a different philosophy, and the patients can feel that."

Medically speaking, hospice care is different, too. Although it does not include cessation of such medical treatments as chemotherapy and radiation when they are conducive to the comfort of the patient, Farr said, the emphasis is much more on creating comfort.

That, he said, means aggressive treatment of symptoms, both physical and emotional, through the use of counseling, anti-depressive and anti-anxiety medications, when needed, and aggressive treatment of pain aimed at preventing its recurrence, and keeping patients mentally alert, rather than knocking them out with medication when the pain becomes unbearable.

What's used is an orally administered, high-dose morphine preparation, which has become known in this country as the "hospice cocktail."

It represents a departure from the traditional approach to pain management, and has stirred some controversy. But Farr said it's shown itself to be an improvement. "I don't know why there should be a concern about this form of pain management, because what we're about is making people comfortable, whether they're terminal or not. The problem is that most physicians and medical students are

trained in treating acute pain like that associated with surgery or injury, the sort of thing that's going to be short-lived and it's all right to give an injection for a day or two and not worry about it (knocking the patient out)."

"But with terminal patients you're dealing with continuous or recurrent severe pain. And we have not been taught or had a lot of experience in treating that kind of pain. So physicians are often reluctant to give enough of the medication to do the job."

"I think that their fear is that the dosage in milligrams is so high that they're unaccustomed to prescribing it and are basically afraid to do so."

"But you can use the dosages necessary without knocking the patient out. And you can control that pain and the patients come along quite nicely."

In using the cocktail, he said, it is necessary to use twice as high a dosage as is used in an average injection to get the same amount of painkiller into the bloodstream. Still, he says, less medication overall can be used under the hospice plan than in the conventional treatment plan.

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DEAR ABBY Stewed cockatoo one alternative



By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: My husband recently bought a very expensive cockatoo. He has a cage for it, but it's hardly ever in the cage because my husband thinks it should have the freedom to fly around the house.

Needless to say, there are bird droppings everywhere! Husband refuses to clean up after the bird, so I have to, and I am tired of the mess. We fight about this constantly. Otherwise, we have a good marriage, but this really keeps me in a bad mood. What can I do?—LYNN IN GLENDALE

DEAR LYNN: Give your husband an ultimatum. Either the bird stays IN the cage, or HE cleans up after it. If that doesn't work, keep your windows open a lot, buy a cat, or send me your address and I'll send you a wonderful recipe for stewed cockatoo on toast.

DEAR ABBY: I've read your column for years, but this is my first time to write. When I read your advice to kids to stay in school, I had to write because I am living proof that kids start on a life of crime when they begin skipping school.

That's what happened to me. I am an 18-year-old boy who has been in trouble since I was 12, and it all started when I began skipping school.

I have been in more institutions and group homes than I can count, and right now I'm in jail waiting for my court date. (Armed robbery.)

I wish I could tell every kid on the other side of these jail-house bars, "STAY IN SCHOOL, AND DON'T QUIT NO MATTER WHAT!" Please don't be a high school dropout like me!

You can't get a decent job without a high school diploma. And without a job, all that's left is running the streets and stealing.

I'd also like to tell young kids, "Remember, you have only one mother and father, so mind them! If they punish you for doing wrong it's only because they love you, and want what's best for you."

Please correct my spelling, Miss Abby, and print this, maybe someone will listen to you.—JESSE

DEAR JESSE: I'll print your letter in the hope that some kids out there will listen to you. Thanks for writing. (P.S. I didn't have to correct one word. Your spelling was perfect. God bless you, son.)

DEAR ABBY: We are two secretaries who have a peculiar problem. We have been instructed to answer the telephone in the following manner: "Good morning. This is Mr. Johnson's office."

Occasionally we get some smart aleck on the other end who says, "Well, what do you

know—a TALKING of-

Do you have a snappy retort for those people who get smart with you? Thank you.—THE GIRLS IN THE OFFICE

DEAR GIRLS: Don't feel that you have to come up with a "snappy retort" to every smart aleck that throws you a jab. Ignore it.

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HOROSCOPE

By CARROLL RICHTER

(Wed., Oct. 25)

GENERAL TENDENCIES: This is not the day to strut or attempt to impress others with big ideas but rather to think about ways to operate on a down-to-earth manner. Maintain a cheerful manner.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Bring your finest talents to the attention of prominent persons so that they can help you to commercialize on them.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Listening to ideas of close ties can bring more harmony in the home now. Make the evening a happy one with congenials.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Not a good day for signing agreements of committing yourself to any future projects. Clear up whatever is in error.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You have to economize more at this time and build a reserve so that you need not worry about money in the future.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Study family conditions and make plans for improvement. Make plans to have greater prosperity in the days ahead.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Give more attention to any limitations you may have and eliminate them intelligently. Take no risks in money matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Separate financial affairs and dealings with friends for best results. Sidestep one who has an eye on your assets.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Don't do anything that could jeopardize your reputation in any way. Make sure your activities are well-organized.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You can study new projects but don't neglect current ones. Your hunches are especially good at this time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Ceasing routine duties to pursue some new ideas is not advisable now. Study money matters and cut unnecessary expenses.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Don't try to force allies to go along with your ideas exclusively or you could end up in a heap of trouble. Be logical.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Cooperate more with co-workers and gain their respect. Make the evening a happy one from a social standpoint.

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DEATHS

Hazel Palmer

MOUNT PLEASANT — Hazel Quinn Palmer, 85, of Mount Pleasant, mother of Lloyd Palmer of Midland, died Monday from injuries received earlier in the day when a train struck her car.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in Tennyson Memorial Methodist Church with burial in Mount Pleasant.

Mrs. Palmer was a veteran newspaperwoman who started her career 67 years ago in Fort Huron, Mich. There she met her late husband, J. Frank Palmer.

They purchased the Titus County Tribune and supervised its growth from a weekly to a semi-weekly, and finally to a daily in 1968. The newspaper now is the Mount Pleasant Daily Tribune. She was women's editor since 1941.

She was active in numerous civic organizations, including the Business and Professional Women's Club and Girl Scouts. She was the first person honored when a Mount Pleasant bank started a Woman of the Year award.

Other survivors include a son and five grandchildren.

Louise Duncan

McCAMEY — Services for Louise Freitag Duncan, 47, of McCamey will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Leonard Lee, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Restland Cemetery directed by Larry Sheppard Funeral Home.

She died Sunday in a San Angelo hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. Duncan was born Sept. 6, 1931, in San Angelo. She was married to Melvin Duncan Sept. 30, 1948, in Mertzon. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of McCamey.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Leslie Adams of McCamey and Mrs. Bob Howard of Houston; a son, Dwayne Duncan of McCamey; her mother, Lena May Freitag of San Angelo; a sister, Mrs. Jim Laster of Seagraves; two brothers, Howard Freitag of Anderson, Calif., and Car Freitag of Mertzon; and seven grandchildren.

Lenora Hughes

SNYDER — Services for Lenora Mae Hughes, 86, of Snyder, mother of Jo McDonald of Midland will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Bell-Seale Funeral Home here with the Rev. Joe Richard Noland of Floydad officiating. Burial will be in Fluvanna Cemetery.

Mrs. Hughes died Monday in a Snyder hospital after a long illness.

She was born April 24, 1892, in Russellville, Ala. She had been a Scurry County resident for many years. Mrs. Hughes was married to T.M. Hughes on July 30, 1909, in Fluvanna. He died in 1974.

