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Helping Kay Davis, center, of Big Spring after her vehicle was involved in a two-car accident about 2:35 p.m. Sunday are Katherine Poyner, left, of Odessa and Bob Baugh of Fort Worth. According to the Department of Public Safety, Ms. Davis was going west on

Interstate 20 about four miles west of Stanton and tried to pass another vehicle. Due to mechanical problems, said the DPS, Ms. Davis' car veered to the left, crossed the median and ripped out several posts. Jack Nelson Ellis of Odessa was driving east on I-20

in a 1980 Ford pickup when his vehicle and the Malibu collided. Both drivers were taken to Martin County Hospital where Ms. Davis was treated and released. Ellis was retained for observation. Ellis was retained for observation. (Staff Photo by Brian Hendershot)

Allen goes to Mexico

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — The remnants of Hurricane Allen dumped more rain on southern Texas early today, forcing the evacuation of about 2,500 people from low-lying areas. Residents left their homes in Alice and Kingsville in the Coastal Bend area where flood waters were reported to be up to 5 feet deep.

Frank said a high-pressure system that had been driving the hurricane through the Gulf of Mexico weakened as Allen approached Texas, slowing its progress inland from 25 mph to 10 and then 5 mph. That in turn cut Allen's ability to maintain the 170 mph winds at its center, and they dropped off to 110 mph. The hurricane was downgraded to a

stranded vehicles all night," said Texas Department of Public Safety dispatcher Jerry Hutchins in Corpus Christi. He said no injuries had been reported.

As the storm — which has been downgraded to a tropical depression — limps across northern Mexico, forecasters are expecting tides at Baffin Bay near Kingsville to reach 9 to 10 feet above normal. Also, the Nueces River, which empties into Corpus Christi Bay, is expected to rise 7 feet above normal.

Allen caused no direct injuries or deaths in Texas, either as the hurricane that battered the coast or as the tropical storm that cut into the state, but it spun off tornadoes that injured about 20 people.

Two people died of heart attacks while the storm was in the area. More than 100 people had been killed in Allen's rampage through the Caribbean.

Authorities told people who had been evacuated from their homes from Corpus Christi south to Brownsville not to return. Major roads were impassable because of flooding. About 200,000 people fled their homes Friday as authorities predicted Allen would match its deadly Caribbean rage with widespread destruction in Texas.

"We were very, very lucky," said Gov. Bill Clements. "There is a great difference in what we were anticipating and what we received."

"It was like a hurricane with eyes," said Neil Frank, director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami. "Every time it threatened a populated area, there was a little zag in its track."

Earlier, at least 100 people were killed as the hurricane swept across the Caribbean, past Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula and into the Gulf. The deaths included 56 in Haiti, 16 in St. Lucia, 8 in Jamaica, 4 in Cuba and 3 in the Dominican Republic. In addition, 13 people died when a helicopter crashed while carrying them from an offshore oil platform and 1 person was missing and feared drowned in the Dominican Republic.

Allen brings some rain, but little wind to Basin

Remnants of Hurricane Allen visited West Texas today.

The storm, which was classified Friday as an extremely dangerous storm with 175 mph winds, brought only light to heavy rains with no damaging winds to most West Texas towns.

The system which is bringing rain to West Texas is moving from the Gulf of Mexico in a west to northwesterly direction.

Rankin was reporting heavy rainfall this morning while light sprinkles greeted many West Texas residents in Big Lake, Big Spring, Crane and Stanton.

Lamesa and Andrews said they didn't get a drop of the wet stuff, although cloudy conditions in those two cities were expected to produce some precipitation.

Streets in Midland this morning were wet and somewhat slick from the morning sprinkles.

The weatherman was predicting a 50 percent chance of precipitation today, but that will drop to a 30 percent chance for thunderstorms tonight.

The forecast for Tuesday includes only a 20 percent chance of rain. Temperatures in Midland have also been affected by the cloudy and rainy conditions. The low for tonight should be in the upper 60s while Tuesday's high is expected to be near 90 degrees.

Sunday's high was 92 degrees which fell shy of the 1946 record high of 104 degrees. This morning's low of 63 degrees was only three marks off the record low of 60 set in 1931.

Winds tonight should be easterly at 5-10 mph changing to a southeasterly direction and increasing to 10-15 mph Tuesday.

Since the rain started falling after 8 a.m., the National Weather Service did not record this morning's rainfall in their precipitation records for the past 24 hours. The total for the month is recorded at .01 inch and the monthly total at 5.09 inches. However, that is expected to change Tuesday.

