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## Sterling Gets Crude Strike, Pool Project

Sterling County gained a Cisco sand oil discovery and location was staked for an outpost in a Sterling gas field.

Coquina Oil Corp., Midland, completed No. 1-6 Reed-Estate as a Cisco sand strike, 15 miles northwest of Sterling City, for a daily flowing potential of 22 barrels of 26-gravity oil, with gas-oil ratio of 13,159-1.

Production was through a 14-04-inch choke and perforations at 7,563-7,974 feet, which had been fractured with 30,000 gallons and 30,000 pounds.

Drilled to 8,150 feet, it is plugged back to 7,995 feet, and has 4 1/2-inch casing set at 8,041 feet.

Top of the San Andres was picked at 1,900 feet; Triple M at 6,860; Credo Permian-Pennsylvanian sand, 7,400; Cisco sand, 7,563 feet. Ground elevation is 2,519 feet.

Well site is 1,960 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines of section 6, block 30, W&NW survey.

**Site Staked**

Dorchester Exploration, Inc., Midland, plans No. 1-8 Westbrook as a 3/4-mile southwest outpost to Canyon gas production in the Conger field.

Contract depth is 7,500 feet for the test which is 900 feet from south and east lines of section 6, block 21, H&TC survey, 13 miles southwest of Sterling City.

## Kent, Stonewall, Runnels Tries Set

Wildcats have been staked in Kent, Stonewall and Runnels counties.

Ray H. Eubanks of Dallas has staked site for No. 1 Ruth Spradling, a 4,500-foot prospect, in Kent, five miles northwest of Jayton.

Location is 2,135 feet from south and 660 feet from east lines of section 18, block 14, H&TC survey, abstract 1226, 1 1/2 mile northeast of a 4,424-foot failure, and 5 1/2 miles northwest of the Toni C (Noodle Creek) field.

**Stonewall Try**

Ryder Scott Management Co. of Wichita Falls will drill a 3,500-foot Swastika explorer in Southeast Stonewall, five miles south of Old Glory. It is No. 2-M Swenson Land & Cattle Co.

Drill site is 330 feet from north and 960 feet from west lines of section 145, BBB&C survey, 3/4 mile northwest of the one well Flat Top 145 (Swastika) field.

The Flat Top 145 opener, Bond Oil Co. No. 1-A Swenson, was completed in 1962, for 34 barrels of oil per day, through a 26 1/2-inch choke and perforations at 3,326-3,329 feet.

Ryder Scott has taken over operations at the former A. L. Sauder No. 1-M Swenson Land & Cattle Co., scheduled 3,500-foot wildcat, one location east of the No. 2-M.

No. 1-M is 725 feet from north and 1,850 feet from west lines of section 145.

**Runnels Re-Entry**

The Petroleum Corp. of Texas, operating from Breckenridge, plans to plug back to 4,700 feet as a wildcat, at No. 5 Acoma-McKay, former Strawn producer in the Runnels part of (Continued On Page 10B)

# Ford To Free Highway Funds

## Atmosphere Of Urgency Surrounds Hearings On Offshore Oil Drilling

TRENTON, N.J. (AP)—An atmosphere of urgency surrounds the Interior Department's hearings on the government's controversial plan to bring oil development into untouched offshore areas.

The department expects a barrage of questions and comments from 167 witnesses as four days of hearings begin today on Atlantic coast offshore development.

The federal government has been leasing its offshore areas—those more than three miles from state shores—for oil and gas development for years in the Gulf of Mexico and off California.

But now it must overcome a series of hurdles before it can lease some or all of 10 million offshore acres, as it now proposes, off California, the Gulf of Alaska and the Atlantic Coast.

Other hearings were held last week in Anchorage, Alaska, and West Los Angeles, Calif.

The hearings were criticized as irrelevant in a suit filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn by two counties and five cities on Long Island, N.Y. The plaintiffs, who asked the court to prevent any offshore leases, claimed the Interior Department already has decided to go ahead with the leasing program.

The suit also said the Interior Department was guilty of conflict of interest because it was responsible for protecting the coastal environment but stood to profit from any offshore drilling leases.

As the Interior Department's hearings began, the Conservation Foundation released a new book by Pamela L. and Malcolm F. Baldwin that forecast that an oil boom would cause local impact even before oil is found, as companies develop harbors and other facilities for exploration drilling.

If oil is found, coastal communities can expect a wave of construction—pipeline landings, refineries, and storage tanks, they said.

The authors recommended the federal government explore new offshore areas to find out where there is oil or gas, and how much there is, so nearby communities could plan for coping with it.

## Democrat Leader Attacks President's 'Sock-It-To-The-Consumer' Energy Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Assistant Senate Democratic Leader Robert C. Byrd accused President Ford today of proposing a "sock-it-to-the-consumer" approach to energy problems.

Byrd said Democrats are working on a counter-proposal to give priority to fighting the recession.

He made the statement as Sen. Robert Dole, a leading conservative and former Republican national chairman, proposed a compromise to avert a confrontation between President Ford and Congress on energy policy.

**Amendment Planned**

Dole planned to offer an amendment to allow the first part of Ford's tariff increase on foreign oil, while delaying the rest of the President's import-fee schedule for 90 days.

Byrd, of West Virginia, said a plan being studied by Senate Democrats would include a phased-in gasoline tax tied to the unemployment rate, with proceeds to go into an Energy Trust Fund to pay for conservation and energy development programs.

Byrd appeared on the CBS Morning News.

He said the Democratic plan would include an increase in the investment credit and tax reductions—possibly revised from Ford's proposals.

Instead of Ford's proposal to



**POLLING DAY**—Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, 49-year-old mother of twins, leaves her Chelsea home in London this morning for the House of Commons. She was elected the new leader of the Conservative opposition party. (AP Wirephoto.)

## 300,000 New Jobs Possible

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Ford will announce today that he will free \$2 billion in impounded highway funds—a move that will create an estimated 140,000 to 300,000 new jobs, sources said.

The sources said the President would make the announcement part of his address to the Kansas Legislature during his visit to the Midwest.

The President has been under pressure both from state officials and congressional leaders to free \$4.3 billion in highway funds for fiscal year 1975, which have been impounded by the Office of Management and Budget.

## Resolution In Senate

A resolution currently is pending in the Senate which would overrule the President's deferral of the federal aid highway funds.

Sen. Jennings Randolph, D-W.Va., author of the resolution, said last week he had received information indicating that more than \$2 billion in highway work could be placed under contract by the end of June in addition to the \$2.3 billion already programmed for that period.

"This could create well over 300,000 jobs—or even more if the money is concentrated in projects that have a higher labor content," he said.

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## His Tv Newscast Wasn't Even Warm

VANCOUVER, B.C. (AP)—Lloyd Robertson, Canadian Broadcasting Corp. announcer, signed off his national newscast with a line that had a familiar ring for many Vancouver viewers.

"That's the news for Monday, Feb. 10," he said. Unfortunately, it was Monday, Feb. 10, and the entire newscast was a week old.

The Vancouver newscast is three hours behind the original in Toronto, and CBC spokesmen said there was a mixup in tapes.

For Vancouver viewers, the current day's news followed the week-old telecast, as did two apologies from CBC.

## Woman To Lead British Tories

LONDON (AP)—Margaret Thatcher today was elected the first woman leader of Britain's Conservative party. She would automatically become the first woman prime minister if the Tories, now in the opposition, won the next general election due by 1979.

Mrs. Thatcher, 48, a former education minister and leader of the party's right wing, polled 146 votes, defeating four male competitors and giving her an outright majority of the 276-member Conservative caucus in the House of Commons.

This was 16 votes more than she got last week when she out-

## Late Bulletins

**AUSTIN (AP)**—The Texas House today passed a resolution backing state Atty. Gen. John Hill in his efforts to prevent Southwestern Bell from increasing its rates for long-distance calls within the state. The resolution has been sent to the Senate.

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger offered the Russians a swap today—U.S. restraint in developing advanced missiles in return for Soviet restraint in deploying a powerful new family of missiles.

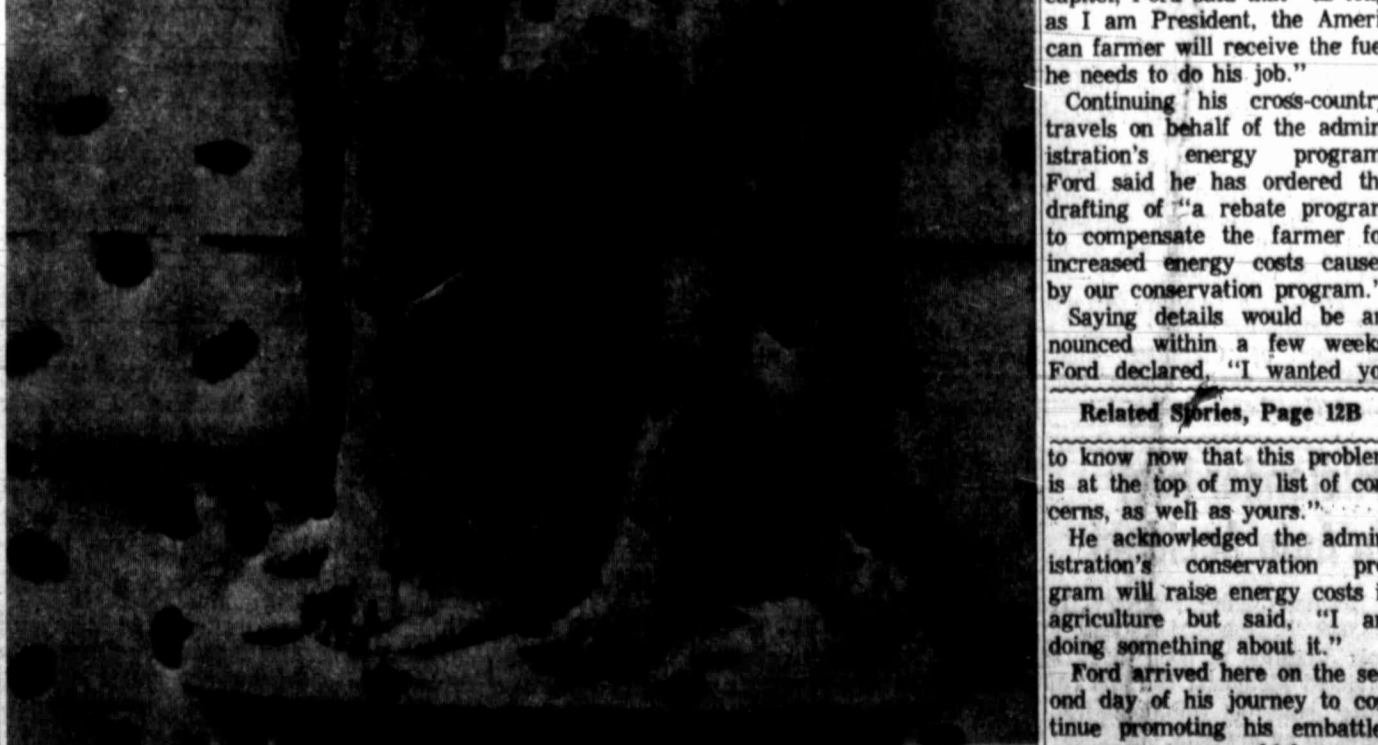
## Inside Today

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**CAMOUFLAGE**—Spot, a Dalmatian owned by Professor Robert Bero of the Brown University art department, blends in well with a painting done by an art student at List Art Building on the Brown campus in Providence, R.I. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Chamber Banquet To Hear Morton

Rogers C. B. Morton, speaker for the annual Midland Chamber of Commerce Banquet here tonight, arrived in the Tall City shortly after 11 a.m. today.

Morton was met by city, county and chamber of commerce officials when he landed at Midland Regional Air Terminal.

More than 800 Midlanders and other Permian-Basin Empire residents are expected to hear the speech by Morton who is secretary of Interior and chairman of the National Energy Council.

The chairman will hold a conference here early Wednesday with members of the oil industry and other interested persons.

The banquet will get under way at 7:30 p.m. in the Midland County Exhibits Building.

Music for the event will be furnished by the Downtown Lions Club Band.

## President Says He Plans To Propose Energy-Related Tax Rebate To Farmers

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP)—President Ford told the Kansas legislature today he will propose an energy-related tax rebate to help farmers and pledged, "I will not let American agriculture run out of gas."

In an address prepared for the joint session in the state capitol, Ford said that "as long as I am President, the American farmer will receive the fuel he needs to do his job."

Continuing his cross-country travels on behalf of the administration's energy program, Ford said he has ordered the drafting of "a rebate program to compensate the farmer for increased energy costs caused by our conservation program."

Saying details would be announced within a few weeks, Ford declared, "I wanted you of the nation's governors. The President arranged to address the joint session before meeting with 10 Midwestern governors. He also scheduled an evening news conference. White House officials said Federal Energy Administrator Frank G. Zarb has yet to decide the precise scope of the farmers' rebate program. One possible method of granting the rebate, said a White House spokesman, would be for farmers to save their gasoline receipts and hand them over to the government, receiving a re-

## Two Midlanders Among 16 Indicted In 'Scheme'

NEW YORK (AP)—Seven Texans are among 16 persons who have been ordered to plead March 3 to a 15-count indictment charging them with stock price rigging in 1970.

The Texans named Monday in the alleged \$16 million stock swindle were M. S. Knisely, 65, of Midland, Tex.; Selwyn Weber, 60, of Odessa, Tex.; Ernest Darwin Goodloe, 50, Dallas; Robert E. Ford, 50, Abilene; Howard Brookshire, 60, of Brookshire, Tex.; Joe Truman Boyd, 50, of Midland, and William Wayne Barnett, 45, of Abilene.

The Securities and Exchange Commission announced the indictments today.

Federal officials said the defendants conspired to rig the price of stock of Select Enterprises, Inc. a reactivated "dormant shell" corporation. They allegedly promoted sale of its stock at \$16 a share on false pretenses that it owned Nevada and California land with oil, gas and mica.

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## Weather

**FORECAST:** Partly cloudy, windy and warm this afternoon. Clear to partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Cooler tonight and not quite so warm Wednesday. High this afternoon, middle 70s. Low tonight, near 60. High Wednesday, near 78. Winds northwest 15-20 this afternoon, decreasing to 10-15 tonight.

**National Weather Service Headlines:**  
 Monday's high ..... 72 degrees  
 Overnight low ..... 47 degrees  
 Noon today ..... 69 degrees  
 Sunset today ..... 6:32 p.m.  
 Sunrise Wednesday ..... 7:24 a.m.

**Precipitation:**  
 This month to date ..... 39 inch  
 1975 to date ..... 1.51 inches

The record high temperature recorded for a Feb. 10 was 81 degrees in 1952. The record low for a Feb. 11 was 15, set in 1885.

**LOCAL TEMPERATURES:**  
 Noon 18 ..... 71  
 1 p.m. ..... 71  
 2 p.m. ..... 71  
 3 p.m. ..... 71  
 4 p.m. ..... 71  
 5 p.m. ..... 71  
 6 p.m. ..... 67  
 7 p.m. ..... 67  
 8 p.m. ..... 62  
 9 p.m. ..... 54  
 10 p.m. ..... 51  
 11 p.m. ..... 48  
 Noon 19 ..... 69

**SOUTHWEST TEMPERATURES:**  
 Abilene ..... 65  
 Amarillo ..... 65  
 Canyon ..... 65  
 39 Page ..... 73  
 Fort Worth ..... 65

Bob Boydston for insecticides.

## Girl, 12, Dies In Accident

Paula Joyce White, a 12-year-old Midland girl, was found hanged from a rafter of a barn at her home about 7:35 p.m. Monday.

She was found by her 10-year-old brother with a rope around her neck hanging from a rafter 8 1/2 feet above the ground.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lee White, Rt. 2.

Sheriff's deputies said the girl apparently climbed on top of a pile of feed sacks to tie the rope to the rafter and then fell backward.

