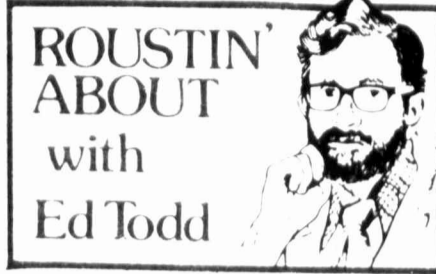


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ROUSTIN ABOUT with Ed Todd

The little girl, Joanne, was shaken up to say the least. She knew it wasn't child's play. But like hundreds of persons scampering around in shock and disbelief, she couldn't know exactly what was happening.

To Joanne's younger sister, Nona, the bombing and strafing "weren't real."

But, as the world soon was to find out, it was no dream.

Joanne was 10. Nona was 8.

That morning raid marked what Franklin D. Roosevelt was to call "a date which will live in infamy."

Waves of Japanese aircraft, catapulted from carriers in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, launched a two-hour attack on Pearl Harbor about 7:55 a.m. on that Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941. The U.S. abruptly was brought into World War II.

Mack Lackey, his wife, Mary, and two daughters, Joanne and Nona, were planning to tour the island of Oahu in their 1938 coupe.

They did end up climbing in the coupe, but not for a tour. They became curious about what those dive-bombers and strafers were doing flying into the harbor and zeroing in on battleships and other vessels at the naval base and on army aircraft at Hickam Field.

Joanne was frightened, Nona was "just interested" in the chaotic happenings.

And now, 38 years after the attack, both vividly recalled the historic event — and themselves as youngsters.

"She was the mature 10, and I was the baby 8," Nona Orr said of her sister, Joanne Priddy, and herself today, both are living and working in Midland. Ms. Orr sells real estate. Her sister sells furniture and house appointments.

When the attack came, they had been at Pearl Harbor only since the previous Thanksgiving, having joined their father, a civil engineer at the time.

For the Lackeys, the attack came right at breakfast time. There was cinnamon toast on the table of their two-story house not far from the harbor.

En route to the harbor to satiate their curiosity, the Lackeys were stopped by military police, who suggested they pile out of the car for their own sakes, and lie flat in the sugar cane field.

Lackey didn't go for that.

"Hell," Ms. Orr said he retorted to



Texas Gov.-elect Bill Clements addresses the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Conference today in Midland. Winston Barclay, left, division manager for Texas Electric

Service Co., and state Sen. W.E. "Pete" Snelson of Midland listen as Clements outlines some of his programs for an upcoming legislative session. (Staff Photo by Mike Kardos)

Proposed budget 'a letter to Santa,' Clements says

By LINDA HILL, R-T Staff Writer

Gov.-elect Bill Clements today called the state Legislative Budget Board's proposed budget "a letter to Santa Claus."

Reiterating his campaign pledge to return an additional billion dollars of surplus revenue to taxpayers, Clements said he does not think LBB members really expect their proposals to be the final budget.

The LBB plan would provide only a minimal surplus beyond that earmarked for tax relief under the just-passed tax relief amendment.

But Clements declined to make specific proposals for the firm in which that extra billion dollars should be returned to voters, saying there are several possibilities.

"That really comes under the heading of the Legislature's business, and I'm sure they'll address it in due course."

Clements spoke to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Conference at the Midland Hilton today and then at a news conference.

Speaking to the WTCC members and West Texas legislators, Clements recapitulated his campaign speeches, setting forth the goals he talked about during the campaign.

Pegged as priority items were his "Taxpayers Bill of Rights," improved education without significant increases in spending, a cut in state employees through attrition and attention to agriculture and energy.

But Clements placed new emphasis on water importation to the high plains of Texas.

He pledged full support for House

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Speaker Bill Clayton's plan to import water from Arkansas.

Asked about the cost of such a plan, Clements said the well-being of the people of a vast area of West Texas, as well as its economic base and agriculture production, is at stake.

Further, he said, the cost and benefits should be projected over a 35-year period. The governor-elect said he is confident the resources for the importation plan will be available "if the plan makes any economic sense."

No one has suggested to him that a constitutional amendment would be necessary for the plan, said Clements. But, he added, if one is required, he would support it. Voters in 1968 narrowly defeated a constitutional amendment to finance a similar

Record number of Odessans vote; School bond issue narrowly passed

ODESSA — Odessa voters turned out in record numbers here Tuesday to pass a \$21.6 million school bond issue for the Ector County Independent School District.

The three-proposition and one referendum package was the subject of controversy here, though, and narrowly passed.

The widest vote margin came with Proposition 1 with 9,030 voting for, or 53 percent, and 8,007 against, or 47 percent.

This proposition will provide for extensive renovation of most district schools and construction of 63 classroom additions at a cost of \$8.8 million.

Proposition 2 calls for construction of two elementary schools and a junior high school at a cost of \$9.3 million. It received 8,898 for or 52.21 percent of the vote. Voting against this issue were 8,146, or 47.79 percent.

Proposition 3 enables construction of a new football stadium and track. It would use \$3.5 million in bond election funds and \$1.2 million from the school district's general fund reserve.

The third proposition has been before the voters three other times and failed. But it passed Tuesday by a narrow 3 percent margin of 51.22 percent for to 48.78 percent against.

There was less than a 500-vote margin in favor of the issue. Final tally put it at 8,704 for and 8,289 against.

A related referendum on where the new stadium should be located had the largest vote margin. The northern location of North Grandview Street and Yukon Road received 7,718 votes compared to the southern location of Interstate 20 and West County Road with 4,820 votes.

With the passage of all three items, the tax rate will increase a total of 14 cents. This means the owner of a

\$30,000 home will be paying \$31.50 more on his annual tax bill.

Lloyd McKee, deputy superintendent of the Ector school system, said the school officials felt Propositions 1 and 2 would pass much easier than the third issue.

"They (the first two) were not as emotionally charged as the third proposition," he said.

He attributed passage of all proposals to the work of the community and the information provided to school officials as to what was needed.

Good weather also contributed to the high voter turnout, in which 17,237 people went to the polls. Tuesday's polling set a record for a school bond election with the old record having

been established in May 1977 when 14,716 persons voted.

Election returns will become official when the school board canvasses the returns at its next meeting at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19.

McKee said school officials hope to get many of the projects "off the ground" this summer with completion of all to be within 3½ years.

"We have to have a bond rating, sale of bonds, get an architect and drawings before we can go out for bids," McKee said.

In the past five bond elections, Ector voters had recorded three "no"

Mall's computer upstaging St. Nick

By CHRISTOPHER LINDSAY

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — That red glow in Santa's cheeks may be from jealousy. A computer is upstaging him in this New Hampshire community.

Digital Equipment Corp. is experimenting with a free computerized Christmas shopping list service at a mall here. In seconds, printouts spew forth gift suggestions for weary, undecided shoppers.

The suggestions are tailored to basic data typed on a terminal about each recipient — age, sex, price and product category.

A man wanting to spend \$100 for his wife in the "general" category, obtained a printout that began: "Merry Christmas from the Digital Store! Below is a list of gifts the computer found on the codes that you entered into the computer."

The list featured one ounce of Yves St. Laurent perfume for \$100; canaries that are "guaranteed" to sing for \$69.99; or, if all else fails, a Digital hard disk for \$99 to use in "your own" home computer.

Another customer brought a colleague's request for her sister — an architect, age 28, size 16, who is "into historic buildings and shuns materialism."

"Merry Christmas..." the no-nonsense computer responded 10 seconds

Hundreds flee Iran in wake of new strike

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Hundreds of Americans and other foreigners fled from Iran today, leaving for Europe as at least 15 more demonstrators against the rule of Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi were reported killed by police gunfire and a spreading strike cut oil production nearly in half.

Three busloads of American women and children were among those leaving the country. The women's husbands, assigned to the U.S. military mission or employed by American companies, remained behind.

About 45,000 Americans and 55,000 other Westerners were in Iran before demonstrations against the shah's rule began 11 months ago and violence ensued across the country. Western diplomats said about 4,000 Americans have left along with an undetermined number of Europeans.

The exodus was spurred by the beginning of the Moslem mourning month of Moharram last Friday night, traditionally a time of tension, and the approach of Ashura, the climax of Moharram on Dec. 10-11, when zealots march in procession and scourge themselves to mourn the assassination in 641 A.D. of Imam Hussein, the grandson of the Prophet Mohammed and the founder of Iran's dominant Shiite Moslem sect.

Other sources reported police in the town of Zanjan, 250 miles north of Tehran, opened fire Monday after several hundred demonstrators against the shah's rule defied orders to disperse, and Moslem fanatics brandishing double-edged battle swords charged the police lines.

Four of the shouting fanatics were reported killed, and the sources said police gunfire killed at least six more persons on Tuesday when the funeral of the four turned into a riot.

"There were many wounded," one source said.

Long, loud bursts of gunfire were heard about midnight Tuesday from an avenue leading to the shah's Niavaran Palace in Tehran, but there was no information available on what the shooting was about or if there were casualties.

After three weekend nights of violence in Tehran in which an estimated 40 persons were killed, Moslem militants stayed off the streets after the 9 p.m. curfew but defied it by taking to

the streets, said one departing American wife.

Meanwhile, a reliable source reported five anti-shah protesters were shot and killed when troops broke up a march by hundreds of demonstrators through the Persian Gulf city of Dayer Tuesday. The source also said

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Rise in gasoline prices expected

NEW YORK (AP) — "It's just economics," says one dealer. Despite plenty of oil around, gasoline is in short supply, and that means each precious gallon will cost more next week, at least two cents more.

Dan Lundberg, publisher of the Lundberg Newsletter, an influential industry report, says the price rise could reach three cents in some markets. The increase, he says, "won't take place in specific areas. It will take place on a national level — and especially in rural areas."

Charles Matties, a West Hartford, Conn., Exxon dealer and president of the National Congress of Petroleum Retailers, agrees with Lundberg.

"There's no question the shortage is going to bring some increase. I would expect to see a few cents upward movement," he said Tuesday.

The price rise is expected to continue as long as the tight gasoline supply persists — at least a month according to some oil companies. Other experts believe the crunch will last even longer.

Figures compiled by Lundberg show the price increase already occurring. The national average price of a gallon of gasoline rose about half a cent in November and four cents since the year began.

In Indianapolis, for example, premium gasoline containing lead rose 13 cents to 73.3 cents a gallon in November. In Des Moines, it was up 2 cents to 76.7 cents a gallon, Lundberg said.

Dealers are raising prices to compensate for less gas sold. "It's just economics," says Matties. "If a dealer now only has 75 percent of the

Cold trend to continue

The weatherman is predicting a slight chance of light or freezing rain through Thursday as a cold trend continues throughout the Permian Basin.

The forecast calls for cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of rain over the next two days.

Tuesday's high was 68 degrees, a high reading considering the weather so far this month. But the mercury dipped to 32 degrees overnight and had area residents reaching into the closet for scarfs and warm coats this morning.

The record high for Dec. 5 is 79 degrees, set in 1951. The record low for today is 8 degrees, set in 1950.

Chilly nights and cold days are expected to be the weather trend through Thursday. Tonight's low is expected to be around 30 degrees. Thursday's high should be near 40.

The weatherman said winds probably will blow from the east tonight at 10 to 15 mph.

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Plenty of country and western dancing will be featured at the County Exhibit Building Dec. 16 when the Ninth Annual Cowboy Christmas Dance, sponsored by VFW Post 7208 and Southwestern Livestock Auction, gets under way.

Bill Evans, co-owner of Southwestern, buys 50 tickets from Rhonda Sharp, an employee at the post. Tickets may be purchased from Southwestern or VFW Post 7208. (Staff Photo)

First Venus photos due

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Earth-bound computers today analyzed signals sent by the orbiting Pioneer Venus I, preparing the first photograph of the bright planet's dense cloud layer.

The photograph will show how the billowing clouds of sulphuric acid reflect ultraviolet radiation — light just off the blue end of the rainbow. Scientists expect the image to reveal areas of darkness that could indicate separate vapor layers thousands of feet apart.

From Earth, the 11-mile cloud layer appears almost uniformly white, said Dr. Larry Travis, a physicist from New York City's Goddard Institute

for Space Studies. Travis is among researchers using a "cloud photopolarimeter" aboard Pioneer to map the planet and produce the pictures.

On Tuesday, the instrument began making a composite image of Venus once during every 24-hour orbit. Each image will involve four hours of observation while the probe is at the farthest point in its orbit from the planet, Travis said.

More than a score of scientists gathered at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Ames Research Center here got their first glimpse earlier at data from 12 instruments, which began

beaming information about Venus after the probe went into orbit on Monday.

Later, NASA controllers trimmed the craft's orbit and corrected an error that fouled up the first portion of a radar map of the planet.

Several researchers said the early findings tend to show that Venus' atmosphere, or upper atmosphere, is being swept

away by solar winds more effectively than expected, possibly because it contains a different mix of substances than originally thought.

Solar winds are streams of electrically charged atomic particles — mainly helium and hydrogen — which are captured from the sun.

Because Venus, unlike Earth, is believed to have little or no magnetic field.

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FBI will fire two for abuses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two FBI agents will be fired for alleged illegal surveillance of a radical political group and others may be disciplined for covering up those claimed abuses, the agency's leader says.