Democrat convention to open

Candidates appear conciliatory

NEW YORK (AP) — The Democratic Party opens its national convention today with a session that could climax the bitter struggle between President Carter and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy. But even as their supporters frantically lobby wavering delegates, the candidates themselves seem curiously conciliatory.

On the eve of today's critical rules vote, which will determine whether delegates must stand by the candidate they were pledged to support,

Kennedy was easing away from his anti-Carter rhetoric.

And in what one Carter aide described as a major, unilateral concession to Kennedy, the president agreed Sunday to support several platform planks supported by the Massachusetts senator — including one that criticizes Carter's anti-inflation strategy and pledges the party will not "pursue a policy of high interest rates and unemployment as a means to fight inflation."

The specter of the Republican Party appeared to be behind the sudden rash of peace-making within the Democratic ranks.

"There's nothing in the world that

support him on the first nominating ballot Wednesday night, the president will have clinched the nomination, which requires 1,666 votes. Kennedy has 1234.4 votes.

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can bring a group of Democrats together like Ronald Reagan," said Robert Strauss, Carter's campaign chairman.

But lobbying for today's rules debate was fierce, all the same. Carter backers led by Vice President Walter Mondale visited delegates from various states Sunday night, arguing mightily against Kennedy's bid for an "open" convention.

With the binding-delegate rule, Mondale told Pennsylvania's delegation, "the 1980 Democratic Convention will represent the 19 million people who sent voters here."

Kennedy's forces, led by Kennedy himself, were making the rounds, too, although the senator's tone was surprisingly conciliatory.

"No matter what button you wear this evening, I'm going to be proud to work with you," Kennedy told one delegation Sunday as he toured gatherings around Manhattan. "We're going to be together in the fall against Ronald Reagan."

Earlier Sunday, on CBS' "Face the Nation," Kennedy said it would be "a nip and tuck vote either way, but I'm confident that we will be successful" in the effort to break Carter's hold on a majority of the 3,331 delegate votes.

Appearing on NBC-TV's "Today" show this morning, Kennedy continued to maintain that he will win the nomination. He said of Carter's platform concessions:

"The reason we've been successful is that frankly, we've had the votes. These are the issues that I've taken to the farms and street corners of this country. The administration opposed them. Now they've acceded to the popular will."

Kennedy's slender chances for an upset will be nil without an open convention. If tonight's rules vote commits Carter's 1,985.6 delegates to

Dallas-Fort Worth voters reject LSTA

By The Associated Press

Texas voters turned thumbs down to a proposed mass transit system and a pay raise referendum, but okayed R-rated movies and doubled utility rates in regional weekend elections.

Residents of Dallas-Fort Worth soundly defeated the Lone Star Transit Authority, an ambitious \$140-million mass transit scheme to be funded by a 1-cent sales tax increase, fares and government monies.

Either Dallas or Fort Worth had to approve the proposal Saturday for the transportation agency to be created.

In Dallas, returns showed voters defeated the proposal by more than a 2-to-1 margin, while Fort Worth voters rejected the plan 4-to-1.

Voters in 62 other area cities also voted on the measure, and a large majority of voters turned down the idea.

Houston residents took a stand against a 26 percent tax increase to finance a \$50 million pay raise for city employees.

Voters defeated, 2-to-1, a referendum calling for a 19.6 percent pay hike for police and firemen, and turned down an 18 percent across the board pay raise for city workers by a

3-to-1 margin. Returns from Harris County election officials showed all three referendum questions failed.

Approximately 125,000 people — about one-fifth of Houston's registered voters — went to the polls Saturday, officials said.

Denton voters rejected a referendum that would have given police officers a 42 percent raise. The vote was 1,045 against the measure to only 948 in favor in what was described as "a light to moderate turnout."

The Denton vote climaxed a year-long battle between the city and the Denton Police Association over the pay raise issue. The city had offered a 15 percent pay hike, but officers said more funds were needed to attract qualified police officers.

Mesquite voters said it would be all right to show R-rated movies on a cable-TV franchise the city will award later this year. That vote was 4,095 to 2,580.

In a turnout about the various "no" votes, the East Texas city of Athens voted themselves a utility rate increase. Unofficial results indicated residents approved a proposal that would double water rates and change sewer charges from a flat fee to a staggered rate system based on water consumption.

FBI has only one clue in hijacking

MIAMI (AP) — A name on a passenger list — M. Soto — is the only good clue to the identity of a man who hijacked an Air Florida jet with 34 people aboard and forced it to fly to Cuba, the FBI says.

"We don't know if he was a refugee or lived here or what," a spokesman for the Miami FBI office said Sunday after the fourth hijacking of a U.S. jet to Cuba this year.