The girl was last seen alive by her brother, who told deputies that she had placed the noose of the rope around the neck of a dog and later around her own neck. At that (See ACCIDENT Page 2A)

Valentine candy, Bowen Drug. (Adv.)

# Moth May Put End To Tumbler Tumbleweeds

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — Riverside and San Bernardino counties. Tumbler tumbleweeds are part of the romance of the Old West, but in the New West they are a pest.

A scientist has now imported a Turkish moth to combat them.

The moth — *Coleophora parthenica* — lays eggs on tumbleweed leaves. The hatching larvae have tumbleweeds for breakfast, lunch and dinner, says Dr. Richard D. Goeden of the University of California's Riverside campus.

Several hundred of the moths, imported from Pakistan and Turkey, have been released into stands of tumbleweeds in

bush harbors many pest insects, including the beet leafhopper, which causes great damage to sugar beets, tomatoes, melons and other crops.

In addition, the Department of Transportation spends \$500,000 a year along highways to keep the weed under control. Motorists trying to swerve around tumbleweeds have smashed into trees and other cars.

Tumbleweeds are natives of the Middle East, parts of Russia and western Asia. The plant's true name is Russian thistle.

Working with U. S. Agriculture Department entomologists, Goeden discovered the moths while studying the tumbleweed's natural enemies. In neither Turkey nor Iran is the tumbleweed a major pest.

"Various insects in Turkey feed on the thistle's seeds, leaves, stems and branches and attack its roots," he said. "Some of these insects, besides *Coleophora*, may also be brought into California for biological control of the weed."

"Nowhere in Turkey, for example, did I see tumbleweeds of the size we have in California. The weed has no serious natural enemies in this state. Goeden's research is part of

an international program that began in the mid-1960's between countries suffering from each other's pests.

The program seeks to control several weed pests by importing natural enemies left behind when the weeds were accidentally exported.

Russian thistle, for example, came to this country in 1874 in a shipment of Russian flax. In turn, the United States has inadvertently sent pests such as ragweed, bane of the allergy-prone, to Russia. Three species of ragweed native to America represent "an agricultural and hay fever problem in Russia," Goeden said.



**DOUBLE PARKING**—A bizarre case of double parking turned up in London when a double-decker bus ended up on top of a car. Police eventually rescued Roy Webber, 39, driver of the smaller vehicle, through a window as the bus slowly crushed it. Webber was hospitalized with chest and neck injuries. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Pension Increases, Junior College Aid Win House Approval

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill raising retired school teachers' pensions at a one-time cost to the taxpayers of \$102 million won final House passage today, 127-3.

It returned to the Senate, which originally approved it for action on a minor amendment, necessary before the measure can go to Gov. Dolph Briscoe for signature.

**Voter Approval Needed**

Briscoe had recommended the bill to the legislature as an emergency measure.

Included in the measure is \$38 million for raises over the lifetime of presently retired teachers, contingent on voter approval April 22 of a constitutional amendment raising the ceiling on state payments into the Teacher Retirement Fund. It also contains \$4 million for immediate raises before that election.

**Retirement Date Important**

Teachers who retired before March 31, 1969, would receive an 18 per cent increase. Those who retired between March 31, 1969, and May 31, 1971, would get 12 per cent. A 5 per cent increase is provided those who retired between May 31, 1971, and Sept. 1, 1973. The 1969 date was selected for the larger raises because until then, teacher and state contributions to the retirement fund were small, and pensions for teachers who retired before then are as low as \$169 a month.

The House passed and sent to the Senate Monday, 123-8, a bill giving public junior colleges \$18 million in emergency relief. Of that amount, \$12 million would go to general academic programs.

Senators sent the House a bill giving corporations and partnerships the same right as individuals to sue for money damages resulting from deceptive trade practices. It also requires

## Vandals Strike At Carver School

Carver School offices and a classroom were burglarized Sunday night with the burglars vandalizing the offices before leaving with about \$1 in change.

Police said the burglars broke out windows in the classroom and then entered the office by breaking the glass in the office door.

The burglars unsuccessfully tried to pry open a candy machine, but found \$1 in change in a refrigerator. Before leaving with a case of soft drinks, they broke out eight windows in the office.

## Springlike Weather Makes Most Texans Forget It's Winter

It didn't take much more than a day for springlike weather to force winter into retreat across Texas.

Dry southwest winds added to the warmth in the northwest section and moisture-laden south breezes swept inland across the coastal plains today. The Tall City, too, is showing signs of spring with winds 15 to 30 m.p.h. forecast for this afternoon by the National Weather Service at Midland Regional Air Terminal.

Monday brought a Midland high of 72 degrees followed by an overnight low of 47. The predicted high for this afternoon is in the middle 70s. Tonight's low should be near 40, the weatherman said, and Wednesday's high should climb near 70.

Except for clear skies in the Panhandle, it was at least partly cloudy over the state and a little drizzle fell around San Antonio this morning. There also was fog in such localities as Alice, Corpus Christi, Cotulla, College Station, Tyler and Texarkana.

Temperatures near dawn generally stood 10 to 20 degrees higher than at the same time Monday. The range was from 34 at Dalhart and 43 at Amarillo in the Panhandle up to 66 at Brownsville and Houston and 67 at Lufkin downtown.

Monday afternoon's top marks went as high as 82 at Midland, Childress and El Paso and 73 at Wink, Lufkin in East Texas was the coolest spot with a maximum of 55. The Associated Press reported.

Rising winds were promised throughout the state, and thunderstorms were forecast by evening near the Texas-Louisiana line. A little cooling was predicted in most sections tonight.

## Kissinger Said 'Hopeful'

JERUSALEM (AP) — Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger is "very hopeful for chances of progress," his spokesman reported today as the American peace negotiator held his second meeting in less than 12 hours with Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin.

Rabin's press aide said hard bargaining would not begin until after Kissinger visits Cairo on Wednesday.

The secretary of State and the premier met for breakfast at Rabin's residence and then went to go into a full working session with their advisers.

Kissinger arrived Monday to begin his latest Middle East peace shuttle and met for almost two hours Monday night with Rabin and an Israeli negotiating team. Spokesmen for both sides said there was a "general review" of positions.

An Israeli spokesman said the purpose of the meeting was to agree on an agenda for future negotiations, and "no specifics were discussed."

Kissinger's task is to find out how much additional Egyptian territory in the Sinai Desert the Israelis are willing to give up in a second disengagement agreement and what political

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concessions they demand in exchange.

He told newsmen with him on the flight from Washington to Jerusalem that he had no "formal proposal" from either side but did have "ideas from Egypt and ideas from Israel."

"I'm here to discuss such ideas," he said.

Egypt wants Israel to give up the Mitia and Gidi passes through which ground forces must pass to reach the central Sinai and the Suez Canal as well as the Abu Rudeis oil fields in the southern Sinai.

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## Footnote Put On 'Emergency' In Spending Of County Funds

The Midland County collector-assessor, told the commissioners Monday put a footnote on the word "emergency" in the spending of county funds for overtime pay.

In this case, the asterisk denotes the "two-month peak sales period of vehicle license tags in the County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office. The overtime counter sales began Feb. 3.

Elmo Linebarger, tax

## WTCC Executive Committee Meets Friday At Abilene

ABILENE — More than 35 members of the Executive Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will be in Abilene Friday for a quarterly meeting of the WTCC Executive Committee.

The committee will consider WTCC positions on a multitude of proposed state and national legislation and affairs affecting West Texas.

The meeting will be at the Abilene Country Club, with Burl B. Hulseby Jr. of Fort Worth, WTCC president, presiding.

On the agenda Friday morning will be the election of directors to fill vacancies and reports on membership, the treasurer's financial report and a review of the 10 standing committees' activities during the past quarter.

Following a buffet luncheon, the committee will reconvene for the completion of the agenda and other new business.

## Accident—

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line, the rope was not tied to the rafter.

The brother left while his sister had the rope around her neck and when he returned found her hanging from the rafter. He then went and told his father he "didn't like the games she was playing."

When deputies arrived, White had removed his daughter from the rope.

Justice of the Peace John Biggs ruled the death accidental.

Services have been tentatively set for Wednesday morning in the Thomas Funeral Home chapel here, with definite time yet to be announced. Interment will be in a Big Spring cemetery under direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

The girl was born June 27, 1962 at Big Spring and moved here with her family two years ago. She was a seventh grade student at Alamo Junior High School here.

Surviving, in addition to the parents, are four brothers, Perry Lee White Jr., Tom Bob White, Jerry L. White and Larry D. White; a sister, Darlene White, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford White of Big Spring.

## Funds—

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bor usage than the average," he said.

Randolph said he based his estimate of the number of jobs on a study by the Federal Highway Administration showing that 151,040 jobs are created for each \$1 billion spent in highway construction.

Other sources said, however, that the estimate was high and said about 70,000 jobs are created for each \$1 billion spent.

There was no breakdown immediately available on how much each state would receive once the \$2 billion is released.

Ford has said in the past he was considering releasing some of the impounded funds. He made the comment in meetings with governors last week and Monday after they urged that the impounded funds be released.

## Midlander Speaks Against Insurance Territory Change

Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Wayne Runkles, Midland insurance agent, spoke for the Texas Association of Insurance Agents this morning when he urged the State Board of Insurance not to make a change which would increase windstorm insurance rates in the Permian Basin and the rest of Northwest Texas.

A delegation of 20 officials from Brown, Eastland, Montague, Young, Jack, Wise, and Stephens counties asked to be taken out of the rating territory which includes Northwest Texas.

Runkles said that the transfer should not be made because "we must consider the effect on those who would be left in the north, northwest territory. The end result would be higher rates."

The board took the proposal under consideration.

## 15 All-Staters To Participate In Dallas Meet

Fifteen Tall City musicians Wednesday morning will depart for Dallas, where they will participate in All-State activities of the Texas Music Educators Association.

All-State Band members include Mark Vasicek of Midland High and Dan Shipman, Nan Gordon and James Hamilton of Lee High. Named to the All-State Orchestra were Leslie Moore and Marty Connolly, also from LHS.

Nine choir members will make the trip to Dallas including five students from MHS. They are James Coldewey, Mike Robard, Sam Zachery, Tim Johnson and Deena Harral.

LHS All-Staters are Gayette Lott, Kathy McGee, Milton Jones and Richard Montez.

The three-day meeting will conclude Saturday evening in the Convention Center with a grand concert featuring an estimated 600 high school musicians from the All-State Choir, Band and Orchestra.

## Three Midlanders Treated, Released After Car Mishaps

Traffic accidents sent several Midlanders to the hospital Monday, none with serious injuries.

Michlene Nicole Barnes, 8-year-old daughter of Mrs. Hazel Magee Barnes of 2811 W. Louisiana St., was injured when a car driven by Mrs. Barnes and one driven by Brenda Morris of 938 N. Fort Worth St. were in collision.

The accident occurred about 7:20 p.m. Monday at 802 S. Big Spring St.

Miss Barnes was treated and released at Midland Memorial Hospital.

A two-car accident at the intersection of Tarleton and Neely streets about 12:30 p.m. Monday injured one of the drivers and a passenger.

Ronald L. Ragland, 17, of Rt. 2, drove one of the cars, and William Morris Moore of 1805 Ward St. was the driver of the other car. Sam S. Savage of 2805 Stutz Drive was a passenger in the Moore vehicle.

Savage and Ragland were treated at Midland Memorial Hospital and released.

## Marker Honors Kelley-Snyder Field Pioneer

SNYDER — The late James R. Graham, first president of Canyon Reef Carriers, Inc., was honored today with a historical marker to be erected in the Kelley-Snyder oil field here.

A dedication program was to be at noon, headed by Glenn Schurman, current president of Canyon Reef Carriers and vice president of production for Chevron Oil Company West.

The marker is located at the site of a carbon dioxide injection station of FM 1611, three miles west and one and quarter miles north of Snyder.

Graham has been given major credit for getting companies and individuals to cooperate in the early stages in a pipeline project in West Texas.

## Tories—

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the test after losing two national elections to Harold Wilson's Labor party last year.

Even in this second round of the voting, the Thatcher camp had not been certain of outright victory. Had Mrs. Thatcher polled fewer than 139 votes — a majority of the caucus — the race would have gone into a third ballot Thursday.

An Oxford-educated chemist, lawyer and mother of 21-year-old twins, Mrs. Thatcher was education secretary in Heath's 1970-74 cabinet. Her special field of interest now is finance and taxation, and she advocates a tight-money policy and curbs on government spending to help pull Britain out of its economic difficulties.

Whitehall, a wealthy, 58-year-old landowner, has been a member of Commons since 1955, four years longer than Mrs. Thatcher.

## Election April 12

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Portugal will hold its first free election in 50 years on April 12, and President Francisco da Costa Gomes has warned the voters to beware of extremists of both the right and left and join in the construction of a pluralistic democracy.

The board took the proposal under consideration.

## Midlanders Charged In Alleged Swindle

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Commission suspended over the counter trading of Select Enterprises in April of 1970, several weeks after the alleged price-inflating scheme.

The grand jury, filing its charges in Manhattan federal court, charged that Emerson F. Titlow, 45, of Reno, Nev., acquired stock of an old corporation, renamed it, and acted as transfer agent for 1,036,603 shares of stock; that Roger Bissett, 55, of Reno, a lawyer, certified a false financial statement, and that Knisely, became president, and Weber, a lawyer, became secretary.

"All defendants agreed to distribute thousands of shares of Select stock to lenders, brokers and purchasers throughout the United States and abroad, and to aid one another without filing a registration statement with SEC," the indictment said. As part of the promotion scheme, it was alleged that Knisely, carried all the stock from Reno to New York in January, 1970, delivering 100,000 shares to co-defendant Alan Segal, 45, of New York, and putting the rest in a safety de-

## Marker Honors Kelley-Snyder Field Pioneer

posit box. Later, false documents were submitted to the SEC about nonexistent business contracts.

Knisely, reached this morning by telephone, said he had learned of the indictment about 10:30 a.m. "There is no truth in those accusations," he said. "There's no fact or fancy to it."

Neither Boyd nor Weber were available for comment.

Asst. U.S. Atty. W. Cullen MacDonald would not say how much was lost by investors. But several banks—in New York, Texas, Alabama, Kansas and Massachusetts—were listed as "purchaser, lender etc.," indicating they either bought stock or made loans against it.

Also named as defendants were James Calvin Joiner, 35, of Idabel, Okla.; Goodloe, a lawyer; John Wells, 35, of New York; Ernest R. Mullenax, 35, no hometown listed; Brookshire, who at the time was president of an Atoka, Okla., bank; Barnett, and Stanley Schlegler, 35, of Great Neck, N.Y., both certified public accountants; Marvin J. Rappaport, 35, of Spring Valley, N.Y., a lawyer, and Edward Vanasco, 35, of New York.

## Midlander Hurt In Auto Accident

Norman James Maberry, 71, of 809 Raymond Dr. was in fair condition at noon today in Midland Memorial Hospital after suffering multiple fractures in an accident.

An automobile he was driving and a truck driven by Jose Bifotas of Odessa were in collision about 9:30 a.m. today at the intersection of U. S. 80 and the Air Terminal gate.

## Ford To Seek Farmer Tax Rebate

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more social than anything else." He reported the two men talked about energy and the economy but did not talk politics.

"Gov. Connally's legal problems were not discussed," he said.

Earlier in the day Ford met with Govs. Dolph Briscoe of Texas, David L. Boren of Oklahoma, David Pryor of Arkansas, Raul Castro of Arizona and Jerry Apodaca of New Mexico. All are Democrats.

Apodaca said he had no strong feelings one way or the other but was mainly concerned that the oil producing states of the West not become colonies of the Northeast.

All the governors reported they strongly urged Ford to amend his windfall profits proposals to permit the plowback of profits into exploration drilling.

Asked for the President's reaction, Nessen said Federal Energy Administrator Frank G. Zarb told the governors the administration would await congressional hearings before deciding whether to make a recommendation in that area.

The press secretary said the

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## Tilley, Hinderer On Deans' List

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Two Midland, Tex., students have been named to the fall semester deans' lists at New Mexico State University here.