Other survivors include five other daughters, a son, 19 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. A. Lasater

Mrs. Aaron (Connie Ruth) Lasater, 49, of 2905 W. Michigan Ave. died Sunday morning in a Midland hospital following an illness.

Services were to be at 4 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. John Riggs, pastor of Wilshire Park Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Lasater was born Dec. 8, 1928, in Fisher County, was reared in Sweetwater and graduated from high school there in 1947. She attended the Texas State School for the Blind in Austin, Texas State College for Women in Denton and Gail Business College in Abilene.

She was married to Aaron Lasater April 7, 1950, in Dallas. The couple lived in Dallas, Odessa and San Antonio before moving to Midland in 1957.

Mrs. Lasater had worked for Tera-co, Inc., as an assembly-line worker for the past 7½ years.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Morris Lasater of Midland; a daughter, Allene Schriber of Kansas City, Kan.; four brothers, Jim Chance of Rogers, Tom Chance of Sweetwater and John Chance of Fort Worth; three sisters, Vadie Nations of Sweetwater, Dortheal Warwick of Amarillo and Berta Chandler of Fort Stockton, and three grandchildren.

The family has requested that memorials be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Andrea Vela

BIG SPRING — Andrea Madrid Vela, 77, died Monday in a Big Spring hospital after a lengthy illness.

Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. today in Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Vela was born Nov. 30, 1900, in Mexico and was married to Francisco Vela in 1928 in Big Spring. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include three sons, Eugene Vela, Ramon Vela and Frank Vela Jr., all of Big Spring; two daughters, Mrs. Santos (Virginia) Duron and Mrs. Jimmy (Lola) Rodriguez, both of Big Spring; one brother, Martin Madrid of Midland; one sister, Guadalupe Madrid of Midland, 18 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rawlinson

Mrs. G.H. (Frances) Rawlinson, 59, of 1605 North Midkiff Road died early this morning in a Midland hospital.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. today in Newnie W. Ellis funeral Home with the Rev. J.B. Stewart, associate minister of First United Methodist

Church, officiating.

Burial will be in the Stokes Chapel Cemetery in Crossville, Ill., directed by Bernard-Sturm Funeral Home in Grayville, Ill., at 1 p.m. Thursday.

Mrs. Rawlinson was born March 15, 1919, in Middletown, Ohio, and spent her early life there. She attended Miami College at Oxford, Ohio, and received a BA degree from the University of Cincinnati.

She married George H. Rawlinson of Crossville, Ill., in 1943. They moved to Midland from Wichita Falls in 1966. She taught at Sam Houston Elementary School for the past 12 years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, two brothers and four sisters.

The family has requested memorials be made to the Midland Diagnostic Cancer Clinic.

Louie Hill Jr.

Louie Hill Jr., 27, of 115 E. Nobles St. died Sunday in a Midland hospital after a short illness.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Pentecostal Church of God in Christ with Bishop W.C. Swann officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery directed by Thomas Funeral Home.

Hill was born Jan. 15, 1951, in Falls County, Texas. He had lived in Midland 22 years and was a graduate of Midland High School. He was a member of the Pentecostal Church of God in Christ.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louie C. Hill Sr. of Midland; his wife, Juanita; a daughter, Beckie Denise Hill of Midland; three stepdaughters, Vickie Lynn Mims, Ronda

Lachell Mims and Stephanie Denise Mims, all of Midland; a stepson, Jackie Ray Mims of Midland; six sisters, Margaret Rotte of Waco, Orange Hill of Brooklyn, N.Y., Mary E. Hill of Dallas, Cora Hill of Austin, and Brenda Sue Hill and Sandra Kay Hill, both of Midland; a brother, Richmond Hill of Brooklyn, N.Y.; his grandfather, Robert Louis of Roswell, N.M., an uncle and four aunts.

Cassie Smith

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. Otis (Cassie) Smith, 58, of Big Spring will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Mount Bethel Baptist Church. Additional services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Union Baptist Church in Jefferson with burial in Cypress Chapel Cemetery.

Big Spring arrangements are being directed by Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith died Sunday in a Lubbock hospital after a brief illness.

She was born Sept. 7, 1920, in Jefferson and was married to Otis Smith April 6, 1940, there. They moved to Big Spring in 1946. Her husband died in 1974. She was a member of the Mount Bethel Baptist Church and the Court of Clantiss K.P.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Ena (Patsy) Burks of Clovis, N.M.; two sisters, Mrs. Johnnie Barnett of Houston and Ada Davis of Jefferson; two grandchildren, Milton Burks and Felicia Burks, both of Big Spring; three aunts, Edna Mae Kutter and Josephine Richards, both of Los Angeles, Calif., and Sophie Douglas of Jefferson, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Baucham

BIG SPRING — Services for Mrs. I.G. (Abby) Baucham, 72, of Big Spring are pending at Nalley-Pickle Funeral Home.

Mrs. Baucham died Sunday night in her home in Big Spring.

She was born June 14, 1906, and was married to I.G. Baucham in 1936 in McCamey. He died in June 1976. They moved to Big Spring in 1956. She was a member of the Powerhouse Church of God in Christ.

Survivors include three sons, Joe R. Baucham of Big Spring, Samuel E. Baucham of Fort Sill, Okla., and Roy Leon Baucham of Long Beach, Calif.; two daughters, Lillian B. Powell of San Antonio and Joyce M. Lowry of Riverside, Calif.; one brother, William T. Turner of Fort Worth; two sisters, Opal Mae Jackson and Sally McVay, both of Fort Worth, 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Roy Lawrence

Roy Lawrence, 66, of 1304 E. New York Ave., a 25-year Midland resident, died Monday morning in a Midland hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Mount Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. H. F. Doyle, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Lawrence was born June 30, 1912, in Lincoln Parish, La. He moved from Greenville to Midland in 1953. He was a member of the Gum Springs Baptist Church in Lincoln County Parish. He was a grounds-keeper for an apartment complex.

Survivors include his wife, Madeline; a son, Elton Roy Lawrence of Amarillo; a daughter, Patsy Ruth Hall of Austin; his mother, Rosie McNeal of Midland; a brother, George Lawrence of Sherman; a sister, Annie Mae Hightower of Midland, and six grandchildren.

M.S. Heredia

ODESSA — Services for Macedonio Saucedo Heredia, 65, of Odessa, son of Rafael Heredia of Midland, were to be at 10 a.m. today in Crest Park Baptist Church here. Burial was to be in Odessa Cemetery directed by Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Heredia died Saturday in an Odessa hospital.

He was born Sept. 12, 1913, in Pecos. He came to Odessa in 1963. He was a Catholic.

Other survivors include his mother, Mrs. Peter S. Artiz of Odessa; a sister, Susie O. Saucedo of Odessa; four stepbrothers, Lorenzo Heredia, Luis Heredia, Leverato Heredia and Juan Heredia, all of Midland, and four stepsisters, Virginia H. Dianda, Dorothea H. Torres, Rosa H. Perez and Herminia Marmalejo, all of Midland.

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PORTSMOUTH, Va. (AP) — Divers swam through the sunken cutter Cuyahoga searching for five missing men while a board of inquiry met to investigate why the ship collided with an Argentine coal freighter under clear moonlit skies last Friday.

Four more bodies were found inside the sunken 51-year-old ship Monday, bringing to six the number of confirmed dead, Coast Guard officials said. Two other bodies were found Sunday.

Eighteen aboard the 125-foot cutter were rescued after it sank in 57 feet of water, minutes after colliding with the freighter Santa Cruz II, whose own crew escaped injury.