The airliner was about to land Sunday in Key West on a trip from Miami when a man told the crew he had a bomb in a small package he was carrying, according to FBI agent William Nettles. Cuban authorities later said the "bomb" was actually a bar of soap, Nettles said.

The Spanish-speaking hijacker had come out of a rear restroom shouting, "Cuba! Cuba! Cuba!" Nettles said. A bilingual passenger interpreted the man's demands to the crew, Nettles said.

Nettles said the airline had to take the hijacker seriously.

"It looks like he had a bar of soap, but it could have been a plastic explosive," Nettles said.

The plane landed at Havana's Jose Marti Field, where the 28 other passengers and five crew members spent two hours before returning to Miami. The hijacker was taken into custody by Cuban officials, said Air Florida spokeswoman Robin Cohn.

Authorities described the hijacker

as 5-foot-7, aged 40 to 45, with wavy black hair streaked with gray. He wore beige pants, a light blue shirt and carried a small flight bag.

"I saw him holding a small lighter and a small package," said passenger Mark Bell of Houston, who sat near the hijacker. "But he didn't look like a terrorist. He didn't look like he wanted to hurt anybody."

"The man wasn't a raving lunatic or anything," said passenger Phil Thompson, 47, Key West. "He just wanted to get to Cuba."

During their stopover in Havana, passengers said, they drank beer and ate lunch at a terminal restaurant. Some bought Cuban rum and cigars. "We ate very bad food," said Diane

Reynolds of Miami. "But they did accept American dollars."

The passengers were flown to Key West after interviews at Miami International Airport with the FBI and the Federal Aviation Administration, Air Florida officials said.

An anti-hijacking treaty signed by Cuba and the United States in 1973 lapsed in April 1977. The communist nation has continued to return passengers, crew members and planes, but not hijackers.

On July 22, a Delta Air Lines jet carrying 157 people from Chicago was forced to Cuba by a man who said he had personal problems.

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DEATHS

Betty Miller

ODESSA — Services for Betty Miller, 50, of Odessa, mother of Peggy Rodgers of Midland and grandmother of Lanny Rodgers and Douglas Rodgers of Midland, were to be at 4:30 p.m. today at Easterling-Wilson Chapel. Burial was to follow in Sunset Memorial Park.

Mrs. Miller died Saturday morning following a lengthy illness.

Born April 9, 1930, Mrs. Miller moved to Odessa from Seminole in 1964. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Other survivors include her husband, Gene Miller; her mother, Lola Measels of Odessa; two sisters, Sue Armstrong and Carol Bice, both of Andrews; and a brother, Bob Masells of Odessa.

Lionor Martinez

WINTERS — Mrs. Nato (Lionor Flores) Martinez, 60, of Winters, sister of Abel Flores and David Flores of

Midland, died Sunday in an Abilene hospital following a lengthy illness. Chapel services will be at 8 p.m. today in the Winters Memorial chapel. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in First Baptist Church with burial in Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martinez was born Oct. 13, 1919, in San Angelo. She was married to Nato Martinez Sept. 27, 1937, in Ballinger. She had lived in Winters since 1956 and had previously lived on the Ted Richards farm near Bronte for a number of years.

Other survivors include her husband, four sons, four daughters, two other brothers and 24 grandchildren.

Jessica Leyva

ANDREWS — Services for Jessica Leyva, infant daughter of Cheo Fas and Delia Tabrez Leyva, are pending with Singleton Funeral Home.

Miss Leyva was still born Saturday. Survivors include her parents.

Watts unchanged

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Michael Caraballo was born in Watts 15 years ago, just after four days of rioting turned the southeast Los Angeles community into a household word.

He didn't see the burning, looting and violence that left 34 people dead, more than 1,000 people injured and property damage of \$40 million.

But Michael, now in police custody and facing life in a foster or institutional home after arrests on a variety of charges, grew up amid the poverty, squalor and "spiral of failure" cited as contributors to the riot that broke out 15 years ago today.

In 15 years, Watts has not changed.

A state commission appointed by then-Gov. Edmund "Pat" Brown to pinpoint the causes of the bloody outbreak cited a shortage of jobs, lack of schooling designed for economically disadvantaged black children, a resentment of police as the symbol of authority and an exploding black population in an overcrowded 5-square-mile area.

The commission spoke of "an overwhelming hopelessness that comes when a man's effort to find a job comes to naught. Inevitably there is despair, and a deep resentment of society, which, he feels, has turned its back upon him."

In a two-month investigation, the Los Angeles Times found that Watts still suffers many of the problems.

According to the Times, this is Michael's story: Michael was born to 15-year-old Judy Ann Green in a detention home for girls. Five days later, he was taken to a foster home.