They are John Tilley in the College of Business Administration and Economics and Joe E. Hinderer in the College of Engineering.

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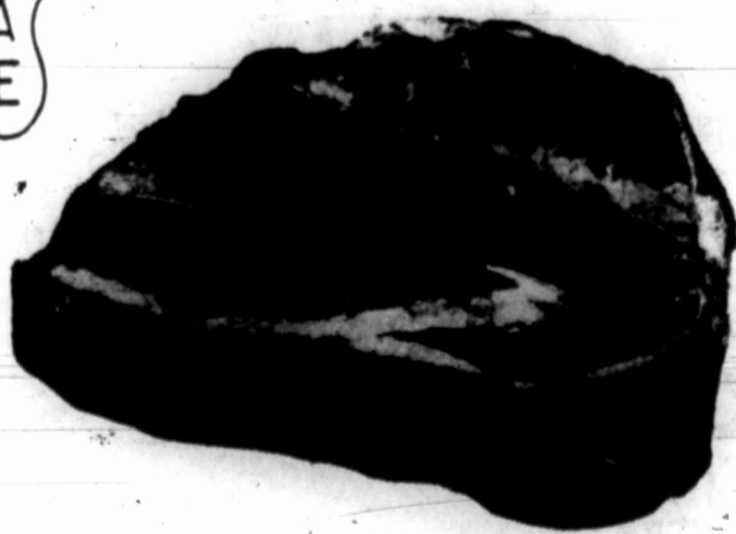
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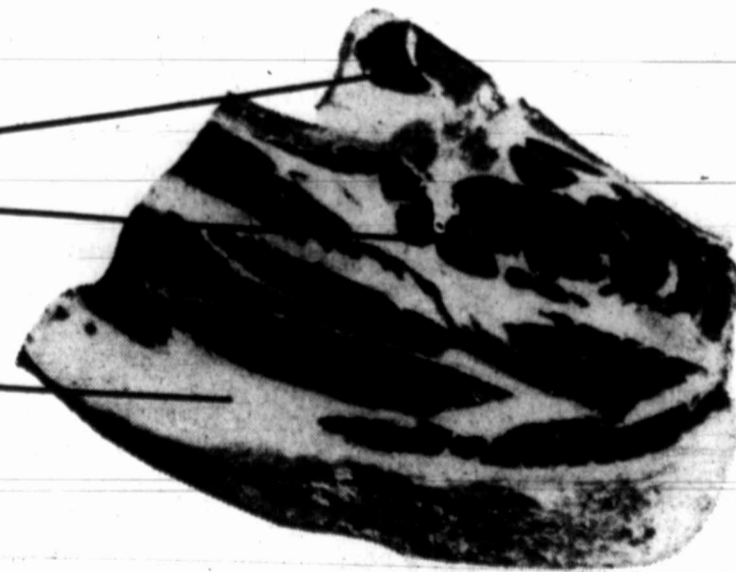
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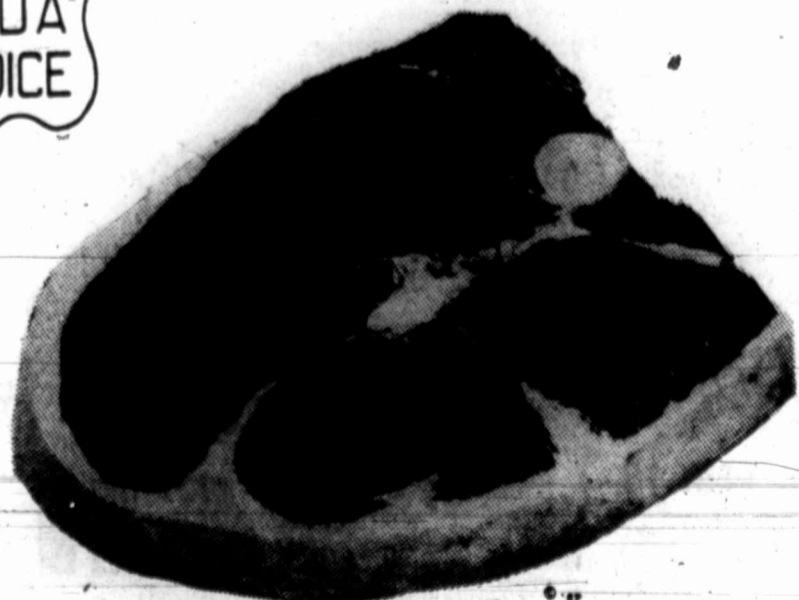
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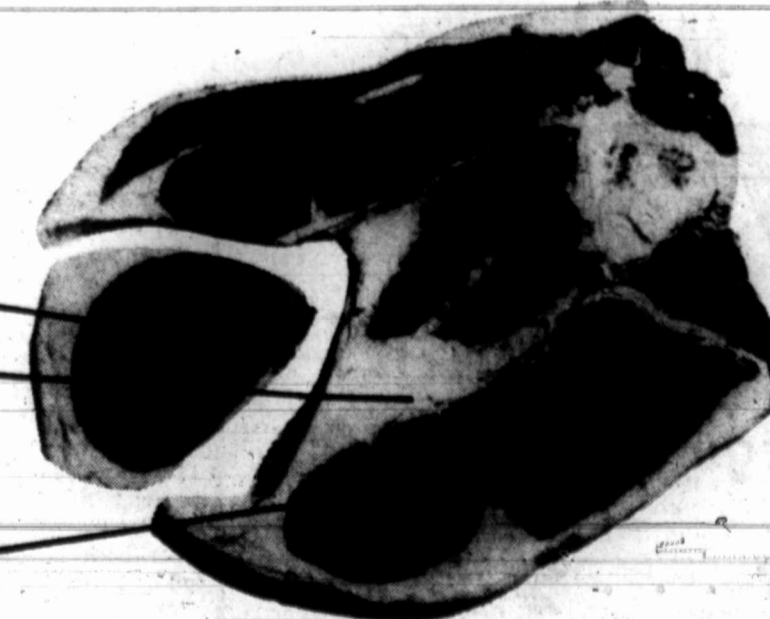
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# Women

4A—TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1975

## MHS Observes Catoico Tradition

Marcia Blackwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Blackwell, 2502 Shell St., has been named queen of the 1975 Midland High School Catoico Court, sponsored by the MHS Student Council.

The coronation, which theme will be "Mardi Gras," is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the MHS auditorium.

Immediately following the coronation, there will be a reception and semi-formal dance in the Midland Youth Center with the "New Light Band" of Big Spring providing the music. The court members and their escorts will be honored with a breakfast following the dance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McDonnold, 1609 Stanolind St.

Miss Blackwell is president of the Posse-ettes and a member of the National Honor Society. The Bulldog newspaper staff, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Junior Council, the Student Involvement Through Community Action (SITCA) and the Spanish Club. She is a Student Council class representative and cabinet member, and has been a Junior Rotarian, receiving an Optimist Youth Appreciation Award.

Other members of the court selected by the student body from 27 nominees are Travis Harris, Michelle Hickey, Nancy Hill, Brenda Matejek, Megan McDonnold and Pam Williams. Gayle Grimland and Holly Heard will be the train bearers.

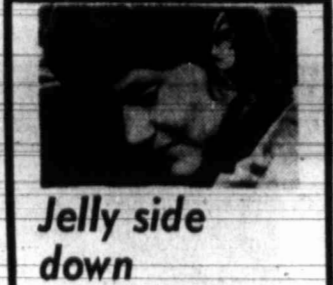
Miss Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Harris, 1311 Lawson St., is a varsity cheerleader. She is a member of the FCA and Future Homemakers of America and was an active member of the varsity tennis team her sophomore and junior years. She has received an Optimist Youth Appreciation Award.

Miss Hickey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hickey, 1022 Hanover Drive, was the 1974 Homecoming Queen and Howdy Week favorite. She is a member of the FCA, Posse-ettes and Junior Council. She has been a football secretary and was elected sophomore class favorite and "most popular" as a junior.

Miss Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hill, 1603 W. Michigan St., is varsity head cheerleader and a member of the National Honor Society, the Bulldog newspaper staff, the Junior Council and the Student Council, as a class representative and cabinet member. She was a member of the Spanish National Honor Society her junior year. She is a Junior Rotarian and has received an Optimist Youth Appreciation Award.

Miss Matejek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Matejek, 1101 N. Garfield St., was football sweetheart and FCA sweetheart. She is active as the FCA secretary, as well as football and secretary.

Miss McDonnold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McDonnold, went on pre-pasted wallpaper, which she worked! It's now been a year, she is a member of the Posse-ettes, and nary a peeling spot or a single lump! And since the wall paper in vinyl-coated, it's scrub-



## Jelly side down

By NANCY STAHL  
Every night at dinner, my children play a game entitled "Top News Story of the Day." The rules are simple. Whatever bit of folksy information my daughter reports, her younger brother must counterattack immediately by injecting a more bizarre incident, beginning with the words "That's nothing. Some kid in my class..."

A typical exchange runs much along the following lines: Laurie: "A guy in my class named Michael Harris got cross-country skis for Christmas." Eric: "That's nothing. Some kid in my class got a three-hundred-speed bike for Christmas. It goes seven thousand miles an hour. His mother is a black belt in karate, and his father is a Russian spy."

Laurie (desperately): "Carlene Shultz can burp at will." Eric: "That's nothing. Some kid in my class can pull his eyes right out of their sockets, get a whole grapefruit in his mouth, and make his nose bleed by pulling on his earlobes." Laurie, understandably miffed at being continually upstaged, will occasionally exhibit a bit of skepticism as to the authenticity of these events. For example:

Laurie: "Ritchie McGrath ate a fly today." Eric: "That's nothing. Some kid in my class swallows rats." Laurie: "Don't be dumb. Rats are too big to swallow." Eric: "I didn't say big rats, smarty. He swallows little rats, babies."

Laurie: "Sara Jenkins brought her basset hound to school today." Eric: "That's nothing. Some kid in my class brought in his pet gorilla. I petted him and he let me feel his muscles." Laurie: "Oh, brother!" Eric: "What do YOU know? You don't even go to my school!"

hints from **Heloise**

**You Can Paper Those Cinder Block Walls**  
Dear Heloise: We added on a playroom and trying to save expense, had cinder block walls. They looked terrible and nothing would go on them. So one day I decided to try an experiment. I mixed up a batch of flour and water paste and "painted" it on the cinder block, then quickly laid on single sheets of newspaper, overlapping the edges a little, and smoothing it down. When it was totally dry (24 hours later), we had a lovely, smooth surface, and the cracks and holes were filled in and the wall was flat. Then we put on pre-pasted wallpaper, which worked! It's now been a year, and nary a peeling spot or a single lump! And since the wall paper in vinyl-coated, it's scrub-

able — and believe me it has been! About six months ago I tried to do the same thing in my basement laundry area, which also has cinder block walls, but decided to use adhesive-backed paper. I learned it WILL NOT stick on cinder block without the "paste-newspaper" treatment first. With the pasting, it is a joy to use. Everyone says it looks so great, I should "tell it to you." So I did!

Mrs. M. R. W.  
And thanks a million for doing so, angel. Sounds great! Bless you.

Dear Heloise: One of my favorite ideas: If two people each had a dollar and exchanged them, each would still have a dollar. On the other hand, if they exchanged ideas, each would have TWO ideas! Just think how many we all have now through your column! Keep the ideas coming.

Doris Bond  
Dear Heloise: I was having trouble keeping the button-hole attachment on my sewing machine from snagging my polyester fabrics. Then I discovered I could put a piece of wax paper under the fabric and another piece over it while I was sliding it into the machine. I could move it exactly into place since the paper is transparent. Then pull out the wax paper.

I then make the buttonhole as usual, lift the presser foot, and slip the two pieces of wax paper back in place before I pull it out of the machine. Now, I have no snags in my new dresses.

Mrs. Earl Cable  
THIS COLUMN is written for you, the housewife and homemaker. If you have a hint or a problem write to Heloise in care of this newspaper. Because of the tremendous volume of mail, Heloise is unable to answer all individual letters. She will, however, answer your questions in her column whenever possible.

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## Housewife Scrubs Airport's Runways

By RITA GILLMON  
Copley News Service  
SAN DIEGO, Calif. — At 3 a.m., when air traffic is almost nil at Lindbergh Field here, petite Donna White, 22, is at work with heavy water pressure machinery to remove burned rubber from the runways.

Robert White, an independent contractor, couldn't find a young man to help him with his work, so he found Donna — and now she is Mrs. White.

"I was taking rubber off the airfield outside Spokane (Wash.) and had hired an Air Force sergeant and a busboy to help me at \$50 a day. They lasted one day and I still had two to go," said White.

### Meets At Pump

"I drove to a gas station nearby to get some oil and Donna was working there pumping gas, so I asked her if she knew anyone I could get to work for me a few days," said White.

"For that money I'll do it myself," she said, and when White left town to go to another job she went along.

"I had been attending junior college in Cupertino, Calif., near San Jose, but got sick of the city. I went up to Washington to be in the outdoors and the only job I could find was the one pumping gas. I know typing and stenography, but didn't

want to work as a secretary," she said.

One month later, White, 47, married his 22-year-old helper. "I figured it would be cheaper than paying her a salary," he said, and laughed.

"Now he is finding out it isn't so," said Mrs. White.

### High Pressure

White first got the idea of using high pressure water blasting to remove rubber from runways in 1972.

"I was watching them clean the runways at McClellan Air Force Base with chemicals which are very expensive and polluting," he said.

White, who was a painting contractor at the time, had a water pressure rig he used to clean surfaces before painting.

"I experimented with that and it didn't work too well but I figured if I could get one big enough it would work," he said.

A few months later, after investing in four large pumps and a heavy truck and having four tanks welded to his specifications, White was ready to go.

## Crepe Program Given AAUW Group

The Les Toques Blances Group of the American Association of University Women met recently in the home of Mrs. Henry Krusekopf, 2610 Cimmaron St. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Larry McIntosh, Mrs. Ted Noel and Mrs. Dan Kallus.

Mrs. Krusekopf and Mrs. Kallus presented a program on crepes, giving origin, history and helpful hints. Mrs. Noel demonstrated how to make them, which included a variety of utensils on display. A buffet arranged with Crepe Dinners and Apple Crepes, accompanied with orange juice and coffee, highlighted the program.

A short business session was held with Mrs. Bill Johnson presiding.

The next meeting of the group will be held at 9:30 a.m. March 6 in the Reddy Room of Texas Electric Service Co., with Sara Williamson, home economist, giving a program and demonstration on the microwave oven and the blender.

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**VISUAL IMPROVEMENTS GIFT**—Mrs. James "Doc" Dodson, ways and means chairman of the Junior Women's Association, a member of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, recently presented a check to Lloyd Innerarity, a member of the Visual Improvements Projects committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

## Briscoe Proclaims '75 As Women's Year

AUSTIN — Gov. Dolph Briscoe has proclaimed 1975 as International Women's Year in Texas.

In observing International Women's Year, emphasis is placed on the role of women in the economy, their accomplishments in the

## Women's Liberation Blamed For Some Mental Depression

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Women's liberation and today's high-pressure, mobile society may account for mental depression striking more women than men, a Connecticut psychiatrist says.

Mental depression has been called the epidemic of the '70s, yet little is certain about its causes, said Myrna Weissman. But indications that it affects more women than men offers a clue, she said in a recent interview.

One explanation is that the women's liberation movement raises hopes that often remain unfulfilled for a number of personal and social reasons, she said.

"There are many disadvantages as well as advantages to being liberated," she added.

Another hypothesis is that the

modern woman is torn by the demands of modern society.

"Social and community bonds are much looser," she noted.

"Separation from friends and family are all part of the way of life and may create more depression."

Mrs. Weissman and Eugene S. Paykel have written a book, "The Depressed Woman: A Study of Social Relationships."

She is an assistant professor in psychiatry at Yale University and is at the Connecticut Mental Health Center in New Haven. Paykel also was on the Yale faculty before becoming a consultant psychiatrist at St. George's Hospital in London.