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NFL standings

American Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	6	2	0	.750
Miami	5	3	0	.625
N.Y. Jets	5	3	0	.625
Baltimore	5	3	0	.625
Buffalo	5	3	0	.625

CFL standings

Canadian Football League				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Ottawa	10	4	0	.714
Hamilton	9	5	0	.643
Toronto	8	6	0	.571
Edmonton	7	7	0	.500
Winnipeg	6	8	0	.429

Top 20

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Oklahoma	7-0	0	0	1.000
2 Penn State	7-0	0	0	1.000
Alabama	6-1	0	0	.857
1 Nebraska	6-1	0	0	.857
3 Maryland	6-1	0	0	.857

National Conference

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Dallas	6	2	0	.750
Washington	6	2	0	.750
N.Y. Giants	5	3	0	.625
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500
St. Louis	0	8	0	.000

Sports in brief

By The Associated Press
TENNIS
 TOKYO—Second-seeded Buster Mottram of Britain whipped Bhanu Prasad of India 6-1, 6-2 and ninth-seeded Terry Moor ousted Japan's Shigeo Nishio 6-3, 7-5 in the opening round of the \$12,000 Fred Perry Japan Open tennis tournament.

Fight results

Monday's Fights
By The Associated Press
 BAKERSFIELD, Calif.—Ruben Castillo, 17, Bakersfield, Calif., outpointed Juan Bautista, 12, Dominican Republic, 10, Gonzalo Montiel, Bakersfield, Calif., stopped Moses Carbon, St. Louis, 5, lightweight.

Transactions

Monday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press
American League
 CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Traded Jim Willoughby, pitcher, to Detroit for Cardinals in exchange for John Scott, outfielder.
 KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Signed Marty Pattin and Steve Minetti, pitchers, to 2-year contracts.
National League
 LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Signed Manny Mota, outfielder, to a one-year contract.
BASKETBALL
 National Basketball Association
 MILWAUKEE BUCKS—Traded Otis Howard, forward, to the Detroit Pistons in exchange for the Pistons' fourth-round draft choice in 1981. Activated George Johnson, forward.
 DETROIT PISTONS—Activated Bubba Hawkins, guard, and Howard, waived Gun Gerard, forward.
 Continental Basketball League
 BALTIMORE METROS—Signed Joe Pace, center.

College football standings

By The Associated Press				
Atlantic Coast Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Maryland	3	0	0	1.000
Clemson	2	0	0	1.000
N. Carolina	2	0	0	1.000
Duke	1	0	0	1.000
Virginia	1	0	0	1.000

NBA standings

Eastern Conference				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Washington	4	0	0	1.000
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667
New York	2	1	0	.667
New Jersey	2	1	0	.667
Boston	1	1	0	.500

Pro hockey

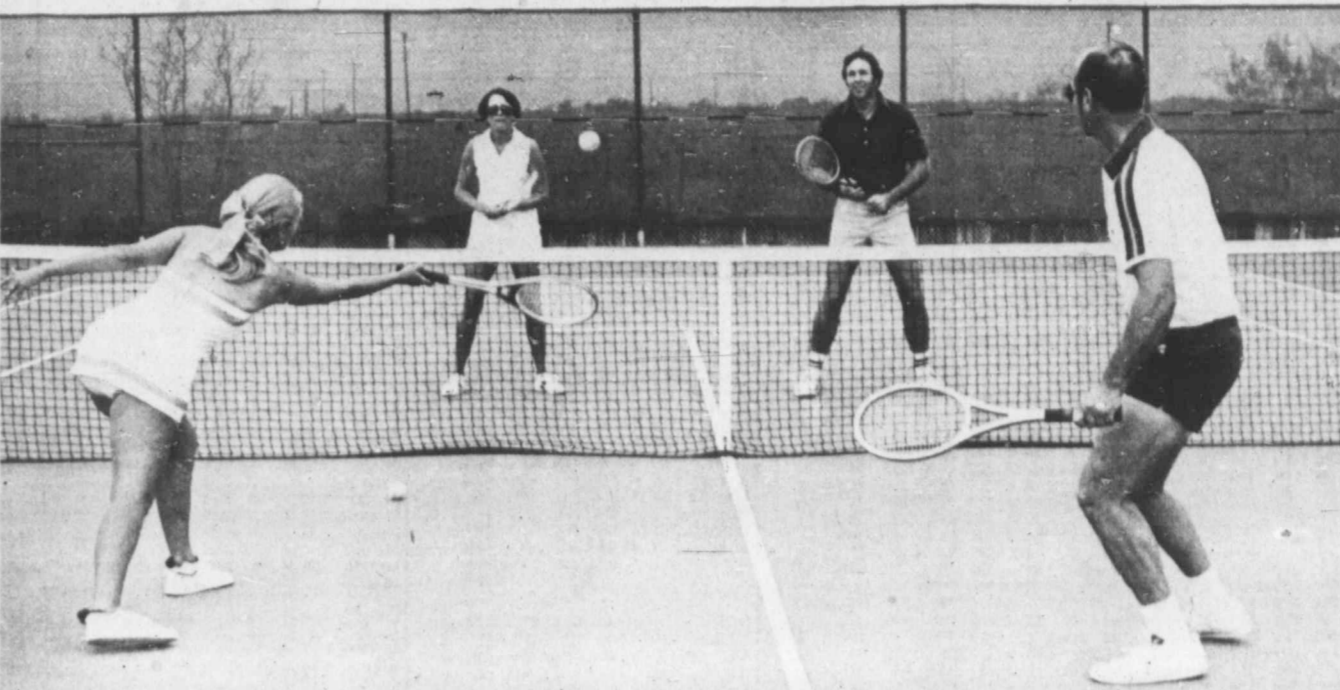
NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE				
Team	W	L	T	Pct.
Atlanta	9	2	0	.818
N.Y. Islanders	4	2	0	.667
N.Y. Rangers	2	1	0	.667
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667
Chicago	2	1	0	.667

NHL leaders

NEW YORK (AP)—The National Hockey League scoring leaders through games of Sunday:				
Player	G	A	Pts	
Sittler, Tor.	7	6	13	
Rabych, St. L.	4	8	12	
Lyniak, Atl.	4	8	12	
Diagne, L.A.	3	8	11	
Sutter, St. L.	3	8	11	

WHA leaders

NEW YORK (AP)—The World Hockey Association scoring leaders through games of Sunday:				
Player	G	A	Pts	
Mark Howe, NE	5	4	9	
Dudley, Cin	4	5	9	
Sullivan, Win	3	6	9	
Nielsen, Win	3	6	9	
Florko, Cin	2	7	9	



Mary Jane Belden and Ray Belden, forecourt, takes on Mary Ann Wiesepape and Jim Nelson during the Ranchland Hill Country Club's Grand Opening Tennis Tournament at the club's new facility. It was the first tournament under the direction of tennis pro Ron Houdek. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Chaps win three titles

SAN ANGELO—The Midland College tennis team had a field day Sunday in the San Angelo Open Tennis Tournament, winning three of the four titles available.

Geardine Sayers captured the women's singles title with an easy 6-1, 6-1 victory over Holly Harris of Brownwood and then teamed with Kathy Bovell for a 6-1, 6-1 win over Freda Barriga and Sandra Acthinson of NMJC to advance to the finals against Midland College teammates Karen Young and Debbie Smith, who had disposed of the Midland College duo of Leslie Miller and Mary Jane Spencer, 7-5, 7-6, in the other women's doubles semifinal.