His mother, released on probation in 1967, spent 17 months living where she could: her mother's apartment, two foster homes, a motel, her stepfather's back porch and a flatbed truck. She caught pneumonia. She couldn't find work.

The year of the riot, 93,775 people in the Watts area were on welfare.

Since then, new aid categories have been added and today, 265,221 people there are welfare recipients.

Miss Green was on welfare in 1968 when Michael went to live with her in a three-bedroom apartment that also housed her stepmother, five of Michael's uncles and four of his aunts.

A move to another house provided little relief. Tarantulas and rats crawled along window sills and Michael once required emergency treatment at a hospital for bites.

At their next home, cockroaches abounded, the water heater leaked and windows in the bathroom and both bedrooms had been shot out.

One day, barely 7, he saw his first dead man. It was the Good Humor man, slain by a band of youths near Michael's apartment.

When he was 11, he enrolled at Markham Junior High, where reports of robbery, arson, assaults and burglaries were common. The school was surrounded by four housing projects — the turf of rival youth gangs — and Michael learned about gang violence.

For a time he participated in a voluntary bus-ing program to attend

school in the San Fernando Valley. But after establishing a pattern of cutting classes, he returned to Watts. It was there he was held on charges of breaking into an office and taking school supplies.

On probation, Michael continued to run afoul of the law. Once, frustrated by his family's meager financial assets, he raided a neighbor's kitchen and came home with bacon and eggs.

"Son," his mother said, "it's wrong to steal this stuff."

"Hell," said Michael, "we got nothing to eat."

As Michael neared graduation from junior high school, his mother was gang-raped. Then she was accused of possession of PCP, a narcotic known as "Angel Dust." His grades plummeted and he cut classes more frequently. He was arrested and charged with stealing a woman's moped. A month later, he allegedly jumped into another man's car and drove off.

Arrested a day later, Michael appeared again in court. A judge took account of his other encounters with the law, took Michael from his mother, locked him up and ordered him placed in a foster home or boys' institution.

Lion governor here

The Lions International Governor Glendon Westbrook will make an official visit to the Terminal Midland Club at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Westbrook represents Lions District 2-A1, which includes 25 West Texas counties, 70 clubs and 3,230 members. The Lions International is the world's largest service organization with over 1.5 million members providing services for people and communities, working primarily with the blind and handicapped.

Westbrook is a member of the East Angelo Lions Club and has been a Lion for 15 years with 14 years of perfect attendance. He has sponsored 14 new members and holds the Lions International Extension Award. He has served as a district officer for five years, holding the office of Zone Chairman, Extension Chairman, Care Chairman, Deputy District Governor and Lieutenant Governor. He has attended 10 international conventions.

The Governor's wife, Vera, is an officer in the East Angelo Lioness Club. The Westbrooks live in Harriett near San Angelo.

Jury selection begins today in Reese Ray trial

Houston attorney Percy Foreman and state prosecutors were to begin selecting jurors in 142nd State District Court today for the attempted capital murder trial of Reese Bernard Ray, 43, of Houston.

Ray and two comrades are charged with getting into a shoot-out with Midland police and sheriff's deputies Feb. 2 in Midland and into the rural area. Ray is being held in Midland County Jail in lieu of making bail.

His alleged cohorts — Johnny Darwin Eads, 38, of Irving, and Ray Edward Hines, 50, of Woodlands — in the chase-shoot-out are free on bail.

District Attorney Vern Martin and his staff will go up against Foreman, who is famed for taking on difficult cases and often winning. Since the February incident, Foreman has sent his investigators into Midland to check into the case and to work on a defense for his client.

One possible defense is that lawmen provoked the shoot-out by first pulling firearms on the men, who allegedly

were driving a stolen car. An exchange of gunfire resulted allegedly after Midland Police Officer Ron Gray was walking toward the stopped car. The car sped away. Gray, who had exchanged gunfire with the threesome, and other officers pursued the men after the initial firing in northeast Midland.

The threesome supposedly fled to a mobile home park, where more gunfire was exchanged, charged cars and were pursued by Sheriff's Deputies Gary Clingman and Joe Brownlee. Additional blasts were fired. Later Clingman blasted the car with shotgun hits, the fleeing car stopped, and the men surrounded.

Merchandise, such as gold watches, diamonds and silver coins, which was allegedly stolen was found in the car.

Lawmen also found wigs, moustaches, Halloween mask, ski masks, make-up cosmetics and surgical gloves in the car. Many of the items, officers noted, are similar to wear used as disguises.

Accident investigations may be curtailed by Dallas police

DALLAS (AP) — An increasing workload and a tight budget soon may force Dallas police to stop investigating traffic accidents in which there are no injuries, immobilized vehicles or criminal charges, officials say.