In announcing the end of an investigation of 68 agents and supervisors that had probed the activities of the radical Weather Underground between 1970 and 1975, FBI Director William H. Webster said Tuesday he plans to fire two agents, demote a third and suspend a fourth for 30 days. All are supervisors.

In addition, he said, he has reprimanded two agents for conducting unauthorized surveillance but will take no action against 58 other street agents and one supervisor. The remaining three targets of the probe have retired.

Webster told a news conference that the bureau still is conducting investigations of a possible cover-up of the abuses and that 40 agents and officials will be interviewed in that investigation. He said he was unsure if any disciplinary action would result.

Webster, FBI director for nine months, said he hoped the worst was behind the agency.

"The lessons have been learned," he said in a 21-page report on the investigation. "The agents who participated in the Weather Underground investigation and who still serve in the FBI have been admonished along with all other employees to comply with the spirit and letter" of guidelines that were adopted two years ago.

Webster withheld the names of all 68 agents involved in the investigation for privacy reasons. He said he was firing one supervisory agent who authorized electronic surveillance and mail openings against specific instructions from superiors. The second agent who faces dismissal was an FBI headquarters supervisor who failed to report to superiors his knowledge of the allegedly illegal activities.

The FBI director said he was demoting from grade 15 to grade 13 an FBI agent who gave "evasive and inconsistent answers" when questioned about the surveillance activities.

The agent being suspended for 30 days was a supervisor who installed a wiretap without authority from headquarters and erased the tapes without authorization.

Webster said the four have 10 days to appeal to him. Beyond that, they may challenge his decision in court and the three who are veterans may take their case to the Civil Service Commission.

As for the great bulk of agents involved in the investigation — the 58 street agents and one supervisor — Webster said that anything they did was under orders from superiors and without

clear guidelines.

In addition, three former high ranking FBI officials have been accused of conspiring to violate the civil rights of friends and relatives of Weather Underground members by authorizing the surveillance. A trial is to begin next month for the three — former acting director L. Patrick Gray III, and two of his top aides, Mark Felt and Edward S. Miller.

Democrats face dilemma

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Democrats are facing decisions on whether colleagues found guilty of crimes or other improprieties should be retained as leaders. One proposal before the Democratic Caucus even calls for lifting fellow legislators' right to vote in Congress.

The caucus was to take up the subject today, having cleared most non-controversial items from its agenda.

One proposal could, if ratified, result in three incumbent congressmen losing subcommittee chairmanships. It would authorize the caucus to decide later whether a member convicted of a crime or reprimanded by the House could retain the chairmanship of a committee or subcommittee.

A second, related proposal calls for removing the chairman of any committee or subcommittee if he is sentenced to more than two years in jail. That would affect one member, Rep. Charles C.

Diggs Jr. of Michigan, while the first proposal also would cover Reps. Charles H. Wilson and Edward R. Roybal, California Democrats reprimanded last fall by their fellow congressmen.

Those two proposals cover only Democrats, but two other ideas before the caucus would change House rules. They would not take effect unless the full House adopted them in January, but Democratic ratification would give a strong boost since Democrats outnumber Republicans in the House by nearly two to one.

The first of those proposed House rule changes says that any member sentenced to two or more years in jail could not vote until serving his sentence. He would regain his House vote if his conviction were overturned on an appeal.

The second would require a full House vote on whether a member convicted of a major crime — having exhausted appeals — should be expelled.

The congressman standing to lose the most from the proposals is Diggs, recently sentenced to three years in prison after being convicted of mail fraud and making false statements. The charges against Diggs, who is appealing his conviction, are that he padded his payroll to get kickbacks from some staff members.

Diggs, overwhelmingly re-elected in November, is chairman of the House District of Columbia Committee and of the African Affairs Subcommittee of the International Relations Committee. Diggs says he is relinquishing the

District Committee chairmanship voluntarily, but has asked that he retain the African subcommittee.

Wilson and Roybal were reprimanded by the House in October for their parts in a case involving allegations of South Korean influence-buying. Neither has been accused of any federal crime; the reprimands were for violations of House rules.

Wilson is chairman of the Post Office and Civil Service subcommittee on postal personnel and modernization. Roybal chairs the housing and consumer interest subcommittee of the Select Committee on Aging.

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Vance trip not 'rescue mission'

By ROBERT B. CULLEN

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration is insisting that Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's trip to the Middle East this week is not a "rescue mission" to save the Mideast peace negotiations. But the administration's Middle East experts acknowledge privately that Vance would not be going if the talks between Israel and Egypt weren't at an impasse. And those officials still aren't confident Vance can break the deadlock. President Carter decided Monday evening to send Vance after the contents of Israeli Prime Minister

An analysis

Menachem Begin's letter to Egypt were relayed to Washington.

The Begin letter, combined with the harsher stance taken by Sadat last week, made it plain that neither side was prepared to budge without new American initiatives.

Vance leaves Friday, stops in London for a speech Saturday, and arrives in Cairo Sunday. He then goes on to Jerusalem.

The administration officials say they're still not sure what Vance will pull out of his bag of diplomatic tricks in an effort to get the two sides moving.

Those officials, who requested anonymity, are not ruling out the possibility of another summit meeting, with President Carter once again pushing Begin and Sadat to make concessions. That idea, however, is not high on the agenda at present.

One official said the administration is hoping the prestige of Vance's office and the soothing effect a secretarial visit on Mideast egos will get the talks on track.

But the harsh reality is that it is easier for the State Department to discern what has gone wrong in the peace talks than to figure out a way to set them right.

One problem has been the relatively open negotiating process.

Because texts of the treaty proposals have been leaked in both Israel and Egypt, the entire world knows, almost verbatim, what the two sides have agreed to and what they are arguing over.

That means a concession by either side now would be made in public, with all the political repercussions that entails.

A corollary to the open process has intensified pressure on both sides to take a hard line, particularly directed toward Sadat.

American sources say they believe Sadat was surprised when the rest of the Arab world united in Baghdad last month in opposition to the Camp David agreement.

Saudi Arabia, in its quiet way, had strung along with Sadat until the Baghdad summit, continuing to help him buy arms and prop up the Egyptian economy. Now, a new Saudi position has been conveyed to Sadat, these officials say.

Sadat, toughening his bargaining position, has insisted on a timetable for Israeli compliance with an autonomy plan for the West Bank and the

Gaza Strip.

More significantly in Israeli eyes, Sadat has insisted on renegotiating a provision — which his envoys had agreed to — saying the Egyptian-Israeli treaty supercedes all other agreements made by Egypt. To the Arab world, this means that Egypt is forever bound to abstain from any conflicts between Israel and Egypt's former Arab allies.

While the Arab states want Sadat to weaken that clause, Israel insists it remain as is. For Israel, the crux of the treaty is removing Egypt from the Arab states arrayed against it.

In Israel, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan told a Tel Aviv news conference today, "We are very glad Vance is coming here.... We hope he will suggest

something that will get us out of the deadlock."

But when asked about Egypt's desire for changes in the treaty provision giving the pact precedence over other Egyptian agreements, Dayan said, "We do not want to reopen negotiations on the treaty and do not accept changes in Article 6 or any other."



Little sisters can be a pain, Leo Alexander seems to say, as he prepares to play big brother Fritz in Permian Civic Ballet's annual presentation of "The Nutcracker" Thursday in Lee High auditorium. Karen Eberly, left, will dance the role of sister Clara in a 1 p.m. student matinee, sponsored by the cultural arts program of the Midland Independent School District. Leslie Lyn Hohstadt, right, will be seen as Clara in a public performance at 8 p.m. Thursday. Tickets for the evening performance of the Christmas ballet will be for sale in the lobby in advance of curtain time.

Tree lighting, Santa's visit scheduled Friday

Lighting the official city Christmas tree and the arrival of Santa Claus will highlight Midland's annual Christmas celebration Friday night.

Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr. will throw the switch at 7 p.m. to light the tree at Dennis the Menace Park at Garfield Street and Indiana Avenue.

Santa is expected to arrive just after the tree lighting. He will settle into his house to greet all the youngsters on hand and take their Christmas requests.

Three large pit fires and free hot chocolate served by the Midland Jaycees will keep those on hand for the

ceremonies warm.

The Goddard Junior High School band directed by Scott Lewis will provide Christmas music, and the Goddard speech and drama department will present a story from the stage of the city's showmobile.

Free pony rides and two bicycles to be given away will add to the excitement for the young folk.

Bill Spruill will be master of ceremonies for the annual event sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department and the Midland Jaycees.

Lee High School places second in speech contest

Lee High School placed second in the overall sweepstakes competition at Amarillo High School's Sandie Invitational Speech Tournament Friday and Saturday. Lee also qualified eight new entries for the Texas Forensic Association state meet.

In boys' extemporaneous speaking, Paul Raymond placed first, Mike Shaunessy third and Bryan McNary fourth for Lee. In girls' extemporaneous speaking, Cheryl Jezisek took second place, Teresa Scardino, third and Deanne Durfee, fourth.

Vicki Ballew took second in dramatic interpretation at the tourney. Eric Fryar placed second in oratory, and John Kimberly took fourth in the event.

Vicki Ballew made the finals in humorous interpretation, and Robyn Rose got to the finals in poetry.

Lee semifinalists included Bobby Dawson in oratory, Billy Galerston and Van Williams in boys' extemporaneous speaking, Nancy Snyder in girls' extemporaneous speaking and Meri Jo Strawn in humorous interpretation.

Other semifinalists were Brenda Woods and Alyson Slyker in poetry interpretation, Edwin Scherzer and Gary Hamilton in dramatic interpretation and the teams of Gary Hamilton and Edwin Scherzer and Vicki Ballew and John Gould in duet acting.

In standard debate, the team of Ross Dolan and Jon Franke placed second. Three teams reached the quarter-finals and tied for fifth place. They were Bryan McNary and Nancy Snyder, Van Williams and Mima Kay Brown and Chris Richter and Billy Galerston.

In cross-examination debate, Teresa Scardino and Deanne Durfee placed fourth. Tied for fifth were the teams of Tim Norman and Mike Shaunessy, Paul Raymond and Ernest Angelo, Eric Fryar and John Kimberly, and Mike Cummins and Marvin Moore.

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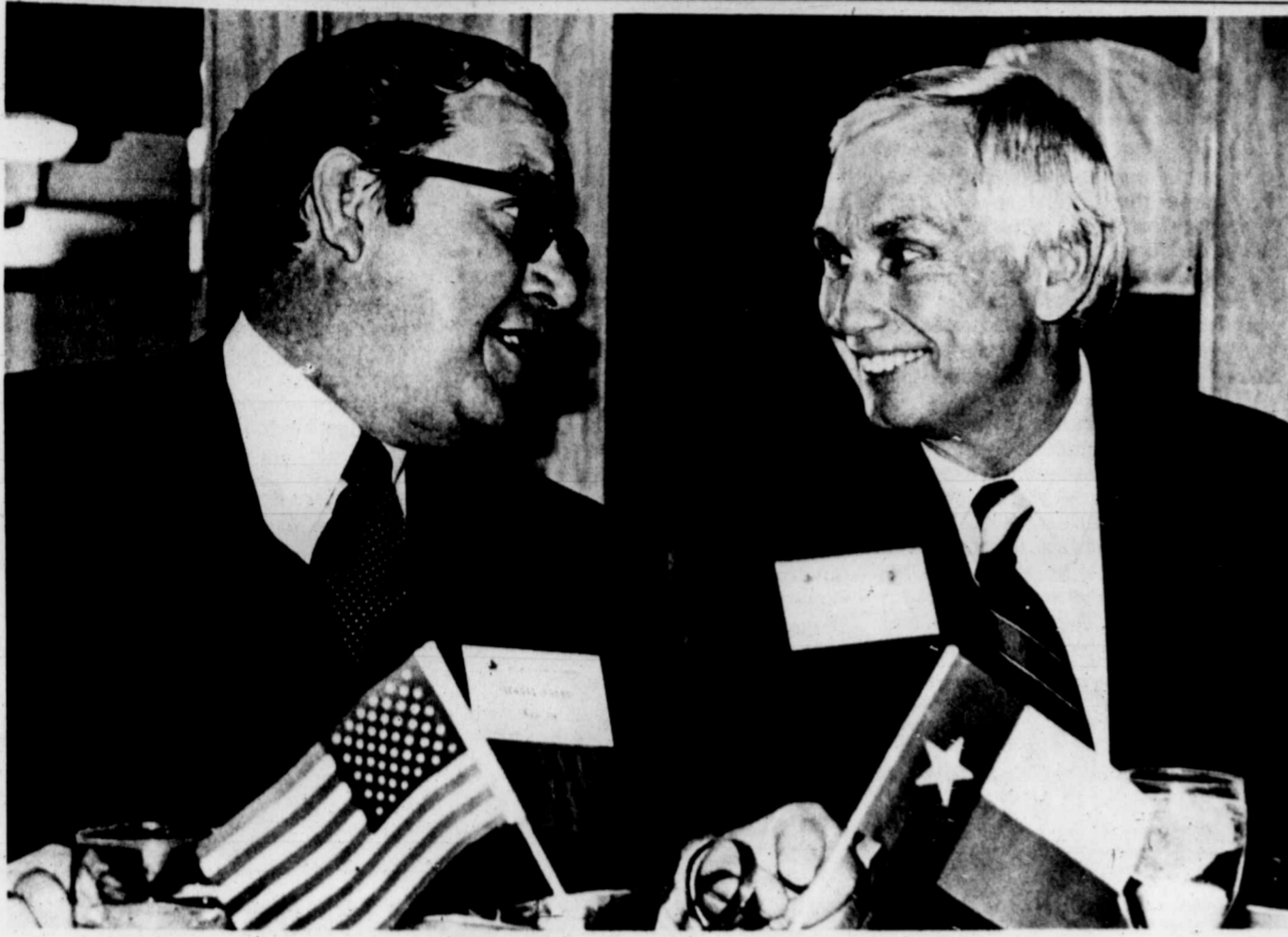
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State Commissioner of Agriculture Reagan V. Brown, left, chats with Douglas Boren, West Texas Chamber of Commerce State Affairs Committee chairman, just prior to Brown's speech during the WTCC Pre-Legislative Conference dinner in Midland Tuesday night. (Staff Photo)

Brown 'stirs up' conferees

By LINDA HILL
R-T Staff Writer

"We've given too much attention to the misfits in this country, and I think America is sick of it," Texas' Commissioner of Agriculture Reagan V. Brown said in Midland Tuesday night.