Miller lost to Sayers in the semifinals while Bovell lost to Harris in the other women's singles matches.

Steve Wyatt and Des Ward won a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Tom Easterling and Bill Daniel in the men's doubles finals for the other title. Easterling and Daniel had kept this final match from being another all-MC matchup by defeating Jose Rivera and Scott Dunn in the semifinals.

The only title to get away was in the men's singles. Rivera lost a 6-4, 6-3 decision to Kimm Ketelson of San Angelo in the finals. Ketelson had defeated Rivera by the same score last week in the Midland Open tournament. The two players will also be in the same meet again this weekend.

Dent is the quiet Yankee

NEW YORK (AP)—Bucky Dent may be the only member of the world champion New York Yankees with an identity crisis.

"I try to keep my mouth shut and go out and play the game of baseball," explained the veteran shortstop, named the most valuable player in the 1978 World Series.

In the soap opera atmosphere of the Yankees, where controversy is king, that approach is extremely unusual. And Dent admits that the policy is sometimes difficult to follow.

"Sometimes, when that other stuff is going on, you think to yourself, 'When is this gonna stop? But I've learned it's better to keep my mouth shut.'"

At the same time, Dent keeps his glove open. Considered one of the American League's top defensive shortstops, Bucky lives at the bottom of the Yankees' batting order, carrying a bat only because baseball requires it. He is the No. 9 hitter in a nine-man lineup, a suitable spot for a career .255 hitter. "That's where I belong," he said.

But Dent turned tiger at the plate during the Series against Los Angeles, drilling 10 hits in 24 at-bats for a .417 average and driving in seven runs. Those fancy numbers earned him the cap awarded to the MVP by Sport Magazine as well as a trophy presented by baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

The MVP award capped a dramatic moment for Dent. He started it by clubbing a three-run homer that lifted the Yankees over Boston in the one-game playoff for the American League East title. Then he contributed three hits that drove in four runs in the Championship Series against Kansas City and followed with his hefty World Series production against Los Angeles.

Dent never will forget the homer in the Boston game. That's because he knew he wasn't supposed to be hitting in that situation. The Yankees had been pinch hitting for him late in many games, and with two men on base and two out in the seventh inning and New York trailing 2-0, it seemed time for a hitter who could swing with more authority than Dent.

"I thought of it going to the on-deck circle," said Dent. "But with Willie (Randolph) hurt, they couldn't do it. They were stuck with me."

Then Dent stuck it to the Red Sox, and the Yankees' soap opera weaved into the playoffs and World Series.

"Last year was so different," he said. "I was so grateful when the 1977 season ended. It was like having a million pounds of pressure off me. We were supposed to win. You know, the best team money could buy and that stuff. With all the problems we had, it just wasn't a fun year."

Then, as this season and more adventures, including a string of disabling injuries as the Yankees fell 14 games behind in July. But somehow it was different for Dent.

"This year it was fun," the shortstop said. "The team grew more together and when everybody got healthy, we found we still could win."

Herzog takes gamble by firing Charley Lau

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP)—Whitey Herzog says he took a risk by firing Charley Lau, the popular batting coach of the Kansas City Royals.

"It's very difficult for a manager to sign a one-year contract and fire a popular coach," the Royals skipper said Monday in a news conference.

Herzog indicated Lau's status was one thing he needed to get resolved before agreeing to another one-year contract with the Royals, which he signed last week after much hesitation.

"I played with Charley in 1961, so he's a personal friend of mine," Herzog said. "I still feel he is a personal friend of mine. I just feel that 16 guys on the same ball club can't stand in the same place in the batter's box, hold the bat the same way and hit alike."

Lau, who is reportedly close to signing a contract with the New York Yankees, stressed a philosophy of hitting line drives to all fields and did not emphasize home runs.

"I'm not home run crazy," Herzog said. "I know we've got a big ball park, but I want our players to swing hard and get the ball to the outfield. I don't want to see those dribblers to second base all the time."

Herzog said Lau had done a tremendous job with Royals' players George Brett and Hal McRae, but added, "I do think there are other people on the ball club who could do better. My philosophy is that some people have to crowd the plate and some have to stand in the middle of the box. Not everybody can stand away from the plate."

SWC freshmen take hold

DALLAS (AP)—Two freshmen made dramatic appearances in Southwest Conference football games Saturday and also made their mark in the statistics.

The newcomers are Walter Abercrombie of Baylor and Lawrence Sampton of Texas. They responded to their first calls in championship form.

Abercrombie, scheduled to be held out this season until injuries caused Coach Grant Teaff to change his mind, responded with the best first game by a rusher in SWC history in the 24-6 victory over Texas A&M.

He gained 207 yards on 19 carries to become the first freshman ever to rush for more than 200 yards, much less the first one to do so in his first game.

Sampton caught a 36-yard touchdown pass and shagged a 33-yarder to setup another Texas score in the 28-21 victory over Arkansas.

The youngster from Seguin totaled 108 yards in receptions. There's no record of a finer debut by a freshman tight end in the SWC.

Southern Methodist quarterback Mike Ford and receiver Emanuel Tolbert widened their leads in the pass-and-catch categories while the rushing race tightened enough Texas A&M's Curtis Dickey still leads with an average of 109.7 yards per game.

RHCC netters open facility

Barbara Waller, Dee Hines and Vitalai Pai captured the first major titles at the Ranchland Hill Country Club's new tennis facility over the weekend during the club's Grand Opening Tennis Tournament.

Pai captured two titles, winning both the A&B combined and mixed men's title. Waller won the A&B combined crown while Hines took the A&B mixed title for the women. Waller was also second in the women's mixed division while Mary Jane Belden and Mary Ann Weisepape tied for second in the combined.

Ray Belden placed second in the men's combined while Jim Nelson was second in the mixed.

In the C&D competition, Peggy Sneringer won both women's crowns while Joan Robinson was second in the combined and Florence Cope was second in the mixed.

Chuck Pearson won the combined men's title while Steve Rowland captured the mixed. Dean Hamilton took second in both mixed and combined divisions for the men.

Rea, Vasicek win MCC tennis titles

Jeff Rea and Vicki Vasicek carted home the top prizes as Midland Country Club held their club singles open tennis championships over the weekend.

Rea captured the men's championship singles title by blasting Kyle McDonald, 6-1, 6-2, in the finals. Miss Vasicek, a Midland High senior, had an even easier time of it in the women's championship finals. The two-time state champ blistered Susan Britton, 6-0, 6-0, for her title.

Mike Locker won the men's "A-1" singles title with a convincing 6-1, 6-1, decision of Paul Hughton and Judy Duke won the women's "A" crown with a split set, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3, victory over Shirley Locker.

In the championship consolation, David Sparks defeated Charles Tighe, 6-1, 6-3, for the men's consolation title and Marilee Runyan escaped Nancy Gibson in the women's division, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

In the "A" bracket consolation, Bill Rutter downed Jerry Atkinson for the men's title, 6-1, 7-5, while Margaret Amini had to struggle past Lana Booth, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.

MCC to host golf tourney

Midland Country Club will host an 18-hole golf tournament for club members Saturday at the MCC golf course.

All members wishing to participate in the tournament should call or sign up at the MCC pro shop.

The tournament will be a best two balls out of a foursome event.

Keith Diepraam wins net title

HOUSTON—Keith Diepraam, Midland Country Club tennis pro, advanced to the quarterfinals of the Men's 35 National Clay Court Championships here last week before finally being eliminated.