The plan, if adopted, reportedly would affect an estimated 40 percent of the 55,000 traffic accidents handled by Dallas police each year.

Police Chief Glen King declined to discuss the proposal, saying it is still in the exploration and development stage. He said a timetable has not set for possible implementation of the cut-backs.

But Ed Butcher, executive director of the Independent Insurance Agents of Dallas, said the organization already

has reviewed and approved the idea.

Under the proposal, patrol officers would continue to investigate only accidents that involve personal injury or disabled vehicles and wrecks that could result in criminal charges, Butcher said.

Current department policy requires investigation of all traffic accidents, except those on private property or those involving less than \$250 damage to each vehicle. Butcher said police and insurance company officials checked with several other cities that cut back on accident investigations as a money-saving measure.

"To be honest, we were kind of worried about it at first," Butcher said. "But we looked at other

cities and found that apparently there's no major problems."

Insurance companies reported that claims processing slowed somewhat after police investigations were cut, the spokesman added.

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China bans Mao cults

PEKING (AP) — China declared today that personality cults defying the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung and other Chinese leaders are being banned because they foster "the incorrect view that history is created by individuals."

The directive from the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee was published by the official Xinhua news agency. The committee is the

most powerful political organ in China; laying down policy guidelines and making general decisions while the Politburo, the Standing Committee and the Secretariat carry out day-to-day decisions.

The committee's order bans the construction of new memorial halls for Chinese leaders, specifically for Mao — who died four years ago next month: calls for a strict limit on

portraits of Mao and his inscriptions in public places; and limits the publishing of biographies and writings of individual Chinese leaders and reports on their activities and speeches. It also limits funeral services for high-ranking officials.

Furthermore, it said, commemorating China's current leaders would not be permitted. Their places of birth, schools and places they visited should not be especially designated, "and decorations already put up should be removed."

In addition, the committee criticized the practice of holding grand memorial meetings to rehabilitate former Chinese leaders who died under persecution during the tumultuous, ten-year-long cultural revolution which ended in 1976.

"There have been too many portraits, quotations and poems of Chairman Mao in public places," the directive said. "This is lacking in political dignity. The number should be gradually reduced to an appropriate amount. The same principle applies to portraits and inscriptions of other leaders."

"Inappropriate commemoration not only causes waste and alienation of leaders and masses, but fosters the incorrect view that history is created by individuals."

The Central Committee said the following principle should be followed: "To sing more praises of the workers, peasants and soldiers... While giving less publicity to individuals."

Criticism of Mao has been escalating as China's current leaders downgrade his tumultuous political legacy. Two weeks ago, workers removed four massive portraits of Mao from the Great Hall of the People in Peking's Tien An Men Square and removed his towering slogans from the facades of public buildings.

The fate of the Mao Tse-tung memorial in the square was not immediately known. Mao's remains are on view there and several times a week hundreds of persons are assigned tickets and obediently pass through.

Speculation has been circulating for months that eventually the mausoleum would be converted to some other use.

In an interview published Sunday, Chairman Hua Guofeng, Mao's chosen successor, said Mao "was not a god and was fallible." Furthermore, Hua said, he made grave errors and must bear responsibility for the cultural revolution.

The committee said from now on, its permission was needed before construction of halls, pavilions and monuments in memory of individual Chinese leaders.



Small lad in the crowd in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Sunday looks with awe at two masked men holding an M1 carbine and a pistol. The pair

appeared in a protest parade staged by Roman Catholic Republicans. (AP Laserphoto)



A 23-year-old Spokane, Wash., man plunges 70 feet to the ground when a safety line snapped during his clown act at Sunday's Seley Lake, Mont., Logger Days performance. The man, whose name was not immediately released, was killed. The photo was taken by a spectator, Eric Wordal, of Helena, Mont. (AP Laserphoto)

Girl bitten after ignoring shark alert

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — A shark alert was in effect along North Carolina's southeast coast today after a weekend of cautious play by swimmers — many of them defying a ban on swimming — ended with a 10-year-old girl being bitten on the leg.

The alert covered a 150-mile stretch of the Atlantic shoreline from north of Morehead City to the South Carolina line and affected all of the beaches on the state's southern coast.

A ban on public swimming was imposed at Emerald Isle, east of Morehead City, on Saturday and Sunday morning after 17 sharks were reported along the coast. That ban was lifted Sunday, but swimmers had ignored it throughout the weekend.

No such ban was in effect at Ocean Isle, 35 miles south of Wilmington,

when Susan Waters of Greensboro was bitten by a shark that came up behind her as she played in shallow water.