A comparison of 40 normal women and 40 depressed female patients at the Yale Depression Clinic showed, as expected, that the mental change disrupted good relationships within the patient's immediate family, Mrs. Weissman said.

Depression has much less ef-

fect on relationships with more distant relatives and casual friends, the study showed.

"The typical depressed patient is apt to be a young woman in her most productive years, often married, living at home and rearing children," she said.

Most patients who respond to treatment are able to resume normal lives, she added.

The two specialists focused on women because other studies suggest that twice as many women as men fall prey to depression.

On the other hand, some psychiatrists believe men suffer in equal numbers but seek relief in alcohol and other escapes rather than professional treatment, she said.

"There are more men coming into the clinic now," she added, "and we expect more as the economic situation worsens, when men are laid off and can't find work."

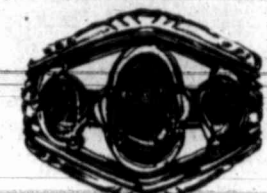
## OES Chapter Honors Past Matrons, Patrons

The Norman Read Chapter No. 1010, Order of the Eastern Star, recently honored past matrons and past patrons of the chapter.

Introduced as past matrons were Mrs. Johnnie Bell Bobbitt, Mrs. Betty Johnson, Mrs. Ruth Stille, Mrs. Louise York, Mrs. Dottie Powell, Mrs. Mason Shurley; Mrs. Carrie Lou Davis, Mrs. Frank Sauze and Jean Sauze. C. W. Anderson and Mason Shurley were introduced as past patrons.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Benson of Mountain Lily Chapter No. 10, Rock Springs, Wyo., and Mrs. Jane Hudson of Colorado City Chapter No. 58 were welcomed, as were Grand Chapter officers and other guests.

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**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lamm of Seminole celebrated Sunday their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception in the home of a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larrue M. Gansel, 2807 Douglas St. The couple, married Feb. 7, 1925, in Kemah, Okla., has another daughter, Wanda Mason of Seminole, and two sons, Riley Lamm of Seminole and Alvin Lamm Jr. of Odessa. They also have 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

## Mrs. Frank Felts Outstanding ESA'er

The regular monthly business meeting of the Beta Eta Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha was held recently in the home of Mrs. Sally Davis, 1606 W. Pecan St. President, Mrs. O. D. Martin, presided.

The annual valentine party for children of the special education classes of the Midland Independent School District, the Opportunity Center and the Cerebral Palsy Center will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the former North Elementary School building. Members will furnish refreshments, and entertainment will be provided by members of Girl Scout Troop No. 138. Mrs. Don Robinson, chapter sweetheart, will be honored as a special guest. She was presented a charm following her selection during the meeting.

Mrs. Frank Felts was named Outstanding ESA'er and will compete for district honors as chapter representative. Mrs. Felts has been an ESA member 15 years and has been active on both the chapter and district levels. A candidate for District 8 president, she currently serves as district vice president and chapter educational director and philanthropic committee chairman.

In agreement with Beta Omega Chapter of ESA, funds from the defunct Midland City

Council of ESA will be donated to the state project, birth defect centers located in Dallas, Galveston, Houston and San Antonio, in the name of both chapters.

Mrs. Tony Watson of Midland and Mrs. Ivan White of Fort Stockton are candidates for state ESA offices. Election of state officers will be held during the annual convention scheduled May 24 at Beaumont.

Members named to the chapter nominating committee were: Mrs. Charles Campanella, chairman, and Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Reggie Medley. They will present at the March meeting a slate of officers, with election to take place in April.

It was announced that Mrs. Medley was presented a 10-year service award at the recent District 8 meeting held in Snyder. The chapter also received awards for outstanding educational programs during October, November and December.

Social chairman, Mrs. Robinson, announced the next social will be a couples' covered dish luncheon Feb. 12 in the home of Mrs. Martin.

The program, presented by Mrs. Campanella, was entitled "The Beauty of Face and Hair," with helpful tips on care and highlighting of features and hair given and the fallacy of beauty myths pointed out.

## Dear Abby

By Abigail van Buren

### Concealment Of Impotence Grounds For Annulment?

DEAR ABBY: I have been married (in name only) for five years. I was a lonely divorcee (age 47) and John was a well-to-do widower (60) when we were married.

The first night we were married I found out that he had no desire for sex whatsoever. He was impotent. I know it's not his fault, but he should have told me. (He later said he was afraid he'd lose me.)

We had everything a happily married couple could want. A lovely home, friends, trips, and I can't say I wasn't living a good life, although I missed the physical side of marriage some. Now I have met a wonderful man. He is my age (52) and it was skyrockets and Roman candles the first time we were alone together. We're in love and want to get married, but I hate to hurt John.

Would it be wrong to leave John and grab what little happiness is left in life?

IN LOVE

DEAR IN: If you want to justify leaving your husband, the fact that he didn't tell you about his impotence is sufficient. (That's probably grounds for an annulment.) Trying to keep your love a secret will be like trying to smuggle down past a rooster.

You'd better tell your husband before he tells you.

DEAR ABBY: Maybe I can help settle the controversy, "do fish feel pain?" They certainly do!

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DEAR ABBY: I've been married for 18 years to a fellow who, for the most part, is a marvelous husband, father, lover and provider. His job keeps him away from home quite a bit, so when he's in town, I enjoy having the house nice for him, cooking the meals he likes, and keeping myself up. The kids and I look forward to his coming home in the evening.

Now, the problem: If something comes up, like a meeting with the boys after work, or something related to his work, he doesn't think it's necessary to call and let me know he'll not be home for dinner. He feels that phoning makes him less of a "man." Needless to say, when he doesn't phone, I become angry. When I ask him why he couldn't at least have phoned to let me know, he says he doesn't want to be heckped. This is getting to me. Abby.

Am I asking too much? Any suggestions as to how I can handle this?

TRYING HARD

DEAR TRYING: If your husband thinks a call to say he will not be home for dinner qualifies him for the heckpeded flock, he's got his birds mixed up. He's a silly goose.

Everyone has a problem. What's yours? For a personal reply, write to ABBY in care of this newspaper. Enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope, please.

Son Born

Mr. and Mrs. Brad Lynch, 4816 Shady Lane, announce the birth Friday of a son, Samuel William, in Midland Memorial Hospital, weighing 12 pounds 4 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Hale and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Furney, all of Midland.

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### Sisterhood Sets Annual Luncheon

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Tickets and reservations may be made with Mrs. William H. Smiley Jr., 694-1344, or Mrs. Norman Gould, 694-1880.

Available will be cheesecakes, cheese blintzes and sweet-and-sour cabbage rolls.

### Group Schedules Officer Election

The Tall City Chapter No. 32 of Parents Without Partners will have its annual election of officers a 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity.

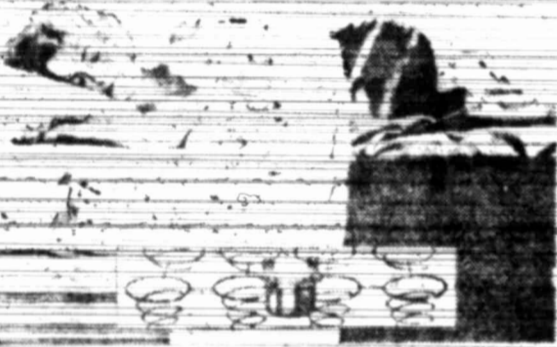
The nominating committee has presented the following slate of officers: Mrs. Martha Douglass, president; Mrs. Catherine Hill, vice president; Mrs. Mary Morgan, secretary; and Mrs. Elsie McCague, treasurer.

Joan Bennett, protective service worker for the State Department of Public Welfare, will present a film on child abuse, "Wednesday's Children." Members unable to attend the election may send their votes to P.O. Box 1415.

The chapter's annual inaugural ball will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in Holiday Inn. Reservations should be made by Friday morning by dialing 684-9876, after 5 p.m.

A happy hour will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Holiday Inn. The Country Squires will play for the dance, starting at 9 p.m. Members of Odessa and Big Spring chapters have been invited to attend the banquet and dance.

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IT'S HARRY JAMES—Mr. and Mrs. G. Arthur Donnelly III, left, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hinkle, right, are pictured with Harry James at the Charity Ball held Monday night in Midland Country Club.



MEET AT BALL—Jack Wilkinson Jr., left, one of the sponsors for the Junior League of Midland, Inc., Charity Ball held Monday visits with Mr. and Mrs. John Waddill, center, and Claudia Ramsland, Mrs. Waddill was general chairman of the benefit.

### OVER CHARITY BALL— Fireflies Possibly 'Blew' Some Kilowatts

By FRANCHELLE MOORE  
If there happened to be any fireflies blowing non-stop over Midland Monday (aboard the West Texas wind), they probably "mentally blinked" there was an oasis for luminous insects at Midland Country Club.  
The myriad of twinkling lights at the club was featured in decorations for the 26th annual Charity Ball, benefit sponsored by the Junior League of Midland, Inc.  
The nocturnal winged, light-producing insects would have blown, possibly, a few kilowatts had they tried to compete with the colorful display, all in white and lights to simulate a winter scene. Enjoying the ball were 800 formally-clad guests.  
On the outside of the clubhouse were white flocked trees and other trees covered with twinkle lights. The foyer

had a revolving mirrored ball spotted with colorful lights, and there were flats painted with lattice work design. Covering the wall separating the foyer from the ballroom were floor to ceiling mirrors, centered with a glass bird cage, made by Jesse Petree, accented with plants. A silk flower arrangement centered the registry table.  
Windows overlooking the golf course were outlined with twinkle lights, and white netting on the chandeliers produced the illusion of clouds.  
Tables occupied by the

sponsors of the ball were draped to the floor with white taffeta and the chairs had matching back covers. The tables had silver mylar runners and fresh flower arrangements with candles. Mirrored acrylic wine coolers held the champagne bottles.  
The fireplace in the Fireplace Room was covered with white drapes and had trees with twinkle lights. The bandstand was flanked with stylized trees with doves and lights.  
Garden flowers and white cloths with silver mylar runners decorated tables in other rooms of the club. The flowers were in brandy snifters, except in the Garden Room, where there were arrangements of sweet peas in plexiglas candle holders.  
Providing music in the various areas of the club were Harry James and musicians, The First Crossing, Blue Marble Fawn and Bill Smiley, pianist.  
Sponsors of the ball, which is one of two fund-raising activities of the league for the support of 11 community programs, were Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Beal, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Evans Blake, Mrs. Ralford H. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. George Holt Glass, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Reg F. Hyer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Karcher, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. William Donald Kleine, Mr. and

Mrs. Tony A. Martin, Cowden Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. O'Shaughnessy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. William Glenn Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Samples, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harold Ward, Jack Wilkinson Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wood.  
Mrs. John Waddill was general chairman of the ball, and Mrs. G. Arthur Donnelly III was decorations chairman. The decorations co-ordinator was Mrs. Gordon Marcum III. President of the league is Mrs. Richard Lamphere.  
During 26 years of service to the community, the league has returned half a million dollars to Midland, in addition to contributing thousands of volunteer hours. The other fund-raising project is the Next-to-New Shop.  
So — fireflies, recharge your batteries or whatever and plan a return flight for an aerial view of the 1976 Charity Ball.

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**Coming Events**  
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Midland Health and Welfare Association, 12 noon, luncheon, Salvation Army, 223 S. Lorraine St.  
Dorcas Society of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 9 a.m., church.  
MCC Women's Golf Association, 9 a.m., club.  
Midland County Republican Women's Club, 11:30 a.m., MCC.  
Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, 8 p.m., DAV Hall.  
DeMolay Mothers Club, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.  
Senior Citizens Center, 12 noon, Veterans Club, 1212 Christian Church.  
Midland Health and Welfare Association, 12 noon, Salvation Army Headquarters Building.  
St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church, 7:15 a.m., HE-Imposition of ashes, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., HE-Imposition of ashes, church.  
Midland Chapter No. 32, Parents Without Partners, 8 p.m.-10 p.m., 611 Versailles St.  
En Amie Review Club, 12 noon, RHCC.

**PTA Unit Gives Life Membership**  
The West Elementary Parent-Teacher Association Unit recently met in the school's cafeteria, with Mrs. Dalton Linton presiding. Cub Scouts of Den 1, Pack 6, presented the flag ceremony under the direction of Tom Rider, Cubmaster.  
A Texas life membership was presented to Mrs. Victor Kuykendall by Mrs. Patsy Bostwick.  
Mrs. Jeanie Scholes's class won the attendance prize for the upper grades, while Mrs. Margaret Lambeth's room won for the lower grades.  
Elected to the nominating committee were: Joe Cummins, Mrs. Judia Foreman and Mrs. Bostwick. Mrs. Linton announced the project committee composed of Dan Foreman, chairman, Mrs. Jo Ann Riggs, Cummins and Mrs. Kuykendall.  
The unit decided to renew the Cub Scout Pack 6 charter for another year.  
Nancy Caswell's class won the "White Christmas" contest with 179 contributions.  
The next unit meeting will be March 3, at which time officers will be elected.

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Also in stock are pants to coordinate with tops. They come in hi-waisted, low cut, corduroy, checks, and solids, some with matching jackets. Regular blue denim Saddleman boot jeans come with matching jackets in regular shrink-to-fit blue denim with button fly in waist size 26-42.

Tom's has the ever Popular Durango bells of 50 per cent cotton, 50 per cent polyester in the same cut and fit as 100 per cent corduroy bell bottoms. All stay press to look really great.

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## Hill Staff To Question Seven Phone Executives

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — Atty. Gen. John Hill's staff will question seven Southwestern Bell executives and review company records as part of Hill's fight against the company's proposed increase in intrastate long distance phone rates.

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Blackwell's order said the Bell material is to be produced Friday in Dallas while the depositions are to be taken Feb. 17, also in Dallas.

A hearing on a temporary injunction against Bell's rate hike is set for Feb. 18.

Last Friday, Blackwell granted a temporary restraining order against Bell. The utility announced Jan. 30 it would raise long distance rates in Texas by \$45 million a year beginning March 1.

## Senators Row Over Interest

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — A Senate committee scheduled a fourth session today on what one member referred to as the "continuing saga of Senate Bill 69, starring Sen. Bill Patman."

Patman, dogged in his efforts to hold the line on higher interest rates, apparently won a concession Monday when Sen. W. T. Moore, D-Bryan, agreed to reduce the proposed rate increases he wanted.

**Meeting Late Today**

The Senate Economic Development Committee set a 4 p.m. hearing on the proposal.

"I rest my case on this amendment," said Moore.

The amendment was a proposal by Dr. Ray McAlister of North Texas State University, who testified on a study of interest rates which was financed by several loan companies.

McAlister stressed, however, "There is no way they could buy my testimony."

The interest rate proposal has developed into the most controversial issue of the new session.

Moore and Patman repeatedly interrupted each other's witness Monday, with Moore calling Gordon Bogan of the Dallas Legal Services Foundation a "professional bleeding heart."

**'Guardian Angel'**

Moore sarcastically referred to Patman as the "guardian angel of anyone who borrows money—not being in position (himself) to ever have to borrow money."

"Let's not be personal," interjected Sen. Tom Creighton, D-Mineral Wells, the committee chairman who has been referring to the Moore-Patman feud as the "Moore-Patman feud."

Bogan said that under Moore's proposal "the poor will be even more bound to an end."

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**On 'Credit Hook'**

James Boyle, president of the Texas Consumer Association, said, "Inevitably, passage of this bill means more consumers will find themselves on the 'credit hook' so that they never escape the telephone calls and visits from loan collectors and the humiliation and financial embarrassment of not being able to pay the high interest rates."

McAlister insisted, however, "Our present rate structure is far in excess of the lowest in the nation."

The "McAlister-Moore" amendment, for example, cuts back the proposed \$40 interest increase on 12-month \$1,000 loans to \$28. Proposed increases in other loan categories also are reduced.

"This is so someone can't point to Texas and say this is a loan shark bill and a loan shark state," said McAlister.

