

# Modern pioneers face third teepee winter

By BOB WIELAND

TRAWICK, Texas (AP) — The honeycomb-shaped log cabin is growing slowly, as a young couple prepares to face their third harsh winter among the primeval pines of East Texas. Jim and Anna Lemon had planned careers as a doctor and an opera singer, but now they are pioneers. They live with two German shepherds and a cat in a canvas teepee on 8½ acres off a dusty red-dirt road that leads to oil company production leases. The Lemons tend several gardens and raise chickens, pigs and rabbits to eat. Meals are cooked over an open fire. "I can even bake pies," Anna said proudly, as she barbecued chicken and rabbit on a blackened grill. "Domestic rabbits are all white meat," she said, although admitting not many people could raise and then kill rabbits. "It's hard to get attached to a chicken, but a bunny is furry, and warm

and soft." After supper, by the gently hissing glare of a gasoline lantern, they plan details of the hexagonal log cabin that is to be their new home. For a while, at least, it probably will not have running water, electricity or a phone. "It would cost at least \$1,500 for any utility to be brought out this far," Anna said with a sigh. "I would give anything for a hot bath," she added, "although Jim would prefer the electricity." The Lemons moved to the woods two years ago, to escape encroaching civilization. "They made my garden into a parking lot, and zoned my front yard for townhouses," said Jim, who used to live in a stone house between Fort Worth and Dallas. "And somebody stole my compost pile," he added indignantly. Their new lifestyle is different from what they had been used to. Both are from Fort Worth and from affluent families; the children of

physicians. Jim, 31, studied at one time to become a doctor, and Anna, 27, trained her voice for the opera stage. But Jim ended up with a master's degree in clinical psychology and Anna spent seven years, working and studying, to get a bachelor's in social work. Now they are both caseworkers in the girls' home at the Summit Oaks residential treatment center in Laneville. They commute half an hour over deeply rutted roads and two wooden bridges, taking home a cargo of ice and water from the center. They paid \$500 an acre for the land, with a six-year note. Then they borrowed an additional \$600 to finance materials for the cabin. The logs come from their woods, cut down with a chainsaw, but stripped of bark and dragged by hand. Windows, doors and other

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The folks up at Lamesa may think that cotton will be their A+ mark in the great history book of life. Sure, they'll get their due for plowing, planting, hoeing the rows, beckoning for rain, picking their bolls and towing wagon loads of cotton to the gins for baling. And if you gazed upon any rows of scrawny cotton in your travels this season, you might have missed the pickings will be lean, indeed, this year.

Where Lamesa's real fame lies is back in the kitchen cafe in a bed of hot grease.

If some Lamesa historian got his facts right, this cotton-and-petroleum town of 12,000 souls will be in the distant yonder known as site of the creation of the Southern "chicken-fried steak."

Pour some hot, cream gravy over the tenderized steak that snuggled in a fried coat of flour-and-egg batter, dump some French-fried potatoes on the side, and savor the Lamesa dish.

Likely, such a claim wouldn't have made it into Robert Ripley's "Believe It or Not" and certainly not to the "Guinness World Book of Records." You'd be hard pressed to figure out a record.

Never mind. It seems that a short-order cook called James "Jimmy Don" Perkins created the "world's tastiest dish" quite by happenstance.

While turning out orders at, perhaps, B. Inman's Cafe (the historian isn't sure) Jimmy Don misconstrued the double order of "chicken, (and) fried steak" from the waitress. He was somewhat hard of hearing and wasn't what you would call educated or exactly ignorant, either.

Well, he misunderstood the order to be the single "chicken fried steak." He didn't want to admit he, in all of his years of cooking, had not heard of "chicken fried steak; apparently no one had, if you can believe The Pleasant Restaurant or the J.D. Williams Realtor, who put out this tidbit of malarkey, folklore, pure-dee truth or "gospel."

Jimmy Don cooked the steak as he

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A little girl clutches her doll as she walks through debris Tuesday in the Malibu area northwest of Los Angeles left when a brush fire swept through the Santa Monica Mountains and down to the beach. The fire, believed started by an arsonist, broke out Monday afternoon on the north side of the mountains scorching 23,000 acres as it moved to the ocean. (AP Laserphoto)

## Tests show minority students stay behind

By SUSAN TOTH  
R-T Staff Writer

Most minority students in Midland's public schools start at a lower level and keep falling behind throughout their school career, Midland school trustees were told at their meeting Tuesday.

Results of standardized tests given to all students in Midland last year show most minority students do not make a year's progress for a year's study in the public schools.

As the trend continues through the grades, the gap between the student's grade level and his ability increases, according to Dr. Doug Brown, assistant superintendent for instruction.

The test results were broken down into racial categories to give school administrators and teachers an idea of where the students are now, so realistic goals can be set for improving the performance, Brown said.

The data will be used to map a five-year program designed to increase the minority student performance on the standardized tests and not to make any comparisons between groups of students, said Schools Superintendent James H. Mailey.

The smallest gains in the level of achievement for minority students came in the fourth and fifth grades. Hispanic students in the third

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## Lacy calls Whalen Lake suspension wise

By MARK VOGLER  
R-T Staff Writer

Jim Lacy, Republican candidate for the Texas Railroad Commission, Tuesday said the commission's decision to suspend oilfield waste disposal operations at Whalen Lake in Andrews County was a wise action.

"The commissioners were almost obligated to suspend the permits and have the companies involved show cause why they should continue," the Midlander said in a telephone interview from Houston, where he was campaigning.

"The thing has been questioned so much that they (commissioners) would almost have to do it this way," Lacy last week had criticized his opponent, Democrat John Poerner of the commission, for the latter's public attack on the Midland office of the Railroad Commission. Lacy branded Poerner's attack

"politically motivated" and "totally out of order."

Incumbent appointee Poerner had said the local office was not doing a thorough job in enforcing pollution regulations governing oil companies and said he was ready to "camp out" at the Midland office until "problems there clear up."

Whalen Lake is a playa lake located 15 miles west of Andrews.

The commission, in a surprise move Monday, ordered brine disposal operations to be shut down immediately at the lake. Most affected by the decision is Whalen Corp., a Dallas-based subsidiary of Triton Oil and Gas Corp.

The commission will review the company's discharge practices at the lake during a show cause hearing in Austin Thursday and make a decision later on whether the disposal operation will be continued.

Although Lacy said Tuesday he could find no fault with the commis-

## Carter program key is carrots for all

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter says American workers who cooperate with his new anti-inflation program may qualify for limited federal cost-of-living insurance and businesses will be rewarded with eligibility for government contracts.

Carter used a carrot-and-stick approach in calling on business and labor Tuesday night to support new guidelines of 7 percent for wages and an overall 5.75 percent for prices next year.

He also said the federal budget deficit will be slashed to \$30 billion or below in 1980 and that only one of every two federal job openings will be filled.

All Americans must be prepared to make some sacrifices in the fight

against inflation, the president said.

"We must face a time of national austerity," he said. "Hard choices are necessary if we want to avoid consequences that are even worse."

White House inflation adviser Robert S. Strauss said Carter would

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announce later today who he wants to head the new anti-inflation program. The president is known to have offered the job to Alfred E. Kahn, 61, chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

If successful, the wage and price guidelines would reduce inflation to

between 6 percent and 6.5 percent in 1979, down from 8 percent this year, Carter's advisers said.

"This is a standard for everyone to follow. Everyone," Carter said in a 20-minute television address from the White House.

Referring to the 7 percent wage guideline, Carter said, "From tonight on, every contract signed and every pay raise granted should meet this standard," which includes fringe benefits.

Workers with hourly wages below \$4, about 26 percent of the full-time labor force, will be exempt from the guidelines.

To make the plan appealing to

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## Crier fire station costs up \$10 per square foot

By LANA CUNNINGHAM  
R-T Staff Writer

Construction on the new central fire station to be located in Crier Park will begin soon, but at a cost much higher than Midland City Council had expected when it first began the project.

Low bidder on the project was Rose and Sons, Inc. of Midland for \$971,202 with an additional \$15,800 if the city goes with concrete driveways. By the time architects' fees (\$46,000) and other costs are added, the total bill will be \$1,033,000.

Costs estimated by the architect firm of Chakos, Zentner and Marcum of San Angelo last January were \$697,460, or \$36 a square foot. The low bid rounds out to \$46 a square foot.

Architect Bob Zentner said he feels the low bid is a good price, considering the cost of inflation.

But Council Member Tom Sloan said, "Don't you feel any remorse at this (the increased price)?"

"No," replied Zentner simply. Money will come from three city funds: \$98,527 from the bond fund, \$327,033 from the general fund of unappropriated surplus and \$607,429 from revenue sharing.

Working time is 330 calendar days and Zentner added that \$8,000 has been included in the bid for landscaping the area.

While the council gave its approval to the brick to be used, Zentner said the face brick takes 10 to 12 months to get from the factory. He already had given an order on the brick so the contractor would have it on time. But

if the council did not want it, there was no obligation for them to take it, he said.

Zentner also received the council's approval for the fire substation materials, describing the colors as earth tones. The concrete slab for the substation should be poured later this week if the weather cooperates, he added.

Residents, both young and old, who have been doing their skateboarding at Dennis the Menace park may be getting their own skateboarding park.

The council gave Parks and Recreation Director Wayne Kobout approval to continue with plans for the

skateboarding park, which he estimated would cost about \$4,700 with the department supplying the labor.

The area, to be located in Lancaster Annex on West Cuthbert Avenue, would be about 8,000 square feet. It would include four types of skateboarding design: module, cup formation, cascade formation and free style.

Velocities should be less than 12 mph "for impact purposes" and would be policed as a tennis court to keep it free of broken glass and other objects, Kobout told the council.

Landfill charges now will include a

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## Midland man is killed in apparent robbery

GARDENDALE — A 66-year-old Midland man was stabbed to death late Tuesday afternoon inside a grocery store here during an apparent robbery, said an Ector County Sheriff's Department spokesman early today.

Floyd McArthur of 1110 Mogford St. was declared dead at 2:30 p.m. by Peace Justice Manuel Valles, said Kenneth Turner, chief of the Ector County Sheriff's Department Criminal Division.

McArthur's body was discovered inside a store in the Gardendale

community, located about 15 miles northwest of Midland off Texas 158, said deputies.

Deputies said they arrived at a grocery store located next to a Texaco Service station about 3 p.m. and discovered McArthur's body inside the business.

Turner said the man was fatally stabbed in the upper chest area. No arrests had been made as of early today, Turner reported. He did not say if there were any witnesses.

The amount of money taken in the robbery was not revealed.



Jim Lacy

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Weather

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**DEATHS**

**Fred Worthy Jr.**

Fred Worthy Jr., 36, of Houston and formerly of Midland died Tuesday in Houston.

Worthy, his wife and daughter were killed in a fire after a natural gasline explosion near the mobile home park where they lived.

Services are pending in Houston. He was born Aug. 22, 1942, in Leveland. He lived with his family in Midland some 20 years and attended Midland schools. He was employed as a mechanic.

Survivors include his son, James Lee Worthy of Houston; his father, Fred Worthy Sr. of Midland; three sisters, Betty Worthy, Ruth Worthy and Sherlon Lindeburg, all of Midland, one nephew and two nieces.

**Charles Bartley**

LUBBOCK — Services for Charles Earl Bartley, 43, of Lubbock, brother of Lonnie Bartley of Midland, are pending at Resthaven-Singleton-Wilson Funeral Home here.

Bartley died at his home Tuesday morning.

He was born in Tahoka and moved to Lubbock from Brownfield in 1968. He was employed by Rainbow Bakers. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He attended Texas Tech University.

Other survivors include his wife, two sons, two daughters, his parents, two brothers and three sisters.

**J.U. 'Jim' West**

DE LEON — Services for James Ulysses "Jim" West, 90, brother of Maybelle Greene of Lamesa, were held Monday in the First Baptist Church here with the Rev. Billy Spencer, pastor, and the Rev. Jim Fitzhugh, pastor of Faith Chapel Church in De Leon, officiating.

Burial was in Oliver Springs Cemetery under direction of De Leon Funeral Home.

West, a retired De Leon farmer and cafe owner, died Saturday in a hospital here following an illness.

He was born Feb. 17, 1888, in Potts Corner, Miss. He had been a De Leon area resident for most of his life.

West was married to Velton Etta Setzler on March 1, 1908, in the Oliver Springs community in Comanche County. She died on Aug. 16, 1976.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was a Mason.

Other survivors include three sons, three daughters, a sister, 18 grandchildren and 38 great-grandchildren.

**Elderly need tax relief amendment to protect against home inflation**

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Elderly Texans need passage of the "Tax Relief Amendment" Nov. 7 as protection against inflated home values and taxes, committee of senior citizens organizations said Tuesday.

"This will benefit people who are on such very limited incomes and who are not profiting one bit by inflation in the price of homes," said Ernest Cabe, retired Austin school administrator.

Cabe and other representatives of the ad hoc Steering Committee of Texas Retired Citizens Organizations announced support of the amendment at a Capitol news conference.

"We want it clearly understood that, even though we have an obvious interest in the benefits accruing to older citizens, we are convinced the

**'Arkey' Bowen**

KERMIT — Services for E.E. "Arkey" Bowen, 66, of Kermit, formerly of Midkiff, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the First United Methodist Church here with the Rev. Gary White of Big Spring officiating. Burial will be in Kermit Cemetery directed by Cooper Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday in a Kermit hospital after an illness.

Bowen was born July 31, 1912, in Rover, Ark. He was a retired district superintendent for El Paso Natural Gas and worked 40 years for the company. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army. He was a Baptist. He lived in Kermit four months, moving here from Midkiff where he had resided for many years. He was married to Sue Smith Sept. 5, 1943, in Kermit.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Andy Bowen of Odessa and Joe Wayne Brookins of Midkiff; a daughter, Mrs. Bren Holland of Monahans; a brother, Doyle Bowen of Hot Springs, and six grandchildren.

**Lelia A. Hawkins**

Graveside services for Lelia A. Hawkins, 62, of 2000 N. Main St. were to be at 2 p.m. today at Fairview Cemetery directed by Newnie W. Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Monday night in a Midland nursing home following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Hawkins was born April 11, 1916, in Anthony, Kan. She was a Presbyterian.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Hawkins of Natchitoches, La., and Michael Hawkins of Afton, Colo.

**Essie J. Bales**

LITTLEFIELD — Essie Janie Bales, 76, of Littlefield, mother of Kenneth Bales of Andrews, died Tuesday morning in a Littlefield hospital.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Duggan Avenue Church of Christ with Larry Cash, minister, officiating, assisted by Jack McCormick of Littlefield.

Burial will be in Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

She was a native of Killeen and had lived in Littlefield for 27 years. She was a member of the Duggan Avenue Church of Christ.

Other survivors include a daughter, four sons, four sisters, 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

**Business approves part of Carter inflation plan**

By MARK POTTS

The labor community reserved judgment on President Carter's plan to reduce inflation, but business leaders, divided on the merits of other parts of the program, say they like the section to fight inflation by cutting federal spending.

"There's no way the private sector can solve inflation alone," said General Electric Co. Chairman Reginald Jones, one of the nation's most outspoken business leaders on the subject. "There's got to be a government effort."

"We are encouraged by the president's stated determination to hold the line on government spending," said Fred Secrest, executive vice president of Ford Motor Co. "We believe that if a program of voluntary wage and price guidelines is to work, it must be accompanied by monetary and fiscal restraint on the part of the federal government."