The girl was pulled from the water by her brother and was taken to a hospital in Supply. She later was transferred to a Wilmington hospital where she was reported in satisfactory condition after surgery.

Ocean Isle and Brunswick County authorities issued an alert to other swimmers and fishermen along the county's coast late Sunday, warning them of the presence of sharks.

High concentrations of sharks were first sighted Friday, and Frank Schwartz, scientist at the University of North Carolina Institute of Marine Sciences, said such numbers of sharks come so close to shore only

"once in a blue moon." Biologists said sharks in schools of 60 or more and weighing from 50 to 300 pounds were sighted in water as shallow as three feet.

Scientists attributed the unusual shark activity to water temperatures which were above 80 degrees. The warm water has driven out fish sharks normally feed on, and the sharks moved closer than usual to shore looking for food, officials said.

The ban on swimming at Emerald Isle beaches was lifted after state Marine Fisheries officials strung lines from Atlantic Beach to Bogue Inlet on Sunday morning and caught no sharks. Only two sharks were sighted during the early hours Sunday.

Pot crop not hurt by heat

SEILING, Okla. (AP) — Sheriff Larry Price said Dewey County in northwest Oklahoma has one sturdy crop that even the drought and heat wave haven't hurt — marijuana.

Patches or marijuana — at least 15 to 20 acres — are flourishing along creek beds and farmland east of here, the sheriff said.

Price has had reports that someone in Texas is selling directions to the area.

In the past two weeks, deputies have arrested men from Texas and New Mexico caught wandering through the patches which are marked with "no trespassing" signs.

One of the men, from Lubbock, Texas, who allegedly was caught with three trash bags full of freshly cut marijuana told officers he bought a map of the patches for \$50 from a friend in Lubbock, Price said.

In past months, people from as far away as Washington state and North Carolina have been in Dewey County searching for the patches, Price said.

"We've been aware of it (the marijuana) for the past few years. But it didn't seem like too many people were going out there until recently. Maybe we just haven't been catching them," the sheriff said.

Although lawmakers and landowners have been knocking down the 8-to 12-foot-tall plants with mowers, the crop is far from being exterminated. Even in the recent drought and high temperature have had no noticeable effect. "It's the only green thing out here. Just like a weed, you want it not to grow and it does."

The officers would try to burn the plants, he said, "but it is so dry we were afraid we'd burn everything else."

The sheriff said next spring the county is going to try spraying.

He said most of the plants visible from the road have been killed.



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Muskie upset by White House

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House, hoping to avoid another communications flap, wants to put to rest complaints by Secretary of State Edmund Muskie that he was not involved or informed about a key foreign policy shift.

While returning from California last week, Muskie made clear his irritation about being left out of a decision to change U.S. policy on targeting nuclear weapons against the Soviet Union, according to State Department sources.

But White House Press Secretary Jody Powell, in a statement to reporters in New York on Sunday, played down the significance of the policy change, saying it had been in the works for some time.

"It was not a presidential decision

that involved a basic change of our doctrine at all," Powell said. He added, "It was not a decision that normally passes through or involves the Department of State."

Further, Powell said Muskie had missed two opportunities to be briefed on the subject before it was reported in several newspapers last week because he was traveling on both occasions.

The public feeding again raised questions as to communications among key Carter administration officials. Six months ago an erroneous vote by the United States at the United Nations on an important question involving Israel embarrassed the White House and Muskie's predecessor, Cyrus Vance. That was blamed on a breakdown in communications.

Muskie, vacationing in Maine, declined to discuss the matter of the nuclear targeting policy with a reporter.

His wife, Jane, who answered the telephone at their vacation home at Kennebunk Beach, expressed some irritation at Powell's reference to the secretary's traveling, exclaiming "On whose behalf, for heavens sake."

A State Department source confirmed Sunday that Muskie, in discussions with a small group of reporters during a flight from the West Coast to Washington, made clear he thought he should have been consulted on the new targeting policy before it was approved by the president.

Muskie, not expressing any anger, was said to be concerned because since taking over the State Department in late April, no one had sought to bring him into the discussions about the new targeting policy.

Muskie had heard general discussion of the policy change — formally known as Presidential Directive 59 — at regular luncheon meetings with Defense Secretary Harold Brown and Carter's national security adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, but had no idea the final decision was so near.

Powell in attempting to explain why

Muskie was not further involved in the matter, said the latest action on targeting was part of a three-year-old implementation process that was "no great secret."

"The Department of State was and has been involved in that process," Powell said, adding that Muskie might have been misled by press reports on the action. "As it turned out the event had considerably less significance than I suspect he (Muskie) thought."