Diepraam lost his quarterfinal match with Australian Bob Carmichael, 6-4, 6-3.

Carmichael proved to be a thorn in Diepraam's side throughout the meet. Carmichael and his partner Gene Scott of New York teamed up to take the doubles title away from Diepraam and partner Peter Van Lier, again by a 6-4, 6-3 score.

Diepraam was the winner of the Midland Invitational Tennis Tournament last month and was a semifinalist in the U.S. Open Men's 35 Championships and the USTA Men's 35 Hard Court Invitational tournament.

Diepraam missed game, but all is well at ABC

NEW YORK (AP)—Don Meredith was not in the announcing booth Monday night for ABC's telecast of the Houston Oilers-Pittsburgh Steelers National Football League game—simply because he didn't have to.

"Meredith's contract doesn't include all the games," said ABC spokesman Irv Brodsky.

Meredith's contract—reportedly for 14 games a year—was not increased when the NFL schedule was boosted to 16 games this year.

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Demand for products may hit record in '79

HOUSTON (AP) — U.S. demand for petroleum products should climb to a record 19.4 million barrels a day next year, despite a predicted slowdown in the growth rate of the nation's economy, an oil industry study group says.

The supply and demand committee of the Independent Petroleum Association of America said, however, that assuming normal weather, the slower economic growth, combined with increased availability of coal and nuclear power, will temper 1979 oil consumption.

Predicted 1979 consumption would be 2.1 percent above 1978 demand, which is expected to average 18.9 million barrels a day, or 3 percent above 1977 figures, the committee said Monday at the annual meeting of the 5,000-member trade group.

The committee predicted that oil imports would begin to climb again next year as domestic crude production begins to level off.

Oil imports dropped from record levels after the start of crude produc-

tion from Alaska's North Slope region last year.

But the committee now projects North Slope production will level off next year at about 1.13 million barrels a day, only slightly above the current level. Combined with anticipated growth in demand, such a trend will require additional imported oil, the study group said.

The committee forecast that the United States would import a record 8.87 million barrels a day next year in crude oil and petroleum products, compared with 8.14 million this year and the 1977 record of 8.72 million barrels a day.

Domestic crude production while is expected to drop to 8.66 million barrels a day, compared with this year's projected average of 8.72 million, it said.

Domestic crude output dropped from a record average of 9.64 million a day in 1970 to a low of 8.13 million in 1976, the committee said. Initial North Slope production pushed the 1977 average to 8.18 million barrels daily.

Self-serve stations growing in numbers

BOCA RATON, Fla.—More than half of all retail gasoline sales in the U.S. will be self-serve by the mid-1980s while the declining number of service stations will level off at about 160,000, Amoco Oil Company's director of marketing research said.

John A. Stitzell said many of the 160,000 stations "will be substantially different types of units than the network of 225,000 full service stations with repair bays that constituted the gasoline retailing network of 1972."

In remarks delivered here to the recent National Association of Petroleum Investment Analysts, Stitzell said:

"The industry system of service stations will be much more specialized as marketers strive to serve their respective segments. There will be more gasoline only, pump-type facilities specifically designed to feature self-serve gasoline."

Stitzell noted that the percentage of self-serve gasoline has climbed from 15 percent in 1975 to 43 percent in 1978, an increase of nearly 200 percent. He said these factors accounted for the increase:

"Lower price, not surprisingly, is the principal reason given for using self-serve. However, less waiting and getting in and out faster are strong secondary reasons. Also, significant numbers of motorists in fact prefer and enjoy taking care of their cars themselves."

Stitzell said the implications of these motorist preferences and the growth rate for gasoline sold through self-serve pumps are that the gasoline retailer must "bring in that hurried, price-conscious motorist and get him in and out of the pumps with as little confusion as possible."

However Stitzell said that Amoco, with its nearly 24,000 independent branded outlets, believes "the predominant customer segments are still attracted to the product quality, total car services, and credit card convenience associated with a branded service station."

"We believe that for many motorists these values will remain in force for a long time to come. And the marketing is to remain brand name marketers."

Looking to the future, Stitzell said, Amoco has adopted a strategy for the 1980s of a segmented marketing approach which will enable the company to deliver the type of facility best suited to each location.

He explained that in a given market

at a specific site the best service may be rendered by a traditional full-service station. In another location, a split-island self-serve and full-service with repair bays may be needed. A gasoline-only pumper may be appropriate for many locations. And many facilities will feature non-traditional associated businesses such as mini-convenience stores.

"Whatever the situation calls for, we will do our best to match the facility to needs of the customer base that the dealer and the station will serve," Stitzell said. "This fine tuning of our service station mix to accommodate the needs of the public will be a central part of our individual marketing decisions through the 1980s."

Another important aspect of Amoco's marketing strategy is the continued support of its independent branded dealers with programs such as the Amoco credit card and the Amoco Motor Club which contribute heavily to brand loyalty. The company has more than seven million credit card holders and the Amoco Motor Club is the largest nationally operated motor club in the country with 2.5 million members.

Dwight Free new manager

DALLAS—Dwight A. Free Jr. has been named exploration manager of Summit Energy, Inc.

Free has been active in all phases of the domestic oil and gas exploration industry the last 22 years.

He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in Geology from Southern Methodist University.

He is a member of the Dallas Geological Society, the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Society of Independent Petroleum Earth Scientists.

He previously was vice president of geology for another independent oil company and prior to that time was an independent consultant.

DRY HOLES

CHAVES COUNTY
Stevens Oil Co. No. 1-A Federal, wildcat, 660 feet from south and east lines of section 13-8-30e, 14 miles southeast of Elkins, id 1,603 feet.

HANAGAN PETROLEUM CORP.
No. 1-M Faircloth, wildcat, 660 feet from south and west lines of section 29-7-27e, three miles north of High Lane, id 4,796 feet.

HANAGAN PETROLEUM CORP.
No. 1-M Borica, wildcat, 660 feet from south and west lines of section 25-7-27e, three miles north of High Lane, id 4,730 feet.

GAINES COUNTY
Petro-Lewis Corp. No. 1 Opel G. Cox, wildcat, 660 feet from north and west lines of section 224, block G, WTRR survey, three miles southwest of S. mine, id 11,890 feet.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY
Bass Enterprises Production Co. No. 1 Currie, wildcat, 1,800 feet from north and east lines of section 28, block 32, T-4-S, T&P survey, eight miles southeast of Garden City, id 9,984 feet.

KENT COUNTY
Kerr-McCoy No. 1 H.W. Davis, wildcat, 660 feet from north and east lines of section 57, block G, WANW survey, eight miles southwest of Clairmont, id 1,000 feet.

LUBBOCK COUNTY
Gunn Oil Co. No. 1 K.F. Bection, wildcat, 660 feet from north and 1,900 feet from east lines of section 106, block C, AB&M survey, 17 miles northeast of Lubbock, id 9,403 feet.

MARTIN COUNTY
Tamarack Petroleum Co., Inc. No. 1-320 Plymouth, wildcat, 1,000 feet from south and east lines of section 922, labor 8, league 326, Garza County School Land survey, 15 miles northwest of Stanton, id 12,845 feet.

MIDLAND COUNTY
Deight Corp. No. 1 Foster, Wolfcamp and Clear Fork field, 660 feet from south and 1,300 feet from east lines of section 2, block 41, T-3-S, T&P survey, seven miles west and slightly south of Midland, id 10,653 feet.