In addition to promising to slash federal hiring, ease restrictive regulations and hold down federal pay, Carter called for voluntary guidelines to keep wage increases at 7 percent and price increases at 5.75 percent. He also called for tax rebates to protect workers' paychecks in case his program fails.

Such a failure has been predicted by some economists, Republicans and labor leaders, who fear that a lack of success of a voluntary program could lead to mandatory price and wage restraints.

Labor leaders had little immediate reaction to the Carter plan, although the United Auto Workers scheduled a meeting Thursday in Detroit of its

26-person executive board to discuss the measures.

C. Jackson Grayson, who headed former President Richard M. Nixon's price council and now is a prominent advocate for an increase in the nation's productivity as a cure for inflation, said he hopes Carter's plan works. But he added that he fears voluntary measures are doomed.

"These don't work so well, so what's the next cry: 'Do something, act more strongly,'" Grayson said. "Then, reluctantly, the Congress would pass the mandatory powers and the president would have to im-

pose them.... It's like war. Nobody wants war either, but we go to war."

"President Carter's own message suggests considerable doubt about whether or not his program will work," said Richard Lesher, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. "Many will rebel against the guidelines. Some will even question the legality of the procurement sanctions. But most will agree that a focus on wages and prices concentrates on the symptoms and not the disease."

Carter's televised statement didn't help the beleaguered U.S. dollar, which has fallen steadily over the

past 18 months on foreign exchange markets amid worries over U.S. inflation and the nation's huge trade deficit.

As Carter spoke, the U.S. currency slid to a postwar record low against the Japanese yen in Tokyo. One New York currency dealer warned: "We could see a lot of selling of dollars tomorrow."

Leaders of big business, tired of getting confusing signals from Washington on inflation controls in recent months, generally welcomed the president's statement.

**Garner to speak at McCamey banquet**

McCAMEY — Upton County Judge Peggy Garner will speak on McCamey's "beauties" and on citizens' "participating with pride" in community affairs and projects at the annual McCamey Chamber of Commerce banquet at 8 p.m. Thursday in the McCamey Park Building.

Incoming chamber officers will be installed, and the year's outstanding citizen will be recognized at the fete, which is tied to the theme "Let's Go Forward."

Judge Garner is the fifth in a series of annual chamber banquet speakers who are "home town" products who moved away and found success or, in the judge's case, who stayed in Upton County and succeeded. Judge Garner presides at Rankin, the county seat, and lives in McCamey. The two towns are about 15 miles apart.

Previous speakers were Dwayne Taylor, chief executive officer of

AMINOIL, the energy subsidiary of R.J. Reynolds Industries at Winston-Salem, N.C., who was featured speaker in 1977; Howard Wolf, an oil investment consultant for a Fort Worth brokerage firm, 1975, and Dr. Dal Herring, author and assistant professor of journalism at Northern Arizona University at Flagstaff.

Judge Garner, a 1947 graduate of McCamey High School, was elected to the judgeship in a one-vote "landslide" election in 1974 and took office in 1975.

She is chairman of the 17-county Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, is a director of the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association and, among other roles, is a member of the Upton County Historical Society.

She was executive president of the McCamey Chamber of Commerce from 1962 to 1968.

The 1978-79 chamber officers to be installed Thursday night include Dean Bolen, president; Phyllis Howard, vice president, and Eva Molder, treasurer. Outgoing president is Wayne Greer.

To be installed as chamber directors for two-year terms are Ralph Windham, Max Stone, Carlton Smith, Jim Peck, Melton Field, John Langford, Emmett Martin, Walter Campbell, and Mrs. Bolen.

To serve one year as associate directors are Charlette Jones, Lindell Smith and the Rev. Weems S. Dykes.

Hold-over directors are Burt Williams, Bill Little, Jack Andrew Sr., Jim McClure, Kenneth Caldwell, John Henderson, David Glass, Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Molder.

**U.S. committed to maintaining peace in Asia**

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The United States will not take sides in conflicts among communist countries but is committed to maintaining peace and stability in Asia, Richard Holbrooke, assistant secretary of state for East Asia and Pacific affairs, said today.

Holbrooke said at a news conference that the United States realized that rivalries among communist states was threatening the stability of Southeast Asia. He was referring to conflicts between Vietnam and Cambodia, China and Vietnam and the Sino-Soviet rift.

The 1954 Manila pact and its protocols stipulated the U.S. commitment to defend Southeast Asia against "armed communist aggression."

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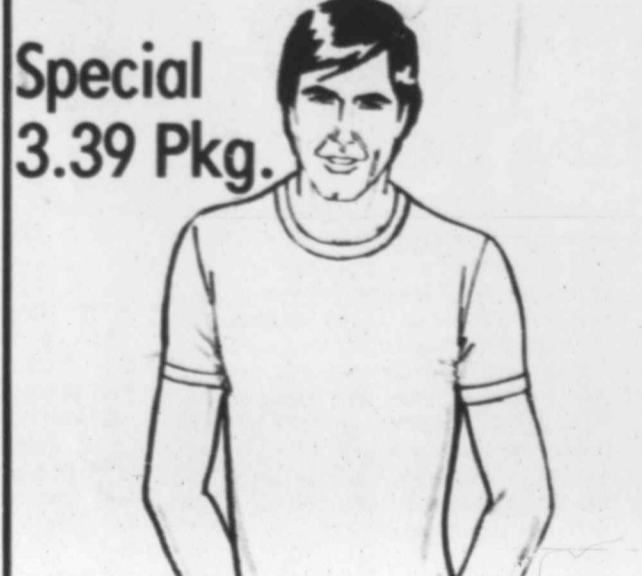
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# Tower backs challenge of intrastate regulation

By LINDA HILL  
R-T Staff Writer

ODESSA — U.S. Sen. John Tower Tuesday night predicted the next Congress will deregulate the price of crude oil and advance the date for deregulating natural gas prices.

Tower, speaking in Odessa to the Operation Study Committee of the Permian Basin Society of Petroleum Engineers, also forecasted "bad experiences" for the nation under the recently passed energy bill.

The senator is seeking re-election in a race with Democratic U.S. Rep. Bob Krueger.

Tower said attorneys general of energy producing states "should go to court" to challenge the intrastate regulation of natural gas included in the energy bill.

Speaking at an earlier press conference at Midland Regional Airport,

Tower said he believes those provisions are unconstitutional.

The attorneys general of Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma have announced their intention to join in a suit against the bill.

Tower told the petroleum engineers members of Congress voted for the legislation because they felt obligated to pass some sort of energy bill this session.

The senator said, however, he sees an "improvement in the climate" in Congress which gives him some optimism for next year.

"We should not settle with a national energy policy that is indeed the wrong energy policy," he said.

Conceding domestic oil and gas production has increased within the past few years, Tower added, "we've gone about as far as we can go" without deregulation.

He was critical of the federal gov-

ernment's setting "artificially low" prices for natural gas, charging it has led to inefficient use of the fuel. Were Congress to deregulate prices, and thus expand domestic production, Tower said, it would lead to maximum efficiency as well as strengthening the economy.

He predicted prices of deregulated oil and gas "for the most part" would be less than those charged by OPEC nations. The money would stay within the U.S., Tower noted.

In addition to the economic advantages, deregulation would lead a more assured supply, the senator said.

"The economic security of the U.S. demands that we do it (deregulate prices)," said Tower.

At his press conference, the senator said he was in Washington during the

entire time the Conference Committee energy bill was under consideration.

He said he was part of an unsuccessful coalition to try to separate the natural gas regulation provisions from the total package.

Krueger had charged Tower was absent during the "critical" days.

Referring to Krueger's statements about the importance of effectiveness in the Senate, Tower said, "My opponent couldn't even get himself appointed a conferee" on the energy bill.

Speaking during the press conference about the campaign, the senator charged Krueger with initiating "more mudslinging" than any opponent he has had during his 18 years in office.

He accused Krueger of "constant, unabated personal attacks," and said he did not respond to the Democrat's statements until after the attacks had been going on for about a year.

"I think at some point you have to respond to these things because people expect you to," said Tower.

The Republican also contended "almost any piece of Krueger literature" contains misrepresentations, if not outright falsification.

He accused Krueger of running a "desperation" campaign.

Tower said the furor over his refusal to shake Krueger's hand at a Houston Press Club dinner last week thus far seems to have worked in his favor.

The senator said feedback received from calls from his phone banks has been positive, and, since the incident, there has been a "dramatic break" in his favor among previously undecided voters. He declined to name a percentage.

Tower said he believes a handshake is "a mark of respect or friendship, or both," and it would have been hypo-

critical of him to shake Krueger's hand.

Asked about whether President Carter's plan to control inflation will work, Tower said he thinks the problem can be brought under control, "but I don't think President Carter will recommend the things that will."

The candidate said wage and price controls will not work.

Rather, he called for cutting federal spending, canceling scheduled increases in minimum wage, reducing the regulatory burden on business and a "realistic" energy policy.

He also advocated legislation to keep "organized labor" from "crippling industry" and hurting the economy.

For instance, Tower said, Congress should look at legislation that would prohibit "anachronistic work rules" which decrease production.

## Lion kills wife of owner after escape from 'inadequate' clasp

TALLASSEE, Ala. (AP) — A pet lioness who broke free and fatally mauled her owner's wife had been restrained by a galvanized steel clasp that was inadequate to hold an animal of that size, says the Elmore County coroner.

Dr. Joseph Benson, the coroner, said the chain that held the lion was "more than adequate," but the clasp that bound the chain to the animal's collar "wasn't adequate at all."

Rickie Haynie, 28, the dead woman's husband, bought the lion

from a Florida zoo last Sunday. He told officers he wanted to breed the new lion with a male lion he owned and sell the cubs to circuses.

Both animals were killed by officers following the attack.

Elmore County Sheriff Sidney Thrash said the lioness apparently broke the clasp when she lunged at 26-year-old Margaret Haynie as the woman walked past the animal's shelter near her home Tuesday.

Thrash said the lion killed Mrs. Haynie then dragged her body some

25 to 30 feet into the woods near her secluded home in rural Elmore County.

Haynie, a machinist who works nights in Tallassee, told police he last saw his wife alive when he went to bed Tuesday morning. He said he awoke sometime before noon and saw the lioness standing over his wife.

Haynie told police he first tried to scare the animal away with a whip. When that failed, he said he grabbed a .38-caliber pistol and fired five shots at the lion.

When the shots failed to stop the animal, Haynie said he called police. Officers responding to the call then shot and killed the lion with a rifle.

The male lion was killed on the instructions of a Montgomery Zoo official, who said the animal would not be accepted by any zoo and "can never, never be a pet."

Alabama's "vicious animals" statutes apparently do not prohibit the ownership of lions.

"It's not against the law to own a lion as a pet," Thrash said. "It should be but it isn't. We executed the offender, so I don't see where any charges can be filed."

In another incident Tuesday, a pet lion escaped from his pen in Jourdan, Texas, cut and scratched a pipeline worker slightly, stampeded a herd of cattle and then died, apparently from over-exertion.



A lion owned by Rickie Haynie of Tallassee, Ala., is destroyed Tuesday by Elmore police officer Mike Thompson after its mate killed Haynie's wife, Margaret. A coroner determined Mrs. Haynie was killed because the lion was bound by a collar inadequate for such a large animal. (AP Laserphoto)

## Search for pilot cancelled

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — The search for a light aircraft that vanished last week after the pilot radioed he was being shadowed by an unidentified flying object was called off today.

Eight light aircraft and a Royal Australian Air Force maritime reconnaissance plane returned to base after combing a 7,000-square-mile area of the Bass Strait looking for the single-engine Cessna 182 piloted by 20-year-old Frederick Valentich.

Valentich, a flying saucer enthusiast, had been on a night training flight across the Bass Strait from the Australian mainland to King Island off the southern coast, when he disappeared Saturday.

He had radioed air traffic controllers in Melbourne that he saw strange

lights and an object that was not an aircraft was playing games with him and hovering above his plane. Then his radio went silent.

The only possible clue is an oil slick found in the area.

Samples from the slick are being tested at a Defense Department research laboratory in Melbourne to see if they contain aviation fuel, but the results are not now expected until Thursday.

Australian Transport Department officials say they are mystified by the incident. No other aircraft were in the area at the time. It was a clear night and the sea was calm.

Although the search has been halted, planes and ships passing through the area are being asked to keep a lookout for wreckage.

## Residents recall agony of California brush fire

AGOURA, Calif. (AP) — The smoke was so bad that Jack Christ couldn't breathe, and it was so dark he had to use his headlights to see, although it was early afternoon.

"I didn't figure I'd ever see this place again," Christ said Tuesday while surveying a lush green spot in the valley where the Seminole Springs Mobile Home Park sits unscathed in the midst of charred mountainsides.

"I wouldn't have given a nickel for it," Christ said as he looked out at black and gray in every direction except in the park, which houses his trailer.

Just 24 hours earlier, surrounded by an inferno, things looked so bad that Christ fled for his life.

Shortly after noon Monday, Christ started smelling smoke. "I swear it was only 15 minutes before the whole damn hill was on fire," he recalled. "I've never seen a fire move so fast."

Christ left, but shortly afterwards the wind shifted and somehow the flames missed the park. Over the last two days, wind-swept fires have ravaged 38,000 acres of suburban Los Angeles countryside.

"If the wind hadn't shifted, it would have been 'Goodbye park,'" said Charles Whitney, another resident.

Only one of some 225 mobile homes in the park suffered any damage, Whitney said. "A spark landed on the roof of a carport, burned a hole in the carport and fell into the car and burned the inside of it," he said.

Whitney and a neighbor, Sandy Sandoval, stayed to fight the blaze, although both admitted it was scary. Sandoval pointed to one hill and said, "When that hill caught fire, the flames must have been 300 feet high, but I kept saying, 'The park's not going to burn, it's not going to burn.'"

But he wasn't all that sure of himself.

"I had my stuff packed in the trunk and my car turned around toward the street for a fast getaway," Sandoval said.

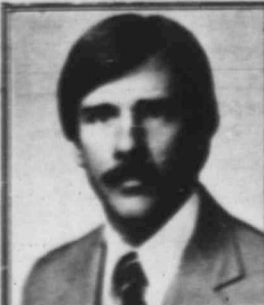
## PUC sets Dec. 5 hearing date

AUSTIN — The Public Utility Commission has set a hearing for Dec. 5 on the application of Cap Rock Electric Cooperative, Inc., to send its certificate of authority for operations in Borden, Glasscock, Howard and Upton counties.

The hearing was set following a pre-hearing conference at the PUC Tuesday.

Texas Electric Service Co. has protested the proposed changes.

A PUC spokesman, however, said Tuesday it appeared likely an agreement would be reached between the two prior to the hearing.



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# Cattle rustlers use modern methods to get 'fast money'

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is the last article in a series on cattle theft and illegal slaughter, and on the impact of those crimes locally and statewide.

By GUY SULLIVAN  
R-T Staff Writer

"Just always knew I could steal cattle." — Vernon Driver, 53, of Talihina, Okla.

Vernon Driver, 53, and Melvin Dean, 19, both of Talihina, Okla., were arrested earlier this year in Glenwood, Ark., in connection with cattle theft charges.

The two men allegedly stole at least 500 head of livestock in three states over a year's time. The loss to cattlemen amounted to more than \$100,000.