Brown spoke at the opening dinner of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Pre-Legislative Conference at the Midland Hilton.

Abandoning his prepared remarks, Brown spoke to the group of the need for optimism and heroes in the U.S. today. "I'm fixing to stir you up," Brown told the group.

"I'll never accept in my lifetime that Alaska is bigger than Texas...and I think any two Texans can whip six Russians," Brown quipped.

The former county agent spoke of growing up in East Texas. "We were so poor we hunted rabbits on the halves with a borrowed dog." But, he said, modern innovations such as Rural Free Delivery, which brought the world the mail order catalogue, and the Rural Electrification Administration "working with our great utility companies" helped develop the rural America and its citizens.

The emergence of land grant colleges, with their county agents, and free textbooks for the schools further aided development of East Texas.

And, when World War II came along, said Brown, "We Gene Autrey-ed and Roy Rogers-ed them to death because our kids could think."

Brown said something needs to be done so young people today don't think "profit is a dirty word."

"You know, if you're poor, you can't help many people," he said.

"I believe everybody's created equal, but you damn sure don't have to stay that way."

Another thing the U.S. needs, said the commissioner, is for people "to quit suing each other."

But, he said of a dispute between the state Agriculture Department and the Justice Department, in which he said the Justice Department wants him to sign a consent decree in a frivolous matter: "I ain't signing nothing. Let 'em sue. Let the attorney general worry about it."

Talking about the "sociology of politics," Brown commented that it's "harder and harder to get good people to offer themselves for public service."

He praised the Texas Legislature —

"I've never seen a more hard-working group of people in my life."

And he decried state legislators' salaries, which he said are below the poverty level. "Our state is rich enough to pay public servants a living wage."

But Brown said faith in the nation can carry it through all of its problems.

The diversity of this country made it great, he said. Noting the inscription on the Statue of Liberty, Brown told the group, "You're nothing but a bunch of wretched refuse (longing to be free)."

Brown said his primary motivation is making sure the men who died during World War II did not die in vain.

The Pre-Legislative Conference was to continue through noon today.

Crash was company's 3rd

DENVER (AP) — The crash of a Rocky Mountain Airways plane in the northern Colorado Rockies Monday was the company's third, federal officials say.

Seven persons, including the pilot and co-pilot were severely injured in an accident Jan. 9 at Leadville.

The first serious accident involving Rocky Mountain Airways occurred Jan. 22, 1970.

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Nelson rites set

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday for Ira D. "Pop" Nelson, father of country singer Willie Nelson and a western swing musician in his own right.

Nelson, 65, died Tuesday after being hospitalized several weeks because of bone cancer.

35 students named to honor roll

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Republican governors again making recognition pitch

By DON McLEOD
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — For years the Republican governors have been trying in vain to get the national party to pay attention to them and their moderate-to-liberal campaign approach.

The Romneys and Rockefeller never could sell the GOP on their ideas, much less their own national candidacies. The party chose instead the road of Nixon-Agnew, the Southern strategy and a tendency to put most of its eggs in the presidential basket.

But now the governors are preaching again with a new strength and unity that the Republican Party's fu-

ture lies in the moderate mainstream and at the grass roots.

In fact, the success of their philosophy in the recent elections has emboldened the governors to claim the leadership role in efforts to resurrect the ailing party.

Actually, the Republicans didn't win very much in the Nov. 7 voting by most standards. They picked up three Senate seats and 12 in the House, but are still nearly 2-1 underdogs to the Democrats.

Their biggest proportional gain, and hardly a cause for jubilation on the face of it, was a net increase of six governorships. That's a 50 percent improvement, but it still leaves them with only 18 out of 50 governors.

The germ of the governors' new movement, which began at the recent Republican Governors Association meeting in Williamsburg, Va., was in the way those six new statehouses were captured and some others were retained in the face of stiff opposition.

In case after case, governors or governors-elect testified that they might not have been there if they had not defied the party's traditional wisdom.

Results in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and even Texas have cast serious doubts on the sun-belt regionalism which became party doctrine in the 1960s and early '70s.

Votes which once were written off as unattainable were wooed and won

by Republicans, and in many cases they made the difference between winning or losing.

Even in states where Republicans won big, they did it by taking minority, ethnic, racial and urban votes away from Democrats, who have had these groups sewed up for four decades or more.

A few cases in point: —Richard Thornburgh took the Pennsylvania statehouse away from the Democrats. He actively sought, and got, the state's black vote, an unbelievable 58 percent of it. Thornburgh would be the first to admit that without that black breakthrough he would not be a governor-elect today.

Gov. James Thompson was expected to win re-election in Illinois,

but not 30 percent of the black vote and a 60 percent overall landslide.

Gov. James Rhodes was fighting for his life in Ohio, but won a close victory, which would have been unlikely if he hadn't gone into the cities and reaped 30 percent of the black vote.

Michigan Republicans lost the revered Robert Griffin from the Senate in a tough election, but Republican Gov. William Milliken, a friend of the cities, got about a 35 percent black vote and was re-elected running away.

Texas got its first Republican governor in over a century, W. P. Clements Jr., who dared court the Hispanic vote and got enough to win a near dead heat. He almost surely

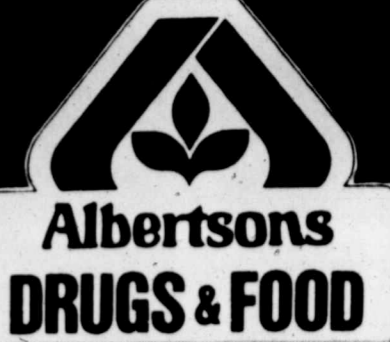
would have lost otherwise.

Despite some conservative GOP victories in the Senate, the governors said their approach is the only one which had worked on any scale.

The fact that so many new and old members of the governors association had won with the "new look" formula and so many of the nonbelievers were no longer around was claimed as vindication for the moderates who have been carrying the battle for so long.

"People are beginning to be believers," said Milliken, a longtime leader of the movement. "They are beginning to see that it's paid off in the big industrial states. They are recognizing that these are going to be the key states in the 1980 elections —and they are listening."

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Church building full-size replica of biblical ark

By JIM WANNAMAKER
FROSTBURG, Md. (AP) — The Rev. Richard Greene says that every time the telephone rings, he expects a miracle. To someone with that kind of faith, then, building a full-size replica of Noah's Ark is not such an unusual feat.

The energetic pastor and his small congregation have raised an estimated \$1 million in materials, labor and funds for the project, and work is under way on the cement pillars that will support the 150-yard-long, 75-foot-wide, 45-foot-high ark above U.S. 48 here.

The ark, which will house an auditorium for the Frostburg Church of the Brethren, schools and a Bible college, and a medical clinic, won't float. Its role in saving people, Greene said, will be symbolic — a sign of Christ's second coming.

"The end is coming. I don't know if it's tomorrow or next year, or a hun-

dred years, but it's going to happen soon," Greene said. "I'm not saying a flood is coming. The ark is a sign of Christ's soon return... and God's love for the world."

The pastor said the project had begun with visions he received nightly from April through June 1974. He saw a huge ark on a hillside, Noah building the ark, people rejecting Noah's preaching and laughing at his ark, and the rains beginning.

"Those people began pounding on the doors of the ark, begging Noah to let them come in," Greene said. "I watched them drown in the flood waters and, I tell you, it was very traumatic to see them drowning every night for three months."

"I was praying and questioning in the daytime, asking is this a vision or am I just dreaming?" he said.

But when he saw a drawing in a book by a man who had been on an expedition in search of the original

ark, Greene said he knew that it was the Lord who had told him in the visions: "My return is soon, and the ark is a sign to them."

On the following Sunday, Greene told the congregation that he had received visions. He said he would show them drawings in three weeks of what they were to build on the land they had bought for a new church.

"I asked the Lord for two signs, that He would send an artist to my door and for the people to see the vision without it being forced on them," the pastor said. A week and two days later, Alvin Lewis came to the parsonage and said he'd heard about the vision and the need for an artist.

"I asked God to send us an artist and he sent us an architect, too," the pastor said.

Armed with Lewis' preliminary architectural sketches, Greene went back to the congregation, which agreed after 10 minutes of discussion

to go ahead with the project. Only a few years before, they had voted down spending \$2,000 for new pews and lights.

"When we have a need, we express it to the Lord," the 41-year-old pastor, who studied to be a medical missionary, said. "When the phone rings, I expect a miracle."

Spurred by prayers, a newsletter and Greene's newspaper and broadcast interviews, an extra acre of land and hours of labor and services, plus a variety of building materials have been donated.

Greene said prayers were also instrumental in reversing rulings barring the church from erecting a large sign in downtown Frostburg and denying a tax exemption for the ark site until it's used for religious services.

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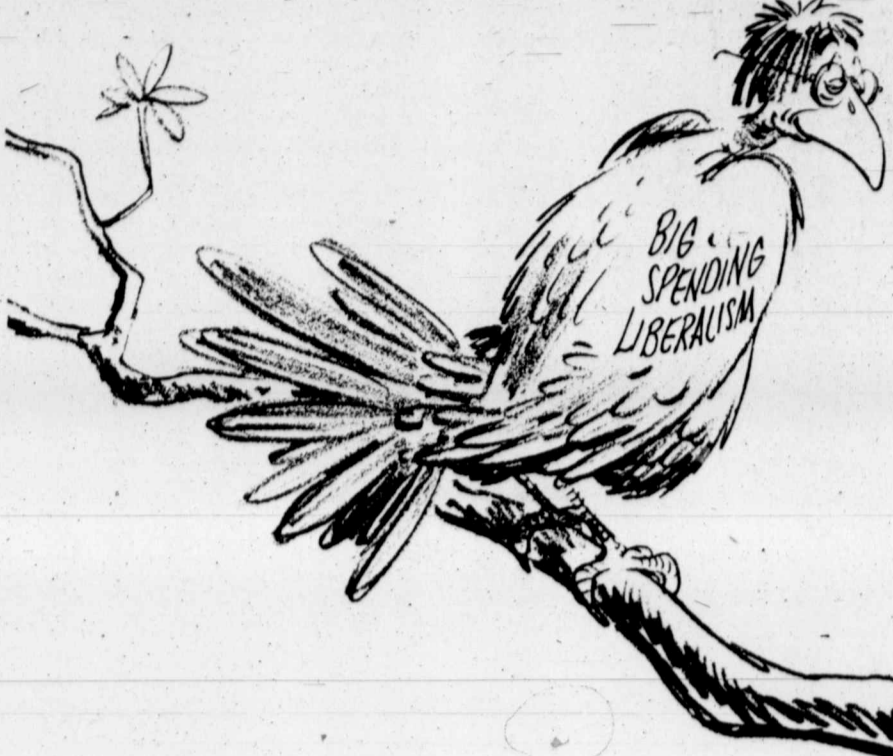
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Shaking Lance scandal difficult



By JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — It won't be easy for President Carter to disassociate himself from his controversial crony Bert Lance, whose bewildering banking practices are under Justice Department investigation.

ART BUCHWALD Tossing the dollar not what it used to be



Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — The President pushed a button, and Gerry Rafshoon immediately showed up in the Oval Office.

on the fact that his source used a paper dollar. Obviously you can't throw a paper dollar over the Potomac.

Friends in OPEC

The persistent lag in the effort of the United States to achieve a measure of energy independence and the anemia which clings to the U.S. dollar discourage optimism over the outlook for avoiding even higher costs for imported oil.

situation this year" will be difficult to achieve. The Saudi Arabia influence, however, may encourage enough restraint to hold the increase to less than 10 percent.

Should such a pricing "victory" materialize, the American consumer can be grateful to a responsible and understanding friend within the OPEC structure.



NICK THIMMESCH A modest suggestion: swap the Shah for Somoza



Nick Thimmesch

WASHINGTON — The Carter Administration understandably is in a dither over the prospect of losing the Shah of Iran about the same time that Nicaragua's President Somoza's regime might fall to a terrorism which could spread across Central America.

he had in Nicaragua until his situation got sticky. Somoza would have to liquidate the Shah's dreaded secret police, the SAVAK. Iranian intellectuals and liberals would be overjoyed. Somoza's already vast ego would swell.

Interestingly enough, our concern for Israel's interest would be served too. The way it is now, if the Shah falls, the wicked, radical Arab states might become so full of heady bravado that they could turn on Israel.