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## Dallas Council Seeks To Review Utility Franchise

DALLAS (AP) — The city council has asked for a review of its franchise agreement that allows Dallas Power & Light Co. to pass higher fuel costs on to its customers on a month-by-month basis.

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## U.S. Court Judge Denies TDC Motion

TYLER, Tex. (AP) — A motion by Texas Department of Corrections (TDC) officials to allow the U.S. Justice Department to intervene in a lawsuit brought by seven convicts was denied Monday by U.S. District Court Judge William Wayne Justice.

The lawsuit, which names TDC Director W. J. Estelle, alleges violations of prisoner rights at TDC's Eastham and Coffield units.

Justice consolidated several prisoner complaints in April 1974 and designated them as a class action lawsuit against the TDC last December. No trial file has been set.

The suit alleges prisoners were denied certain correspondence rights, had mail censored and were harassed by prison personnel.

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# Two Are Killed During First Hours Of IRA's Cease-Fire

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — A gunman killed two Roman Catholics in the first hours of the Irish Republican Army's new cease-fire.

There was speculation that Protestant extremists were trying to sabotage the truce because they believed it was the first step in a British sellout to the Irish Catholics fighting to unite Northern Ireland with the Irish Republic.

There was no immediate reaction from the IRA, but its cease-fire proclamation did not rule out a resumption of guerrilla warfare against Protestant extremists. It specified that hostilities against "Crown forces," meaning the British army and the police, would be suspended.

Four other Catholics were slain Saturday night, Sunday and Monday. Thirteen persons have been killed since the IRA's Christmas cease-fire expired on Jan. 16, and the official death toll since August 1969 has risen to 1,157.

The barroom attack Monday night occurred in Pomeroy, in County-Tyrone.

Dominic Hayden, the manager, said he was talking to five persons in the crowded bar when a man burst in with a submachine gun and began shooting. Hayden said he dropped to the floor behind the bar, and one of the group jumped over it and landed on top of him. The other five were all hit.

Arthur Muholland, 60, was killed instantly, and 19-year-old Eugene Coyle died later of his wounds. Three others, including a woman, were reported in serious condition.

The London Evening News reported the British government, in exchange for the cease-fire, agreed to end army arrests and searches in Catholic areas, recall its troops to their barracks in areas of "low military" activity, rapidly phase out the detention without trial of suspected guerrillas, and restrict the activities of police patrols.

The government denied the report.

# Farm Leader Hills Favored Treatment Of Oil Industry

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Tony Dechant, president of the National Farmer's Union, blasted what he described as favored treatment of the oil industry Monday afternoon, saying a food program is needed to match the federal government's energy program.

Dechant lashed out at federal farm policies in a talk to the 70th annual convention of the Oklahoma Farmers Union.

"We need a food program—just like they (the federal government) has an energy program," said Dechant.

"Exxon's profits went up 60 per cent in 1973 from 1972 and another 28.5 per cent over that in 1974... and there's been no rollback in prices, but the President's 1976 budget cut out low loan rate programs for farmers and soil conservation program; the cost of food stamps was raised, which I can't understand," he said.

He said Washington was not concerned about the oil companies' "unconscionable profits, but when we say we need more aid for farmers we're told it's inflationary."

Dechant said the United States has 138 million head of livestock (a surplus) and suggested one of two federal programs to stabilize the market.

Either the government give financial incentives to kill younger and leaner stock, or institute a bonus food stamp program to be utilized only for meat and dairy products, Dechant said.

"It can't be done," he proclaimed, "it's a question of where your priorities are."

Dechant said farmers are great users of energy and termed President Ford's tax rebate program and the accompanying increase for fuel a "Mickey Mouse" plan.

"It means nothing for farmers but grief," he said. "There must be an equitable (fuel) allocation program."

# Cosmonauts Slated To Begin Houston Training Today

HOUSTON (AP) — Russian cosmonauts, after touring U.S. space facilities in Florida and sightseeing at Disney World, were scheduled to begin a two-week training period today at the Johnson Space Center.

Before leaving Cape Canaveral, Fla., Monday, the cosmonauts joined with American astronauts in declaring they are ready for July's going space mission. They also said they see no safety hazards despite earlier problems with the Soviet Soyuz craft.

After an official welcoming at Johnson Space Center today, the cosmonauts were scheduled for classroom orientation on experiments to be performed in the joint mission.

Later today they were scheduled for a briefing on contingencies for the mission.

"All the problems of Soyuz 11 have easily been taken care of. The success of six flights since then, including Soyuz 17 which landed yesterday (Sunday) answers the questions you have asked," cosmonaut Valery Kubasov told a news conference in Florida.

American specialists have raised a question about an apparent error in the orbital path of Soyuz 16, which was launched in December to practice maneuvers and techniques for the joint American-Russian mission.

It required three, instead of one, spacecraft maneuvers to achieve the Apollo practice rendezvous, but Soviet officials said this was planned all along.

Some Americans are skeptical and are examining the orbital figures carefully with Russian trajectory experts.

American astronauts escorted the cosmonauts on their first tour Monday of the Kennedy Space Center to end a three-day visit to Cape Canaveral. The cosmonauts got their first look at the Apollo spacecraft which will be boosted into orbit to chase down the Soyuz.



**OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD**—This crop duster working sugar cane fields near Ewa Beach, Hawaii, recently was confronted with the potential hazard of utility poles along the edge of the fields. The job was completed with a wary eye and careful maneuvering. (AP Wirephoto.)

# Pacific Coast Dock Agreement Reached

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A Pacific Coast dock agreement including a no-layoff clause assures "peace on the waterfront" for 2½ years, bargaining chiefs say.

Harry Bridges, president of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, said a key provision prohibits layoffs for any of the 12,000 stevedores and ship clerks covered by the contract for economic, technological or other reasons.

The pact announced Monday also guarantees more than 11,000 employees 36 hours of work a week, or pay of \$234 a week starting March 1. The guaranteed weekly pay increases to \$250 on July 1 of this year and to \$270 on July 1, 1976.

Another 600-900 workers are guaranteed from 18 to 24 hours of work or pay a week, Bridges said.

Bridges and Ed J. Flynn, president of the Pacific Maritime Association, predicted an overwhelming ratification of the agreement.

The pact was nailed down four months in advance of expiration of the current contract on June 30, 1975.

It is the second negotiated far in advance of contract termination since a costly strike in 1971 that closed Pacific Coast ports for 142 days, the longest dock walkout in mainland history.

"The agreement reached removes any possible interruption of work on July 1 and assures continuous peace on the waterfront," Bridges and Flynn said in a joint news conference statement.

Flynn estimated the cost of wage increases, welfare and pension benefits and the no-layoff and pay guarantees would amount to \$1.30 an hour in the first year and slightly less in the second year.

He said he could not estimate the agreement's over-all cost or what impact it may have on cargo freight rates.

Bridges and Flynn said they would not disclose precise terms before ratification votes by ILWU locals and PMA members.

Bridges said the ILWU would attempt to achieve ratification by port locals before March 1.

Flynn said employers would meet for their ratification vote immediately after the union ballot was known.

# Ethiopian Troops Repulse Insurgents

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia (AP) — Ethiopian troops beat back a determined attempt by Eritrean insurgents to seize Asmara's airport and cut the besieged northern provincial capital's only remaining supply route, diplomatic sources reported.

The sources said the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) attacked the airport Monday night after government planes bombed rebel positions north of Asmara. Hard fighting was reported, with bazookas, rockets and machine guns being used.

Reliable reports said the guerrillas earlier Monday sent word to the army that it could repair a damaged generator outside the city, then ambushed the repair team and its escort and killed most of them.

No casualty figures were available from the latest fighting. Diplomatic sources estimate a total of 4,000 persons dead, wounded or missing since the 13-year guerrilla campaign for Eritrean independence expanded into full-scale war 11 days ago.

The military regime has vowed it will never agree to the secession of Eritrea, a former Italian colony annexed 13 years ago.

President Jaafar el Numairi of neighboring Sudan said in a televised speech he had sent Foreign Minister Gamal Mohamed Ahmed to Ethiopia with proposals to both sides for an immediate cease-fire, a general amnesty for the rebels and a peace conference without conditions. Numairi said he had received no response from the Ethiopian government, but he said some ELF leaders had arrived in Khartoum, the Sudanese capital, and others were on their way.

## Texas American Bancshares Inc. and Midland subsidiary, Commercial Bank & Trust Co., report record 1974 results.

Texas American Bancshares Inc., the state's sixth largest multi-bank holding company, and Commercial Bank & Trust Co., its Midland subsidiary, both reported record results in all areas of operations for the year ended December 31, 1974.

Highlights of Texas American Bancshares operations for the year include:

- 29.8% increase in income from continuing operations.
- 24.3% increase in income before securities transactions.
- 33.3% increase in net income.
- Total assets at year-end high of \$1.5 billion.
- Deposits at year-end high of \$1.2 billion.
- Loans at year-end high of \$780 million.
- Acquisitions of Southern National Bank of Houston and Commercial Bank & Trust Co., Midland, completed — bringing to six the total of

wholly-owned banks in key areas of the state.

Two new subsidiaries — Texas American Investment Services Inc. and Financial Service Life Insurance Company — commence operations.

Fort Worth, headquarters of Texas American Bancshares, receives major economic boost with announcement of award of \$418 million YF16 lightweight fighter contract to General Dynamics Corporation. Total procurement could reach \$15 billion, including foreign sales, with employment at Fort Worth plant increasing up to 12,000.

Highlights of Commercial Bank & Trust Co. operations:

- Deposits up 19.9% to year-end high of \$45.1 million.
- Loans up 16.0% to year-end high of \$28.2 million.
- Assets up 21.3% to year-end high of \$50.0 million.
- Capital funds up 30.6% to record high of \$2.9 million.

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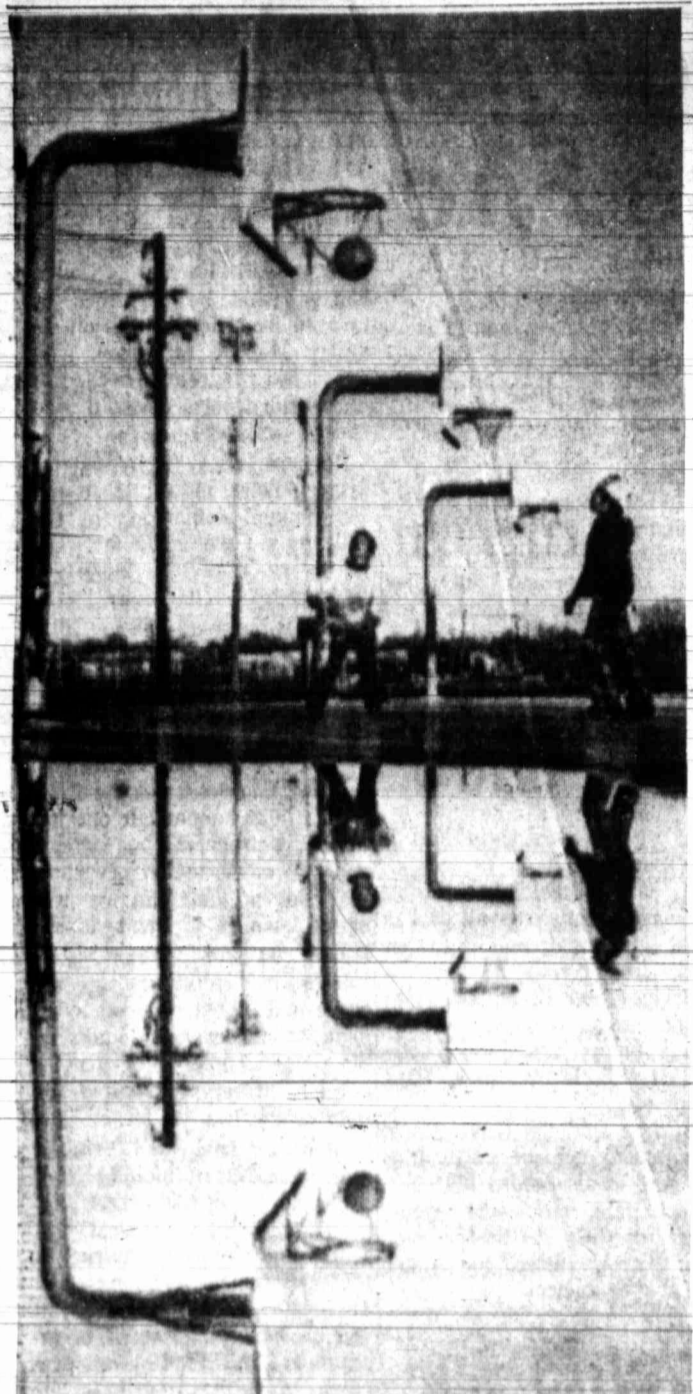
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TEXAS AMERICAN BANCSHARES INC. and Subsidiaries		
Consolidated Balance Sheet		
	December 31	
	1974	1973
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 297,292,000	\$ 317,738,000
Investment securities	268,590,000	271,921,000
Loans and discounts	780,042,000	744,316,000
All other assets	191,419,000	133,893,000
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$1,537,343,000</b>	<b>\$1,467,868,000</b>
<b>Liabilities and Capital Funds</b>		
Deposits	\$1,181,057,000	\$1,126,949,000
All other liabilities	250,447,000	243,901,000
Capital funds	105,839,000	97,018,000
<b>Total liabilities and capital funds</b>	<b>\$1,537,343,000</b>	<b>\$1,467,868,000</b>
Consolidated Statement of Income		
	For the Year Ended December 31	
	1974	1973
<b>Operating income:</b>		
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 79,406,000	\$ 52,772,000
Interest and dividends on securities	14,990,000	11,890,000
Other operating income	22,152,000	12,599,000
	116,548,000	77,261,000
<b>Operating expenses:</b>		
Interest expense	63,855,000	40,551,000
Employees' compensation and benefits	17,324,000	19,320,000
Other operating expenses	20,651,000	14,184,000
	101,830,000	68,055,000
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	14,718,000	9,206,000
Federal income taxes	3,298,000	1,422,000
Income from continuing operations	11,420,000	7,784,000
Discontinued operations—net of tax	547,000	719,000
Income before securities transactions	11,967,000	8,503,000
Securities gains (losses)—net of tax	(11,000)	(557,000)
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 11,956,000</b>	<b>\$ 7,946,000</b>
<b>Earnings per share, based on weighted average shares outstanding (1974—4,095,517; 1973—3,619,257)</b>		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 2.79	\$ 2.15
Income before securities transactions	2.82	2.35
<b>Net income</b>	<b>2.92</b>	<b>2.19</b>

Commercial Bank & Trust Co. Balance Sheet		
	December 31	
	1974	1973
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 5,977,529	\$ 8,157,477
Investment securities:		
United States Government	1,864,175	4,362,645
State, county, and municipal	7,353,000	3,387,702
Federal funds sold	5,500,000	-
Loans and discounts	28,176,934	24,294,678
Land, buildings and equipment—undepreciated balance	699,300	645,293
Income receivable and other assets	429,066	374,356
	\$50,000,084	\$41,222,151
<b>Liabilities and Capital Funds</b>		
Demand deposits	\$23,101,441	\$19,252,897
Time deposits	22,017,378	18,382,572
Total deposits	45,118,819	37,635,469
Unearned income and other liabilities	1,506,520	991,771
Total liabilities	46,625,339	38,627,240
Reserve for loan losses	481,396	379,773
<b>Capital Funds</b>		
Capital notes	300,000	-
Stockholder's equity:		
Common stock, par value \$5.00 a share, shares authorized and outstanding—1974—180,000; 1973—140,000	900,000	700,000
Capital surplus	1,100,000	1,100,000
Retained earnings	593,349	415,138
Total stockholder's equity	2,593,349	2,215,138
Total capital funds	2,893,349	2,215,138
	\$50,000,084	\$41,222,151



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WHICH END IS UP?—The puddles on the basketball courts at Brookhaven school in Decatur, Ala., provide almost a perfect reflection of Stacy Dozier and Burton Cozby at play. (AP Wirephoto.)