There are professional cattle thieves who, upon finding a small, unguarded feedlot, move in, load up and drive off with livestock. Other cool, experienced rustlers use refrigerated trucks to move quickly slaughtered beef and have the car-

casses "fenced" by illicit producers. Then, there are the "dude" rustlers who usually have fulltime jobs by day and steal by night.

Both types of rustlers rely on modern methods to achieve their goal: fast money.

The fact that Texas has brands registered by county, and not statewide, only serves to cause confusion and make theft easier, according to some.

The brands identify owners of the live property.

Due to sometimes laxity in guarding feedlots and ranges, the theft of cattle becomes a tempting sideline to some.

Such was the case for Driver and Dean.

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Field Inspector Paul Wade of Antlers, Okla., and Pike County, Ark., Sheriff Dave Baker arrested the men for their alleged part in a spree which took them to Texas, through Oklahoma and Colorado.

The men reportedly stole two-to-three truckloads of livestock weekly

from beef producers in the three states, with most thefts occurring on both sides of the Red River from Hereford and Canadian to Texas-Kana.

When arrested, the pair was charged with larceny of domestic animals in the theft of 15 head of cattle from a Frederick, Okla., rancher.

The men reportedly "hit" 25 counties. Their exploits prove that cattle theft costs producers thousands, even millions, of dollars annually because theft opportunities become nearly convenient.

"I wouldn't have stolen many cattle at all if it had been much trouble," Driver said not long ago.

Driver, who had no previous criminal record, said he decided to steal cattle for a year because a government welding shop put him out of business, and he claimed he was having a hard time feeding his family.

"I just always knew I could steal cattle," he said. "The government went in and put a welding school right behind my store," said the welder.

"I offered to teach welding to some of the students, but they closed me down. Then I couldn't make enough money to pay the light bill. I'm 100 percent disabled (he can use only one of his arms), and I couldn't get any money from the state of Oklahoma.

"I had just too big a family to raise on Social Security, so I decided to start stealing cattle."

He said ranchers made it easy because "They put corrals right by the road, the cattle were corralled at night and there was a hay trailer right by the corrals."

He said he looked for "fat cattle, small pastures and good corrals with a wing running up the road."

He said he and Dean would look for a potentially good pasture to "hit" without fear of being detected and then would mark it for going back to

and to see if the rancher checked his cattle periodically.

He said in most cases less than a day was required to pick a place to rustle, steal the cattle and then take the livestock to market.

He said he would strike sometime between dusk and midnight, check markings to see if anyone had been there, and would then gather the cattle and load them up.

His noted his markings consisted of everything from tying a dark string or thread to the bottom of the gate to painting the pavement white near the entrance to the pasture, "so we'd be able to find the right gate" in fog.

Driver said he's also sprayed road signs "to lead me to the right pasture."

He said many times cattle gathered around him when he rattled an empty feed sack. The entire process, he said, usually took 15 minutes to load the cattle and hit the road.

"We backed up when we saw a TSCRA sign," said Driver. "We knew that association inspectors would stop at nothing until they got you if you stole cattle off a member's land."

He said he knew the TSCRA "was on me since the day I started stealing."

He said locks and chains don't necessarily stop anyone from coming through a gate if they want to.

"Those cheap locks and chains most people put on their gates don't mean anything," said the Oklahoman.

However, he said the TSCRA sign is more of a real threat than even locks and chains. "My advice to any rancher is to get that big blue (TSCRA) sign and put it right there on the gate or any other place."

He said anyone stealing cattle "sooner or later will get caught. I knew it. As easy as it was, I knew I'd get caught. It was just a matter of time."

Other precautions he recommended ranchers follow to stop cattle theft include branding cattle, putting corrals in the middle of pastures, and checking livestock at night.

"It tickled us to death if we saw some cattle that weren't branded," he said. "Branding would stop a lot of thefts."

He said if ranchers would not feed cattle around corrals, that would make cattle theft more difficult.

Lights around corrals with cattle and watch dogs nearby were also suggested by Driver.

"I got by because I always ran the speed limit and had a CB radio with me. I found where the 'smokies' (police) were."

"I think if the highway patrol sees a load going down the road that they

don't recognize, they should stop it. But nobody ever stopped me, and I drove down the major highways."

He said he recruited Dean to help him in order to get home, he said. Driver said he warned Dean that if the pair was caught "he would have to spend time" in the penitentiary.

"I'd tell anyone who is having a hard time earning money and who is thinking about stealing cattle not to do it," Dean said.

"Get out and work for it. Don't jump for that big money, because there's always a hook on it."

"As for now, what I'm looking for is a lot of years in the pen...." Driver said. "I sure don't plan to go back to stealing again. If I had it to do over again there, wouldn't be no cattle thieving."

## Clements compliments Hill during televised debate

HOUSTON (AP) — Bill Clements, the Republican candidate for governor, was complimentary of his opponent, Democrat John Hill, when asked during a televised debate if the campaign had been dirty.

"I have tried to keep the campaign on a fairly high level, and I think my opponent has tried to do the same," Clements said. "There are real differences between us, and I think we have been able to talk about those differences."

Hill could not say the same of Clements, however.

"There have been a lot of allegations made by my Republican opponent that were false, and I'm not going to try to characterize what that is in politics," the attorney general said. "But I don't approve of that kind of campaign."

The only other fireworks came after the taping of the television show Tuesday at the studios of KPRC-TV, when the Socialist Workers Party candidate for governor, Sara Jean Johnston, confronted Hill.

He was telling the press entourage that he had "won" the "debate," which was actually a question-answer session between Miller and the candidates, and mostly a draw.

She stepped into the circle of reporters, demanded a reason why she

wasn't invited to participate in the event and challenged Hill to set a date when he would debate her.

He declined, however, and told her to talk to his staff since it took care of his campaign details. He reminded her that she would have a chance to debate him later during a meeting of gubernatorial candidates in Dallas.

Clements had long since slipped out the door and driven away.

Taxes, education and energy were the major subjects covered during the telecast.

Hill opened the show with a pledge to veto any state income tax or "any other tax bill," and to give voters property tax relief.

He promised to work for decrease in utility rates, the abolition of the sales tax on utility bills, and a cut in inheritance taxes.

Clements emphasized the fact that he is "a businessman, not a politician," and promised to improve education in the state by bringing the system "back to the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic."

Both men said they opposed President Carter's energy bill.

"It's not an energy bill at all," Clements said. "It's a tax bill and a bill for conservation. We've got to depend on those industries that would live up to the free enterprise system and really produce energy."

## Three killed in collision near Edinburg

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — Two Laredo men and a Starr County resident were killed near here early today in a head-on collision, officials said.

A Department of Public Safety spokesman identified the dead as Mario Molina, 24, and Mario Badan, 20, of Laredo and Edmundo Perez, 19, of Starr County.

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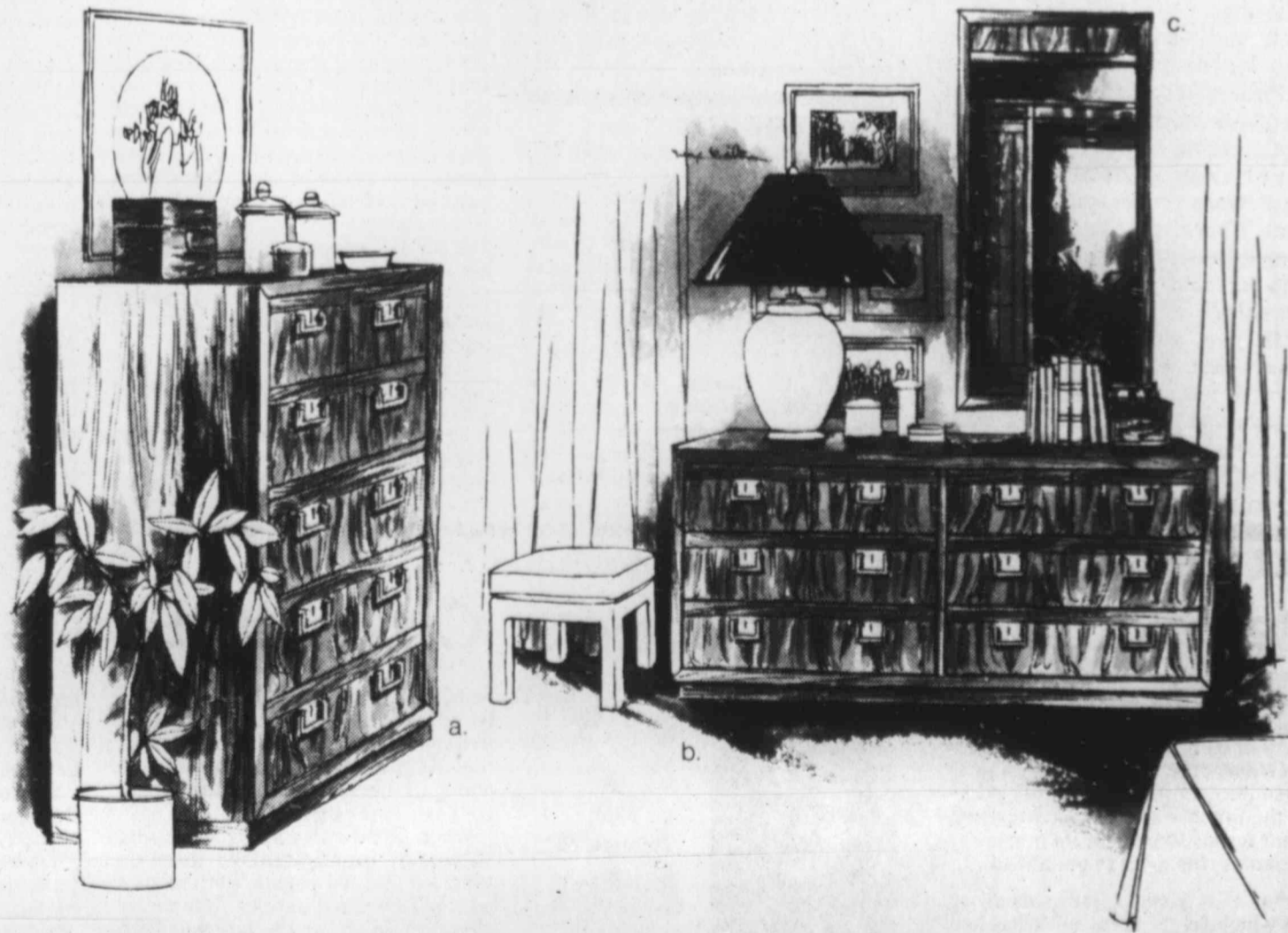
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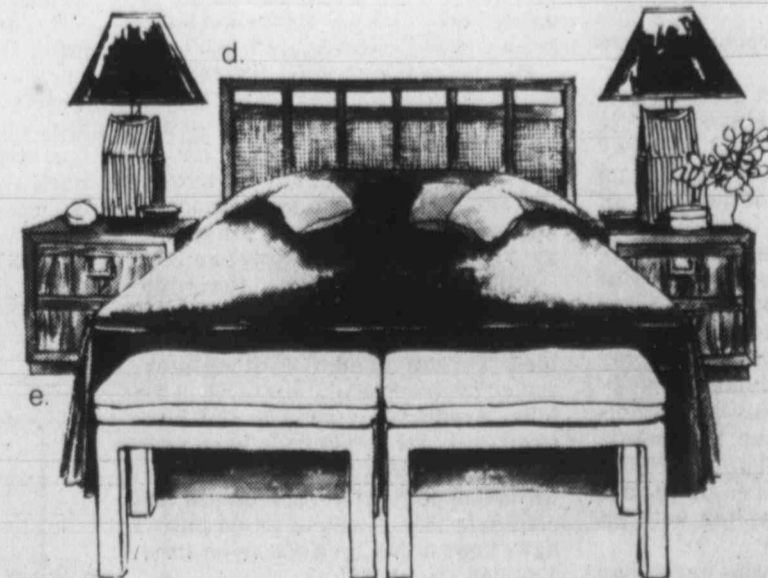
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## Let's meet challenge

In its most recent report on the subject, the Central Intelligence Agency estimates that Soviet military spending rose by four or five percent every year from 1967 to 1977. Figures for 1978 are not yet available but no one expects the pattern of the last decade to be broken in the immediate future.

This steady, cumulative growth in Soviet military spending accounts for the ominous increase in Moscow's military strength across the board from conventional forces to strategic nuclear weaponry.

It explains how the Soviets moved from a position of marked inferiority in strategic weapons to rough parity with the United States by the mid-1970s.

If present trends are any gauge, Soviet leaders can expect to enjoy military superiority over the United States by the early 1980s with or without the SALT II agreement as its terms commonly are understood.

One might expect the Carter administration to react to these threatening developments by funding adequate increases in this country's defense budget. Not so. Defense spending for fiscal 1978, the Carter administration's first complete budget period, represented only a one percent boost over 1977. It's hardly a robust response to the Soviet challenge.

Next year, the response may be even more feeble. Planning for the fiscal year 1980 federal budget is well under way. The White House is developing its spending

priorities for the budget period beginning next Oct. 1.

And the early word from the White House is that Mr. Carter's aides favor a fiscal year 1980 Pentagon budget that, adjusted for anticipated inflation, allows for zero growth in defense spending.

And this is what concerns a multitude of Americans who are interested first in national security.

Such a budget as that said being favored by the White House for 1980 inevitably would permit the Soviets to extend their lead in arms categories ranging from tanks to submarines to the destructive power of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Worse, it would perpetuate a fundamental flaw in the negotiating posture assumed by the United States in the strategic arms limitation talks.

By permitting Soviet military expansion to go largely unchallenged, the United States offers the Soviets little real incentive to agree to significant reductions in their own strategic programs. It's a failure which tends to undermine the potential benefits the United States might otherwise expect from the SALT talks.

Of necessity, national security must be the first priority of the federal government. After two years of drift, it's time for a defense budget equal to the challenge at hand.

It would be well to advise the President of your views on the subject.

## 'How to vote'

The Winkler County News at Kermit offers this suggestion on how to vote in the Nov. 7 balloting:

"If you want soaring inflation that leaves you with worthless dollars, increasing taxation that keeps taking more of your dollars away from you, and more government controls and regulations over us; then you want 'liberalism,' because this is what it takes to keep it going and growing, and you should vote for 'liberals.'"

"If you want a value-stable dollar that would be inflation-proof; if you want real limitations on taxation so that more of what you earn would be yours to keep; if you want more freedoms of opportunity for everybody, so

everybody would be freer to better themselves and all the rest of us; then you want Conservatism, because this is what it will do for us, and you should vote for Conservatives."

### IT HAPPENED HERE

— 30 YEARS AGO (Oct. 25, 1948): Evelyn Heard of Pecos was named director of District 8, Business & Professional Women's Clubs, succeeding Mrs. Iva Noyes of Midland, at its annual conference here Saturday. Pecos was selected as the 1949 convention city.

Walter C. Beadle is the new manager of the acidizing department of The Western Co. here. J.S. Caffrey has been named manager of Western's South District at Odessa, succeeding Beadle.

### NICK THIMMESCH

## Democrat Whip Brademas: Onward! Excelsior!

WASHINGTON — At a time when even the strong abandon Congress, weary of its heavy traffic and constituent noise, John Brademas, vested as House Democratic Whip, deftly utilizing the quibble and his incumbency, stands for his 10th term. He must. For Brademas, the grail is yet ahead.

What is it about these preachers' sons which drives them so? What hell fires are lit under them in early life which propel them to academia's high reaches (in Brademas' case, Harvard and Oxford) or the corporate board room or fast-track politics?