Does all this sound far-fetched? Not when we consider that an institution like Pete Rose can abruptly leave the Cincinnati Reds and go poking about the big leagues for another job.

Perhaps it is time for a light suggestion: why doesn't our State Department break the tension by negotiating a swap — The Shah for Somoza, just for one year, on a trial basis?

Mark Russell says

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LTV stockholders OK absorption of New Orleans-based Lykes Corp.

DALLAS (AP) — A little more than a year after the initial merger announcement, stockholders approved Dallas-based LTV Corp.'s absorption of New Orleans-based Lykes Corp. in simultaneous meetings Tuesday.

Corporation officials hope the \$6.1 billion merger, which creates either the third or fourth largest steel production firm in the nation, will strengthen their two steel companies. But some financial observers are not sure the plan will help the floundering firms.

LTV stockholders in Dallas overwhelmingly approved the move 9,652,441 shares to 478,803 shares. Moments earlier, Lykes stockholders in New Orleans had voted 8,663,854 shares to 70,241 to join LTV. The merger provides for each share of Lykes common stock to be converted into 1.1 shares of LTV common stock and .15 share of a new LTV series 1 participating convertible preferred stock.

LTV owns Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., the seventh largest steel manufacturer in the country. Lykes owns Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., the No. 8 steelmaker.

Lykes also owns Continental-Emsco, a Dallas-based oil field equipment supply firm and the New Or-

leans-based Lykes Bros. Steamship Corp. LTV owns Wilson Foods of New England and Vought Corp., an aerospace company in Dallas.

The merger will force layoffs of about 1,200 workers in the Mahoning Valley area of Ohio within a year's time, company officials admitted. But they claim Youngstown Sheet's financial situation is so precarious that its probable failure would result in 5,300 layoffs.

"We're a hell of a lot better off with the merger than without the merger," LTV chairman and chief executive Paul Thayer said.

The merger was opposed by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which complained in court that LTV's past financial reporting of steel inventories was incorrect. Claiming it wanted to avoid lengthy litigation on the threshold of the merger, LTV officials signed a consent order decree which reduced the corporation's net income in 1974-77 by \$26.6 million and the income of J&L Steel by \$15 million.

Attorney General Griffin Bell gave the consolidation his blessing in June, overriding the recommendations of his antitrust division. Bell said Lykes faced a "grave probability of failure

if the merger did not go through."

Some observers said Lykes and LTV may have to get rid of other subsidiary companies to gain the cash needed to support the steel companies.

"We are going to sell three coke properties, that is all we have planned," Thayer said. "It is not to our advantage in any way to withhold capital funds from the subsidiaries."

Earthquakes hit San Salvador

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Three earthquakes shook buildings in this Central American capital today, but police said there were no immediate reports of damages or injuries.

There were unconfirmed reports that the quake was stronger in Guatemala to the north.

The shocks came between 6:53 a.m. and 7:25 a.m. EST, the strongest first.

Earthquakes are common in the region. A quake in Guatemala killed an estimated 23,000 persons in 1976.



Sixth grade Student Council officers for South Elementary School this year are, from left back, Scott Kidwell, president, and Katy Feldt, treasurer; from left front, are Chris Pepper, vice president, and Tamie Ward, secretary. (Staff Photo)

Unusual weather reduces deliveries

BIG SPRING — An unusual weather year may reduce total deliveries of water by the Colorado River Municipal Water District by about 1.25 billion gallons.

Severe drought during the first three-quarters of the year cut drastically into deliveries to oil companies because of the abnormally low level of Lake J.B. Thomas, CRMWD officials said.

Then, an unusually wet autumn reduced demands by municipal customers without furnishing sufficient runoff to restore oil companies' full requirements.

The District's November production report showed 737,324,000 gallons were delivered to cities served by CRMWD, the lowest figure for the year and 1.04 percent under this month last year.

Through the first 11 months, though, municipal deliveries were running ahead by 2 percent or 253,585,000 gallons more for a total of almost 13 billion gallons.

Oil companies took only 229,206,230 gallons during November, a decline of 188,962,000 gallons or 45.18 percent from the same month last year. For the 11-month period, deliveries to oil companies totaled 3.6 billion gallons, down 2.3 billion gallons, or 38.68 percent.

November deliveries to cities included Midland, 207,745,000, up 27.24 percent; Odessa, 294,219,000, down 5.76 percent; Big Spring, 164,789,000, down 15.19 percent; Snyder, 57,349,000, down 15.33 percent; Stanton, 5,064,000, down 36.55 percent; and Robert Lee, 8,658,000 gallons compared to last November's 21,500 gallons.

Investigators think gas caused Houston fire

HOUSTON (AP) — Fire investigators now think they were right the first time in thinking a natural gas leak caused the blaze that burned a northwest Houston home and killed nine persons.

When they first saw a car radiator hose connecting the natural gas line to the house, investigators said it was the cause of the fire Monday in which six children and three adults died.

But arson investigator J.L. Scott discounted that theory later Monday, saying it wasn't gas that caused the fire, but one of a number of candles being used for heat that fell on a couch, setting it ablaze.

He said other fire officials had "jumped to a conclusion" when they saw the makeshift gas connection.

But Leonard Mikeska, chief arson investigator, said the valve on the gas line was leaking slightly when he removed the hose Tuesday. This allowed gas to leak into the house where it was, "in all likelihood," ignited by a candle, he said.

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Persons wishing to comment on this proposal should submit their views in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045. (December 6, 1978)



Keeping spirits up for the Alamo Junior High School seventh graders this year are, from left top, Vonda Madry, Lisa Bernal and Missie Clepper; from left center, alter-

nates Angie Booth and April Bryson and Jackie Yakshaw; from left bottom, Kristi Edwards, Lisa Hartman, Christi Calhoun and Lori Neatherlin. (Staff Photo)

Official ignored suicide threat by Temple

By GEORGE GEDDA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling it a "psychological ploy," a U.S. official last summer discounted a threat by Peoples Temple cult members that they would commit mass suicide if their leader, the Rev. Jim Jones, should lose a child custody suit, federal officials say.

It was the first time since the mass murder-suicide 18 days ago that the State Department has acknowledged that aides to Jones discussed the possibility of collective suicide with U.S. officials.

The custody case involved attempts by Peoples Temple members Grace and Timothy Stoen to remove 6-year-old John Victor Stoen from Jones' custody at Jonestown.

Jones had claimed to have fathered the child at the request of Mrs. Stoen, papers show.

The department said in a written statement Tuesday night that Peoples Temple representatives had told two U.S. embassy officials in Georgetown that if the Stoen child was taken from them "we will all just give up and die... we will all commit suicide."

One of the embassy representatives, consular officer Richard McCoy, is said to have believed at the time that the remark "was a psychological ploy designed to influence the outcome of the trial," the department statement said.

"He frankly did not take the threat seriously,"

Neither did anyone else at the embassy," said a spokesman, asking not to be identified.

In August, a Guyanese judge removed himself from the case, citing "mean and dispicable" attempts by Peoples Temple members to influence the outcome of the custody proceeding. The case still was pending in Guyanese courts when the Peoples Temple deaths occurred. The Stoen boy was thought to have died in the mass murder-suicides.

Earlier Tuesday, the Department issued a statement strongly defending the way in which McCoy performed his duties as the principal liaison between the embassy and the cult.

It said McCoy conducted himself "in a manner completely consonant with the highest standards of professional competence and ethical behavior."

According to Jones' personal papers, which were obtained by the Associated Press, aides to the cult leader maintained close relationships with embassy officials in Georgetown.

In response, the department said McCoy had a "working relationship" with the Peoples Temple which, it said, became difficult to maintain, partially because of McCoy's frequent contact with Guyanese police officials concerning the temple.

The department said McCoy relayed to police officials allegations of beatings, the holding of individuals against their will, firearms smuggling, the presence of armed guards and rumors concerning plans for mass suicide.

Stevens recovering rapidly from plane crash injuries

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Alaska Sen. Ted Stevens, who survived a plane crash in which his wife and four others died, is recovering rapidly and will be released from a hospital within a few days, says his physician, Dr. Robert Whaley.

Whaley said the Senate's No. 2 Republican leader, who suffered two broken ribs and a concussion, would be moved to progressive care today.

The other survivor of the crash, Tony Motley, a lobbyist for Citizens for Management of Alaska's Lands, was listed in satisfactory condition.

Rescuers said Motley and Stevens were in the back of the chartered jet in which Ann Stevens, 49, and four other prominent Alaskans died as it shattered on landing Monday afternoon at Anchorage International Airport.

The dead included pilot Richard Sykes, 45, of Anchorage, owner of Inlet Marine Inc. and president of Tyonek Timber; co-pilot Richard Church, 25, of Anchorage; lawyer Joe Rudd, 45, of Anchorage, and Clarence Kramer, 68, of Sitka, president of Alaska Lumber and Pulp Co.

In an interview with the Anchorage Times, Stevens said, "I can't remember anything that happened." He smiled and said, "I'm still here. I guess it's my Scots blood."

Officials refused to speculate on the cause of the crash which occurred after the plane flipped over.

The Federal Aviation Administration said there was a 16 mph crosswind with gusts up to 23 mph at the time, but whether that force was enough to flip the plane was undetermined Tuesday.

The International Air Line Pilots Association has rated the airport "seriously deficient" because it doesn't have a crosswind runway. A new crosswind runway is under construction but may not be completed before 1980.

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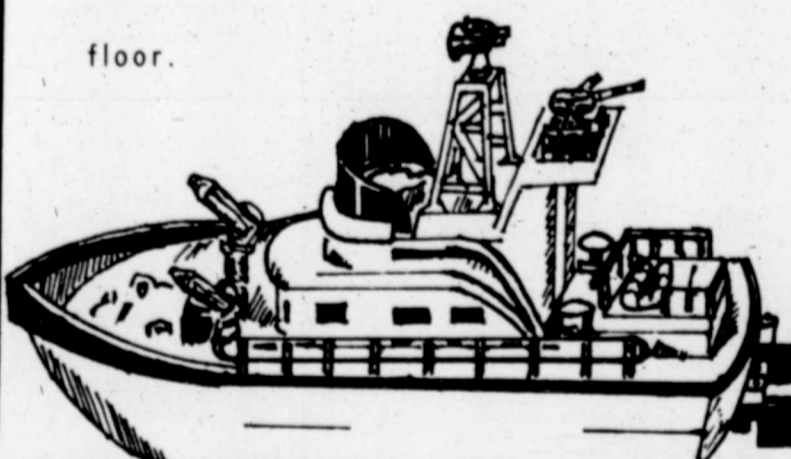
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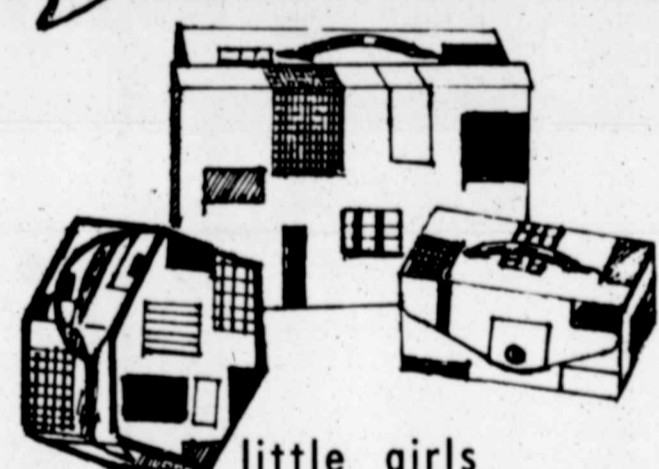
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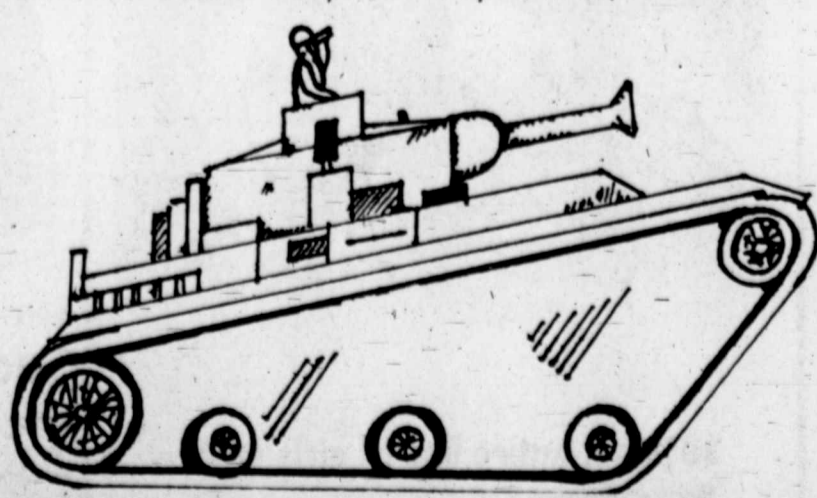
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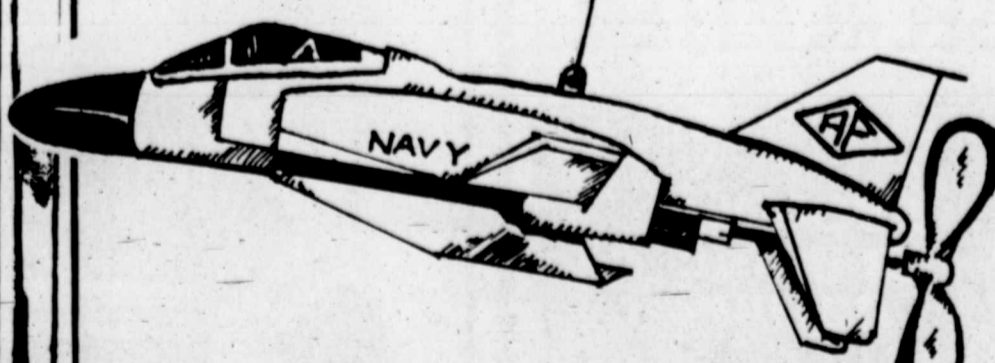
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around town

By PATSY GORDON
R-T Lifestyle Writer

Eleven Midlanders have been appointed 1978-80 trustees for the Texas Tech University Dads Association.