MOTLEY COUNTY
Gunn Oil Co. No. 1 F. Shaw, wildcat, 660 feet from north and west lines of section 12, block O-4, WTRR survey, five miles southeast of Boaring Springs, id 6,365 feet.

PECOS COUNTY
Dorchester Exploration, Inc. No. 1 South Gomez Unit, re-entry, 660 feet from north and 1,800 feet from west lines of section 17, block 146, T&SU survey, id 20,740 feet.

REEVES COUNTY
MR Oil Co. No. 1 B.M. McGowan, wildcat, 1,433 feet from north and 467 feet from east lines of section 11, D.W. Washburn survey, 1/2-mile northeast of Toyah, id 1,048 feet.

SCHLEICHER COUNTY
Walter Exploration, Inc. No. 2 Tidale, McKavit field, 660 feet from north and 1,300 feet from east lines of section 11, Tidale Scrap Oil No. 15425, five miles east of Eldorado, id 4,470 feet.

WHEELOCK OIL CO.
No. 1 Shirley Jackson, wildcat, 1,200 feet from south and east lines of section 66, block K, GH&SA survey, ten miles southeast of Eldorado, id 6,000 feet.

SUTTON COUNTY
ENG Oil Co. No. 1-41 Hicks, Miers (Canyon) field, 660 feet from north and east lines of section 61, block 14, TW&NG survey, 17 miles southeast of Sonora, abandoned location.

WARD COUNTY
ENG Oil Co. No. 1-51 A Cameron, wildcat, 1,800 feet from northeast and 1,607 feet from northwest lines of section 35, block 34, H&TC survey, 19 miles west of Poyte, id 7,000 feet.

IPPA group predicts slowdown

HOUSTON (AP) — An oil industry study group says the nation's economic growth is expected to slow a bit next year but that demand for petroleum products should climb to a record 19.4 million barrels a day.

The supply and demand committee of the Independent Petroleum Association of America said, however, the slower economic growth, assumed normal weather, and increased availability of coal and nuclear power will temper 1979 oil consumption.

The anticipated requirement for 19.4 million barrels a day in petroleum products would be only 2.1 percent above 1978 demand that is expected to average 18.9 million barrels a day or 3 percent above 1977.

The study group released its annual report Monday at the annual meeting of the 5,000 member trade group.

The committee forecast oil imports will begin to climb again next year as domestic crude production resumes a downward trend.

Oil imports dropped back from record levels after the start of crude production from Alaska's North Slope region last year.

But the committee now projects North Slope production will level off next year at about 1.13 million barrels a day, only slightly above the current level. Combined with anticipated demand growth, such a trend will require additional imported oil.

Crude and products imports next year are projected to average a record 8,870,000 barrels a day, compared with 8,144,000 this year and the 1977 all-time high of 8,722,000 barrels a day.

Domestic crude production meanwhile is expected to drop to 8,656,000 barrels a day, compared with this year's indicated average of 8,724,000.

Domestic crude output dropped from a record average of 9,637,000 barrels a day in 1970 to a low of 8,132,000 in 1976. Initial North Slope production pushed the 1977 average to 8,179,000 barrels daily.

Crude production in the lower 48 states is expected to decline next year by about 130,000 barrels a day compared with an anticipated decline of about 250,000 a day this year.

Motor gasoline demand next year was projected at 7,558,000 barrels a day, 2 percent above an anticipated 1978 average of 7,408,000 or 3.2 percent above 1977.

E. F. Sims elected VP

HOUSTON—Crutcher Resources Corp. has elected Eugene F. Sims to the newly-created position of senior vice president and M. Timothy Carey to the position of vice president.

Sims works closely with Ben C. Montgomery, executive vice president, in all matters relating to the company's pipeline operations.

Carey assumes sim's previous operational duties as director of operations, Automatic Welding.

More acreage under lease than ever before

WASHINGTON D.C. — More acreage was under lease for oil and gas production in the United States during 1977 than at any time since 1962, according to new figures released by the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

According to Melvin L. Mesnard, Director of Statistics for IPPA, more than 408 million acres, about 18 percent of the entire land area of the United States, was under lease at the last tally. The figures were released in the 1978 edition of IPPA's publication, "The Oil Producing Industry in Your State", which Mesnard edits.

The IPPA official noted that 107 million acres — about 26 percent of all leased acreage — is on public, acquired or Indian lands controlled by the U.S. Government. Most of this land, he said, is in the Rocky Mountain or western part of the United States. In seven states, according to Mesnard, more than half of the entire land area is under lease. They are Colorado, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah, West Virginia,

Officials of pipeline firms worry about changes

TULSA — Cases before the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and issues arising in Congress have pipeline company officials worried that their business soon may undergo some drastic changes. Sentiment is increasing in government to treat crude and product pipelines more like utilities for ratemaking, the Oil & Gas Journal reports. And the Justice Department has supported moves to prevent integrated oil companies from laying any more pipelines, leaving the chore to independent firms.

If rules like those were enacted, crude and products pipeline owners would have to do business under a whole new set of economic rules. Some industry representatives tell the Journal few, if any, companies would be willing to start any new pipeline projects under the proposed changes.

Important cases pending in FERC are the Trans-Alaska pipeline rate case, a remanded court challenge to an Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) ruling that upheld a tariff hike by Williams Pipe Line Co., and a rulemaking proceeding on pipeline ratemaking methods called Ex Parte No. 308, Valuation of Common Carrier Pipelines.

A major issue before FERC is the fair value rate base that traditionally has been applied to crude and products lines. FERC inherited pipeline tariff approval responsibility from the ICC when the Department of Energy was formed last year.

In the past, the ICC conducted periodic valuations of pipelines, taking into account original cost, replacement cost new, and replacement cost less depreciation. When pipeline owners filed tariffs, ICC computed rates of return on valuations it had determined to decide whether the tariffs were reasonable.

That method of regulating rates is called fair value ratemaking. In the 1940s, court and ICC decisions determined that rates of return on valuation should be no more than eight percent for crude pipelines and 10 percent for products pipelines.

Also in the 1940s, several major oil companies that operated pipelines entered a consent decree in a federal case, agreeing that dividends paid pipelines to shipper-wonners should

not exceed seven percent of valuation. The proposed change to these ratemaking methods would base tariffs on original cost of pipeline assets and land, less depreciation. That method of regulating tariffs already is applied to utilities, including gas pipelines.

Operators of crude and products pipelines argue that original cost ratemaking would not reflect accurately the continuing economics of pipelines during inflation. They say pipeline projects require huge initial capital outlays and relatively small subsequent investments, economic values of which become increasingly distorted over time by inflation.

They also say original cost ratemaking is valid only for utilities, which have franchised monopolies in their areas of operation. Crude and product pipeline operators have no such monopolies, supporters of fair value ratemaking point out.

The fair value ratemaking issue is an important part of the divestiture question, which is being investigated by the Senate judiciary committee's

subcommittee on antitrust and monopoly.

Assistant Attorney General John H. Shenefield told the subcommittee last June that divestiture should be preceded by rate reform. He urged FERC to "abandon outmoded and cumbersome fair value rate regulation modeled after the natural gas pipeline industry."

Shenefield also said he favors prospective divestiture of pipelines owned by oil companies. That would prevent oil companies that operate in several facets of the oil business from building any more crude or products pipelines.

Retrospective divestiture—which would force oil companies to rid themselves of existing pipelines—probably would create too much disruption of the pipeline industry, Shenefield said.