Here we have a man in the prime of life, at 51, amply schooled, steeped in liberal-Democratic politics, endowed with a fair amount of power, and otherwise situated so that he should be able to feel mellow now and then, and bend and sway a bit.

But no, his high-mindedness becomes lecture. His frailties are explained in legalisms. Instead of accommodation, there are strategies. The man presents himself so often as without shortcoming that he comes off as a prig.

I will not forget that spring night in 1975 when the National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities' annual dinner was being held, and Brademas spoke. It was a tragic time because South Vietnam had collapsed that week, and with it a generation of involvement by our country.

Brademas saluted his audience that evening by observing that had their sort (elitist intellectual, presumably) been able to shape the decisions on Southeast Asia, there never would

child care legislation which pro-family advocates insist would further weaken this already battered institution. He got away with this stuff in the name of liberalism, but liberalism isn't so savory these days.

When Brademas spots declining values, he usually blames them on Vietnam and Watergate, not the sum total of individual actions. (He never cites Koreagate or the budding GSA scandals.) But it was his own individual actions which got him in and out of hot water over Koreagate wasn't it?

He parsed and split hairs, and escaped prosecution and collegial condemnation. But Brademas — and other congressmen — never had to face the withering fire of a Watergate investigation. The ruling Democrats never installed a special prosecutor as they should have on Koreagate.

Still, Brademas admitted that while riding back to the capital after lunch with Tongsun Park one day, the fabled Korean handed him a thick, sealed envelope containing \$950 in \$50 bills. Brademas accepted, and later explained: "It would have been awkward, very awkward, to have opened the envelope right in front of him and complain that it was in green bills. I have known this man for some time. You don't do that."

When Tip O'Neill was asked if he took money from Park like that, he exploded. "Never," he said. "Hey, if Tongsun Park came up to me with \$3,000 I'd hit him in the puss with it."

Now, Brademas properly reported the \$5,250 Park gave him as campaign contributions, and claimed he had no



### WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

## FBI checking CORE chief Innis

By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — The FBI and police agencies on both coasts are investigating accusations that Roy Innis, the controversial director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), ordered the shooting of a former colleague and the beating of another.

Innis vehemently denies the allegations.

We have a signed confession, however, from the trigger man who says he committed the non-fatal shooting on direct orders from Innis. His story has been corroborated by a man who claims to have been an eyewitness to the incident, which took place in Washington, D.C., in February 1974.

CORE sources told our associates Gary Cohn and Tony Capaccio that Innis has personally ordered the execution of other dissident officials of the organization, as well as the beating of dozens of CORE members.

It should be noted that Innis, who took over the leadership of CORE in 1968, is embroiled in a bitter feud with CORE founder James Farmer and others who have been trying to oust Innis. In this context, it is possible that some allegations of killings and beatings ordered by Innis are exaggerated or even concocted out of whole cloth.

We will confine our story, therefore, only to those charges which the FBI and local police agencies consider serious enough to warrant their attention.

But certainly, the shooting of former CORE employee Jimmy Howard was not imaginary.

According to police records and statements of those involved, Howard was walking from his car to his office

in Washington, D.C., on the morning of Feb. 27, 1974, when he was approached by Malcolm Drummond, a member of Innis' security team.

Drummond allegedly went up to Howard and said: "Stop! Freeze!" Drummond then fired several shots from a .25 caliber automatic. One bullet hit Howard in the shoulder.

Drummond insists that he never intended to kill Howard, and his choice of a .25 caliber pistol — not exactly a hit man's weapon — tends to bear this out. According to one account, Howard had incurred Innis' wrath by aligning himself with Waverly Yates, a former top official of CORE whom Howard had been assigned to keep an eye on.

When Cohn first contacted Drummond, he was reluctant to answer questions. But Cohn tracked down the alleged hit man in Los Angeles, and he eventually agreed to give us a signed statement.

He said: "Roy Innis personally ordered me to shoot Howard. Innis said, 'Drummond, I need this S.O.B. hit. I'm depending on you.' I shot Jimmy Howard on direct orders from Innis."

Farmer told us that Drummond had also admitted the Howard shooting to him. "But Drummond won't say anything unless he's given immunity," Farmer said. He added that Drummond's reliability might be questioned because he is "weak," as evidenced by a switch of allegiance from Innis to his rivals.

Another key witness in the affair is Marvin Peay, who was Innis' security chief and special assistant from 1969 to 1976. Described by Farmer as "completely reliable," Peay told us that he was actually on the scene when Drummond shot Howard.

Peay said he was surprised when

### ART BUCHWALD

## Soviets may be training agents to stare us down

WASHINGTON — You don't have to be a chess player to appreciate the implications of the Korchnoi-Karpov world championship match which was just played in the Philippines. Karpov won six games to five. The Free World was rooting for Korchnoi because he had defected from the Soviet Union, and had nothing good to say about the Communist system.



Art Buchwald

The Kremlin was determined their boy would win. They sent a large entourage with him, including the usual secret police escorts, chess masters and a psychologist named Vladimir Zoukhar, whose role was to sit in the fourth row of the auditorium and do nothing but stare at Korchnoi while he played.

Korchnoi complained bitterly about this gambit and, after losing several games, he got the judges to move the psychologist to the back of the room. Then he went on to win and tie the score at 5-5. But in the final game, the psychologist was back in his fourth row putting the evil eye on Korchnoi, and the Soviet defector blew the final match.

Whether Zoukhar used ESP or hypnosis or just plain psychology is anybody's guess. But he apparently succeeded in upsetting our guy.

If this was just a chess match

Americans wouldn't have to give it a second thought.

But with the 1980 Olympics coming up in Moscow we have to start wondering if this was just a pilot project of the Soviets and whether there is a grand design underway to hex all our Olympic stars out of their gold medals.

It is possible that at this very moment the Soviets are training thousands of "spectators" to sit in the fourth row of the Olympic stands at every event to stare at our athletes. They could be learning to send out bad vibes to all those wearing the Stars and Stripes on their uniforms.

If the system works, our valiant men and women could be so distracted by this staring that they could trip over themselves in the track and field events, sink to the bottom of the Olympic swimming pool or fall on their faces during the acrobatic competitions.

The Zoukhar ploy must be taken seriously and the American Olympic competitors wear blinders, the kind that they put on horses so they won't see the stands. This might cause some discomfort, but if our people start wearing them now they would be used to them by 1980.

Another idea might be to put an "anti-staring clause" into the SALT talks, and warn the Russians that if they so much as look at our athletes when they're competing, we'll bring in our own stargers who will put the wammy on their stars.

A third suggestion is that we train everyone competing for our side how to stare back until the other side blinks.

No one likes to bring the CIA into the Olympic picture, but if the Soviets are using psychological warfare to win chess matches, heaven knows how far they'll go to bury us when it comes to winning the games in 1980.

We have to bring the people at Langley in on this one.

I'm not being hysterical or overstating the danger of a giant Zoukhar conspiracy. It may have been just a coincidence, but when I applied at the Soviet Embassy for my Olympic tickets the other day, I was informed by the sports attaché that every seat in the fourth row at every event had already been sold. It was rather strange since the box office at Lenin Stadium doesn't open until June of 1979.

### THE BIBLE CAN YOU QUOTE IT?

By LAVINA ROSS FOWLER AND ELIZABETH ROSS WIERSEMA

1. In the autumn of 1774 when the First Continental Congress met in Philadelphia, the chaplain read the First and Thirty-fifth Psalms. John Adams exclaimed, "It seemed that heaven had ordained that Psalm to be read that morning." Quote the first verse of Psalm 1.

2. Why is Psalm 35 appropriate for a small nation fighting for liberty? Read Psalm 35.

3. What amazing thing happened at Cana of Galilee? John 2.

4. What did John the Baptist say when asked, "who art thou?" John 1:21-23.

5. Who said, "Masters, give your servants that which is just and equal." Colossians 4.

Four correct...excellent. Three correct...good.

### Mark Russell says

Here's a suggestion on how the government could save money — since many GSA personnel are making so much on the outside, take away their salaries and put them on straight commission.

GSA jokes have replaced Polish jokes — how long does it take to install \$100,000 worth of air conditioning in a government building? Depends on the size of the electric fan.

What would it cost to paint the inside of the Pentagon? About \$500,000. \$489,000 for the kickback and 9 bucks for the paint.

The point is this: If the GSA was in charge of maintaining the Golden Gate Bridge, it could be painted in an hour and a half.

### BIBLE VERSE

"For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day. — Mat. 12:8.

### The Country Parson

by Frank Clark



"Anger grows like a weed — and is equally productive."

### the small society



by Brickman

I COULD GET ALONG FINE WITHOUT MORE MONEY, MENSCH —

IF ONLY OTHER PEOPLE WEREN'T SO CRAZY ABOUT IT —

# Freeze-dried foods fed to seniors

By MARLENE CIMONS  
The Los Angeles Times

CHICAGO — The room was filled with elderly people who sat at long tables staring at small, insulated packets that had been placed in plastic bowls in front of them.

The envelopes contained freeze-dried food products, identical with the food eaten by U.S. astronauts in the space program. Tuna-and-noodle casserole. Vegetable stew with beef. Chicken broth. "Apple munchies."

The occasion was a special luncheon to introduce senior citizens to this type of food and see what their reactions would be. The meal was sponsored by the National Space Institute, a scientific, educational, nonprofit organization based in Arlington, Va., that seeks to make the public more aware of the technology of space and its practical application on earth.

Officials of the institute believe that one of its most significant spinoffs will be the use of space food by the elderly.

"It is a fact that nutrition among older people often goes badly," said Hugh Downs, president of the National Space Institute and the television host of

"Over Easy." "Frequently there is an inability to prepare food if they are old, sick, have a disability or live alone. Or they can't get balanced meals because of insufficient funds and increases in food prices because of inflation. Sometimes they are forced to steal food. But they don't steal nutritious food. They steal things that are small — like cookies."

There is also, he said, an erosion of morale. "They don't want to take the trouble to fix a balanced, attractive meal," he said. "So they open a tin and eat over the sink."

The food, developed in conjunction with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, is manufactured by several private companies, but usually is not sold in supermarkets. Prepared under the supervision of professional dietitians, it is processed by the usual freeze-dried method — food is cooked and frozen and then water is evaporated from it by reducing the atmospheric pressure, then it is immediately sealed.

It is lightweight and can be sent through the mail. It requires no refrigeration and will maintain its freshness, if unopened, for several years. To prepare the meal, one need only add hot water, stir, cover and let it stand for 5 to 10 minutes.

The freeze-dried foods were ideal for use in the space program, where there were no refrigerators, stoves or other utensils, and freeze-dried products offered a convenient method of preparation. The characteristics of the food make it handy in other areas as well. It is already used in camping and mountain-climbing — and can be purchased in stores that cater to those activities for from \$2-\$4 a meal — and its proponents believe it will be invaluable

during emergency situations when fresh food is not available or cannot be prepared.

The idea of using it to feed the elderly originated several years ago with NASA as part of its "spin-offs" program, said William O'Donnell, a spokesman for the agency. The Johnson Space Center in Houston, he said, conducted a test program with elderly people there.

However, he said, the concept has taken a long time to attract interest because of the taste of the food itself.

"It just hasn't been as palatable as it could be," he said. "It wasn't until late in the space program that it got better. Astronauts complained about it constantly, but as we kept progressing — from the days when they squeezed food out of a tube — we kept getting better. We finally got hot water on board."

The National Space Institute, founded by the late NASA associate administrator and rocket designer Werner von Braun, took up the cause, O'Donnell said. "They're gung-ho space buffs and eager to pound the drums for the space program," he said. "They are supported by aerospace corporations and memberships and donations — and they do all the things to advocate the space program that NASA cannot do."

Will people eat the food now? "It's not going to be like going to a fancy restaurant and having a meal, but it's not bad," said Charles C. Hewitt, executive director of the institute. "It's certainly tasty enough, so you don't gag when you eat it. It's a lot better than some hospital food I've eaten. It may not be the right thing for someone who gets around without any trouble, but if you're bedridden, it could be fantastic."



Lisa Murphy, assistant Camp Fire Girl leader, and Christy Butler, Blue Bird, take part in a sack race at the Midland Council of Camp Fire Girls' annual Fall Camporee held last weekend in Hogan Park. (Staff Photo)

## Shutters provide special treatment

By CAROLE EICHEN  
Copley News Service

What to do with apartment windows is one of the biggest problems when you move into a new building.

If the apartment comes with draperies, often they are not of high quality and many times they show the wear and damage from too many cleanings.

If the apartment owner offers no draperies, it then becomes the tenants' problem of what to do with the windows. An investment in draperies can be an expensive one, especially if your particular apartment has odd sized windows.

It either requires purchasing custom drapes or putting up with standard commercial drapes which don't quite fit. Often these types of window treatment only work for one apartment and the draperies are of little value to you when you move to a new place.

There are other alternatives and one of the oldest treatments for window covering is shutters. They not only are functional, but have become an ever popular element in decoration.

The new two and one-half inch wide-blade shutters are becoming one of the most popular shutter treatments for any type of window or door covering.

There are a number of shutter kits on the market that are easy to install. It takes about 10 minutes and can be done with a hammer and screwdriver. Easy step-by-step instructions come with the shutters to simplify the process.

Shutters not only provide beauty, but they go with so many different furniture styles. If the apartment appears small and cramped, shutters can help open up the room. They actually are space savers because they don't protrude into the room or add additional bulk.

Although shutters aren't that expensive, you might be able to sell the landlord on splitting the costs. Shutters actually cut fuel costs by helping to keep heat or air conditioning inside.

## Halloween myths, legends numerous in British Isles

NEW YORK, N.Y.—In Ireland, Scotland and Wales strange myths and legends abound at Halloween, says Hallmark Cards researcher Sally Hopkins.

One Irish superstition says that milk should never be kept in the house at Halloween lest elves or goblins turn it sour.

Another tale warns that if you sneeze on Halloween night without someone's saying "God Bless You" witches will snatch your spirit from your body.

A similar legend from Wales says that waking a person from sleep on Halloween morning is dangerous. One's soul leaves the body during sleep, according to the story, and may not return if a person is awakened abruptly. It's considered lucky in Scotland, however, to pick up a pin or repay an old debt at Halloween.

## Engaged pair entertained

Alice Young and her fiance, Roger Friedline, were honored with a bar shower and crepe dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gary B. Anderson, 1611 Shell St. The couple is to be married Nov. 4.

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## Kielbasa fills these dumplings

By CECILY BROWNSTONE  
AP Food Editor

DEAR CECILY: Of all the different recipes from all over the world — Italian, Irish, Scotch, Chinese and so forth — printed in our daily newspapers, why is it that seldom are there recipes for Polish dishes? As everyone knows, Polish food is delicious! There are millions of Polish-Americans. They, too, subscribe to newspapers. — FEELING OVERLOOKED.

DEAR FEELING OVERLOOKED: I'm sorry you have missed the recipes for Polish dishes that I have used from time to time. The following recipe is not from Polish cuisine but its goodness comes from its inclusion of Polish sausage — kielbasa — which is popular nowadays in every part of the United States. These baked dumplings have a covering that is a little more like pastry than bread. — C.B.