They are Gayle D. Blacklock of 3508 Stanolind Ave., William T. Ford of 2102 Ward St., David G. Griffin of 2403 Metz Place, Jimmy D. Mack of 2605 Camarie St., Bill E. McAnelly, John D. Ochsner of 2215 Huntington, Robert P. Parke of 2605 Sentinel St., William T. Probandt of No. 5 Ridgmar Court, Richard B. Rikli of 3309 Cimmaron St., John E. Terry of 1201 W. Pecan Ave. and Robert H. Williamson of 2310 Metz Place.

All fathers of Texas Tech students are automatically members of the association. Dues-paying members support the organization's scholarship programs and other activities of the association, which in turn are supportive of the university...

...TERRY HICKMAN of Midland, recently completed a five-day management trainee workshop at the J. C. Penney Regional Training Center in Dallas.

Ms. Hickman, who joined the company in April, is a management trainee at the Midland J.C. Penney store...

...SARAH HARDWICK of Midland has been selected to membership in Kappa Delta Pi, a national education honor society at McMurry College.

Miss Hardwick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Hardwick of Midland, is a biology major at McMurry. Her minor is chemistry...

...IT WOULD APPEAR that unless your last name is Ray, it would be difficult to be a fulltime employee at the Museum of the Southwest.

Of course that is not true, but of the four fulltime workers at the museum, three do have that surname.

Marlene Ray is executive secretary, Herb Ray is custodian and Randy Ray is preparator of exhibits.

Parttime employees include Sandra Hiller, registrar; Diane Carlton, clerical assistant, and Leila Seal, coordinator of museum services.

Incidentally, the fourth fulltime person is Sam Grove, museum director...

...MR. AND MRS. LEMUEL GOODWIN of Midland just returned from a trip to Georgia, where they visited their son, Lemuel R. Goodwin Jr., Sgt. First Class in the United States Army, who is on his way to Ulm, Germany for a two-year tour.

The Goodwins then traveled to Winter Haven, Fla., the entire trip was by automobile, where they toured Cypress Gardens and other points of interest.

One of the highlights of the trip was at Pensacola, Fla., where they saw the longest fishing pier in the world in the rain. Fishermen were not deterred by the weather, however, because they went right on fishing wearing their yellow raincoats and hats, said Mrs. Goodwin.

The couple had planned to go on to Corpus Christi from Pensacola, but decided against it due to the rain. Instead, they headed back home via Arlington, where they visited Mrs. Goodwin's sister, Mrs. E. F. Matthews...

...THE DECEMBER Friday night social at Midland Senior Center will be held beginning at 6 p.m. this Friday at the center. The theme will be "It's Christmas." Senior citizens are requested to bring a covered dish and enjoy this Christmas dinner with games following.

...IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED that the Pi Beta Phi alumnae group will have an afternoon tea from 1-3 Jan. 4 at the home of Mrs. Edwin F. Alstrin of 1208 Shirley Lane. The event will honor all actives, new pledges and their mothers and the theme is "Sweets For the Sweets."

According to Mrs. Reynolds Lee Foster, this meeting will replace the Dec. 14 holiday coffee slated to be held in the home of Mrs. Ed Harris. All alumnae are encouraged to attend in January.

...INCIDENTALLY, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Lee Foster visited Mrs. Foster's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Whitley of Beaumont, over the Thanksgiving holidays.



Waiting to be served refreshments after the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new clubhouse of the Midland Federation of Black Women's Clubs are, left to right, Mayor Ernest Angelo, Jr., Mrs. R. T. Morris, Mrs. N.W. Stokes and Mrs. Glenn Person. (Staff Photo)

Women's club holds ribbon-cutting event

Mrs. N. W. Stokes of San Angelo, president emeritus of the Stokes-Parker District of Federated Women's Clubs, led the ribbon-cutting ceremony held Sunday for the formal opening of the new club house belonging to the Midland Federation of Black Women's Clubs, which is located at Washington Park.

Other special guests were Mrs. Glenn Person of Big Spring, state president of the Texas Association of Federated Women's Clubs; Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr.; Dr. Viola Coleman, James Ramsoure and Em Carnett of the Midland Parks and Recreation Dept.

Lady is certified blacksmith

MASSILLON, Ohio (AP)—It does not take huge muscles to be a blacksmith but when she shows her card to potential clients, says Connie Bullach, "they say I'm the most unblacksmith person they've ever seen."

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Couple to be married

...MONAHANS - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Don Finley of Monahans announce the engagement of their daughter, R'Evelyn Elaine, to Don Childers of Odessa. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Childers of Killdeer, N. D.

The couple plans to marry Jan. 26 in Lovington, N.M.

Miss Finley is a 1973 graduate of Monahans High School and a 1977 graduate of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. She is employed by the Midland school system as a fourth grade teacher at Anson Jones Elementary.

Childers, a 1970 graduate of Permian High School, is attending Odessa College. He is employed by W.L. Somner Co.

CLUB NEWS

Council meet sets event in February

The Midland City Council of Beta Sigma Phi met Dec. 4 and announced that the Valentine Ball will be held Feb. 10 at the Hilton Inn.

The Showdown Band will provide the music for the special event. Each Beta Sigma Phi chapter will elect a sweetheart who requested to turn in their resumes to Beverly Acker at the February city council meeting.

Kathy Blackman was chosen to take the office of social chairman to take the place of Cynthia Dunbar who has moved.

Genell Emerson presided. She announced that the combined chapters of Beta Sigma Phi earned \$800 through poppy donations for the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Next meeting of the group is Jan. 3.

NEWTIMERS BRIDGE CLUB
High winner of the recent Newtimers Bridge Club meeting held at Ranchland Hills Country Club was Louise Morris. Helen Owen won second and Edna Walger won third. The Grand Slam price was captured by Rosemary White and Elsie Hugley. Tilly Eckman was guest.

Persons interested in joining the organization can contact Ann Scharfinburg at 697-4354.

Middle-aged face crisis

By JOHN R. BLOCK
AP Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Although gray hair has not yet appeared and wrinkles are years off, fate forces some middle-aged people to face death just when they have reached their prime and have much to look forward to.

Lawrence Levine, a 44-year-old lawyer, was one such person. He said he experienced a death crisis after he had achieved considerable success. And during this crisis he had to explain to his children, who thought him invulnerable, that he might die.

He had become a partner in a Manhattan law firm, was close to his wife and three daughters, was a championship-level squash player, and exercised vigorously. He said he ran five miles a day and was an avid skier.

But no one in the Yeshiva University audience he addressed recently would have wanted to switch places with Levine as he graphically recounted his open heart surgery — "the surgeons sawing open my chest, cutting veins from my legs" — and the trials leading to it.

"I was concerned about living — dealing with facts. I was concerned about what I could do to get out of a damn difficult situation," Levine recalled. It was two years ago and he had just learned that a possible "big league heart attack" could bring his days to an end.

He had taken a stress test to find out what was causing a tightness in his chest. The test — requiring the patient to run on a treadmill while hooked up to monitors — showed

a 90 percent blockage of two crucial heart arteries.

Saying the idea of having an operation was frightening, Levine indicated that his went well because he was prepared for the unknown.

After the operation was performed, he said, "The pain was great, as they told me it was going to be."

Ten days after his triple-bypass operation in St. Luke's Hospital, Levine was back at his law office. Two months later he went skiing in the West with the doctor who operated on him.

The decision to have complicated heart surgery — lasting six hours — was extremely difficult, Levine said, for a man who never actually suffered a heart attack in spite of the severity of his heart artery condition.

"The reason I had surgery was to be able to continue living my life the way I had lived it," he said, adding he plans to participate in a national amateur squash championship in February.

Speaking at a "Conference on Bereavement and Grief," Levine said people generally are afraid of dying and sometimes react badly when a friend faces death. One of his close friends could not deal with the spectre of death and stopped seeing him after the serious heart condition was discovered, he said.

People with medical conditions such as a heart problem should "play an active role in (their own) treatment," Levine said. "No one loves the patient like he loves himself."

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Left to right are Jim Fitzgerald, Lucille Puckett, permanent volunteer, Elizabeth Glenn, R.D., director-dietitian of Meals-On-Wheels, Win Brown, Midland County Commissioner, and Phyllis Howell, permanent volunteer. Seated is Mildred Lindsey. (Staff Photo)

Meal volunteers honored at tea

The board of directors of Midland Senior Citizens, Inc., Sunday hosted a tea honoring all volunteers who help make the Meals-On-Wheels and Need-A-Meal programs possible.

Incoming board members are Jim Fitz-Gerald III, chairman; Susie Hitchcock, vice chairman; Dr. Gregory Bartha, secretary; Tom Brunner, treasurer; Mrs. LaVoe Peeler, Everett Shinn, Larry Aleman, Melvyn Goffigon, Fred Middleton, Charlie Sanders, William T. Shaner, Flossie Vaughn, Bernece Hughey, Mildred Lindsey and Mrs. Lucy Boase.

Volunteers honored included contributing florists, kitchen volunteers, voluntary typists, meal delivery teams and coordinators for the two programs serving the senior citizens of Midland County.

Couple celebrates golden anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Reynolds of 3510 Thomson Drive were married 50 years ago today in Cisco.

The couple will celebrate with a party in the home of a son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Reynolds of 2333 Siesta Lane. Also hosting the event are other children and their spouses, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Cross, also of Midland, and grandchildren of the honorees.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds have another son, the late Jimmie Reynolds.

The honorees lived in Roscoe, Stanton, Van Horn and Elfrida, Ariz. before retiring in Midland in 1971. Reynolds was associated with Anderson-Clayton Cotton OilCo. before his retirement.

The couple belongs to Dellwood Baptist Church. Mrs. Reynolds is the former Nadine Speegle.



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Eye transplant study urged by institute

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP)—If a salamander, a chicken and a fish can recover from a severed optic nerve, why can't a human being?

If we can uncover the answer to this one—and there's the possibility we can—it may lead to the development of successful eye transplants, says the Health Insurance Institute.

Because of this possibility, an advisory council to the National Eye Institute is urging researchers to seek ways to transplant an entire human eye. While the National Eye Institute admits that to date "no successful eye transplant has ever been done in a mammal," a 17-member council is proposing a national plan for vision research through 1982.

Meanwhile, the council predicts that more than 3.7 million cases of vision disorders will be diagnosed in the United States this year and that there will be about 2 million eye injuries.

More than 10 million Americans, it says, already suffer from significant impairment of vision that cannot be further improved by corrective lenses.

Tortoise back after escape

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)—Sigmund, a California desert tortoise who looks like a rock and flees like a bunny, is back home after an escape through an open gate.

Found on the day of his recent escape by a woman not far from his home, Sigmund was taken by George Hamer, a animal control officer, to a zoo.

Sigmund, who is believed to be between 30 and 50 years old, remained mum on his identity, but a newspaper advertisement placed by his owner, Marcy Neilson, and a subsequent newspaper story, blew his cover.

Roger Valles the zoo's director, noticed the story about Sigmund and called Mrs. Neilson.

SUPER HANDYMAN Split ends good

BY AL CARRELL
According to the commercials, if your hair has split ends, you may be banned from the social scene. However, in the paint brush game, split ends are desirable. The paint brush folks don't call it that. They refer to the split and frayed ends as "flagged" tips. Hog-bristled brushes are a favorite because the hairs are naturally flagged and usually have more flags than most other types. The more flags, the better the bristles will retain the paint, and the better the finish will be distributed. Even synthetic bristles should be flagged. It's done artificially. When you buy your next brush, spread the bristles and be sure they have split ends. Top quality brushes may cost a bit more, but the results are worth it. But if you pay a lot for a brush, be sure you clean it and store it properly after the work is done or you're going to have to ban it from the social scene.

paint thinner to remove dirt from furniture. My homemade solution is safer because it isn't flammable. Just mix 1 part household ammonia with 4 parts water. This removes polish, wax and dirt just as well as paint call it that. They refer to the split and frayed ends as "flagged" tips. Hog-bristled brushes are a favorite because the hairs are naturally flagged and usually have more flags than most other types. The more flags, the better the bristles will retain the paint, and the better the finish will be distributed. Even synthetic bristles should be flagged. It's done artificially. When you buy your next brush, spread the bristles and be sure they have split ends. Top quality brushes may cost a bit more, but the results are worth it. But if you pay a lot for a brush, be sure you clean it and store it properly after the work is done or you're going to have to ban it from the social scene.