The pipeline industry strongly opposes any form of divestiture or change from fair value ratemaking. Industry representatives tell the Journal they need higher rates of return on valuation than those set during the 1940s.

ENERGY OIL & GAS

Explorers scheduled

Stallworth Oil & Gas Inc. of Dallas No. 1 Schattel is a new 6,850-foot wildcat in Scurry County, 6.5 miles northwest of Ira.

Drillsite is 2,157 feet from south and west lines of section 186, block 97, H&TC survey and 1.4 miles northwest of the Tri-We (Reef) field.

It is 664 feet from south and 662 feet from east lines of section 458, block G, CCSD&RNG survey.

The old total depth is 7,735 feet. It will be plugged back to 3,078 feet. It is an old well in the Russell (Clear Fork) field.

Garrett Pack in new post

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Garrett F. Pack has been named vice president of Occidental Engineering Co., a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corp.

He joined Occidental in 1977 from Fluor Engineers and Constructors, where he was chief of advanced process technology. His career includes 18 years in the field of process engineering and management, with extensive experience in petroleum refining.

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COCHILAN COUNTY
Union Texas No. 22 Slaughter, pumped 9 barrels oil and 2 barrels water in 24 hours, through perforations from 4,920 to 4,980 feet.

DAWSON COUNTY
HMH Operators No. 1 Harwell, id 8,000 feet, plugging.

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MIDLAND COUNTY
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Elk moves headquarters

Elk Corp., a subsidiary of Elcor Corp. of Midland, has moved its headquarters to Dallas from Stephens, Ark., J. K. Creighton, president, announced.

Elk is a manufacturer of asphalt roofing products.

The re-location of the corporate office was made to establish a headquarters separated from the several dispersed manufacturing and distribution facilities, Creighton said.

Elk soon will open a new fiberglass mat plant in Ennis.

Uranium plan told

DALLAS — William L. Hutchison, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Texas Oil & Gas Corp., announced that TXO Minerals, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of TXO, and Fuel Supply Service, Inc., a subsidiary of Florida Power & Light Co., have signed a contract for a joint uranium exploration effort in South Texas.

TXO is making available approximately 159,000 net undeveloped acres for this uranium exploration project.

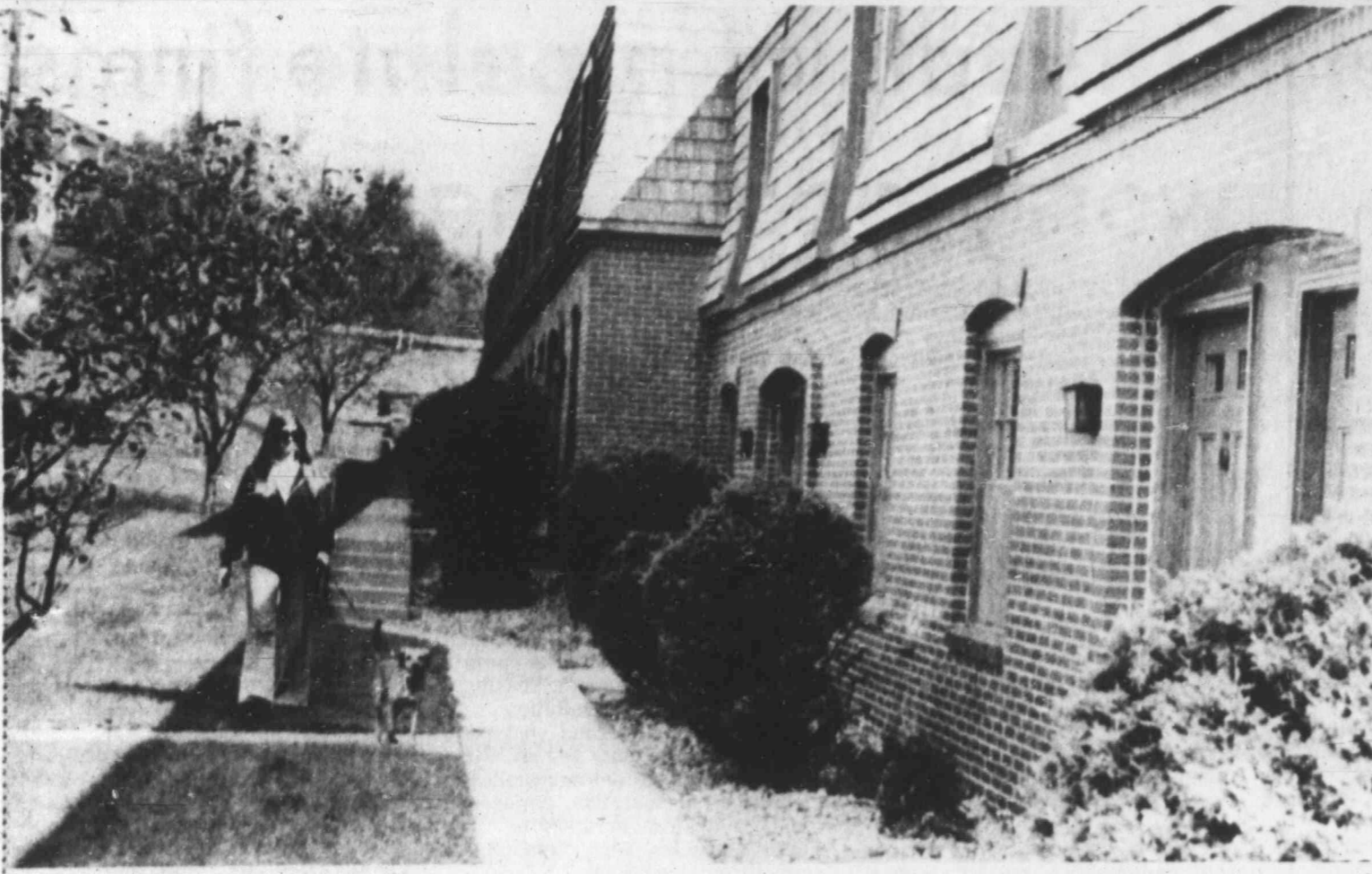
The initial program, expected to cover a three-year period, will involve extensive drilling at an anticipated cost of \$4,000,000. TXO's cost will be up to \$1,000,000 and Fuel Supply Service's share will be up to \$3,000,000 with Fuel Supply Service earning up to a 50% interest in the acreage insofar as it relates to potential uranium deposits.

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A resident of Pennsbury Village, Pa., walks her dog along one of the sidewalks of the borough. The area was once part of Robinson Township, about eight miles west of Pittsburgh. The 48-acre, 503-unit condominium community

seceded from the township when its residents felt they were not getting enough for their tax dollars. (AP Laser photo)

Pennsbury residents demand higher taxes for nest egg

By ELAINE GANLEY

PENNSBURY VILLAGE, Pa. (AP) — It was sewage that united villagers last year in a court struggle for independence, but taxes became the rallying cry — higher taxes, not lower.

This year, the 1,000 residents coolly doubled their property taxes as homeowners and politicians across the nation gleefully jumped aboard the bandwagon of Proposition 13, the California referendum which limited such levies.

Leaders of this condominium community, a few miles west of Pittsburgh in southwestern Pennsylvania, have a so-what attitude about bucking the California trend. They say that in the long-run their tax plan will leave everyone with a bigger nest egg.

"It's not where we are this year compared to last, but where we would have been if we hadn't done any of this," said Donald Speakman, Pennsbury's 27-year-old tax collector and one of the secessionist leaders.