## Culver Class To Attract Full House—All Women

Judge Barbara Culver's law class at Midland College may have a record-breaking enrollment, but none pre-registered, but tonight's opening Among the women who called, session promises to result in she added, "some have asked a packed house. if they could bring their husbands."

The course, "Today's Law and the Contemporary Woman," this The class is, incidentally, open morning had 75 persons—all to both sexes. women—pre-registered. Regis- In her class, Judge Culver tration will continue at class will tell whether equality for time tonight. women under the law is possible.

Offered by the college's or even desirable. She will, in addition, explain the status of continuing Education, the class will Texas women under the state meet three Tuesdays, 7 to 9 constitution, new family code, p.m. Registration tonight will new penal code, probate code be in room 445 at Lee High and other laws. School, but the class site will be moved later to larger quarters to accommodate the large number of enrollees.

Mrs. Gay Price, secretary in the Department of Adult and Con- the passenger compartment of tuning Education, said Judge a car can narrow the driver's Culver's class is bringing "one field of vision, slow reaction of the higher enrollments" in time and decrease concentra- the program's history. tion ability.

## Marxist Palestinian Leader Says Group Will Do Everything To Provoke War

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — danger to the Palestinian people. They can't suffer any worse than they have since the 1948 creation of Israel on their homeland. But it will be a grave threat to Israel's existence and U.S. imperialist interests."

Habash and the Popular Front broke last summer with Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization, which is recognized by all the Arab governments as the representative of the Palestinian people.

The PLO military chief, Zuhair Mohsen, charged today that the sole purpose of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger's new tour of the Middle East was "to gain time for Israel and the United States." He said he did not expect "anything of substance" to result.

The pro-guerrilla newspaper Al Liwa reported Moscow has renewed pressure on the Palestinian guerrillas to form a government-in-exile to claim a seat when Arab-Israeli negotiations move to Geneva. It said Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko urged this in a letter to Arafat after their recent meeting in Damascus. Guerrilla spokesmen would not comment on the report.

## Dallas Car Firm Officers Surrender

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Five headquarters Monday in response to a felony complaint filed in Dallas, Tex., alleging conspiracy to commit grand theft. The firm moved its headquarters there late last month from the Los Angeles suburb of Encino.

The accused men appeared with their lawyer at police headquarters Monday in response to a felony complaint filed in Dallas, Tex., alleging conspiracy to commit grand theft. The firm moved its headquarters there late last month from the Los Angeles suburb of Encino.

## Heroin Suspect Pleads Guilty On Two Charges

Maurice Taylor Jr., 26, who had been under indictment since early in 1974 for possession of heroin, Monday afternoon waived indictment on another account of possession of the narcotic.

He pleaded guilty before District Court Judge Perry Pickett and was sentenced to 2 to 10 years in the state penitentiary.

Taylor also pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with possession of heroin on March 3, 1974. He received a 2-to-10 year sentence on that plea. The sentences are to run concurrently.

Midland attorney Willie B. Dubose represented Taylor, 801 N. Baird St.

Taylor and his wife Pamela, 26, were arrested Friday by Midland narcotic officers and charged with possession of heroin. Mrs. Taylor was released on a \$10,000 bond and Taylor was held in jail in lieu of a \$25,000 bond.

Armed with a search warrant, officers found in the Taylor residence 103 tin foil packets containing a powdered substance, alleged to be heroin. Also uncovered, according to a police report, were needles, syringes, a burnt bottle top, surgeon's rubber tubing and a patch of cotton.

In another pleading before court Monday, James Majors, 25, pleaded guilty to a Feb. 22, 1973, burglary here and was sentenced from two to 12 years in the state penitentiary. He the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington.

## Burger Refuses Bail For McCord

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chief Justice Warren E. Burger has refused to permit convicted Watergate burglar James W. McCord Jr. to remain free on bail while appealing his conviction.

McCord filed his application for bail Friday and asked the Supreme Court to review his conviction on burglary, wiretapping and conspiracy charges. Warren rejected the bail request Monday.

McCord was sentenced to up to five years in prison in connection with the burglary of Democratic National Headquarters in the Watergate building, in Washington on June 17, 1972.

McCord has been free on bail since March 8, 1973. His conviction here and was since March 8, 1973. His conviction here and was since March 8, 1973. His conviction here and was since March 8, 1973.



MEET RESUSCI-ANNE—Joan Roth, regional director here for the American Heart Association, and Harry Clark, right, Heart Fund chairman, introduce Mayor Ernest Angelo Jr. to Resusci-Anne, a mannequin used in the Midland Heart Association's coronary, pulmonary and resuscitation (CPR) program.

## Panel Due To Question Colson On CIA Issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former White House special counsel Charles W. Colson will answer questions from the Rockefeller commission staff following his recent charges that the CIA was involved in domestic espionage, his lawyer says.

"We'll be over there answering whatever questions they have to throw at him," Colson's attorney Kenneth L. Adams said in confirming the interview scheduled for today.

Colson, who was released from prison less than two weeks ago after serving seven months of a one-to-three year term for obstruction of justice, has claimed the CIA had prior knowledge of the Watergate burglary and the break-in into the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist.

The full commission held its fifth weekly meeting Monday and heard from former counterintelligence chief James J. Angleton.

According to a well-placed source, Angleton testified under oath that he had been kept in the dark about the workings of a secret unit within his counterintelligence division which kept files on 10,000 American citizens. The unit was headed by Richard Ober, who reported directly to then-CIA Director Richard M. Helms, Angleton testified.

When the unit was disbanded in March 1974, Ober was transferred to the National Security Council staff without Angleton's knowledge, Angleton reportedly testified. However, the source at once

## Pawn Shop Owner Kills Two Bandits

DALLAS (AP) — A pawn shop owner shot and killed two men today during the armed robbery of his shop, police said.

Shop owner Scott Walker told officers he shot the men after they tied him up in a back room and began scooping up jewelry. He said he managed to get loose, grabbed a gun and began firing.

The dead were not identified at once.

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# Rebs Face Steers

## Bulldogs Tangle With Pesky Bobcats

By BOB DILLON  
Midland Lee enters the Big Spring Steers and the Midland Bulldogs travel to San Angelo tonight for a date with the Bobcats in District 5-4A basketball action.

Coach Paul Stueckler's Rebels are fresh from a pressure-packed 31-29 victory over Abilene Cooper last Friday and they share first place with the Abilene Eagles in the second half of the race with a 3-0 record.

Lee takes a 25-2 season record into the game with the Steers tonight in the Lee Gym while Midland sports a 19-3 season mark and is 1-2 in the loop race. San Angelo, meanwhile, stands 14-1 on the year and is still in the second half of the race with a 2-1 record and has the No. 1 scorer in 5-4A in junior Arnold McDowell, a 6-3 jumping jack that also is a strong rebounder.

McDowell has scored 217 points in 10 loop games for an average of 21.7 per game. Alfred Fields is also in the double figures for the Concho Cats

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# SPORTS

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with an average of 15.4 in district and Steve Speer owns a 13.1 average, giving San Angelo three players in the double figures.

Lee has four of its five starters in the double figures with Brett Blackwell paving the way with a 16.2 average, making him the No. 5 scorer in the league. Junior Miller is next with a 15.5 average followed by Ron Farish and Gary Parson with 12.3 and 10.1 averages.

Midland has the No. 2 scorer in the district in 6-5 senior

# Tide, Wildcats Win



MALE CALL — Cincinnati catcher Johnny Bench sits at his locker and goes through a stack of mail. Bench, who is to be married Feb. 21, gets everything from hand-lettered plates to checks for his fiancée. (AP Wirephoto.)

By The Associated Press  
"We just put a bunch of kids against a bunch of men. That's all there was to it," said Auburn Coach Bob Davis after absorbing a 119-76 thumping at the hands of Kentucky.

"I said it before the game and I still say it. Alabama is the best basketball team I've seen," said Mississippi State Coach Kermit Davis after dropping an 83-68 decision to the Crimson Tide.

Monday night's victories left the fourth-ranked Wildcats and the seventh-rated Tide, gaining momentum for a Feb. 22 showdown in Tuscaloosa, tied at 11-1 in the Southeastern Conference basketball race. Kentucky's one-sided rout also left Auburn's Davis with a bitter taste in his mouth.

"Our kids threw in the towel and Kentucky reduced us to nothing," said Davis.

Asked about star player Eddie Johnson, who missed his second straight game with an injury, Davis added, "Eddie doesn't want to play. If Eddie had wanted to play he'd have gotten ready."

Only two other ranked teams were in action Monday night. No. 1 Indiana ran its winning streak to 26 games, 23 of them this season, with a 69-54 triumph over Big Ten foe Minnesota; and No. 16 Notre Dame got a 49-point effort from sophomore Adrian Dantley while grounding Air Force 99-66.

Kevin Grevey pumped in 37 points and had 10 rebounds for Kentucky, which took a 12-0 lead and was never threatened. The Wildcats forced 32 turnovers in raising their overall record to 18-2.

Alabama also got off quickly, taking a 21-8 lead. Charles Russell hit for 25 points, most of them from long range, and Charles Cleveland and Rickey Brown added 15 each.

Tide center Leon Douglas was held to four points, 16 below his average, but finished with 17 rebounds and eight blocked shots.

Scott May scored 26 points and Quinn Buckner added 18 for Indiana, and the Hoosiers' defense limited Minnesota's top scorer Mark Lansberger to just two field goals.

Indiana leads the Big Ten by four games over runners-up Minnesota and Purdue.

Notre Dame upped its record to 13-7 as Dantley converted 16

of 19 shots from the field and 17 of 19 from the foul line. Dantley is now 12th on the all-time Irish scoring list.

Elsewhere, Vanderbilt beat LSU 83-74 at Baton Rouge in a game that saw the winners go 25-for-38 from the foul line and the losers 0-6. Mississippi beat Tennessee 88-81 in overtime despite 37 points by the Volunteers' freshman star Bernard King.

Billy McKinney netted 31 points as Northwestern upset Purdue 68-55. Otis Birdsong had 31 points and Louis Dunbar 27

# Maryland Improves Cage Poll Position

NEW YORK (AP) — Indiana and UCLA continue to run one-two in The Associated Press weekly college basketball poll, but there's a new No. 3.

Maryland, 17-3, moved up one spot into the third position in this week's voting by a nationwide panel of sportswriters and broadcasters. The Terrapins picked up 651 points after coasting to easy victories over Virginia, Fordham and Duke.

Louisville, third a week ago, plummeted to sixth after losing to Tulsa.

No. 1 Indiana, 22-0 through Sunday, earned all 43 first-place ballots and 860 points. The Hoosiers whipped Big Ten rivals Michigan and Iowa last week.

No. 2 UCLA, 17-2 after topping Oregon and Oregon State, got 758 points.

Kentucky, 17-2, was up one to fourth on the strength of triumphs over LSU and Georgia. The Wildcats earned 538 points. North Carolina State, 16-3 with 492 points, was also up a notch to fifth after beating Clemson, Georgia Tech and Furman.

Louisville, 16-2, was sixth, followed by Alabama, 17-3, which stayed seventh and Arizona State, 17-2, up to eighth from 10th. Marquette, 15-3, was up

### AP Cage Poll

The Top Twenty, with first-place vote in parentheses, season records and total points. Points tabulated on basis of 20-25-15-10-5-3-2-1.

1. Indiana (43)	22-0	860
2. UCLA	17-2	758
3. Maryland	17-3	651
4. Kentucky	17-2	538
5. North Carolina State	16-3	492
6. Louisville	16-2	438
7. Alabama	17-3	438
8. Arizona State	17-2	438
9. Marquette	15-3	438
10. Michigan	15-3	438
11. Iowa	15-3	438
12. Oregon	15-3	438
13. Oregon State	15-3	438
14. Tennessee	15-3	438
15. Virginia	15-3	438
16. Minnesota	15-3	438
17. Purdue	15-3	438
18. Duke	15-3	438
19. Texas Tech	15-3	438
20. Texas A&M	15-3	438

### Rebels, Bulldog Cage Statistics

#### Midland Lee Rebels (25-2)

Player	G	FG	FT	PF	TP	Avg.
Brett Blackwell	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Steve Speer	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Junior Miller	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
John Webb	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Mike Wiley	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Jeff Gotcher	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Kenyon Reese	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8
Totals	25	177	32	45	14.8	14.8

### 5-4A Standings

#### District Standings (Second Half)

Team	W	L	Pts.
Midland Lee	3	0	198
Abilene	2	1	156
Odessa Permian	2	1	156
San Angelo	2	1	156
Midland	1	2	117
Abilene Cooper	1	2	117
Big Spring	0	3	142
Odessa	0	3	142

### Lanierless Detroit Loses To Milwaukee

By The Associated Press  
From a Milwaukee vantage point, Detroit's lineup looks better without big Bob Lanier. And from Milwaukee captain Bob Dandridge's vantage point, the Bucks' line-up looks much better when it's not lining up.

While Detroit's big cat was away, the Milwaukee mice did play, taking advantage of Lanier's early foul trouble to run past the Pistons 130-109 in the National Basketball Association Monday night.

"I don't see why we shouldn't continue to run like we did tonight if Kareem (Abdul-Jabbar) goes to the boards," said Dandridge, who sank 10 of 13 shots and scored 23 points.

"We've got the tallest center in basketball," Dandridge said. "Cornell Warner is a good rebounder and I'm good for a few every night. If we rebound we should be able to run. I hope this game shows everyone on the team we're just more effective when we run."

Elsewhere in the NBA, the

### Lamesa Wins Two Over Lee Girls

Lamesa swept a volleyball doubleheader from the Lee Rebels at the Lee gym Monday night.

The Golden Tornadoes won the varsity outing by a 15-13, 15-8 margin and also captured the junior varsity game, 15-8, 15-7.

Lee will travel to Plains Thursday for a 6 p.m. engagement and will meet Odessa Ector at 2 p.m. Friday in the opening round of the Monahans volleyball tournament.

# COM Swimmers Perform Well

HOUSTON — The South won the first annual North-South Swimming meet sponsored by the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) held here last weekend, 350-205.

Seven City of Midland Swim Team members represented the north along with mermen from El Paso, Fort Worth, Dallas and Amarillo.

The South team included Houston, Austin, San Antonio and McAllen swimmers.

Tracy Williams was one of two Midlanders to capture a first place, as she turned in a 1:05.52 in the 100-yard backstroke. Her time in this event is among the top 10 in the 11-12 age group in the nation.

Miss Williams also was second in the 400 medley relay and in the 200 freestyle.

The other first place by a Midlander was by Brad Swendig in the 15-18 200 individual medley with a 2:03.43.

Swendig took second in the 400 medley and fourth in the 200 fly.

Bridgette Coon was third in the 13-14 200 IM and fourth

# COM Swimmers Perform Well

in the 200 breaststroke.

Mary Dowdle had thirds in the 200 free and 500 free while Danny Cerf won a second in the 200 back and a third in the 200 fly.

Don Dunbar won a second in the 200 breast while Britt Hull managed a fourth in the 500 free. Dunbar and Cerf were on the second place 400 medley relay team.

Big Spring's Danny Weir had a big day Sunday at the West Side Optimist Track, winning both the open expert and 250 cc. events in the Moto-Cross action.

Kelly Bloomer was the only Midlander to win a first. Bloomer's victory came in the Open Junior class. Mel Newman of San Angelo won the 125 cc. competition.

Tennis Winners  
TORONTO — Americans Harold Solomon and Mike Estep posted victories in a \$64,000 international tennis tournament.