SHOP TALK — I often refer to boiled linseed oil in some sort of formula. I always try to include the statement that you do NOT boil the linseed oil. That's just the name of the stuff you ask for at the paint or hardware store. The boiled linseed oil has driers added to it so it will dry since raw linseed oil just hangs in there forever. If you're going to use linseed oil for a hand-rubbed oil finish, you can see how bad it would be if it never dried. While the boiled variety can be used straight for this purpose, it's even better if you use about half and half turpentine for even better drying. If you ever want to have warm linseed oil, don't put it over an open flame. Use a smaller container to hold the oil and place it in a larger container that has hot water.

Dear Al:
Did you ever lose a small part in the midst of the dirt and sawdust on a shop floor? My retriever is my shop vacuum. I keep a scrap of nylon net and a rubber band handy. The net is held in place on the end of the hose, and as the vacuum picks up dirt and dust, all solids are held against the net. Most of the sawdust will go on through, but you do have to stop the unit occasionally to remove shavings and small scraps. Eventually, you'll find the lost part. Once I almost cleaned the entire floor before I found the elusive part. — C.S.

Dear Super Al:
Although we live in an age of plastics, some products are still packaged in tubes made of soft metal. When I run across such a tube, I save it when the contents are gone. The soft metal can be snipped from the end of the tube and rolled to form an excellent wall anchor for screws that need to go into sheetrock or masonry walls. Just make the roll so it's a tight fit in the pre-drilled hole. I have also used a small scrap of the tube around a screw that is loose because a hole has become enlarged. — R.P.A.

A SUPER HINT — Volume buying is a great way to get a better price... unless the stuff goes bad while waiting to be used. One thing that is often even unsafe to keep is paint stripper. Some of the chemicals used in some strippers expel fumes that can build up pressure even within the can. It's not enough to explode the can, but is enough to spray the contents when opened. Here's one place where it pays to buy just enough. Dear Al: You always suggest

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Drummonds have 50th anniversary

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The Drummonds have three sons. They are Steve Drummond of Midland, Don Drummond of San Antonio and John Drummond of Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. Drummond retired in 1965 after 42 years with Texas Electric Service Co. Mrs. Drummond was a weekday kindergarten teacher at First Presbyterian Church. She later worked at the Midland County Public Library.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Drummond were charter members of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, and longtime active members of the First Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder and she as a Sunday School teacher. Mrs. Drummond is the former Besse Burrow. The couple also has three grandchildren.

Stolen vest recovered

QUINCY, Mass. (AP)—Two boys on their way to a morning baseball game stumbled onto John Adams' 214-year-old wedding vest.

The brocade silk vest lying in bushes was stolen a couple of weeks earlier from the John Quincy Adams house here.

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Scrap lumber turned into dream home

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Brad Stump has turned a pile of scrap lumber into a dream home. All it took was a lot of hard work and some imagination. Stump's ingenuity got a nudge from the Defense Electronics Supply Center, which had dismantled some wood storage bins several years ago, and offered the lumber as scrap.

Stump, an employee of the center, took to the woodpile. Almost daily, during lunch, after work and on weekends, he took saw, hammer and crowbar to boards of all sizes. He filled his station wagon and trailer with lumber up to 18 feet long, and hauled the pieces to his home in Beavercreek Township.

Stump, 56, now has a two-story, 10-room house he built from the scrap lumber.

"It took me 75 to 100 trips to get that wood here in my car and trailer," he said. "People

would see me coming with my loaded wagon and they would often ask, 'Whadya doin' with that wood, fella, building a house?'"

"Sure am, I'd tell them. And that's exactly what I did."

What neighbors didn't realize was that Stump was building the house himself, and with hand-me-down lumber.

"In 1973, the state was going to tear down a house that was in the pathway of I-675," Stump said. "I bought the house for \$250 and removed the exterior bricks, interior moldings, doors, windows and other usable items."

His wife, Maxine, is the daughter of a carpenter and proved something to Stump when she chipped out the stone fireplace. She reassembled it in the new house.

The house remnants and surplus government lumber was stockpiled on their new home site, adjacent to their original

home. "We had a half-acre lot we used for gardening," Stump said. "Instead of continuing to pay taxes for the land, my wife and I decided to build a house on it."

They chose house plans from a newspaper and ordered blueprints from an architect in New Jersey.

"We had a few revisions to the original, like relocating the fireplace from the living room to the family room," Mrs. Stump said, "but basically it was the same."

Stump got zoning approval and began work on the house in the spring of 1974. He had construction experience and had

built a house some years ago.

He made the building project a family affair with help from his wife and their three sons, aged 12 to 20. "We even had relatives come from out of town to help with the work," Mrs. Stump said.

They moved into the "new" five-bedroom

house three years ago but still have some finishing work to do, such as closet doors and a cement patio and driveway. Stump estimated the house cost him \$56,000.

Stump said the whole project was gratifying but a painstaking and sometimes painful experience.

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The leading suntan product manufacturer, Plough Inc. of Memphis, stopped using the fragrance in its Tropical Blend Dark Tanning products last January, said the FDA. It was never used in Plough's best-selling Coppertone line, the agency added.

But the agency said it intends to propose a ban on the fragrance in all cosmetics and drugs used on the skin.

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DEAR ABBY

Husband hooked on fish

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: Most husbands carry pictures of their wives and children in their wallets. Not my Ralph. He carries pictures of himself with the blue marlin he caught. He had this 865-pound monstrosity mounted, expecting to hang it over the mantle in our living room, but I put my foot down and told him he could hang it in the amusement room in our basement, but no way was I going to have that

ugly thing in our living room. He sulked for about a week, but I refused to give in, so now it's hanging in our basement.

Ralph still nags me about how unfair I am. Finally, he said: "Write to Dear Abby and let her settle it." So I'm asking you.

Where does that blue marlin belong? — RALPH'S WIFE IN FLORIDA

DEAR WIFE: Now that you ask, I find mounted specimens of ANY of God's creatures, outside of museums, disheartening. Killing for food is one thing. Killing for show—sorry, I pass.

DEAR ABBY: Our 20-year-old son has just told us that he must quickly marry the little girl with whom he has gone steady since junior high school. She is 19. Both are in college and hope to graduate.

Abby, the girl is really a sweet child, and she has adored our son for years. He was her first (and only) love, and she was his.

Since the wedding plans have come up so suddenly, everyone suspects it is a "have-to" marriage. I am not going to deny it and look foolish three months from now.

What do I say when people "congratulate" me, and kiddingly call me "Grandma"? Some have even tried to "comfort" me with the stories of how they've had "have-to"

marriages in their families and things have worked out well.

Please help me.— NEARLY A GRANDMA

DEAR NEARLY: To all congratulations, say "Thank you." There is no such thing as a "have-to" marriage. Every day, pregnant girls are being

deserted by bums who refuse to accept the responsibilities of marriage and a baby. No law in the land can force a man to marry a girl. If he marries her, it's because he WANTS to, not because he HAS to, so hold your head up, Grandma.

HOROSCOPE

By CARROLL RICHTER

(Thurs., Dec. 7)

GENERAL TENDENCIES: This day and evening is not the ideal time to rely upon your intuitive perceptions. Wait until proven methods of operation are available. Be sure not to take any risks now.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Conditions around you are not to your liking, so improve them intelligently. Try to control your temper and your tongue with others.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Don't confide in others today or you could later regret having done so. Stay close to home and out of harm's way tonight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You must use diplomacy and tact when dealing with higher-ups today or you could get into trouble. Be alert.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Make sure you live according to your philosophy of life, otherwise you could become confused. Strive for happiness.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Take extra steps to meet the expectations of loved one and have more harmony. Avoid one who wants to waste your time.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Sidestep one who opposes you since the planets are not favorable for you right now. Be wiser to the ways of others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Organizing your work better is the best way to accomplish more today. Use your wits when dealing with others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make sure you don't spend beyond your means and then regret it later. Come to the assistance of a friend who needs help.

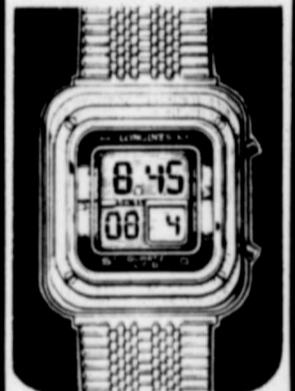
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) See what can be done about improving conditions at your home and relieve tensions there. Avoid a troublemaker.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Find best way to take care of regular routines with associates and gain more benefits. Forget the social for now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Don't get excited over some financial affair but take care of it in a calm and cool fashion. Make needed repair to property.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Consider the view points of others as well as your own and you get along better in the future. Plan the future wisely.

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Officers who served as hostesses were Patty Fuller, Pete Sanders, Mona Brand, Jo Ella Briscoe, Martha Floyd, Nancy Tierce and Frances Highsmith.

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Spirit of entrepreneurship living in U.S.

By JOHN CUNNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — The spirit of entrepreneurship is alive, well and improving, and that means a good many of the problems that create despair today might be tomorrow's bright solutions, says Bill McCrea.

"There's gloom over the energy shortage and inflation, but there's a whole other group that sees these as their challenges," said McCrea, who founded and runs the non-profit Entrepreneurship Institute.

Traveling the country on his mission, which is to find, educate and inspire innovative thinkers into doing something about their ideas, McCrea is encouraged by what he sees:

—A growing confidence among Americans that they can "do it" on their own, that they can gain control over their destinies by founding and operating their own companies.

—Colleges providing "a window" into the world of entrepreneurship through at least 250 courses offered throughout the country, compared with almost none just a little more than a decade ago.

—An increasing number of role models for those who want to make the move, made available by the media's own fascination with people who have demonstrated that individuality is not dead.

—The development of sounder ventures, a consequence of the need to be more thorough because of the growing complexity of business, tighter money and lessons learned from new-venture failures in the 1960s.

—A healthy attitude among Americans toward entrepreneurship and small business.

—Very strong entrepreneurial activity among women, perhaps because some find themselves blocked in attempts to find middle management jobs for which they are qualified.

All these factors encourage McCrea, an MIT man (1964) and a "graduate" of the explosion of high technology companies near Boston in the 1960s. McCrea ran two of them on Route 128 in Waltham.

Nothing, however, seems to impress him more than the spirit of innovation that still remains part of the American psyche, even though countless articles have been written about it being smothered.

"In the United States the successful new businessman has the respect of the community," he observes. To McCrea, it is not so apparent even in Canada. And in Sweden "they are suspicious of the entrepreneur."

But the opposite trend seems to have been developing in the United States over the past decade or so, according to McCrea. The spirit of independence, and the feeling that it is possible, have grown.

In the days when McCrea was associated with Tech-Film Corp. and Floton Corp. in Waltham, money was easy to obtain, especially if you were an MIT professor with an interesting widge.

In those days, McCrea recalls, the development of innovative new companies was centralized around such technologically oriented areas as San

Francisco, Boston and Minneapolis. Now, he finds, it is more diffuse throughout the country.

A month after the institute's first seminar for women entrepreneurs — in Dallas, where the spirit crackles in the air — he has developed firm plans for another in 1979. One year after a seminar in Detroit, the institute counts 14 business that grew from it.

McCrea formed the institute in Worthington, Ohio, in 1976, a few years after having been invited by the Ohio governor's office to help stimu-

late the development of new enterprises.

He and Professor Patrick Liles of Harvard, a pioneer in entrepreneurship training, offered the various deans in the sprawling state university system the chance to introduce such courses in their schools.

The two men trained instructors from each school, who then developed their own curricula. That was in 1972. So far, says McCrea, 2,800 students have gone through the immediately popular courses.



Student Council officers for Alamo Junior High School for the year include Sandra Warner, president, and Jeff Wendeborn, vice president. (Staff Photo)

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By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — This is the season the most senior and powerful members of Congress assert their clout and make the first important decisions of the Congress that will formally enter the Capitol in January.

This is the season office space is allotted.

Great judgments must be made. Is a beautiful view of the Capitol more important than easy access to the House or Senate floor? Is the ambience of the high ceilings in the Russell Senate Office Building worth more than a few extra square feet of floor space in the newer, lower-ceilinged Dirksen Senate Office Building?

The nature of the system and Mother Nature herself usually decide the question of access to the floor. By the time a member of Congress has enough seniority to rate one of the desirable offices with easy floor access, he is old enough to value a reduction in the distance he has to walk.

And so the first office taken in the current scramble was the big corner suite in the Rayburn House Office Building that had been occupied by Rep. George Mahon, D-Texas, since 1964, when the building opened.

Mahon, the senior member of the 95th Congress, did not run for re-election. Not that his colleagues do not miss George. Of course, technically members of the old Congress still are in place until January. But there have been a lot of members with longing looks on their faces as they pass Suite 2314.

Arts fair set in May

KERRVILLE — The eighth annual Texas State Arts and Crafts Fair will be held next May 26 through 28 in Kerrville.

Exhibitor applications are now being accepted in the offices of the Texas Arts and Crafts Foundation, sponsor of the annual fair. Deadline for submitting entry applications is Dec. 31. Applications must be accompanied by three color photo slides representative of the artist's or artisan's work. The address of the Texas Arts and Crafts Foundation is P.O. Box 1527, Kerrville 78028. Additional information on the fair, as well as an official application packet, is available from that address.

But their dreams soon turned to dust. Rep. Jamie Whitten, D-Miss., who replaces Mahon as the senior member of the House, also exercised his seniority to take over the Texan's office.