A Defense Department official reportedly telephoned Muskie in Maine during the weekend to discuss the secretary's concerns and explain in detail the background of the new directive, and that State Department officials had participated in discussions on the policy change in 1978 and 1979.

Meanwhile, the Defense Department late last week moved to reassure U.S. allies about the newly approved targeting policy. It became known Sunday that Brown sent cables to defense ministers of the North Atlantic countries assuring them that the policy shift will make nuclear war less, and not more, likely.

"We have no desire to fight a nuclear war," Brown stressed in the cables.

Stanton newspaper named best weekly in Texas

ARILENE — Jim Bob Reynolds of Crosbyton was elected president of the West Texas Press Association at its 56th annual convention held in the Kiva Inn here last weekend. He succeeds Larry Crabtree of Vernon.

Other officers elected include John Getz of Farwell and Walter Buckel of Lamesa, vice presidents; and Bob Craig of Hamlin, secretary-treasurer.

Directors are Dan Feather, Menard; Joyce Lowe, Lampasas; Steve Monk, Graham; Brad Tooley, Slaton; Don Comedy, Haskell; and Marshall Day, Seminole.

The Stanton Reporter won first place honors in the General Excellence Division for weekly newspapers in cities under 3,000 population, in the association's Better Newspaper contest. The Stanton newspaper also won second place in photos and editorial writing.

The Big Lake Wildcat won first place in column writing in the weekly newspaper division.

The Andrews County News annexed first place honors in photos in the semi-weekly newspaper division. The Fort Stockton Pioneer took first place honors in editorial writing and news writing in the semi-weekly division.

The Lamesa Press Reporter won second place in editorial writing, news writing and advertising composition in the semi-weekly division.

The Big Spring Herald received a first place award in general excellence, first in news writing, second in advertising composition, second in column writing and third in editorial writing in the daily division.

The Snyder Daily News annexed first place in advertising composition, first in editorial writing and third in column writing.

The Haskell Free Press was the first place winner in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Community Services contest. The award was presented by Jack Pilon of Brownwood, formerly of Midland, president of the regional chamber.

The convention opened Friday and adjourned Saturday night following the awards presentation.

Oregon inmates return to cells

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Inmates who conducted a recreation yard sit-down strike to protest crowding at a state prison have returned voluntarily to their cells, officials say.

George Sullivan, superintendent of the Oregon State Correctional Institution, said the 131 inmates who partici-

pated were not violent. The strike began Saturday and ended Sunday morning, Sullivan said.

The prison was designed to hold 476 inmates, but has a population of about 775. The state has submitted a court-ordered plan to relieve the crowding at the prison, which is 10 miles east of Salem.

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BUSINESS MIRROR

Indian manhole covers latest import challenge

By STEPHEN FOX
AP Business Writer

LODI, Calif. (AP) — Imported cars may be bleeding Detroit, but in this small central California town, what's bothering Jim Pinkerton is manhole covers from India.

"It's sickening what's happening to the manhole cover industry in this country," says the 56-year-old owner of the Pinkerton Foundry, which has turned out covers and other construction castings here for nearly 40 years. "Imports from India are killing us."

Pinkerton, who took over the foundry from his father, had 70 full-time employees when India began exporting manhole covers to the United States in 1977. Today, he has 37 employees working four days every other week. The foundry's sales have fallen from \$2.5 million in 1976 to less than \$1 million this year, Pinkerton says, while Indian exports of covers and castings have quadrupled.

"India is flooding this country with cheap manhole coverings," he said. "We understand the Indian workers are getting \$1.50 for a 10-hour day, plus of course they have no Social Security, no health plan, no vacation and so on. Our cost factor for these things is another 40 percent on top of the base pay."

As a result, says Pinkerton, "Where a typical manhole ring and cover made in this country will sell for \$120,

the same manhole ring and cover coming from India is selling for \$73 to \$80."

Pinkerton filed a petition with the U.S. Department of Commerce earlier this year, charging that India was subsidizing its manhole cover makers. The agency made a preliminary finding in his favor, ordering a 21.7 percent tariff on manhole covers coming from India.

India has appealed to overturn the tariff and a final ruling from the Commerce Department is due later this month. Pinkerton says leaving the tariff on will keep American foundries from going down the drain.

"Even with the 21.7 percent duty the imported manhole covers will still sell for less than the U.S.-produced cover, but the tariff will give American companies a chance to produce a competitive product."

Pinkerton says foundries like his, which cast heavy metal products ranging from tank turrets to highway drainage gates, are floundering all over the country because of regulatory costs imposed by government.

"My contention is that American industry should be protected by tariff against costs mandated by our own government," he said. "We spent \$500,000 in the last year for non-productive equipment to satisfy various regulations. That's why we can't compete. I'm not opposed to free trade, but I want fair trade."