**KIELBASA DUMPLINGS**  
1 1/2 cups fine whole-

wheat flour  
1 1/2 cups all-purpose white flour  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 package dry yeast  
1/2 cup milk  
1/2 cup butter or margarine  
1 large egg  
1 pound kielbasa (Polish) sausage

Stir together the flours. In the large bowl of an electric mixer stir together 1 cup of the mixed flours, the sugar, salt and yeast. In a small saucepan heat the milk and butter until very warm (120 to 130 degrees); butter does not have to melt completely. Gradually stir the milk mixture into the yeast mixture; beat at medium speed of mixer for 2 minutes. Add the egg and 1 cup of the mixed flours; beat at high speed for 2 minutes. Stir in enough more of the mixed flours to make a manageable dough. Turn out on a lightly floured smooth surface; knead until smooth and elastic — about 10 minutes. Place in a greased bowl and turn to grease top. Cover and let rise in a draft-

free, warm place (80 to 85 degrees) until doubled — about 1 hour.

Cover the kielbasa with water; bring to a boil; simmer for 25 minutes. Drain and cool. Remove kielbasa casing and cut into 25 equal slices.

Punch down dough; turn out onto a lightly floured surface. Roll out to a 15- by 15-inch square; cut into 25 three-inch squares. Place a piece of kielbasa in the center of each square. Pull up corners of dough; pinch together and seal with a few drops of water. Place well apart on greased cookie sheets; cover; let rise as previously until doubled — about 1 hour. Bake in a preheated 375-degree oven until browned — about 20 minutes. Serve warm or reheat.

Makes 25 dumplings.

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**SUPER HANDYMAN**

# Muffin tin makes handy bin

By AL CARRELL

I've got to admit that the tips and hints I like best are those where you folks take some item that's ready for the discard pile and convert it into something useful. L.A.K. got hold of an old muffin pan that his wife was about to scrap. Lots of home handypersons have realized that these pans with their many compartments are great for holding tiny parts such as nails and screws. This gent just went one step more by adding a handle to the top, and he not only has all the compartments, but he has a small parts holder that he can carry around. The handle is a screen door handle that was also a discard. A pair of holes drilled into the center section of the muffin pan let him bolt the handle in place. What have you done to cheat the scrap pile lately?



I just keep it loose with my change. Since I never go out without money, I am never without my extra key. It's worked great so far on the two occasions when I've locked my regular key in the car. — N.S.

I really liked your idea, but have apparently dropped my key in the pay phone.

**Dear Super Al:**  
When I replaced the old picket fence with a privacy type, I still found use for a section of the old fencing. I trimmed off the points and laid the long section flat on the ground. I now have a walk that goes from the back porch to the back gate. Even when the

ground is muddy, this walk allows us a non-muddy stroll. It's not good for going barefoot or for high heels, but otherwise it is super. — D.D.

If you lay another section right on top of the first so the pickets on top fill the spaces on the bottom section, even some high heels can walk without going through. It's a little more comfortable.

**A SUPER HINT** — When a paint brush gets ruined, it may still be useful. I find that if you cut off the bristles to within about an inch of the metal band, you end up with one of the really good tools for the removal of paint stripper from inside the nooks and crannies of carved furniture. The stiff bristles will really do the job.

**Dear Al:**  
You once suggested a formula with trisodium phosphate (TSP) for cleaning paint brushes. Our city fathers have banned the sale of TSP, so I was unable to use your idea. However, in trying to track down

some TSP, a friend told me about using some detergent powder made for use in automatic dishwashers. She suggested a half cup of the powder plus only enough hot water to dissolve the powder. Then you let the brushes soak in this until the old paint is softened enough to come out of the bristles. Believe me, it really works to restore neglected brushes. — Mrs. R.O.G.

**SHOP TALK** — We've had all sorts of tips and hints on how to cure sluggish drawers that don't want to open and close smoothly. There's a new product that will solve the problem. It's a self-sticking tape that is placed on the two surfaces that rub together when the drawer moves. The tape is a slick surfaced nylon, and when the two surfaces with the tape are together, they almost glide when you want them to. Works on sliding doors and windows also. Now all you have to worry about is that the drawer will work so easily you're liable to pull it out on your foot.

## The Compassionate Friends offer comfort

By JOHN M. BOGERT  
Copley News Service

LOS ANGELES — Last April Kevin and Jane Riley's 3-year-old son suddenly developed a high fever. The young parents, understandably concerned, took him to a hospital.

There they were told high fevers like his are common childhood afflictions and that he'd soon be better.

The fever, as they would find out later, was caused by an undetected, rare liver malfunction. The child died quickly.

Helen Born's 17-year-old son Billy disappeared two years ago on Valentine's Day. At first Mrs. Born, mother of six, thought her son had run away.

That belief persisted until last February when she read a newspaper description given by convicted "trashbag killer" Patrick Wayne Kearney of one of his victims.

It was her son.  
Though death came in far different manners to these two families, it left in its wake identical, nearly unbearable feelings of grief.

And they were alone with their feelings.  
"At first people were very concerned, but people expect you to forget grief fast," says Jane Riley, 32, of suburban Redondo Beach.

"After a time they tell you not to let it get you down and seem surprised when words don't help. They ask 'is that still bothering you?'"

"My God, yes, it still bothers me. What people don't understand is if you lose any other relative, you've lost your past. If you lose your child, you've lost your future."

Meanwhile, Mrs. Born was finding out the painful details of her son's death. And, though she knew he died instantly by pistol shot, nightmares came and persisted.

"I had these dreams each night of my son being cut to pieces, crying out for me to help."

Seeking help, the Rileys went to see two different psychologists, but that didn't help their feelings or the awful strain the death put on their relationship.

"You end up grieving separately over things like this. Neither of us had any comfort left to give. We expect each other to be mother earth, but it doesn't work that way," says Riley.

Mrs. Born, in her own hell and without a husband, began calling various agencies and eventually located a group in nearby San Fernando Valley called The Compassionate Friends.

The Rileys, through similar investigation, already had found the group, which at that time had 20 members.

"We were reluctant," says Riley, "especially me, because I've never been much of a joiner. When we finally went, I saw immediately that we were the youngest couple there and I wondered how we would relate ... ha, that's a laugh."

"I soon saw that the shared experience of a lost child, whether that child was 6 or 36, whether you are a CPA, a doctor or a laborer, is the same and binding."

The meeting, at first, seemed cold to Mrs. Riley, an airline employee.  
"Nobody pushed you to do anything, but however briefly you want, each of

us stands and tells how her child died.

"Immediately you find yourself not feeling so bad because, like in one case, a woman's daughter had been murdered. Later I found out that the woman who lost her daughter was feeling more sorry for me and less sorry for herself because she had 20 years with her child and I had only had three."

"Simply, it makes us feel better when we grieve with someone who has had the same experience. It's a cleansing experience."

Riley says the great feeling of friendship cutting across age,

cultural and social lines was a great comfort to him.

"We found others to lean on, which may sound a bit strange because they were all strangers, but let's face it, none of us are islands."

Mrs. Born and the Rileys have become good friends in the short time they've attended the meetings.

The group concept was formed by Anglican priest the Rev. Simon Stephens in England in 1969 because he noticed, its literature explains, "care for surviving parents was more noticeable by its absence than by its presence."

## Flexatards branching out

By NATALIE BEST  
Copley News Service

HOLLYWOOD — Exercise expert turned fashion designer, Gilda Marx, predicts that women will be exchanging their everyday clothes for leotard suits by 1980.

Are you ready for this?

In the name of health the wife of Robert Marx, nephew of Groucho, has developed the new all-day, all-wear garment called the Flexatard. A year ago the contour-forming, antronylon-lyera spandex body stocking was nothing more than a workout suit in the gymnasium. Today — with additional designing and styling — the Flexatard is recommended for swimming, jogging, shopping, working, dancing or partying. You simply add a ruffle or a skirt.

"The Flexatard has become an outer garment," said Gilda. "And it is

the shape of things to come. The action-designed garment of glossy contour-forming fabric looks glamorous and feels wonderful. The former neck-to-ankle suit now has French-cut legs, low backs and plunge-to-the-waist V-necklines.

"A lot of women were asking for comfort and style in active wear," she said. "Now these supportive leotards are good for the larger body as well as the slim, athletic women. Besides, women's bodies are better and skinnier than they used to be. Women want to show them off more."

Gilda, who owns and operates a penthouse exercise studio in Century City, would like to re-contour all female bodies into proportioned, healthy, beautiful creatures. She is excited with the idea of relating fashion to fitness.

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# Tom Wilson takes over for Bellard

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M Coach Emory Bellard, stung by two straight losses and campus signs proclaiming "Make Emory A Memory" has resigned despite a seven-year record as the winningest football coach in the Southwest Conference.

Tom Wilson, a master of the I-formation when he played in the same backfield with Donnie Anderson at Texas Tech in the mid-1960s, was named interim head coach. Assistant athletic director Marvin Tate assumed Bellard's athletic directorship, also on an interim basis.

Bellard, criticized by vocal Aggie fans for sticking with his wishbone formation despite the presence of fleet Curtis Dickey, handed his resignation to Tate, who read it to a shocked Aggie team prior to Tuesday's practice.

cause the happiest he'd seen Bellard recently was at Monday's workout.

"We kind of came together on the field and were hollering and jumping around and he looked almost jubilant as he said, 'Damn. I love that spirit.'"

"The thing that hurt me so bad was I've been with Coach Bellard five years and he's been so good to me. When they told us, I felt like all of a sudden part of my life had been torn away."

MIKESKA SAID he was so angered by signs on campus criticizing Bellard that he and a teammate went out looking for the signs to tear them down. Mikeska said the signs were gone, however.

Bellard, who fathered the wishbone formation as an assistant coach to Darrell Royal at the University of Texas, posted a 3-8 record in 1972, his first season at A&M.

The Aggies were 5-6 the next year

"I've certainly got some beliefs and I'll certainly express them," said Wilson, finalist last year for the head coaching job at Texas Tech before Rex Dockery got the job. "But we line up against Rice Saturday, and it's hard to change in three days."

BELLARD, WHO posted a 44-27 record including losses the past two weeks to Houston and Baylor, declined to say why he resigned, but indicated he may get out of the coaching profession.

"I have no plans at the present," Bellard said. "And I have no plans to

remain in athletics, but I've always been able to earn a living."

Starting safety Carl Grulich said, "I'm as shocked as the rest of the players. It's difficult at this time to understand if he quit on his own or if it was because of the pressure."

Tight end Russell Mikeska said Bellard's action really surprised him before reeling off consecutive winning seasons of 8-3, 10-2, 10-2 and 8-4.

A&M started this season with a 4-0 record and ranked sixth in the nation until two weeks ago when the Aggies were shut out by Houston, 33-0.

LAST WEEK then-winless Baylor scored a 24-6 upset over the Aggies as the A&M offense, ranked third nationally in total offense prior to the Houston game, failed for the second week to score a touchdown.

Aggie starting quarterback Mike Mosley said he would remain at

A&M.

"I love Coach Wilson," Mosley said. "If they had considered anyone else, I would have had second thoughts. I think he will add a few new wrinkles to the offense. He added a few motion plays today."

Dickey, among the top rushers in the SWC, said, "I don't want to say anything about it."

Mikeska said as much as he hated to see Bellard go, the shock might help the Aggies the rest of the season.

"Sometimes when you are really shaken up, it makes you realize you still have a chance for a good season," Mikeska said. "Crisis sometimes brings something good."



Emory Bellard...throws in towel

# Year-sweetening Lemon named AL's top manager

NEW YORK (AP) — Bob Lemon, who turned the New York Yankees season from tragedy to triumph with a dramatic midcourse correction, is The Associated Press' American League Manager of the Year for 1978.

Lemon, who joined the floundering Yankees in midseason and led them to a World Series victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers, edged Milwaukee Manager George Bamberger 149 to 142 in balloting by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

No other manager was close in the race. Whitey Herzog of the Western

champion Kansas City Royals finished a distant third with 24 points. Don Zimmer of the Boston Red Sox was fourth with 18, followed by Baltimore's Earl Weaver (7), Jim Fregosi of the California Angels (6), Ralph Houk of the Detroit Tigers (4) and Gene Mauch of the Minnesota Twins (1).

THE 57-YEAR-OLD Lemon started the year with the Chicago White Sox but was fired just in time to be available for the strife-ridden Yankees, who had fallen 14 games behind the Boston Red Sox in the AL East.

Lemon was a complete change in place of the tumultuous Billy Martin, guiding the Yankees with his low-key approach.

Allowed to play baseball the way they knew how instead of battling among themselves, the Yankees climbed fast in the East and eventually caught the powerful Red Sox at the end of the season. They finally claimed the East championship in a one-game playoff with Boston, then took the AL pennant by beating the Kansas City Royals in the playoffs.

Before this season, Lemon managed with moderate success at Kansas City for three seasons, as well as several minor league stops.

Most of Lemon's claim to baseball fame has been as a player, of course. The Hall of Famer was a pitcher with the Cleveland Indians for 13 years, winning 20 or more games seven times and compiling a 207-128 career record.

HIS OUTSTANDING major league work included a no-hitter against Detroit on June 30, 1948, a season in which he led the league in shutouts with 10 and complete games with 20.

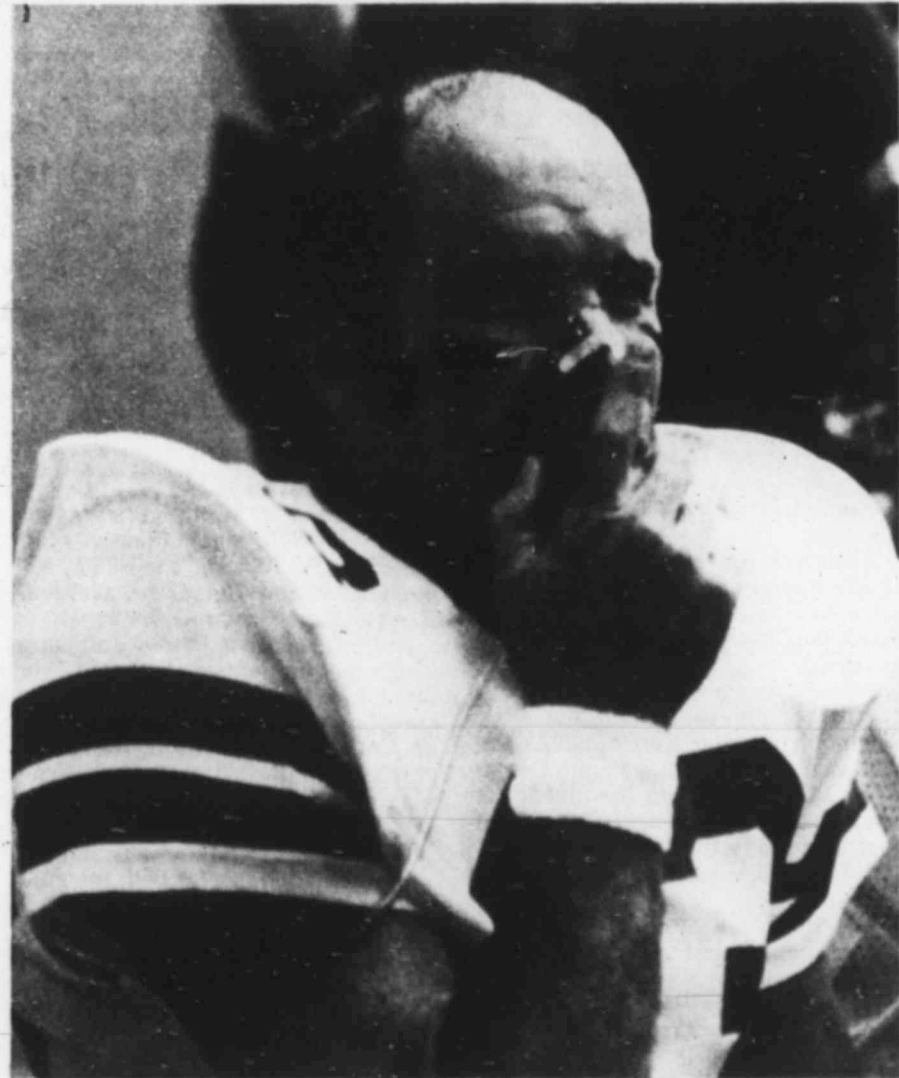
Bamberger led the surprising Brewers to the most successful season of their young history, keeping them in the East race until the last few days of the season.