### Top 5-4A Scoring

Player	G	FG	FT	PF	TP	Avg.
McDowell, Angelo	10	95	27	217	21.7	21.7
Cobb, Midland	10	69	51	18	18	18
Hunter, Permian	10	62	48	172	17.2	17.2
Letfall, Cooper	10	71	54	162	16.2	16.2
Blackwell, Lee	10	69	18	156	15.6	15.6
Miller, Lee	10	70	7	153	15.3	15.3
Fields, Angelo	9	63	13	139	15.4	15.4
Speer, Angelo	10	62	36	123	12.3	12.3
Farish, Lee	10	36	7	117	11.7	11.7
Swinger, Abilene	10	36	7	117	11.7	11.7
Hines, Odessa	10	36	7	117	11.7	11.7
Van Clieve, Permian	9	44	21	109	12.1	12.1
Lewis, Odessa	10	45	17	107	10.7	10.7
Cham, Midland	10	45	15	105	10.5	10.5
Hatchibower, Cooper	10	45	15	105	10.5	10.5
McLeod, Cooper	10	45	15	105	10.5	10.5
Parson, Lee	10	45	21	101	10.1	10.1

### Pairs Capture Tennis Crowns

Richard Blackwell and Jack Blake teamed up to defeat Bob Swanson and Jim Esman, 6-1, 6-1, in the finals of the Midland Country Club Men's Pot Luck Doubles Sunday afternoon.

In the women's division, Jan Hoyer and Lou Matson defeated Louise Patterson and Dana Davis, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6, in the finals.

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# Girl, 9, Gets Bill Introduced To Make Ladybug State Insect

By ROBERT HEARD  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A 9-year-old girl who lives at the foot of Texas' tallest mountain wrote to her state representative a year ago and asked if the ladybug could be named the state insect.

"I got to thinking," Rep. Jim Kaster, D-El Paso, told the House State Affairs Committee Monday night, "we tell little boys and girls to work through the system."

So Kaster introduced a House concurrent resolution to recognize the ladybug as the state insect of Texas.

Little Bobbie Sue Tate lives in Pine Springs, at the base of Guadalupe Peak, and she wants to be present if her favorite in-

sect is honored by the legislature, Kaster said.

He told the committee that every gardener knows ladybugs eat a lot of insects that damage plants.

Rep. Tom Carlidge, D-Henrietta, asked Kaster if he had considered any other insect for the honor.

"The only other possibility is the honey bee," Kaster said, "but some people are allergic to the sting. I don't know of anybody that's ever been bitten by a ladybug."

Kaster's resolution was sent to a subcommittee.

A bill that came out of committee Monday night, over the impassioned protest of fiery Rep. John Hoestenbach, D-Odessa, would continue the 55-

miles per hour speed limit.

"I for one am sick and tired of those Yankee senators and those Yankee representatives telling me what to do," Hoestenbach shouted to the House Transportation Committee.

He said he would vote against the bill even if it did mean losing \$303 million in federal highway funds.

"They can take it and cram it," Hoestenbach yelled, not bothering with the microphone in front of him.

"Let's see who in this committee and in this room has got some guts," he concluded.

Rep. Jimmie Edwards, D-Conroe, told Hoestenbach the lower speed limit had saved lives. "I think if we have saved one life we should pass this

bill," he said.

Rep. Joe Salem, D-Corpus Christi, said Hoestenbach's district might not need that federal money but his did. "I'm not going to dare them to cut off that \$303 million," he said.

The committee voted 11-3 to send the measure to the House floor. Rep. Larry Vick, R-Houston, voted with Hoestenbach.

The House Environmental Matters Committee sent to subcommittee a bill that would require big game hunters to wear caps of fluorescent orange.

Rep. Doyle Willis, D-Fort Worth, sponsor of the measure, brought a Parks and Wildlife Department witness to tell the committee how many hunters had mistaken other hunters for

game and shot them. In 1971, for example, 18 persons were mistaken for game and shot in Texas, five fatally.

But several members of the committee, including Reps. Fred Agnich, R-Dallas; Milton Fox, R-Houston, and T. H. McDonald, D-Mesquite, expressed reservations about forcing safety on hunters.

Willis' bill would make it a Class C misdemeanor — punishable by a fine up to \$200 — not to wear the cap.

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**THE THING**—Debbie Kline, 16, of Walkerville, Mich., holds an animal the family refers to as the "thing." The family thinks it is a cross between a sheep and a goat but a veterinarian says he's never heard of such a cross. An animal husbandry specialist at the Michigan State University says such a crossbreed is "almost impossible." (AP Wirephoto.)

## PROLONGED SLUMP SEEN— Truck Sales Plunge

DETROIT (AP) — Truck sales, long considered a strong indicator of the nation's economic health, have plunged into what industry analysts fear may be a prolonged slump.

The truck market remained strong throughout most of 1974, while car sales plummeted. Now trucks are into their own slump — and industry analysts say the market will worsen by spring.

Truck sales last month were off 19 per cent from January 1974 and trailed the record pace set in January 1973 by 35 per cent. Sales in February and March are expected to decline further.

"It's like a double whammy," said one company spokesman. "First car sales fall, and now trucks."

Retail business is off so

stores aren't carrying the inventories they used to," said a spokesman at General Motors Truck and Coach Division. "That means tonnage is down and trucks are hauling less. As a result the big fleets aren't ordering."

Truck sales last year were 2.2 million, a 14.5 per cent decline from the record 3.16 million sold in 1973 but still the second best year for trucks in industry history.

Optimistic forecasts put truck sales this year at 2.5 million. During the first nine months of 1974, truck deliveries were running at a near-record pace — establishing new sales marks in June and August. But in the fourth quarter sales fell 30 per cent below year-earlier levels. Some truck plants were closed. Industry analysts say truck sales traditionally have held up

longer than car sales when the nation's economy falters because trucks aren't a discretionary purchase like autos.

"Truck buyers are businessmen. Their buying habits are more consistent because they may budget for them a year in advance," said one analyst.

But industry spokesmen also concede those rules don't apply as much as they used to. In recent years, there has been a boom in light truck sales, which now account for 85 per cent of the total market.

While medium and heavy duty trucks are bought for commercial purposes, many small trucks now are purchased for personal use.

Light truck sales were off 16 per cent from 1973 last year, while big trucks declined only 7 per cent.

## Agency Says Recession Hits Southeast Hardest; Outlook Dim For Fast Cure

By The Associated Press

The Southeast has been hit harder by recession than the rest of the nation and prospects for a quick recovery are not good, according to the Federal Reserve Bank's Southeastern District.

One indication of that is the 7.4 per cent unemployment rate in the Southeast in December compared with a national rate of 7.2, according to William Toal, a business economist at the bank.

The national jobless rate in January climbed to 8.2 per cent; figures for the Southeast were not available.

"Construction activity declined more here, particularly in Florida, and in an area that's growing, construction assumes a greater importance," Toal said Monday.

In other economic developments:

—The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union and Pacific Coast dock employers reached agreement on a new contract which includes a no-layoff clause. Spokesmen said the new pact would guarantee peace on the Pacific waterfront for 2½ years.

—Some 19,000 members of the Machinists and Aerospace Workers continued a walkout at McDonnell Douglas facilities in

California, Missouri and Florida in a dispute over provisions of a new contract.

—The auto industry reports that truck sales during the month of January were off 19 per cent from January 1974. They are expected to decline further this month and next, and industry analysts fear truck sales may be in for a prolonged slump.

—Treasury Secretary William E. Simon told a Senate committee recent declines in interest rates may be short-lived because of heavy borrowing by business and the federal government.

—Commerce Department said retail sales rose about 1

per cent during January. An agency economist said it was too early to say whether the rise presages a turnaround in the long slump in consumer spending.

—The New York Stock Exchange reported that 290 of its 425 member firms showed strong increases in profits during the last three months of 1974. Exchange Chairman James J. Needham said member firms showed pretax profits of \$45.8 million, in 1974, compared with total losses of \$49 million in 1973. He attributed the gain to two increases in commission rates granted stockbrokers since September 1973.

## Snow Sifts Into Northeast

By The Associated Press

Snow sifted into much of the northeast quarter of the nation from the upper Great Lakes to New England today and rain and drizzle chilled areas to the south.

Travel advisories were in effect in the upper Lakes region for up to 3 inches additional snow. Snow also fell in the northern Rockies and adjacent sections of the Plains.

Drizzle and fog dampened the lower half of the Mississippi Valley and ranged through the Ohio and Tennessee valleys and into the Southeast. Fog also formed from Southeast Texas into Arkansas and east to Florida and Georgia.

Freezing drizzle led scattered areas across the lower Midwest.

Fair skies were confined to the Southwest, the southern Plateau and portions of the central and southern Plains.

Milder weather fanned into the midcontinent after several nights of subzero cold. Temperatures in the 20s and 30s replaced lows near or below zero over most of the Midwest. Zero weather clung to the northern tier of states from the Rockies to New England.

Temperatures before dawn ranged from -17 at Elmstone, Maine, to 72 at Miami and Key West, Fla.

Some other reports: Anchorage 13 clear; Atlanta 46 cloudy; Boston 19 partly cloudy; Buffalo 22 cloudy; Chicago 23 snow; Cincinnati 35 drizzle; Cleveland 24 snow; Dallas 52 partly cloudy; Denver 35 clear; Detroit 22 cloudy; Honolulu 72 cloudy; Indianapolis 31 freezing drizzle; Kansas City 27 clear; Los Angeles 54 clear; Louisville 43 drizzle; Miami 72 partly cloudy; Minneapolis-St. Paul 2 clear; Nashville 46 drizzle; New York 26 cloudy.

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EDITORIALS

Howdy, Rogers Morton

This is "Rogers Morton Day" in Midland, and residents of the Tall City are delighted at the opportunity of saluting a great American and of celebrating the occasion which brings him to this Headquarters City of the Permian Basin Empire.

It isn't often a member of the President's Cabinet visits Midland deep in West Texas, and when one does, it truly is an occasion for celebration.

And when the Cabinet member happens to be the Hon. Rogers C.B. Morton, secretary of the Interior, then the occasion is doubly significant.

The secretary's visit is all the more significant due to the fact that he also serves as President Ford's chief energy adviser.

Members of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association visiting in Washington, D.C., last week assured Secretary Morton of a warm and most cordial West Texas WELCOME, and now he is here to accept the West Texas hospitality which they promised.

Secretary Morton, of course, is in Midland to address the 50th anniversary year banquet of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, and residents of Midland and the Permian Basin Empire are both proud and pleased that such a distinguished leader of our nation could and would honor us with his presence on this memorable occasion, which is made all the more memorable by his presence.

This isn't the secretary's first visit to Midland, and it is hoped it will not be his last. He was here in 1970, speaking at the Midland Country Club in behalf of the candidacy of former Midlander George Bush for a United States Senate seat.

His visit, however, will be his first to Texas since assuming the post of energy adviser. Secretary

What healing was preceded by an argument between Jesus and a Greek woman? Mt. 15: 21-28

Tell Jesus prayer from the cross. Luke 23: 34

Tell God's first command as He spoke to Moses from the burning bush. Ex. 3

Blessed are they that mourn. Mt. 5: 4

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

PAN AMERICAN REPORT—

Violence Is On The Rise In Puerto Rico

By EARL COPELAND JR. Copley News Service

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Bombs set off in New York by Puerto Rican independence groups, sabotage of the Puerto Rican water and sewer service during a strike by that agency's employees, rising crime rates with muggings and violence in the streets of San Juan lead people to ask what's wrong with Puerto Rico today?

Unquestionably violence has become more commonplace in Puerto Rico in recent years. It seems that social ferment has marched hand-in-hand with growing incomes from industrialization and increasing economic dependency on the rest of the world.

Some labor unions seem to have adopted the tactic of sabotage and destruction of both public and private property during strikes.

Leftist extremists plant bombs to show they want socialism, communism, or independence, or some combination of these.

Rightist extremists plant bombs against the leftists. The end of December, a Cuban exile group claimed credit for a bomb on the Russian cruise ship Maxim Gorki. One crewman was wounded in the incident.

Extremist advocates of Puerto Rican independence have a history of armed violence, including planting of fire bombs and explosive devices on the island. In

... But It Got Away



Illustration by L.A. Tamm Spillane

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By JACK ANDERSON With LES WHITTEN

WASHINGTON — Congressional employees, in return for their government pay, are expected to serve the public interest. They have been used, nevertheless, to shop for pantyhose, tend dogs, change tires and perform other personal chores for members of Congress.

This would appear to violate the code of ethics which Congress adopted in 1958 to regulate the conduct of all federal employees.

A congressman's salary has risen steadily to the present pinnacle of \$42,500 a year. This is considered ample in most constituencies to keep the wolf from the door.

But it is insufficient, apparently, to maintain some members in the style they feel fits their status. With money they collect in their government pay envelopes, they can't afford to hire chauffeurs, butlers and maids. Some have tried to solve the servant problem, therefore, by using their government staffers as personal servants.

One of the worst offenders is Rep. Margaret Heckler, R-Mass., who dispatched an embarrassed male member of her staff to shop for her pantyhose. Other aides occasionally have chauffeured her children to school and have driven her car to the garage for frequent checks and repairs.

Gumbled one former Heckler aide: "I didn't mind taking the congressman's car to the garage, but getting the maid's car fixed was too much." An assistant with a master's degree was assigned to oversee the changing of snow tires on her car.

The congresswoman, referring to herself as a "workaholic," acknowledged that her staff sometimes helps her with personal chores "in emergency situations." They take care of her car, she explained, because of her concern for safety following a 1967 auto accident.

In most offices that we checked, staffers are pressed into service as chauffeurs and errand boys. They drive their distinguished bosses around town,

with the most frequent trips to the local airports.

Rep. Glenn Anderson, D-Calif., for example, has his press secretary or legislative aide pick him up at Dulles International Airport at 7:55 a.m. after his "red-eye" flights from California. And in the office of Rep. Bella Abzug, D-N.Y., the last person to leave usually hauls Bella home at the end of a late work day.

Rep. E. J. Shuster, R-Pa., sends assistants to find lemon crisp Metrecol cookies for his lunches. He washes the taste out of his mouth with toothpaste and mouthwash, which the staff also fetches. The congressman uses his assistants, too, to chauffeur him around, pick up his laundry and run other errands.

"I make no apologies," he told us. "I work hard. The line should be drawn between whether a service is a benefit to me personally or whether it benefits our operation."

Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kans., likes his staff to bring him chocolate shakes and Big Mac hamburgers for lunch, although he insists they simply bring back something for him from wherever they eat their own lunches.

The press secretary of Sen. John Culver, D-Iowa, has been enlisted to pick up drycleaning for the senator's wife. And Jeanette Williams, wife of Sen. Harrison Williams, D-N.J., has used staffers to shop for her at a department store and to fetch magazines at a news stand, aides swear. The senator's wife insists, however, that any personal services were done out of "friendship."

Rep. Chet Holifield, D-Calif., who

INSIDE REPORT

A Blue Monday For Secretary Kissinger

By ROWLAND EVANS and ROBERT NOVAK

WASHINGTON — When bipartisan congressional leaders gathered at the White House for breakfast on a recent Monday morning, they were braced for bad news about the budget from President Ford but got something still more melancholy: official Washington's apocalyptic view of the declining Western World.

The meeting was called to brief the leaders on the budget being released that noon. But before Mr. Ford revealed the horrendous \$52 billion deficit, this frightening picture was painted — mostly by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger: the imminent collapse of, first, Cambodia and then South Vietnam; the danger of Portugal and Turkey leaving the North Atlantic Alliance (NATO); a United States unable to deliver on its commitments and, therefore, unable to negotiate with foreign powers, great or small.

Moreover, Kissinger clearly implied that the overwhelmingly Democratic Congress, seeking all powers of government including diplomacy, is largely responsible for this state of affairs. The inference: the Secretary of State, undercut by Congress, had lost his credibility among fellow diplomats and, consequently, his ability to negotiate effectively.

Some congressional leaders present felt Kissinger, a consummate actor, was laying it on a bit thick in a bid for support. But the debased value of a Kissinger commitment has become a

retired this year, had his secretary help his wife with the sewing. And Rep. Daniel Flood, D-Pa., leaves his dog Coco with Capitol Hill garage attendants while he and his wife attend receptions. But he tips them, he says, for this personal service.