Not that Whitten was getting by in a cramped basement hovel. He had one of the nice, spacious corner offices in the Russell Building, but is making the switch because Mahon's suite is closer to the subway to the Capitol and the House floor.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., is giving up his high-ceilinged suite in the Russell Building and taking over the corner offices formerly occupied in the Dirksen Building by Sen. James O. Eastland, D-Miss.

The Eastland suite is a few steps down the hall from the offices of the Senate Judiciary Committee. With Eastland's retirement, Kennedy will become chairman of the committee.

Now if a member's preference is for a beautiful view, it is hard to top Rep. Otis Pike's suite on the third floor of the Rayburn Building. Not even his spectacular view of the Capitol was enough to convince Pike to run for another term. Rep. John Wylder, whose district, like Pike's, is on Long Island, N.Y., snagged the view.

Lobbyists for environmental groups generally rate Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, as one of the bad guys in Congress. Garn shrugs off their slings and arrows and tells the story of how one environmental lobbying group issued its ratings of members of Congress and found he had voted correctly, in their view, 11 percent of the time on environmental issues.

"They added a footnote saying I obviously hadn't understood the issue when I voted with them," Garn said.

Speaking of understanding issues, some months ago, the American Conservative Union issued its ratings of the voting records of members of Congress for the first half of 1978.

One of the surprises was that Rep. Philip Crane, R-Ill., chairman of the ACU, received a 96, which meant that on one of the selected issues used by ACU as the basis for its ratings, the organization's chairman had goofed.

Or had he?

ACU since has put out its ratings for the entire year and this time, Crane received a 100. No wrong votes.

It seems that Crane and some equally conservative colleagues were penalized for their vote on a procedural question during the debate on the New York City financial aid bill. Crane argued that his ACU staff misinterpreted the vote. He prevailed and when his full-year ratings were issued that vote was dropped from the list.

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Handy holiday survival kit

By HUGH A. MULLIGAN

RIDGEFIELD, Conn. (AP) — With guile, determination and a well-plotted game plan it is possible to survive the seasonal blizzard of open houses, office Christmas parties, cheese and wine fests and other Bacchanalia that already is upon us.

Here, collected at great risk to life and liver, are some helpful hints to see you through the twelve days of Christmas and their dozen mornings after.

Arrive early to scarf up the best hors d'oeuvres and secure a parking spot that will keep you from getting blocked in. Have the babysitter primed to call you away soon after you arrive with a minor emergency that will elicit neither sympathy nor suspicion from the host and other guests. Things like Uncle Roderick will call in an hour from the Alaskan north slope. The cat is peering out from inside the tropical fish tank. Myron, your youngest, refuses to go to bed unless he can unroll his sleeping bag between the

andirons and wait for Santa. Cynthia, your oldest, and her high school friends have solved the combination lock on the liquor cabinet.

Or arrive late and make believe you've been to six similar blasts. This way you won't drink nearly as much or miss any of your favorite TV shows.

Order a drink you're

sure they don't have — "make mine a Napoleon cocktail but easy on the Fernet-Branca" — then settle for a carrot juice on the rocks or one of those trendy French fizz waters which they probably won't have either. Also, having the host or his bartender prepare difficult drinks cuts down on your invitations next year.

If three piece corduroy suits and long gowns are the prevailing style, you and your date might

show up in denim jeans and lumberjack shirts or even uni-sex jogging togs. Shoot down the glares and the stares with the line Noel Coward used when he was the only one to turn up at a Mayfair cocktail party in white tie and tails:

"Now, darlings, I don't want anyone to be the teeniest bit embarrassed at how they are dressed..."



Avoid all conversations that begin: "I don't care what the Pope says, most of my Catholic friends..."

"Dear Mario, the concierge at the Las Pits in Barcelona, told us about this darling seafood restaurant, just a fisherman's shack really, where they do raw squid knuckles like you never dreamed..."

"My consciousness raising group has taught me that the only authentic way to play the real-

ty game is off the wall; you know what I mean: go with the flow, let life happen..."

"But Buuel isn't just making a film; he's making a statement: we all have to get back in touch with ourselves and our real values or else we'll be laying the same heavy number on posterity..."

"I'll say one thing for Frieda, she really has mutated over the years. She's into para-psychology, postural integration, human life styling, hatha and raja yoga, assertiveness training and has her own kiln in the basement right next to Dan's weight-lifting gear. How's that for finalizing the parameters of your interface?"

"We decided to be practical about gifts this year: Myron wanted a compost grinder and I just can't live without that walnut veneer escriptorio in Danish modern..."

Latch onto any and all conversation groups like when overhearing lines like:

"My Sandra was the first girl in her journalism class to be allowed inside the Missouri lock-

er room and would you believe...?"

"Waterbeds actually can be very dangerous..."

"My tax man says there is no way they can make you declare..."

"They have an open marriage all right; he opened the door and kept going..."

"For kicks, we turned the sound down on Howard Cosell and bowed the 1812 Overture on the hi-fi..."

"They got this wild place in the Village called Plato's Revenge — or is it Caligula's Couch? — anyhow, our man from Paris went there and said he never had seen anything like it..."

"There's this bar on Second Avenue where all the off-duty airline stewards..."

And, oh yes, if by any miscalculation the game plan goes wrong and you should be the last to leave, you can always smother your embarrassment at the host's winding the clock and Saran-wrapping the leftovers with the exit line:

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Newest big-city daily celebrates anniversary

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"Nobody would have given two bits this paper would make it a year ago. Now, if you got a quarter, you can buy it tomorrow," said Walter Herring, 31, the Journal's managing editor.

The morning tabloid — featuring heavy dollops of sports, pictures, sex and crime stories and a daily "cheese-secake" picture on Page 7 — has 55 reporters and editors, and many were not around one year ago.

"Every editor who was hired here in the beginning is either gone or moved to another position," Herring said.

At 25 cents a copy, the Journal costs a dime more than the city's three other dailies — the Inquirer, Bulletin and Daily News.

It's thin on advertising and still lacks sufficient distribution. Its writing? "It's not the best in journalistic

terms. It's not Pulitzer Prize-winning stuff," said Herring.

Yet the Journal claims its circulation is 72,500, up from 29,000 in February. The paper hasn't been in business long enough for its circulation to be officially audited, editors noted.

Canadian publisher Pierre Peladeau had hoped circulation would reach 100,000 after one year, but he said the Journal's performance has been satisfactory.

The publisher, who owns newspapers in Montreal and Quebec, said the success of the Journal was "our best achievement." It took seven years to reach 70,000 circulation in Montreal, he said.

"We started in Montreal on the 15th of June and they said we'd come down with the leaves in the fall. That was 18 years ago. Now we're the second largest daily in Canada," said Peladeau, who made a fortune on his Canadian dailies.

Peladeau said Monday he has invested \$4 million in the Philadelphia project.

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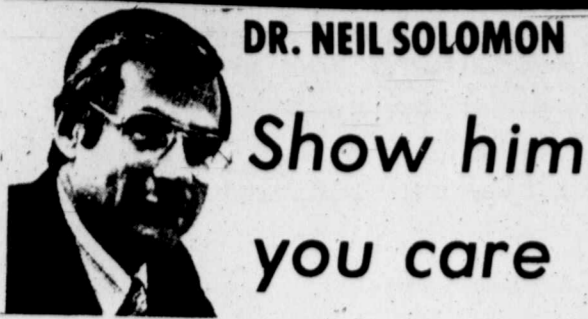
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There are efforts under way to overcome the decline in the senses of taste and smell that accompany old age. In one study odorants are being used in the preparation of foods. While younger people may find such food too strong for their taste, older people seem to prefer it.

Part of the difficulty in discussing the nutritional needs of the elderly is the lack of hard facts on which to base a conclusion. Very few studies have been done in this area.

For your father, you might try to locate a place where older people can get together and socialize, in addition to receiving one hot meal a day. The fact that you obviously care about him is most important. Pleasant surroundings are essential for everyone's well-being, and certainly for that of older persons.

(If you have a medical problem, see your doctor. If you have a medical question, write to Neil Solomon, M.D., 1726 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore, Md. 21208. Dr. Solomon cannot give personal replies but will answer as many questions as possible in his column.)



Band officers from Alamo Junior High School show off the school's first division marching trophy won recently in Andrews. Officers are, from left, Richard White, drum lieutenant; Teri McCollum, band captain and drum major; Ricky Rinker, chaplain, and Wesley Coles, brass lieutenant. Lisa Mason is woodwind lieutenant this year. (Staff Photo)

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PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Synanon founder Charles Dederich was transferred to a hospital here Tuesday in serious condition, while attorneys got his bond reduced to \$100,000 on charges stemming from the attempted rattlesnake murder of a Los Angeles attorney.

Dederich was flown here early Tuesday from a Kingman, Ariz., hospital. Doctors said he was placed in the coronary care unit of St. Joseph's Hospital, where his condition was listed as serious but stable.

Several hours later Dederich's attorneys posted a \$100,000 bond following a hearing in a Lake Havasu City justice court. The bond figure was reduced from \$500,000, an amount imposed following Dederich's arrest

Saturday in that city.

Charges of conspiracy, assault and solicitation to commit murder were formally filed Monday in Los Angeles Municipal Court against Dederich, 65, who was hospitalized for apparent drunkenness and mental depression following his arrest.

Dederich was arraigned Sunday on a felony fugitive warrant at a bedside hearing, an Arizona justice of the peace said.

An extradition hearing for Dederich was set for Jan. 2.

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Miami becoming Latin American headquarters city

By BILL PETERSON
The Washington Post

MIAMI — Every day a new wave of tourists and businessmen from Caracas, Bogota, Quito and Buenos Aires pour into this city with their suitcases empty and their wallets full.

They clog custom lines at Miami International. They fill up the shops on Flagler Street and the rooms in the Omni Hotel.

The come here to play, to buy, and to salt away their dollars. They leave with their suitcases full of Nikon cameras, Gucci shoes and handbags, Givency shirts, Bill Black neckties, and Sears oil filters. They also snap up condominiums, warehouses, shopping centers and financial institutions.

The visitors, numbering almost a half million this year, signal an important and largely ignored social and economic phenomenon. Simply put, Miami has quietly become the

new capital city of Latin America. Evidence:

—More than 30 multinational firms now operate their Latin American headquarters in the late Miami area—most from the palm-shaded suburb of Coral Gables.

—Half the tourists now coming to Miami are Latins. And they are far more well-heeled than their Yankee counterparts. The typical Latin spends an estimated \$1,000 during his visit here compared with \$408 for U.S. and Canadian visitors.

—Thousands of South and Central Americans are buying second homes in Miami. Whole developments have been taken over by oil-rich Colombian and Venezuelans. A recent study found Latins had purchased 61 percent of the dozen new luxury condominiums in three choice locations, including Key Biscayne.

—Cargo shipments out of the port of Miami, 80 percent of which go to Latin countries, have tripled in the last 10

years.

That Miami should become the key U.S. link of South America is largely an accident of history and geography.

Located near the nation's southernmost tip, it has long pictured itself as the gateway to South America. But not until thousands of Cubans fled Fidel Castro's revolution did it begin to realize that dream. The Cubans, who make up 56 percent of the city's 370,000 population, transformed Miami.

There are some other very practical reasons for Miami's emergence as a Latin American tourist, shopping and business capital.

The same climate and location that

Latins to shop and invest. Miami, with 782 flights weekly to the Caribbean and South America, is easiest and cheapest for Latins to get in and out of.

"Here they can mix business and pleasure," says an Argentine emigre, businessman Maurice Rizikow. "Their own language and people are here. They can take a vacation and make money at the same time."

Consumer prices are so high in much of South America that a trip to Miami makes good economic sense for many Latins, he says. "Look at it this way. Merchandise costing \$2,000 in Miami sells for \$4,000 in Argentina. So people fill their suitcases. When they get home and they sell some things, keep some and get a free vacation out of the deal."

Rizikow is one of this city's most astute observers of South American habits, almost a Latin Horatio Alger. He came here in 1965, speaking

broken English, and began selling imitation fur coats out of a one-room shop on the fourth floor of a rundown downtown building. Today, at 49, he is the Miami connection for some of the freest spending big money men this city has ever seen. He owns a 45-shop downtown shopping mall and is making plans to build a \$38 million hotel aimed at the Latin trade.

Hardly a week goes by, he says, without two or three South American businessmen dropping by to ask advice on U.S. investments. With unstable governments at home, most are looking for a haven for their money, an edge against political turmoil.

"When politics change in a country, people begin to become afraid," Rizikow says. "The first thing they do is take their money out."

Chief beneficiaries to date have been Miami banks and real estate interests.

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That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

Edited by CLAY R. POLIAN

1 Rearrange letters of the four scrambled words below to form four simple words.

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GITON

NYTUT

RUBIMA



Beef prices are up seven percent. Now cows are humans.

4 Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.