## Junior tennis play slated for Odessa

ODESSA — A Junior Open Tennis Tournament, a major designated tournament sanctioned by the TTA and the USTA, will be held at the University Gardens Racquet Club Nov. 18-20.

Entry deadline is Nov. 10. No phone entries will be accepted, and entry forms may be picked up at the UGRC here at 1315 French Ave. Entrants must be a member of the USTA or join when entry is turned in. Entry fee is \$6 per person per event with a one singles and one doubles entry per division.

Competition is limited to 12 through 18 year-olds and singles and doubles will be offered for each of the four divisions in that age group.



Cliff Harris takes a breather. (Photo by Brandon Battles)

# Mr. Crash...Say it isn't so

They call him Mr. Crash. He comes out of the blue like an unguided missile to lay waste indiscriminately to friend and foe alike.

Even a cautioning, "Hey, I'm on your side," sometimes isn't enough to prevent a teammate from suffering a cob-web causing collision.

Cliff Harris originally came out of Ouachita Baptist College, that infamous "football factory" in Arkansas, unannounced and undrafted in 1970, equipped with grit and determination. How else would a 6-1, 192-pounder make it in the NFL?

He stayed around to become regarded as the best and most feared safeties in the league and you can take O.J. Simpson's endorsement that, "The way Cliff Harris hits you on a football field is a nightmare."

HARRIS HAS been all-pro free safety for three years now, leading the Cowboys in tackles in 1976 with 118 and adding another 117 last year, second best on the team. Opposing wide receivers who wander into his zone are high level insurance risks.

When a wide receiver exchanges after-play pleasantries with Cliff, you can be sure he's not asking "How's the family?"

That's the kind of reputation Cliff has, but it's all a facade. He really is a nature lover. In fact when he intimates he's "really not a very controversial guy and tries to avoid hassles," he sounded like someone making a pitch for a lite beer commercial. Then again, maybe he's just mellowing with age.

Cliff claims he's really a nice, thoughtful fellow underneath.



In fact, he has even buried the hatchet with Philadelphia Eagles tight end Keith Kreple with whom he had some unpleasanties last year. Notice, we said "with" and not "in."

"KREPLE IS the best tight end in the league. He's tough and plays 100 per cent and I have great respect for him. He's a great clutch player. We settled our differences before the game and from now on I'll hit him, but we'll just be friendly enemies."

Harris continued his disillusioning recital by confessing he and Philadelphia's mean linebacker Bill Bergey have kissed and made up after last year's hassle and now "We're friends. I even talked with him after the game."

As further proof of what a nice guy Cliff has become, he pointed out that he passed up a legal shot at Harold Carmichael after the Eagles' end had caught a pass late in the game and was being wrestled to the ground. "I ignored a shot I could have taken at him. In fact, I was a little surprised the ref hadn't blown his whistle."

On another occasion, wide receiver Ken Payne went down field on a sideline pattern and Cliff came streaking in full speed from 20 yards

down field. A sidliner, only a few feet from the probable impact point, cringed and turned his eyes. The ball went over Payne's head and Ken was fair game, but Cliff ran by, a jet-propelled blur. The covering sideline observer looked up surprised that Payne wasn't in two scattered pieces.

Payne, however, must have felt the breeze, yet he jawed at Harris after the play. "You noticed that, too," he grinned. "I honestly don't know what he said," Cliff commented, shaking his head at the lack of appreciation for his moment of compassion.

ALTHOUGH CLIFF admits he didn't level everything that moved Sunday, he still thought it was the Cowboys' best defensive game of the year.

"We hit harder and for the first time we were playing scared. They (The Eagles) were in contention for the first time since I've been with the Cowboys and we knew we were in a game."

He went on, "This and the Washington games are the most physical we've had this year."

In discussing the Cowboys' problems this year, Cliff had his own theories as to why everybody seems tougher.

"In 1975, we got beat by Pittsburgh in the Super Bowl and they got all the publicity. This year we won the Super Bowl and got all the publicity. Opposing teams read about how good we are supposed to be and everybody points for us."

"Our problem has been that we didn't have anybody to read about."



Tom Wilson, right, former Texas Tech quarterback, directs Aggies' first practice after succeeding Emory Bellard as interim coach. (AP Laser photo)

# Vocal Aggies finally got Emory, despite winningest SWC record

By DENNE H. FREEMAN DALLAS (AP) — The Texas Aggie alumni got Emory Bellard just like they got Gene Stallings and Hank Foldberg and Jim Myers. Paul Bryant didn't stay around long enough for them to get him.

It's not how you play the game at Texas A&M. It's who did you beat and by how many.

The Aggie alumni are perhaps the most vocal, generous, biased and fervent football fans in the country. They'll do just about anything for their school. And any coach who doesn't beat Texas, get in the Cotton Bowl and compete for a national title (there hasn't been one since 1939) had best get ready for some cards, letters and calls.

BELLARD REFUSED to say why he resigned Tuesday in his seventh year as the Aggie head

football coach. Well, his friends know why. And so does anyone who has on an Aggie ring. I do.

All his winning seasons and his impressive won-lost record were forgotten when his sixth-ranked and unbeaten team was

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humiliated 33-0 by Houston two weeks ago in Houston in front of the influential Aggie Houston alumni. They didn't like Bellard's running Curtis Dickey to the short side of the field on third-and-12. Or a fourth-and-three slam up the middle.

A week later they didn't like a 24-6 loss to Baylor in which the team ran out the clock on its final possession. Some criticized his playing an injured Dickey, who, by the way, wanted to

play. Bellard had numerous Aggie alumni on his side. They pointed to his excellent recruiting, the winning record, the three bowl games and the improvement of the Aggie athletic complex.

BUT HIS detractors countered that Bellard lost too many big games, citing embarrassing losses to Michigan, Texas, Houston and Arkansas. Emory never got to the Cotton Bowl, they said, with some of the best talent in the Southwest Conference.

Bellard got fed up, close friends say. Perhaps he could have weathered the storm but he decided he didn't need it.

Two weeks ago Aggie fans were riding high, ranked sixth in the nation. Then came two whippings and no touchdowns.

## Guidry gets Seven Crowns player award

NEW YORK (AP) — Southpaw sensation Ron Guidry of the World Champion New York Yankees was named winner of the Seven Crowns of Sports baseball award for 1978 Tuesday.

Guidry compiled an "efficiency rating" of 82.59 in the computer-based competition, easily outdistancing Jim Rice of the Boston Red Sox at 77.46. Dave Parker of the Pittsburgh Pirates finished third at 74.95.

The Louisiana-born Guidry, in only his second full season with the Yankees, was the major league leader in wins (25), earned run average (1.74), winning percentage (.893), and shut-outs (9). His 248 strikeouts, third-best in the majors, broke the Yankee record of 240 set by Jack Chesbro in 1904.

In succeeding 1977 winner Rod Carew of Minnesota, Guidry became the first pitcher to capture the award in its 4-year history. He received \$10,000 award and a pewter trophy.

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# Bulldogs suffer growing pains

The Midland High Bulldogs remind me of the kid suffering from growing pains. The mind is more than willing, but the body doesn't always respond to the right impulses.

The Midland High offense seems to suffer the most with four juniors and a sophomore on the starting lineup. One of the seniors has had only junior varsity experience, and all the others only have one varsity letter. Add it all up and you have very little team experience to work with.

This group has shown improvement over the last three weeks. The Bulldogs may have won two games they should have won this year (El Paso Eastwood and Lubbock Monterey), but injuries to an already inexperienced group kept the learning process from growing to the desired level. In district play, they have lost to two good football teams in Permian and Abilene High.

AGAINST ABILENE, the Pack showed signs of breaking loose once or twice, but an interception or fumble after a big gain would slow the process. It is that inexperience showing.

Quarterback Michael Feldt is a good example. He is the sophomore on the offense. He suffered a small break in his leg in the first game of the season, and he is not to the point he should be. His learning process is about three weeks behind. It is hard to win in this district with a sophomore quarterback on any team, but Feldt is going to be one of Midland's better signal callers to come along when the mind gets everything straight.

"I think he is going to be a real good one," Coach Dennis Hays says. "You can just see the improvement every week. I think he is the best sophomore in the league. He is a good runner and he can throw the ball. There are some things he needs to learn about throwing, but he needs game experience for that. He will be a good passer. He's tough as nails and doesn't mind being hit. He's doing a good job considering that he has had only three total games of experience. He gets better every time out."

FULLBACK JEFF Robnett and tailback Billy Applin are both juniors and I just can't believe that either one of them has reached full potential as of yet. You get glimpses of what might be a standard happening in the future every once in a while, but they have a way to go and that's encouraging.

On Midland's 81-yard TD drive against Abilene Friday, Robnett and Applin both showed signs of brilliance on a pair of 14-yard gainers. Both looked

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like they were running with complete abandon. It just seemed like they wanted every yard they could get, and it made a big difference.

Maybe, it was Hays' switch of Royce Cottrell and Brooke Reeves to the guard slots and Paul Cox and Jeff Spangler to the tackle positions that made the difference for the backs, but it did seem that there was more running room for the backs last Friday. If the Pack's offense could stop making some of the critical mistakes on big down situations, they just might go wild.

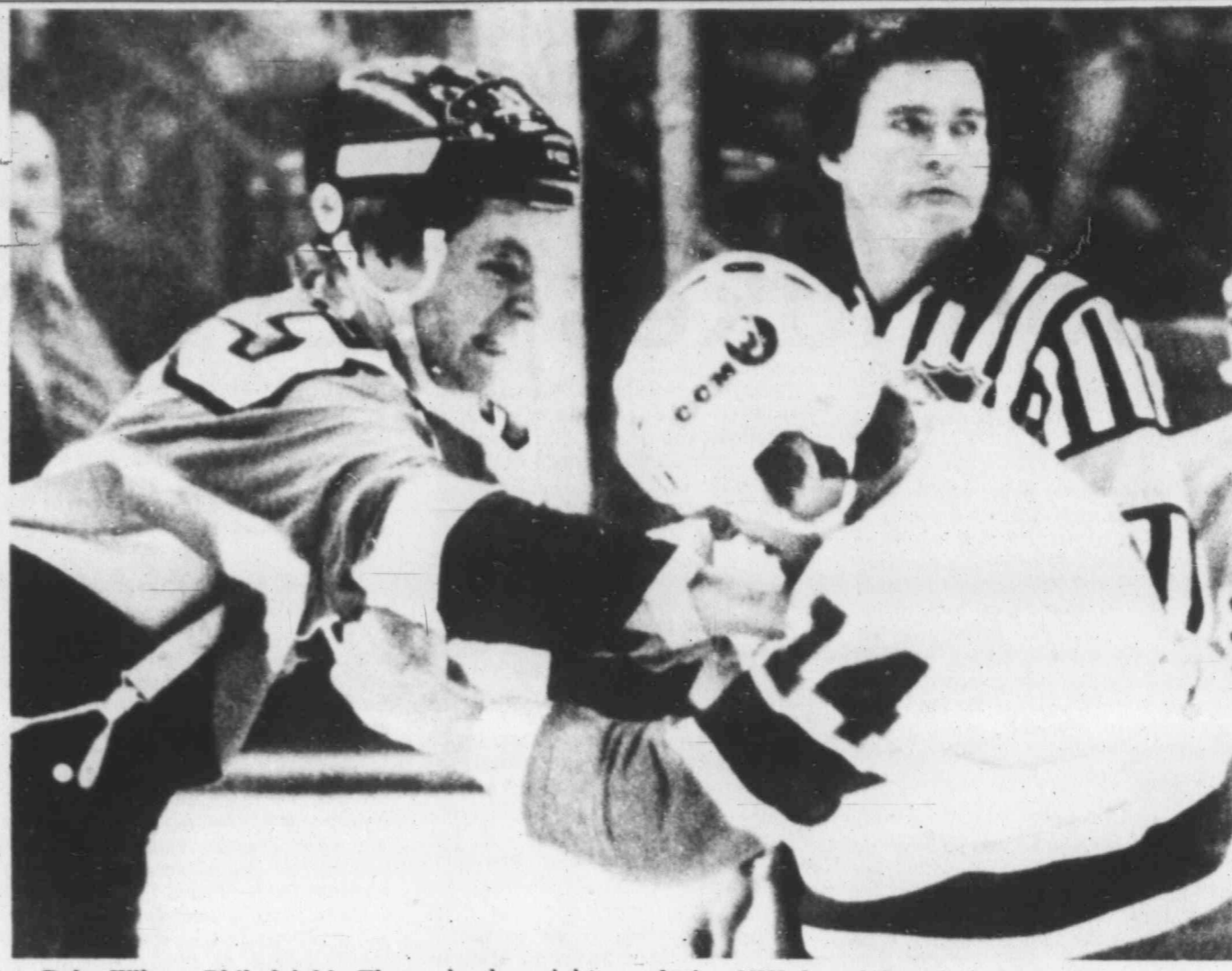
Hays' experiment with the tackles and guards is interesting, and hopefully, it will show even more results this Friday in a homecoming game against San Angelo. Hays' theory is that the remainder of his opponents use a four-man front instead of a five-man front like the Bulldogs use on defense. So, his bigger men (Reeves, 220; and Cottrell, 205) are matched up with the beef of the opponents while his new tackles (Spangler, 187; and Cox, 180) are teamed against the speed of line-backers.

THAT NEW strategy helped in the first week of the experiment as the offense seemed to move better against Abilene at times. It should pay more dividends this week as the players get acquainted with the new setup.

Still, it will be a big test this week since the strength of San Angelo seems to be in the defensive middle where Coach Smitty Hill has used his defensive strength in this area. San Angelo's offensive line is considered weaker than the defensive front.

Other teams, however, have been able to move the ball against San Angelo through the air and on sweeps. Midland Lee's Jeff McCowan was held to 59 yards against San Angelo, mostly on bursts up the tough middle. That should be a good indication how tough the Bobcats are to penetrate.

One of these days, the Bulldogs will grow up in front of your eyes and somebody is going to have to pay the price. Until they do, we are all going to have to suffer with growing pains.



Bohn Wilson, Philadelphia Flyers, lands a right to jaw of New York Islanders' Bob Bourne, right, during NHL brawl Tuesday night. (AP Laserphoto)

# Midland Lee jumps into top 10

By The Associated Press

It was a tough week to be a loser for the ranked teams in The Associated Press Schoolboy Football Poll-five upset victims disappeared an ineligible player forced No. 7 ranked Corpus Christi Carroll to forfeit five games.

The leaders, Temple in 4A, Gonzales in 3A, Newton in 2A and Farmersville in A, held firm grips on their leads.