Pennsbury Village — a well-heeled complex of 503 condominiums, with swimming pool, tennis courts, a commercial center and only 1.5 miles of roads on 48 acres of hillside — seceded from Robinson Township in June 1977. Last November, Pennsbury held its first election. In January, it began functioning as an independent borough.

Pennsbury did not decide to go it alone until the township ordered it to tap into the municipal sewage system — at a cost of up to \$400,000 the first year and about \$120,000 a year thereafter. The law required that everyone hook into a government-operated sewer system.

This made no sense to Pennsburians who had their own sewage treatment plant, for which they pay \$20,000 a year.

"The community would have had to declare bankruptcy. Our total budget wasn't even that much," said Speakman.

But although sewage forced the initial secession drive, closer scrutiny showed Pennsburians that secession might offer other benefits in the bargain — including some lucrative tax write-offs.

By levying its own property tax, revenue would stay within the village. And service normally financed by the non-deductible "common charge," such as gas, water, and road and grounds maintenance, would be paid for out of the village property tax.

So, with a zealous mixture of indignation, accounting acumen and horse sense, the people of Pennsbury finally cast their lot among themselves and took on the township in the courtroom.

Money to wage their legal battle came through

contributions, with participation running at about 98 percent, according to Speakman.

"It's a tax revolt to the extent that we wanted something for our taxes," said Speakman. "We were getting nothing but what we considered inadequate police and fire protection."

Although success brought with it a property tax increase of \$112 a year — up from \$103.75 to \$215.80 — residents are quick to point out that the money is tax deductible and will eventually lessen the common charge.

Speakman explained, "The general trend will be to shift more things onto real estate taxes and take it from the common charge....If taxes go up, it's by design."

Increased costs also include a \$35,000 contract for police and fire protection from nearby Carnegie.

On the plus side, the village is taking in about \$180,000 in revenue it never saw before in the form of earned income tax, local real estate tax and a deed transfer tax. Speakman said property values have risen on an average of 25 percent a year.

Today, the community proudly boasts of its successful revolt.

A sign advertising the village's status as a borough greets visitors at the foot of the main boulevard. A bronze plaque in the square lists the secessionist leaders, with a quote from Abraham Lincoln.

"No man is wise enough to govern another without that man's consent," Speakman said, reiterating the engraved wisdom of Lincoln. "That's really what it's all about."

Christmas tree permits available through mail

ALAMOGORDO, N.M. — Lincoln National Forest Supervisor James R. Abbott announced recently that permits for Christmas trees from the national forest will be available through the mail for the first time this year.

This approach to one of the area's favorite outdoor activities is intended to serve the public and at the same time aid the U.S. Forest Service in handling this unusual use of Lincoln National Forest, said Abbott.

Marketing of Chelsea suspended

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Anheuser-Busch Inc. has suspended all test market advertising and promotion of its new not-so-soft drink, Chelsea, and a company spokesman says the situation had become "a supreme irony."

"What we've done is come up with a product that is all natural and doesn't contain the junk that other soft drinks have," said spokesman

Joseph T. Finnigan. "If anything, this is a product that is probably less harmful to children than any of the others. There's less sugar and no caffeine."

The company released a two-paragraph statement Saturday announcing the suspension after August A. Busch III, president and chief executive, met for 6½ hours with marketing and

technical experts and legal counsel.

"Anheuser-Busch believes strongly that the concept behind the new soft drink Chelsea is socially responsible and that it fulfills a real need in the adult beverage market," the statement said.

"Nevertheless, in the interests of corporate and social responsibility, we have suspended all

test marketing and promotion of Chelsea, and we are studying the possibility of overcoming certain well-intentioned objections to the concept of the product."

The alcoholic content of the blend of lemon, ginger and apple flavoring in a malt-flavored base had been the object of a boycott by the Virginia Nurses Association. Executive director

Barbara Bolton has said the nurses fear that Chelsea might "condition" children to consuming beer and other alcoholic beverages when they get older.

The beverage, containing about 0.5 percent alcohol, will still be sold for at least six months in the five test market areas, Finnigan said.

"But we've yanked the television advertising because that seemed to be a focal point of the criticism," he said. "People seem to feel it piqued the curiosity of kids with the 'not-so-soft drink' theme."

Anheuser-Busch believed it was practicing truth in advertising and letting the viewers know alcohol was in the product by using a printed line across the bottom of the television commercial giving the content, he said. "But some people seemed to think we were flaunting the alcohol content."

Booze cost more by the metric drink

WASHINGTON (AP) — If you think you're paying more by the drink for liquor bought in those new metric containers, you're probably right.

Reporting to Congress on the implications of conversion to the decimal measures, the General Accounting Office said the alcoholic beverage industry has gone farther toward conversion than any other. And the congressional watchdog agency added: "Most wines and distilled spirits that were converted to metric sizes experienced unit price increases greater than those that did not convert."

It cited distilled liquor price increases ranging from 0.7 percent for those changing from the familiar fifth to 750 milliliters, through 6.1 percent for the half-gallon to 1.75 liter shift, to 11.4 percent for the half-pint to 200 milliliter change.

The GAO also noted increases in wine unit prices, except for a 0.4 percent decrease where the wine container was changed from four-fifths pint to 375 milliliters.

It all means that the consumer is paying more for less.

For example, the fifth contains 25.6 fluid ounces while the 750 milliliter container holds slightly less beverage — 25.4 fluid ounces. The half-gallon is equal to 64 fluid ounces, but the replacement 1.75 liter container is only 59.2 fluid ounces. A half-pint is 8 fluid ounces and 200 milliliters equal 6.8 fluid ounces.

The report said the Treasury's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which approved the beverage industry's request for the new container sizes, "should have insured that its actions protected the public interest."

"Because it did not do this properly, consumers were not adequately served," the report said. "The Bureau should expand its public awareness program to better inform consumers about the size changes being made."

The GAO said the 200 milliliter and 1.75 liter sizes are the most difficult to make price comparisons with and are "the sizes in which the industry made the highest price increases when metrification took place."

Contrary to widely held opinions, the report said, the 1975 Metric Conversion Act does not make conversion mandatory nor does it even establish a national commitment to it. "The national policy is not to prefer one system over the other but to provide for either to be predominant on the basis of the voluntary actions of those affected."

Smallpox virus supplies should be destroyed

CHICAGO (AP) — The supplies of smallpox virus remaining in laboratories around the world should be destroyed, says the editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association in the magazine's forthcoming issue.

Dr. William R. Barclay says in a signed editorial in the Oct. 27 issue that if the smallpox virus has been virtually eliminated from man and now exists primarily in laboratory cultures, the wisdom of keeping such cultures should be questioned.

Once considered a major problem, Barclay says the disease is now close to extinction. He said the last recognized case occurred in Birmingham, England, last summer, when a laboratory worker contracted the virus in the laboratory where she worked.

"Proposals have been put forward to keep the virus in only four or five high-security laboratories in the world to minimize the chances of a laboratory infection," Barclay said. "However, the Birmingham infection demonstrates that escape of a virus from a laboratory is possible."

State Voter Guides for the November election now are available, the Midland League of Women Voters has announced.

The guides, compiled by the state League, contain responses of candidates for state office to questions on experience, training and qualifications for the offices they seek.

The guides will be distributed at Midland banks, the Chamber of Commerce and the Midland County Courthouse. Extra copies may be ordered by calling the League at 694-4301.

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