2 PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES

3 UNSCRAMBLE LETTERS TO GET ANSWER.

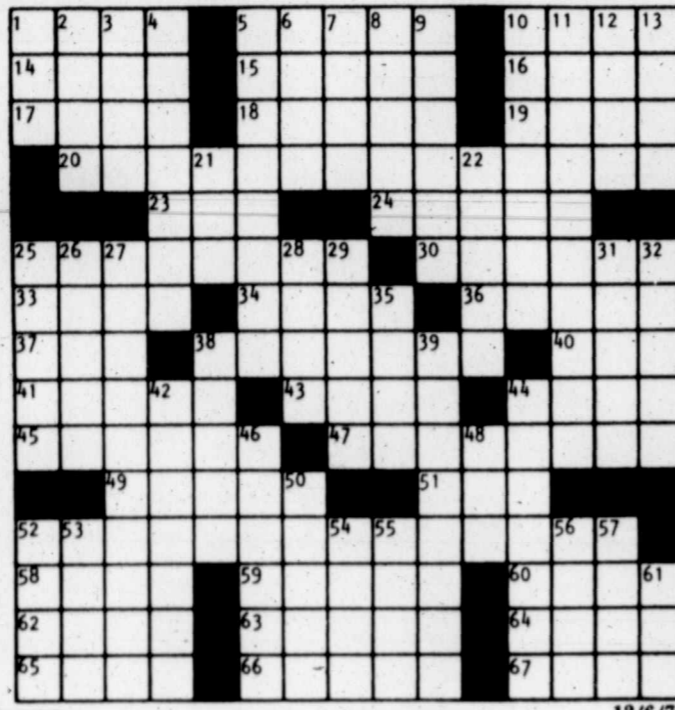
Beef prices are up seven percent. Now cows are MILKING humans. Killer - ingot - Nilly - 106U - 911K

DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Edited by Margaret Farrar and Trude Jaffe

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Yeast
 - 5 Saunter: Slang
 - 10 Beam
 - 14 Asian range
 - 15 "For you"
 - 16 Mother's admonition
 - 17 Junior, for one
 - 18 Baby-sits
 - 19 Sharpen
 - 20 Big Florida race
 - 23 Former UN name
 - 24 Province
 - 25 Claim unfairly
 - 30 Cooks
 - 33 TV great
 - 34 Cargo units
 - 36 On one side
 - 37 Band of sparks
 - 38 Mythical being
 - 40 Controversial amendment: Abbr. "..... evil"
 - 41 Relative of thread
 - 44 Bit in the bucket
 - 45 Trig term
 - 47 Certain entertainers
 - 49 Astral giant
 - 51 Gov't. dept.
 - 52 Louisville landmark
 - 58 Beyond: Prefix
 - 59 Winner's place
 - 60 Designs
 - 62 Legislative Abbr.
 - 63 Material for records
 - 64 Eastern highway, on a map
 - 65 Graf.....
 - 66 Betsy's cousin
 - 67 First light
- DOWN**
- 1 Pooh!
 - 2 Hebrew letter
 - 3 Bird
 - 4 Balcony with a view
 - 5 Ease
 - 6 Kind of tournament
 - 7 Emulate
 - 8 Luciano
 - 9 Pavarotti
 - 10 Witch's place
 - 11 Words from sycophants
 - 12 Breathes
 - 11 Men at the track
 - 12 Scott heroine
 - 13 Small deer
 - 21 Publication, for short
 - 22 Crimean
 - 25 Make..... at
 - 26 Show of a sort
 - 27 See 52 Across
 - 28 Theater award
 - 29 Inward
 - 31 Ruined city on the Nile
 - 32 Trades
 - 35 Draped garment section
 - 38 Do a stable job
 - 42 Give an account of
 - 44 Scott hero
 - 46 Wedding words
 - 48 Conceit
 - 50 Nothing: Lat.
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 - 54..... Lenape
 - 55 Old songs
 - 56 Naldi of silent films
 - 57 Diving duck
 - 61 Hebrew letter



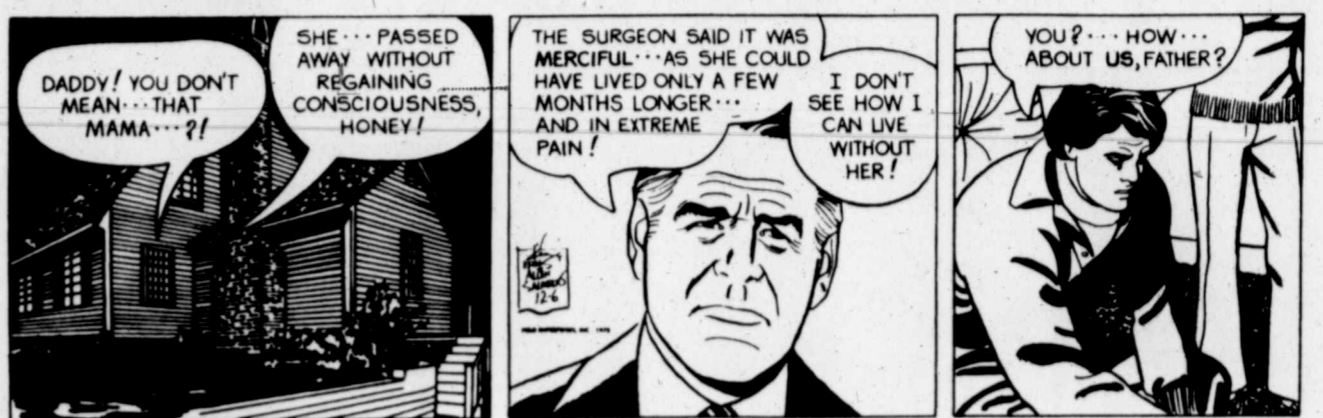
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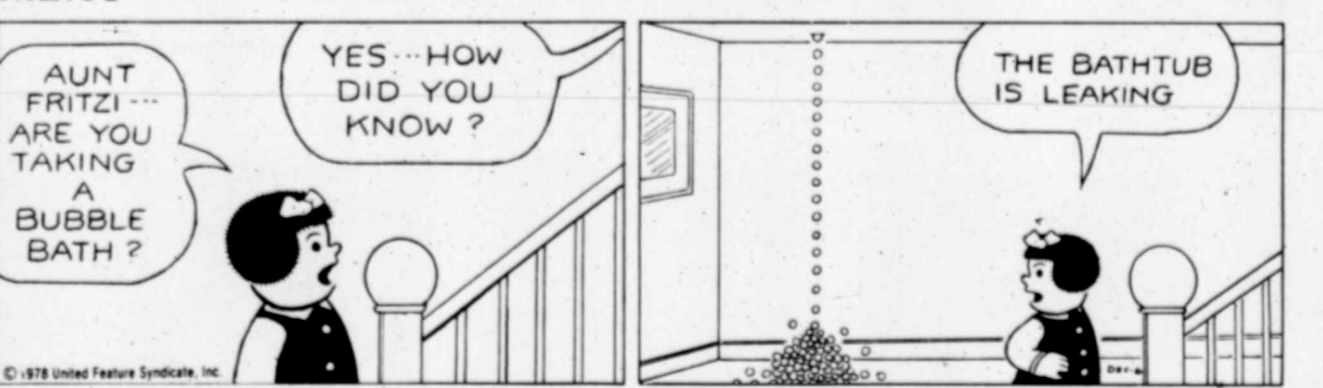
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Clinton of Arkansas to be youngest governor in nation

By BILL SIMMONS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Bill Clinton, at 32, becomes the country's youngest governor in 40 years when he takes office Jan. 9. Chided by foes as "just a pretty face," the blue-eyed, brown-haired Democrat is, in fact, difficult to stereotype:

—He's a former employee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; a Vietnam War protester; a McGovern organizer in Texas in 1972; a Carter leader in Arkansas in 1976; a near-miss for Congress in 1974 in his first political outing; a utility-battling attorney general in his only other elected office.

—He's a Baptist choirboy with a three-octave range who will yield at times — when the music is smooth, a microphone handy and just friends about — to the temptation to croon a tune or two.

—He's a Dolly Parton fan, who once left consumer advocate Ralph Nader in midsentence to say hello to the singer, whose pinup adorns his office bathroom door.

—He's a Rhodes scholar; a lawyer; a bit rusty now as a saxophone player; a diet-drink drinker; a jogger who eschews cigarettes but smokes an occasional pipe or cigar.

—He's a speeder, sudden-braker, lane-shifter and tailgater as he rushes from office to home for fresh clothes before catching a plane; a man who runs a breakneck race to match the hectic pace of his schedule.

—He's the husband of a Yale Law School classmate — Hillary Rodham of Park Ridge, Ill. — who, as a Little Rock lawyer, has kept her own name. "She decided to do that when she was 9, long before women's lib came along," Clinton says. "People wouldn't mind if they knew how old-fashioned she was in every conceivable way."

His eloquence, often offhand, captivates crowds, and the word "charisma" shows up often in news articles about him.

Friends see the U.S. Senate and maybe more in his future. He talks of a second term as governor, maybe a third. "I really want to be governor," he says. "I believe that a governor can do more for the people than any other political official."

Clinton clobbered the field in the Democratic primary in May, then won the general election last month with 63 percent of the vote.

Clinton succeeds Gov. David Pryor, who was elected to the U.S. Senate.

Trepidation at being governor at 32? "Yes," he responds at once, because his age may encourage some "to test me ... to see if I'm easier to budge or spook" than an older, more experienced politician might be.

The test may begin with the Legislature, which goes into session the day Clinton takes office.

Clinton says he expects to take his lumps. "No governor bats 100 percent, and I won't either, but I hope my failures won't be perceived as a consequence of age," he says.

Asked how he would like his administration remembered 20 years from now, Clinton says, "As a sort of high tide in the feeling people had for the quality of life and the services they got from their state government."

Clinton says he favors integration "of the schools and everything else," but maintains that "busing and breaking up neighborhoods" don't sit well with him.



Leading the cheers for Alamo Junior High School's eighth graders this year are, from left back, alternate Lisa Tatsch, Anna Young and Kelli Badgett; center Sharon McLaughlin, left, and Dayna Ward; front from left, Pam Galbreath and Staci Childers. (Staff Photo)

Burglar bars rated poor crime stoppers

By GUY SULLIVAN
R-T Staff Writer

A burglar bar is a beer joint where criminal-types hang out, right?

Wrong! Burglar bars are used by Midlanders and others to literally bar up the windows of their homes and buildings.

However, Texas Attorney General John Hill has said that some firms sell burglar bars which are less effective than their advertising claims.

For that reason, he said, citizens should be aware of what quality of product they are buying.

Locally the Better Business Bureau of the Permian Basin receives few complaints from consumers about burglar bars, said Al Beatty, general manager of the BBB office.

"We've had few complaints about these products," he said. "I would assume that it is a bigger problem in larger cities than Midland. Burglar bars don't seem to be the kind of thing people purchase here."

Sgt. E.M. "Lalo" Camarillo of the Crime Prevention Unit of the Midland Police Department said he is aware of a few firms in Midland which sell burglar bars.

"We try to tell people buying such devices to keep at least one window easily opened from the inside in case of emergencies such as a fire," he said.

"Actually burglar bars are the last alternative we recommend in preventing such crimes. But burglaries have been increasing steadily since the start of the year," said the veteran investigator.

In fact, Sgt. Camarillo said, 266

burglaries were recorded in 1977 here compared to 286 such crimes through September of 1978.

"The main reason for the increase, I believe, is that there are more people here now. Also, drug addicts seeking to steal property and try to sell it to feed their drug habits are involved," he said.

His best recommendation to homeowners and businessmen alike "is to have people call us at the Crime Prevention Unit so that we can inspect their homes and firms and determine what precautions need be taken to prevent such crimes."

Capt. George Thompson of the Midland County Sheriff's Department said the problem with burglar bars is that "they should be the type which can be easily released. If a thief wants to get in, he will find a way to get in. I feel burglar bars are useless as far as I'm concerned."

Thompson said the "best protection" against burglary is to "stay home."

However, in lieu of that alternative, he suggested people seriously consider dead-bolt locks which feature a one-inch throw.

"These serve all doors and windows," he said.

He said Midland County has experienced an increase this year over last in the number of burglaries reported to deputies.

"There are more people coming here from other areas. Crime will increase as the population grows. Burglaries especially seem to go up as Christmas season approaches. People should be alert and cautious," he said.

They love pets

JESSUP, Md. (AP) — At least 16 persons in Howard County want to be buried alongside their pets, and a pet cemetery here is seeking a permit to grant their wishes.

The cemetery owner wants county permission to bury humans in caskets and vaults. He said he has already buried the cremated remains of eight humans with their pets.



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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Federal authorities say 17½ pounds of cocaine smuggled into the United States from Peru inside hollow furniture was worth \$8 million on the illegal drug market.

U.S. Attorney James Brady on Monday announced the weekend arrest of five persons in connection with the attempted shipment.

U.S. Customs agents in Miami last Thursday found the cocaine packed into hollows and cushions of four chairs and a coffee table being shipped from Lima, Peru, to Grand Rapids.

The carved mahogany furniture was delivered in Grand Rapids by Drug Enforcement Administration

agents, who made the arrests. Joseph Marino, 48, Pietro Orlando, 24, and Mary Alice Williams, 31, all from the San Francisco area, and John Peltin, 30, and Cat Helen Peltin, 27, of Grand Rapids were arraigned Saturday on charges of possessing cocaine with intent to distribute, unlawfully importing cocaine and conspiracy, Brady said.

If convicted, the defendants face up to 15 years in prison and a \$25,000 fine on each charge.

Mrs. Peltin was released on her own recognizance. The others were ordered held in the Kent County Jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond, pending a hearing Dec. 12, Brady said.

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