Newton took an open date while the other three No. 1s allowing only six cumulative points. Temple decked Killeen Ellison 42-6, Gonzales blanked San Antonio Southside 68-0 and Farmersville shut out Caddo Mills 48-0.

Pasadena Doble dished out a 30-29 upset victory over No. 8 LaPorte,

knocking LaPorte out of the top 10 in 4A with a 4-2 record.

Corpus Christi Carroll, unbeaten and ranked No. 7 last week, beat Robstown 47-14 but dropped out of the top 10 after discovering an ineligible player on the team. Carroll officially continues the season with a 1-5 record.

LaPorte and Carroll were replaced in the Nos. 9 and 10 positions by Highland Park, 5-1, and Midland Lee, 6-0. Highland Park is making its second appearance of the season among the 4A elite.

DONNA EDGED No. 9 Raymondville 21-17 in a Rio Grande Valley battle of 3A powers and Raymondville

was replaced by New Braunfels, 7-0, as the No. 10 team in 3A. Gainesville, which whipped McKinney 22-10, moved up from 10th to eighth.

Third ranked Bridgeport and No. 9 Tahoka were losers among the 2A ranks. Bowie's 27-3 victory knocked Bridgeport out of the top 10 and Tahoka disappeared after its second loss of the season.

West, 6-0-1, returns to the 2A list as the No. 9 team and Idalou, 7-0, moved into the No. 10 spot. East Bernard, No. 10 last week, benefitted from the losses by moving up to No. 8.

CELINA BLANKED No. 2 Pilot Point 21-0 in a Class A game last week. That knocked Pilot Point out of

## Lee, MHS Jvs to see action on Saturday

Junior varsity football action is set for Saturday this week with no teams playing on Thursday night.

The Robert E. Lee Stonewall Brigade squares off with Big Spring at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday while at the same time, the Midland High Bullpups, try the San Angelo Central JV in the Concho City.

In other games, Odessa Permian battles Cooper in Abilene while Abilene High travels to Odessa for a bout with the OHS JV.

Cooper and Permian meet in the headliner in Abilene. The junior Cougars are 6-0-0 on the year and Permian stands 4-0-1. Cooper whipped Lee, 41-6 last week while Permian, splitting its JV, beat Big Spring, 30-12 while the sophomore unit ripped the Pecos JV, 31-0.

Abilene waltz past the Bullpups, 40-6 while OHS trampled San Angelo, 47-8. OHS sports a 5-1-0 mark with its only loss to powerful Cooper to the tune of 42-20 two weeks ago. Abilene is 4-2-0 with losses to Permian, 35-0 and to Brownwood while Lee is 1-3-1, the same as San Angelo and Midland stands 2-4-0. Big Spring is winless in six outings.

the ratings and moved Celina in as the No. 10 team. Celina is 5-1, suffering only an opening game loss to Prosper.

DeLeon, which shut out Cross Plains 41-0, moved into Pilot Point's vacated runnerup spot in A and Lexington advanced to third from fourth place.

Despite its five forfeits, Carroll almost remained in the 4A rankings with 18 points. Carthage made a run for the 3A rankings with 14 points.

Quitman with 17 points and Hondo with 12 were narrow misses in 2A and Seagraves polled 15 points and Holliday had 21 and Pilot Point had 10 to remain near the top 10 in Class A.

## European golf moguls plan new classic meet

By GEOFFREY MILLER

LONDON (AP) — European golf officials are trying to establish a new classic tournament, and they are finding it about as easy as holding out from a bunker.

Everything is in the way — the European weather and the jam of fixtures elsewhere.

The European Open got off to a moderately successful inauguration at Walton Heath last weekend. There was some good golf, prize money totalling more than \$200,000, but few big stars.

Europeans are a shade bitter about it. It's that big bad U.S. pro tour that lasts so long and ties everybody up. Don't they know golf was invented in Britain?

Some voices were heard at Walton Heath blandly suggesting the PGA might make space in the middle of the summer. What about a month in Europe, said someone in the clubhouse bar. Then Watson, Nicklaus and the rest could play the British Open and go on to the European Open in another country.

But European officials will never really suggest that to the PGA. They know it would be like asking the Vatican to change the date of Christmas.

Sven Tumba, former ice hockey star and a Swedish sports hero, devised the new tournament and has

ambitious ideas for it. He wants to see it rank alongside the British Open and the U.S. Open, Masters and PGA.

He's got a long way to go.

Only one of the Top 10 players on the U.S. money list, Gil Morgan, came to play. The big names the golf fans like to see were missing.

## Friday deadline for tournament

ODESSA — The University Gardens Fall Adult Tennis Classic, sanctioned by the TTA and the USTA, will be held at the University Gardens Racquet Club Nov. 4-6.

Entry deadline is Friday and entry fee is \$6 per person per event, and there is a two-event limit. All entrants must be a member of the USTA or join when they enter. No phone entries are allowed and entry forms may be picked up at the UGRCC here at 1315 French Ave.

Divisions include championship singles and doubles for both men and women, a regular division for both men and women in both singles and doubles, 35-and-over division in both singles and doubles for men and women, a 45-and-over division in singles and doubles for both sexes, mixed doubles and a husband and wives' doubles.

Fred Creighton, whose Flames have lost just two of their last 21 regular-season games.

"We've got good spirit and good momentum," said Atlanta's Guy Chouinard, "but it can't last forever." Tom Lysiak scored twice for Atlanta.

Bruins 7, Blues 2  
Bob Miller and Rick Middleton scored twice each while Don Marcotte had a goal and three assists as Boston ransacked St. Louis, which has given up 40 goals in seven games.

## Bum Phillips feels Oilers on the way

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Oilers Coach O.A. "Bum" Phillips says Oilers fans appreciate good football and he does too.

"But I don't know if I'd go out to the airport at 4 a.m. to show it," Phillips said, reshaping the Oilers' 24-17 victory over Pittsburgh.

Phillips referred to a chanting throng of about 400 fans who met the Oilers plane early Tuesday at Houston Intercontinental Airport following their nationally televised perfor-

mance against the previously unbeaten Steelers.

Monday night football fans also apparently appreciated the Oilers performance. It was Houston's first victory in four appearances in the Monday night game and marked Pittsburgh's first loss in five appearances.

THE GAME also was important to the Oilers from a building standpoint.

"Our victory over Cincinnati in the last game last year helped stabilize this team," Phillips said. "And this is another game just like that."

"This was a must game for us. We had to say 'Okay, let's see what we can do' and then we went out and did it. We met the challenge and that makes us a better football team."

Pittsburgh dropped to a 7-1 record and the Oilers improved their chances of making the playoffs by boosting their record to 5-3.

"The pressure was all on us and we played as well as we could play," Phillips said. "We had some errors but when you win a game, all the errors are forgotten."

THE OILERS also ended Pittsburgh's string of 11 consecutive home victories against American Football Conference Central Division opponents.

The Oilers now have traveled from a season opening loss to Atlanta 20-14 in an uninspired performance, to playing well in a 21-17 loss to Oakland, to playing excellent against the Steelers.

"We did some good things at Oakland too but we lost the game," Phillips said. "I didn't feel like Pittsburgh was going to beat us and I didn't think Oakland would either."

The Oilers now must prepare for another road game Sunday against the winless Cincinnati Bengals and Phillips doesn't expect a letdown.

"We're going to prepare for this game just like we did for Pittsburgh," Phillips said. "You have to do it that way. Cincinnati has as much talent as anybody in this league. They are a time bomb and they're going to explode on somebody."



Baylor freshman Walter Abercrombie was named AP's SWC Offensive Player-of-the-Week for his outstanding play in the Bears 24-6 win over Texas A&M Saturday. (AP Laserphoto)

## Islanders, Flyers battle to tie

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — What seemed an important game for both sides wasn't played like one when the Philadelphia Flyers met the New York Islanders.

There was reason to expect a titanic struggle in the tradition of one of the National Hockey League's fiercest rivalries. The Flyers trailed the Islanders by two points in the Patrick Division standings, had lost their last two games, and hadn't beaten New York the last nine times the teams had met at Nassau Coliseum.

The Islanders, meanwhile, wrested the Patrick title from the Flyers last season and use every opportunity to remind Philadelphia of that fact. But there seemed a lack of intensity, as noticed by New York's Mike Bossy after the right wing scored a power play goal and set up one by Bryan Trottier to salvage a 4-4 tie Tuesday night.

"I just don't think we're getting psyched up enough for the first period," said Bossy. "I know it's here, the ability to get up for the games, but we have to start doing it right now."

IN THE other NHL games, the Atlanta Flames continued their unbeaten rampage with a 7-2 rout of the Los Angeles Kings and the Boston Bruins blasted the St. Louis Blues by the same score.

The Islanders had to rally twice for the deadlock. Flames 7, Kings 2  
Unbeaten Atlanta led Los Angeles score on its first two shots of the game but roared past the Kings to record their fifth victory, with two ties, in seven games.

"We kept them in the game longer than we should have," said Coach

than he bargained for," Rehrig added. "That goat stinks. All goats stink."

The team's attitude that it can perform without its familiar mascot is indicative of a mental and physical resurgence of a football program which has had only one winning season since 1963.

Navy went 5-6 last year and had inexperienced players starting at most positions in the offensive line and defensive secondary.

"This team is so green," Coach George Welsh said before Navy opened the season with a 32-0 victory at Virginia. He remained dubious for weeks, finally admitting after the Middies beat Duke 31-3 Oct. 14 that they were "pretty good."

Navy has outscored its foes 158-24 and is No. 1 in the nation in team defense and scoring defense and No. 2

in both rushing and passing defense. It has three shutouts, the first time that has occurred since 1955.

McConkey, an All America candidate, and co-captain Nick Mygas, a linebacker, began their Navy careers on the 1975 team which went 7-4. They think the 1978 squad is better physically and mentally.

"It's a lot looser than any team I've been on," McConkey said. "We work hard and play hard. The 1975 team was real serious, all tight before a game."

"These guys laugh and joke," he continued. "Everyone knows what they have to do. There's an attitude of confidence but not cockiness. It's a mature team. We can handle the pressures. This team takes things as they come."

Welsh and his staff are doing the job without a large number of blue chip

prospects who usually enroll elsewhere because Navy graduates are required to spend five years in the service.

Three starters — wide receiver Sandy Jones, defensive end Charley "Thunder" Thornton and defensive back Bob Wilson — are walk-ons. Welsh has shifted players to fill vacancies. Wilson and safety Fred Reitzel were offensive backs until spring practice.

Navy gets its toughest test to date Saturday when 15th-ranked Pittsburgh visits Navy-Marine Corps Stadium where a standing-room-only homecoming crowd of 32,000 is anticipated.

"We know this is the best team we've played so far," Mygas said. "Last year we had a real lousy game (34-17) against them. I think we have a lot to show."

## Odessa teams stay on top

Odessa Hood and Odessa Bonham continue to dominate the 9th grade football race with Odessa Nimitz in third place while in the 8th grade standings, Hood and Odessa Blackshear stand one-two with Midland Goddard in third place.

Action Thursday in the 9th grade race sees Edison Purple of Midland traveling to Odessa to take on unbeaten Hood at the Permian practice field at 7 p.m. Purple sports a 3-2-1 record while Hood stands 6-0-0 on the year, the same as Bonham.

On Saturday Bonham plays at Crockett (2-3-1) while Nimitz (4-2-0) battles Austin White (2-3-1) at Austin; Austin Orange (2-4-0) faces Odessa Ector (0-6-0) in Odessa while Edison Gold (2-4-0) tries Odessa Bowie (1-5-0) in Odessa.

All games in Midland start at 10 a.m. while Odessa starting times are 2 p.m. in 9th grade competition.

In 8th grade games on Saturday, Hood (3-0-1) faces Bowie (2-2-1) at Bowie; San Jacinto of Midland (2-2-0) is at Blackshear (4-1-0); Crockett (1-1-2) squares off with Midland Goddard (2-1-1) at Goddard and Nimitz (1-3-1) meets Bonham (0-4-0). 8th grade games in Midland begin at 10 a.m. and in Odessa at 10:30 a.m.

Seventh grade games in Midland Thursday find Alamo Scarlet at San Jacinto Green; San Jacinto White at Goddard Red and Goddard White at Alamo Grey with kickoffs set for 3:30 p.m.

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# Discoveries, wildcats reported in WT areas

A Cherry Canyon gas discovery has been completed in Ward County, a Wolfcamp strike has been finished in Lubbock County, and wildcat operations have been announced in Mitchell, Andrews, Upton, Runnels and McCulloch and Gaines counties.

The Cherry Canyon discovery in Ward County was completed by Adobe Oil & Gas Co.

The strike, No. 9 Barstow Unit was completed for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 11.25 million cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 5,957 to 6,081 feet after 2,000 gallons of acid and 40,000 gallons of fracture solution.

Operator took five gauges before calculating the potential, all for a duration of one-hour. Through a 6/64-inch choke it flowed at the rate of 1 million cubic feet of gas per day, with tubing pressure of 2,431 pounds.

Through a 10/64-inch choke it made 1.41 million, with tubing pressure of 2,396. Through a 12/64-inch choke it made 1.91 million, with tubing pressure of 2,355 pounds. Through a 1/4-inch choke it flowed 2.75 million with tubing pressure of 32,313 pounds, and through a 22/64-inch choke it flowed 4.2 million cubic feet, with tubing pressure of 1,740 pounds.

An unreported amount of condensate was made.

The project is 7,620 feet from the northeast and 660 feet from the southeast lines of section 33, block 33, H&TC survey and four miles south of Barstow. It is in the Barstow multiphase field area one mile southeast of Fusselman production.

### LUBBOCK OPENER

H. L. Brown Jr. of Midland No. 1 A. M. Galbraith has been completed as a Wolfcamp discovery in Lubbock County, 6.5 miles northwest of Lubbock.

On 24-hour potential test it pumped 79 barrels of 32-gravity oil, no water, through perforations from 7,530 to 7,546 feet. The gas-oil ratio is too small to measure.

Total depth is 10,396 feet and 4.5-inch casing is cemented at 7,809 feet. Plugged back depth is 7,733 feet.

Stimulation, if any, was not reported.

The Wolfcamp was topped at 7,100 feet on ground elevation of 3,319.3 feet. Other tops include the Clear Fork at 4,937 feet and the Strawn at 9,788 feet.

Location is 1980 feet from north and 660 feet from east lines of section 49, block P.

### GAINES EXPLORER

David Fasken of Midland No. 1-C-34

is to be drilled in Gaines County, two miles southeast of Seagraves.

The operation is 1,980 feet from north and 2,030 feet from west lines of section 2, block C-34, psl survey. Ground elevation is 3,341.5 feet.

### MITCHELL WILDCAT

MGF Oil Corp. of Midland No. 1 Blessingame has been spotted as a 7,600-foot wildcat in Mitchell County, five miles northeast of Colorado City.

The site is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 11, block 26, T&P survey. There is no nearby production.

### ANDREWS TEST

Amoco Production Co., operating from Odessa, announced plans to re-enter an old Ellenburger well in Andrews County, 25 miles northwest of Odessa, and plug back for tests at 9,480 feet as a wildcat.

It is No. 5-CQ University, 1,263 feet from north and 2,310 feet from east lines of section 42, block 9, University Lands survey and done location east of a Mississippian discovery.

### TIPPERARY WILDCAT

Tipperary Oil & Gas Corp. of Midland No. 1 ARCO is to be dug as a 10,800-foot wildcat in Upton County, nine miles northeast of McCamey.