DR. NEIL SOLOMON Insulin needs can vary with age

Dear Dr. Solomon: My 13-year-old daughter recently began taking insulin for diabetes. To what extent, if any, will her need for insulin change as she gets older? — Mrs. A.L.

Dear Mrs. L.: In most cases, children require slowly decreasing amounts of insulin during the first year; after that time some increase may be needed as the child grows older. Once your daughter is an adult, her insulin needs probably will stabilize. And she may not even need as much as she does during her adolescence.

Dear Dr. Solome: My brother is scheduled to undergo a cornea transplant. How successful is this type of surgery compared with other transplant procedures, such as for the heart? — Jon.

Dear Jon: There is a much greater chance of success with cornea transplants than with transplants of other organs. Dr. Gary N. Foulkes, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Duke University, points out that corneas normally do not have blood vessels; instead they receive oxygen directly from the air and nutrients from the clear liquid that circulates behind them.

Because of this, it is less likely that the body will recognize the tissue as foreign; and, even if it is recognized as such, there are fewer channels through which the body can try to reject it.

Dear Dr. Solomon: A great deal is being written about the cost of medical care, and I would like to make a suggestion. Insurance companies occasionally add new coverages which protect relatively few people, but

which all of us must pay for. In the community in which I live, a home care program has been made available. What is this program and what is it costing me? — Stuart.

Dear Stuart: The home care program isn't costing you a cent; in fact, it may even be saving you some money. While I would agree that you can't get something for nothing, home care does not fall into this category. Rather, by substituting for the considerably more expensive inpatient hospital care, it has already had a beneficial effect on medical costs.

For example, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Maryland reported savings of more than \$660,000 in hospital costs in 1979 as a result of its home care program. In all, 655 patients used the service at average savings of 11.3 days of inpatient care.

As the name implies, home care provides medically necessary services for patients in their own homes under the supervision of their own physicians. Included under the program are doctors' visits, physical and speech therapy, outpatient prescription drugs, X rays and laboratory services, medical supplies, ambulance service between the hospital and the patient's home, nursing services and home health services.

Rather than adding to medical costs, innovative programs such as home care could help reduce them.

(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.)

African villagers creative

KAREN, Kenya (AP) — Build a better water pump, innovators say, and African villagers will beat a path to your door.

Better means cheap and simple, and that goes for stoves, food coolers and water heaters also developed at two east African village technology centers. The devices can be constructed by peasants, largely from materials found in the countryside.

Some run on renewable energy sources, like the sun and human leg power. Electricity outlets, fuel stations and the support systems required by complex Western appliances are unnecessary.

With inflation pushing imported technology farther out of reach in African countries, economists say homemade machines like these may offer the best hope for a modest gain in living standards for hundreds of millions of rural poor.

Designers at a center in Karen, near Nairobi, the Kenyan capital, said villagers at first resisted the devices as a break with tradition, but later came to appreciate the cost- and labor-saving advantages.

A recent drought stimulated use of a new water-storage jar that can be constructed by unskilled workers from clay and tree branches in about a week, the designers said. About 100 jars, each with a capacity of 875 gallons, were reported built in one nearby village.

The devices employ simple, scientific principles and a do-it-yourself ingenuity that has been widely supplanted by mass-production methods in the West.

Other examples:

—A food cooler using the principle that evaporation of water cools the air. The cooler is a wooden box with a hinged door. Outer walls are covered with cracked charcoal held in place by chickenwire. Water seeps from a tray atop the box, through burlap and on to the charcoal, where it evapo-

rates. The inside of the box is cool enough to keep milk and vegetables fresh for two days.

The cooler takes two days to make at a cost of about \$15.

—A solar water heater using plastic tubing laid on a large, galvanized iron sheet. The unit is painted black to increase heat absorption and placed on wood shavings that act as insulation. It is covered with plastic sheeting to concentrate sunlight.

Water passing through the tubing can be heated to 140 degrees Fahrenheit. An unskilled craftsman can build the heater in four days at a cost of \$30.

—A pump powered by two bicycle-pedal drives that can raise water from a depth of 23 feet to a height of 23 feet, for storage or irrigation. Two persons pedaling can produce 15 gallons of water per minute.

The pump takes three days to build and costs \$140.

—A "hot box" cooker made of a fiber basket lined with insulation — wood shavings or grass wrapped in heavy cloth. A flat stone, heated in a fire, is placed on a tin platform in the basket. A cooking dish goes atop the stone and the basket is closed.

The hot box, which costs \$4, can cook a meal in two hours and keep a meal warm for six hours.

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