Location is 660 feet from south and west lines of section 15, block 1, MK&T survey and one and three-eighths miles east of the shallow McCamey field. It is five miles southeast of the two-well McCamey, South-east (Ellenburger and Fusselman) pool.

### RUNNELS TRY

E. B. Fletcher of Dallas No. 1-385 Jack Pritchard has been staked as a 4,990-foot wildcat in Runnels County, 2.5 miles southwest of Wingate.

Site is 960 feet from the southeast and 467 feet from the northeast lines of block H, John H. Early survey No. 449.

### MCCULLOCH TEST

L. M. Young of Abilene No. 2 Kay Lindner has a new 1,100-foot wildcat in McCulloch County 11 miles southwest of Brady.

It is 1,130 feet from north and 2,800 feet from east lines of J. F. Schulze survey No. 232.

### NEAR STRIKE

Delta Drilling Co., operating from Midland, spotted location for a 13,200-foot Morrow wildcat in Eddy County, seven miles southeast of Otis.

It is No. 1 Carrasco Community, one mile north of the Culebra Bluff (Atoka) area and two and three-quarter mile east of an unnamed dual Morrow and Strawn gas discovery.

### PAIR STAKED

Phoenix Resources Co. announced location for a pair of wildcats in its recently opened Morrow gas area in West Eddy County, 10 miles south of Hope.

The No. 7 Gardner Draw Unit is 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from east lines of section 8-19S-21E and one and one-quarter miles north of No. 1 Gardner Draw, the discovery. The new test is scheduled for a 7,400-foot bottom.

### YATES PROJECT

Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia No. 1 Roaring Springs-Federal Community will be dug as a 10,600-foot wildcat 13 miles northwest of Carlsbad in Eddy County.

Drillsite is 1,980 feet from south and east lines of section 14-20S-26E.

### SPRINGS AREA

Continental Oil Co. No. 1-34 Federal has been staked as a Morrow project to 10,500 feet in the Springs multiphase area of Eddy County, six miles west of Oil Center.

### LUSK TESTER

Amoco Production Co. No. 3-DR State has been spotted as a Wolfcamp project in the Lusk area of Lea County, 16 miles south of Maljamar.

### QUEEN TRY

Earl R. Bruno No. 1 Southland Royalty-State has been staked in the Arkansas Junction (Queen) field of Lea County, 12 miles south of Lovington.

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# Four wildcats staked; Irion strike completes

Wildcat operations have been staked in Nolan, Tom Green, Runnels and Fisher counties, a discovery has been completed in Irion, and field work has been reported in other West Texas areas.

James P. Dunigan, Inc., of Abilene No. 2 A. J. Haney is the Irion County strike.

A dual producer, it completed as a Strawn gas discovery through perforations from 6,695 to 6,703 feet. It finished for a calculated, absolute open flow potential of 3,500,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a gas-liquid ratio of 1,812,000-1.

Gravity of the liquid is 55 degrees. It had been completed in 1976 from the Canyon sand for a daily potential of 75 barrels of 40.1-gravity oil, with a gas-oil ratio of 700-1, through perforations from 6,403 to 6,435 feet.

The well is 14 miles north of Mertzon and one mile northeast of the two-well Arden, South (Strawn oil) pool.

The site is 660 feet from north and 1,300 feet from east lines of GC&SF survey No. 1128.

### NOLAN WILDCAT

Dalton H. Cobb of Midland announced location for a 4,500-foot wildcat in Nolan County, five miles south of Sweetwater.

It is No. 1 Boothe, 1,980 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 89, block 21, T&P survey. It is four miles southeast of the JMR (Strawn) field and 7/8 mile northwest of a 6,830-foot dry hole.

### FISHER EXPLORER

Bridwell Oil Co. of Abilene No. 1 E. C. Feagan is a new 5,500-foot wildcat in Fisher County, 1.5 miles southwest of Hamlin.

The location is 467 feet from north and 9,800 feet from southwest lines of Austin & Williams survey No. 354.

The test is one and five-eighths miles southeast of the Rice Brothers (Strawn) field.

### RUNNELS TEST

Cambrian Oil, Inc., of Odessa No. 1 Spinning Genny is a new 4,400-foot wildcat in Runnels County, 1.5 miles west of Benoit.

Location is 2,857 feet from south and 2,748 feet from east lines of section 157, ETRR survey and one location west of Gardner gas production in the Byers field. It is one mile east of Gardner oil production in the same field.

### TOM GREEN WILDCAT

Esperanza Energy Corp. of Dallas spotted its No. 3 Turner as a 7,300-foot Ellenburger wildcat in Tom Green County, four miles southwest of Carlsbad.

The project is 4,471.2 feet from south and 1,320 feet from west lines of section 1115, TRRR survey, abstract 4366. Elevation at drillsite is 2,154 feet.

The explorer is one and one-quarter miles northwest of the one-well Percy Turner (Wolfcamp gas) field.

Esperanza is waiting on potential test at No. 2 Turner, 3/4 mile northwest of the field discovery.

### PECOS PROJECT

Union Oil Co. of California No. 2-1 W. C. Tyrrell Unit has been spotted in the north edge of the Gomez (Wolfcamp) field of Pecos County, 1/2 mile northeast of Wolfcamp production in the multiphase area.

Scheduled for an 11,800-foot bottom, it is 1,650 feet from north and 990 feet from west lines of section 2, block 115, GC&SF survey and nine miles northwest of Fort Stockton.

### ANDREWS OUTPOST

BTA Oil Producers of Midland staked its No. 1 7810 JV-P Corner as a 123,450-foot project in the University Block 6 (Devonian) pool of Andrews County, 19 miles northeast of Andrews.

# Earnings set record

Elcor Corp. President Roy E. Campbell reported Tuesday afternoon that earnings for the first quarter, ended Sept. 30, were the best for any quarter in the company's history.

Campbell said income for the Midland-based company, before extraordinary items, for the quarter increased 6 percent to \$1,414,000 or 35 cents per share from \$1,333,000 or 33 cents per share last year on a 12 percent gain in sales and revenues to \$35,689,000 from \$32,003,000.

Net income of \$2,743,000 was up 6 percent from \$2,587,000 in last year's first quarter.

# Seismic test announced

MANILA, Philippines — Amoco Philippines Petroleum Co. announced that the consortium, made up of itself, Husky Philippines Oil, Inc., and Balabac, has agreed to the drilling of a third confirmatory well on the Cadlao Reef structure.

The project will be drilled in mid-1979 to check the latest seismic interpretation following the drilling of the No. 2 Cadlao and a recently completed seismic survey.

If the proposed No. 3 Cadlao test proves successful, the Cadlao structure may warrant commercial development. A subsea wellhead has been ordered and will be placed on the completed No. 3 Cadlao if commerciality is agreed upon by the consortium.

The consortium also is continuing to evaluate other possible reef leads in the Palawan Service Contract area, and provisions have been made for the drilling of at least one additional well in 1979. Additional seismic is also envisioned for 1979.

Amoco Philippines is owned by Amoco International Oil Co., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.

The test is one and one-eighth miles southwest of the Devonian discovery and 860 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 17, block 6, University Lands survey.

### SPRABERRY WELL

John L. Cox of Midland No. 1 David Fasken has been completed as a Spraberry Trend Area well in Andrews County.

Drilled as a wildcat to 12,225 feet, the test completed from the Spraberry trend area.

The upper zone was fractured with 40,000 gallons and the lower zone was fractured with the same amount. Gas-oil ratio is 730-1.

The 4.5-inch casing is cemented at 9,664 feet, the plugged back depth.

Location is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 4, block 41, T-2-N, T&P survey and 12 miles southeast of Andrews.

### LAWRENCE WELL

C. F. Lawrence & Associates, Inc., of Midland No. 1-D Todd has been completed as the third well in the Todlaw (Queen) field of Crockett County, 15 miles west of Ozona.

It completed for a calculated, absolute open flow of 294,000 cubic feet of gas per day, through perforations from 1,068 to 1,081 feet after 5,000 gallons of fracture solution.

It is one location northwest of other production and 660 feet from south and 2,130 feet from west lines of section 68, block UV, GC&SF survey.

### HENDRIX TESTER

John H. Hendrix of Midland staked No. 1 Tripoli as a location south and slightly east offset to the three-well Tripoli (Ellenburger) field of Crockett County, seven miles southeast of McCamey.

The 8,700-foot operation is 467 feet from the northwest and northeast lines of section 23, block 36, H&TC survey. Ground elevation is 3,040 feet.

The site is 1/2 mile southwest of the field's Pennsylvania pay.

### REAGAN WELL

Petroleum Exploration and Development Funds, Inc., of Midland No. 1-13 University is the third well in the V-Bar (San Andres) field of Reagan County, nine miles southwest of Big Lake.

Operator completed the project for a daily pumping potential of 34 barrels of 30-gravity oil, plus 63 barrels of water, through perforations from 2,238 to 2,615 feet.

The pay section was acidized with 4,500 gallons and fractured with 60,000 gallons.

Location is 838 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 13, block 48, University Lands survey and one location southeast of other production.

# ENERGY OIL & GAS

Drilled as a wildcat to 12,225 feet, the test completed from the Spraberry trend area.

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# DRILLING REPORT

ANDREWS COUNTY  
ETA No. 1 Andrews, drilling 11,502 feet in time and shale.  
Cola Petroleum No. 1-A Bour, drilling 7,185 feet in time.  
Cola Petroleum No. 2 Bour, id 7,650 feet, pumping load, through perforations from 8,430 to 8,618 feet.  
MGF No. 1-22 Brown, id 9,020 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 7,456 to 8,417 feet.  
MGF No. 1-30 Burns, id 8,700 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,414 to 8,616 feet.  
MGF No. 1-10-A Davenport, id 8,700 feet, shut in.  
MGF No. 1-20 Davis, id 8,667 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,371 to 8,545 feet.  
MGF No. 1-20-A Davis, id 8,700 feet, shut in.  
MGF No. 1-19 Dyer, id 8,750 feet, pumped 32 barrels oil in 24 hours, through perforations from 8,414 to 8,616 feet.  
MGF No. 1-23 Jeffcoat, id 8,740 feet, shut in.  
MGF No. 1-24 Langham, id 8,710 feet, shut in.  
MGF No. 1-19 Nichols, id 8,740 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,428 to 8,625 feet.  
MGF No. 1-8 Perry, id 8,710 feet, through open hole from 8,765 to 8,770 feet.  
MGF No. 1-15 Snell, id 8,588 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,380 to 8,567 feet.  
MGF No. 1-21 Stokes, id 8,690 feet, pumped 47 barrels oil in 24 hours, through perforations from 8,273 to 8,567 feet.  
MGF No. 1-21-A Stokes, id 8,470 feet, pumped 95 barrels oil in 24 hours, through perforations from 8,348 to 8,567 feet.  
MGF No. 1-30 Wiggins, id 8,730 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,380 to 8,567 feet.  
Parker & Parsley No. 1 Powell, id 8,000 feet, set 4 1/2-inch casing at total depth, waiting on cement.  
BTA No. 10-B Mustang, id 8,000 feet, plugged back depth 9,822 feet, swabbed and flowed 36 barrels oil in 24 hours, through perforations from 9,763 to 9,862 feet.  
MGF No. 1-8 Anderson, id 8,740 feet, recovering load, through perforations from 8,441 to 8,618 feet.  
MGF No. 1-23-A Bond, drilling 3,135 feet in shale, sand and shale.  
MIDLAND COUNTY  
Cola Petroleum No. 1-A Hutchison, id 10,106 feet, flowing load.  
Cola Petroleum No. 1-Davenport, id 9,110 feet, pumping load, through perforations from 8,361 to 9,005 feet.  
Exxon No. 1 Ben Winkelman, id 11,779 feet, 16 hour shut in tubing pressure 500 pounds, open well to tank and flowed 106 barrels load water in 7 1/2 hours, flowed 82 barrels load water on 20-84-inch choke and well died, recovered 907 barrels load, preparing to pull fracture tubing.  
CITIZEN No. 4218 Dora Roberts, drilling 11,740 feet in time.  
MICHIGAN COUNTY  
MGF No. 1 Ritchey, drilling 7,245 feet in time and shale.  
PECOS COUNTY  
Northern Natural No. 1-6 Herbenston, id 16,800 feet, preparing to set permanent production equipment.  
Exxon No. 1 Walker, drilling 6,005 feet.  
Exxon No. 1 Longfellow, drilling 4,218 feet.  
Gulf No. 2-1 Emma Lou, id 9,729 feet, fishing.  
Gulf No. 2 Schlosser, drilling 3,647 feet in anhydrite and sand.  
Hillard No. 1 Thigpin, drilling 4,345 feet in time and shale.  
REAGAN COUNTY  
Knox No. 1 Slaughter, id 8,032 feet, moving out rotary, set 4 1/2-inch casing at id.  
Tamarack No. 1 Aldwell, id 8,195 feet, shut in for weather.  
Tamarack No. 2 Aldwell, drilling 5,329 feet.  
Hanley No. 2-10-A University, id 7,510 feet, recovering load through perforations at 8,817-8,965 feet.  
Hanley No. 1-10-1-A University, id 7,520 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 8,507-8,700 feet.  
Hanley No. 1-10-1-B University, id 7,735 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 8,507-8,700 feet.  
Hanley No. 1-10-1-C University, id 7,525 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 7,987-8,182 feet.  
Hanley No. 1-10-1-D University, id 7,550 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 7,987-8,182 feet.  
Hanley No. 1-58-1-A University, drilling 3,329 feet in time and shale.  
REEVES COUNTY  
HNG No. 1-23 Hoover-Morris, drill-

ing 11,500 feet.  
HNG No. 1-13 Phillips-TXL, drilling 3,384 feet.  
Gulf No. 9 Henry, id 8,475 feet, recovering load, through perforations at 3,363-3,390 feet, which have been fractured with 20,000 gallons and 80,000 pounds.

ROOSEVELT COUNTY  
Emerch No. 1 El Paso State, drilling 3,385 feet.  
SCHLEICHER COUNTY  
Sterling No. 1-A Mertz, drilling 6,451 feet in time and shale.

STERLING COUNTY  
Bennett No. 1-B Bader, drilling 2,210 feet in time.  
Marathon No. 4-28 Foster, id 8,600 feet, shut in waiting on orders.

TERRY COUNTY  
North American No. 1 Patton, id 11,786 feet, swabbing, no gauges.  
Marathon No. 4-28 Foster, id 8,600 feet, shut in waiting on orders.

UPTON COUNTY  
Cola Petroleum No. 1 Eskin, id 9,100 feet, shut in.  
John L. Cox No. 2-B Felmont, drilling 5,820 feet.  
Cox No. 1-37 Langford, drilling 5,350 feet.  
Cox No. 1 Lynch, id 4,063 feet.  
Holiday No. 1 Neal, id 8,877 feet, shut in waiting on weather.

VAL VERDE COUNTY  
Pennzell, Getty & Tamarack No. 1 Fawcett, drilling 19,200 feet in shale.

WARD COUNTY  
Monsanto No. 1-17-A University, id 16,083 feet, preparing to take a drillstem test.  
Monsanto No. 1-17-B University, id 8,000 feet, pumped three barrels oil and 200 barrels of water in 24 hours, through perforations at 8,017-8,018 feet.  
Monsanto No. 1-17-C University, id 8,125 feet, preparing to pull fracture tubing.  
Monsanto No. 1-17-D University, id 8,125 feet, swabbing, no gauges, through perforations at 4,431-4,570

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