Occasionally, some congressional secretaries and clerks are obliged to serve as nursemaids.

Congressmen carefully have exempted themselves, meanwhile, from the employment laws they pass for others. A congressman need not say what his employees do or how many hours they put in.

For many, service in Congress is both a personal sacrifice and a proud honor. Yet the honorable men in Congress will tolerate the abuses that flourish in their midst.

When President Ford revealed he is contemplating a bipartisan commission to visit Vietnam to report back on the desperate need for aid, the room was filled with oppressive silence. "I was just hoping the President wouldn't pick me to go," one Republican told us.

One Democrat — Sen. Edmund Muskie of Maine, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee — did seem disturbed by Kissinger's portrait of twilight in the West. Muskie asked: could what Kissinger said be repeated publicly? Of course, Kissinger replied. At this writing, however, Muskie has said nothing.

Nor is much help expected from Capitol Hill. In an overwhelmingly Democratic Congress intent on forging its own way intentionally without regard to old-fashioned bipartisanship, foreign policy is increasingly subject to constituent pressures.

The Country Parson

By Frank A. Clark



Often what he doesn't say tells you more about a fellow than what he does say.

HEMISPHERE REPORT—

Mexico Oil Exports Increase Cash Flow

By ALFONSO CASTRO Copley News Service

MEXICO CITY — Mexico is now producing more oil than ever before and its petroleum exports are estimated to be worth almost a million dollars a day.

But, says Francisco Javier Alejo, minister of government properties in President Luis Echeverria's cabinet, Mexico does not now plan to join the Arab-dominated Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

The reason is simple. Mexico's oil exports, important as they are, are not of a volume that would really qualify Mexico as a big-time petroleum exporter.

Reportedly, Mexico daily ships some 35,000 barrels of crude to Communist China and another 55,000 barrels to a variety of other countries, including the United States, Brazil, Uruguay and Israel.

By way of comparison, Venezuela, the Latin American nation that claims

to have inspired the Middle Eastern oil countries to organize OPEC, can export about three million barrels of crude a day, and Ecuador, the other Latin member of OPEC, has export capacity of some 200,000 barrels a day.

Mexico, nevertheless, is proud of what progress the nationalized oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos, is making.

Most of the 676,000 barrels of crude that Pemex produces each day is consumed within the country and only after domestic demand is satisfied is the surplus exported.

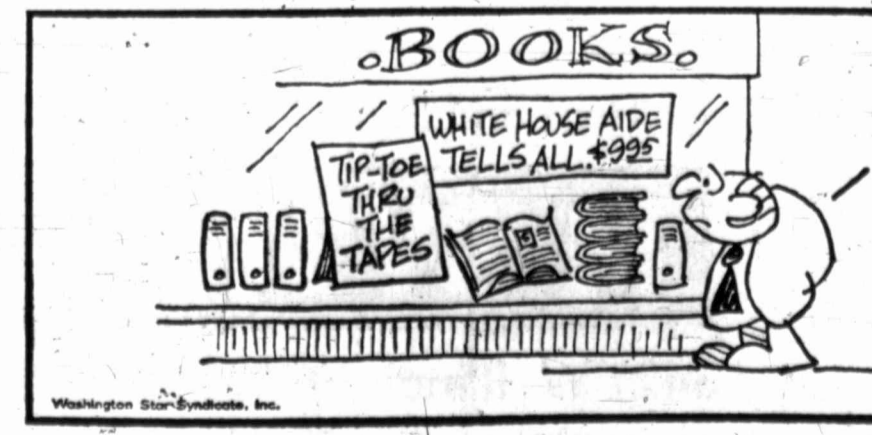
There has been some, presumably considerable, reduction in the consumption of gasoline in Mexico in recent months, since the government raised the price of the fuel that most modern cars require to the equivalent of about 90 cents a gallon.

In November, when Pemex's production was announced at 660,000 barrels a day, exports were reportedly around 35,000 barrels. Yet, by mid-January, with only a production increase of 16,000 barrels a day, Mexico was said to be able to ship an additional 55,000 barrels a day outside of the country.

To judge by what Pemex spokesmen say, the very real increase in Mexican oil production is coming from areas in southeastern Mexico, in the states of Chiapas and Tabasco. Pemex Director Gen. Antonio Davila Jaime told newsmen recently that production in that area was averaging 276,000 barrels a day.

Neither he nor any other Mexican official has yet been able to estimate the size of the petroleum deposits being exploited there. So far as is known all the exploratory wells put down so far have been producers.

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Guard A

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North dealer East-West volu

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Non 974 AK

WEST

A196 Q1083 Q1093

SOUTH

K8 AK J7

North East

Pass 1 Pass 3 Pass 5

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# Sheinwold On Bridge

By ALFRED SHEINWOLD

## Guard Against Bad Trump Break

"We missed the boat," South announced in tragic tones as the dummy appeared on the table. He was so disturbed at falling to bid a slam that he misplayed the hand and didn't even make game.

North dealer  
East-West vulnerable

**NORTH**  
♠ 9764  
♥ AK64  
♦ AKQ87

**WEST**  
♠ AJ96  
♥ Q1083  
♦ Q1093  
♣ 4

**DAILY QUESTION**  
Partner opens with one club, and you hold: S-K 84 H-A K D-Q J 5 2 C-9 5 3 2. What do you say?  
**ANSWER:** Bid two notrump. This shows 13 to 15 points, with balanced distribution and a stopper in each of the unbid suits.

## Ervin Approves Sirica Decisions

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Retired Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr., former chairman of the Senate Watergate committee, says U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica's decision to grant early prison release to several men convicted in the Watergate scandal was correct.

"The ones who were released cooperated with the investigation," said the 78-year-old North Carolina Democrat. "I think the courts have been fairly lenient."

Ervin, here for a University of San Francisco appearance, said of lecture tours by Watergate figures such as former White House counsel John W. Dean III and former presidential press secretary Ron Ziegler: "I wouldn't pay 15 cents to see Ron Ziegler, but if people want to spend money to hear to clubs. West ruffs the second club but cannot defeat the con-



**CREDIT CLUB HONORS MRS. PARK**—Mrs. Agnes Park, recently retired after 35 years as manager of the Retail Merchants Association here, has been honored by the Midland Consumer Credit Club. She displays plaque presented here in recent ceremonies.

## KKK Politico Says He Can Find Patty

HOUSTON (AP) — Scott Nelson, U.S. vice presidential nominee of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, has taken an oath that could put him out of the race.

"I can't find Patty Hearst within one month after I start looking. I'll withdraw as a vice presidential nominee and resign as president of the Texas Fiery Knights forever," he said Monday.

Nelson, 35, said he would take a leave of absence from his job and contact San Francisco Examiner publisher Randolph Hearst about searching for his missing daughter.

"I don't want any reward, just expenses," Nelson said. "I have reason to believe that Patty Hearst is within driving distance of Houston and I can find her and bring her back. I think the FBI knows where she is and just won't bring her in. I don't know why."

Asked why he would risk his political career and his presidency in the Texas Klan, he said, "I just think it would be neat if someone from the KKK could bring her in. It would look good, you know."

Nelson said he had talked with Hearst's secretary, who told him Hearst had turned down similar offers but had accepted others.

Nelson, who lost in a bid for a seat on Houston's school board in 1973, was nominated last August for vice president on the 1976 Klan ticket.

He said he would have to use some infiltrators to find Miss Hearst and his search would take him initially to Denver, Colo.

"I've talked to some people up there and that'll be our first stop," Nelson said.

The search will begin, he said, as soon as he can contact Hearst and arrange for ex-

# History Shows Lincoln Had Few Dental Problems

By C. G. McDANIEL  
CHICAGO (AP) — Abraham Lincoln apparently had very few dental problems, says a dental historian who has found records of only four visits to the dentist by the Civil War President.

Lincoln's apparent good dental health contrasts with that of George Washington, who had frequent and serious problems. Dr. Maynard K. Hine of Indianapolis, former president of the American Dental Association, made the study of Lincoln's dental health. He credits natural fluoridation of drinking water in the wells and springs of southern Indiana and Kentucky with helping to preserve Lincoln's teeth.

He notes, too, that the scant records of Lincoln's dental health indicate that he practiced good oral hygiene and maintained a good diet.

Hine, a former chancellor of Indiana-Purdue University, Indianapolis, published his study recently in the Bulletin of the History of Dentistry.

He pointed out that it is likely dentists or historians in Washington would have recorded any significant dental problems if out of business.

## Lee Youth Center Chatter

By TANYA JONES, LINDA EWAN & BECKY HALL

Send a Mouse to College! At the end of the campaign's first week, Lee Youth Center is leading the way! Lee had sent 41% more mice to college than had Midland Youth Center as of last Friday. This campaign will continue for two more weeks. Envelopes may be picked up in the office or the Youth Center. Please return them to the office or the YC with your donation enclosed. We have a good lead — let's don't lose it!

Look out, world, here they come! The LHS speech and drama squad is dividing up this weekend. Half will go to Lubbock to compete for sweepstakes at Tech and the other half will go to Waco to compete with schools from the far east of Texas. It's a big weekend for squad members, so wish 'em luck!

It's almost here — you finally have a chance to spend all that money which has been eating a hole in your pocket. The annual Valentine's Day celebration will be held Friday! It's a great, inexpensive opportunity to tell your sweethearts whether you either like 'em, love 'em, or hate 'em. Singing Valentines are only \$1; carnations, 75 cents; and written Valentines, 25 cents.

The West Texas State University Choir gave a great performance for the Lee and Midland choirs last Wednesday. The choir is on a concert tour and stopped off to share a little of their talent with the Midland Jones. Speaking of talent, Milton Jones, Gayette Lott and Kathy McGee will perform with the all-state choir this weekend in Dallas. This is a great accomplishment for these Rebs! Be sure and let 'em know that we are proud of them.

Future Homemakers are sponsoring FHA Week this week. Sunday, the chapter members attended church services with their families. Monday, they ate at Bonanza Sirlin Pit. Velta Wildir and Cynthia Lane served as chairwomen for the affair. Today, the concentration is on their Impact Project in which they are collecting games to take to Terrace Gardens Nursing Home. Wednesday, the chapter will sponsor a tea honoring our faculty. Thursday, the girls will host a style show and then on Friday, they will have a slumber party. Congratulations gang, you are doing a great job and this week surely sounds like a lot of fun!

Diane Hartman won a gold medal at the Explorers Olympics meet last Saturday. Others on hand for the event were Steve Feldman, who won a bronze medal; Janis Ottmann, Brona Walker, Clay Atchinson, Tom Cloyd and Steve Degenfelder. All of these Rebs are members of Aviation Exploring Post 747, with the exception of Steve Degenfelder, who is af-

iliated with Post 233. Congratulations to all, and we wish you luck at the Olympics meet in Big Spring on May 7-8.

San Antonio saw Lee swing a sixth place in the golf tournament held there last weekend. Out of 36 teams, our guys were on the ball once again. This weekend, Lee and Midland High will host the Midland Invitational Boys Golf Tournament, and Lee will continue its winning streak.

Coach Connell's terrific tennis team scored another win over Andrews. They just keep on racking up those wins week after week. Way to go, Rebs!

Volleyball season has opened and Lee is out for the kill. Last Saturday, Kermit edged the girls out of 3rd place position in the Permian Basin Volleyball Tournament. Anne Higgins was named to the all-tournament team for the varsity squad; Sonya Dawson was in the elite group for the junior varsity.

The San Angelo Bobcats know that Lee was in town last Tuesday night. Before the night was over, Lee had won both the JV and varsity games by convincing scores, 81-52 and 69-59. Friday night, Rebel-land brought another victory into its fame by downing Abilene Cooper 31-29. The scores show just how close the game was. JV came out ahead 62-53, and the sophomore game was Lee's also, 39-33. Big Spring and Odessa Permian will be our next victims, Tuesday and Friday. It's not far to Odessa so, Friday night mosey on over to Mojo territory for another win for the Rebs.

Congratulations to MHS on choosing a super Catoico Court. Hope everything goes well and that everyone has fun Saturday night!

Over on the Lee side of town, there will be a dance on that very same night. Be sure and be at the YC at 9 p.m. for a Valentine's dance sponsored by our choir. Johnny Pilot's group will be playing. The cost will be \$1.50 per person or \$2 per couple. Everybody come out and help support our singing Rebs!

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## Police Seek Man Who Bludgeoned Dallas Minister

DALLAS (AP) — Police today sought an intruder who bludgeoned a 46-year-old minister with a claw hammer and took an undetermined amount of money.

Minister Maurice Neathery, 46, of the Saner Avenue Church of Christ was in serious condition at Parkland Hospital following the Sunday afternoon attack.

Police said someone ambushed the victim as he entered the church, stealing his billfold. Officers said the attacker had eaten unleavened bread from a communion tray and drank a bottle of grape juice used in the sacraments as he waited for Neathery.

Police later found a discarded coat which had been taken from a charity clothing box inside the church.

The minister was treated for a possible skull fracture and brain injury.

## Bill Proposes Increased Oil, Cigarette Taxes

Austin Bureau  
AUSTIN — An omnibus tax reform bill has been introduced in the Texas House of Representatives by the chairman of the House Revenue & Taxation Committee, Rep. Joe Wyatt of Bloomington.

The measure would increase the tax on oil produced in Texas and on cigarettes, while exempting power companies from the franchise tax.

The bill is an outgrowth of a special subcommittee that looked at the state's taxes.

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NEW LISTING—800 BROOKS. Nice 2 bedroom with den & built-in. Payments \$115.00. Low equity. Call Conrad Lloyd.

RODERICK & LINEBARGER 683-6331 or 694-4814.

THE TERRAVISION CO. 2107 W. Texas 683-4546.

WEST MIDLAND. 3-bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Nice clean house. Call Frank Nall.

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MOVING—must sell spacious 2 1/2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, full kitchen, full bathroom, central air, etc. \$24,000.

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HUMBLE—SOLD. 3 bedrooms, low down payment. \$12,750.

VALLEY VIEW—Two commercial stores, each building 400 acres—on prevention. \$100,000.

KANSAS—SOLD. 3 bedrooms, low down payment. \$12,750.

STANLIND—Two 1/2 acre lots, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, prettied lot in MaMa. Only \$55,000.

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WAVELEY—3 bedrooms. Low down payment. \$12,750.

COLE PARK ROAD—SOLD. Price improvement. 3 bedroom home. \$98,000.

REYNOLDS—Beautifully decorated, 3 bedrooms. A warm and inviting home in perfect condition. As yet no offers are being. Why not let us sell yours? \$39,500.

Days Cabales 684-8947 Joan Neel 682-0252

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For Sale By Owner. Scenic Heights. West off Garfield on Princeton.

Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Living room with wood burning fireplace; containing more than 1700 square feet of living space with central air and dual 2-car garage.

Very clean. Recently redecorated and landscaped. Close to shopping center and school. Assume low interest rate and mortgage and pay equity. By appointment only. Call between 9 and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. 682-0500.

\$12.50-Per Sq. Ft. 3 BR, 2 Bath, carpet, water well, dishwasher, formal dining, outside storage. Call Susan Blair.

SEQUESTERED DEN AND PLAYROOM. Custom built 2 1/2 story, 2 baths. All room amenities for you to enjoy. Call Ronald James.

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# This Afternoon's Market Report

# Driving Cutback Could Attain Ford Goal Of Reduced Imports

By BOB COOPER  
Associated Press Writer

## Stock Mart Recovering Part Of Sharp, Early Declines

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP)—A 10 per cent cutback in the amount of driving by American motorists could save half of the one million barrels of oil per day President Ford wants to stop importing, statistics show. A 20 per cent cutback could save it all.

A 10 per cent cutback would mean driving 18.3 miles less a week to save about 1.4 gallons of gasoline; a 20 per cent cutback means 36.6 miles less to save 2.8 gallons.

The figures come from interviews with officials at Ashland Oil Inc. and the American Automobile Club. You'll have to follow the statistics closely, remembering that gasoline consumption varies widely from person to person and these are all averages.

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The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, off more than 6 points in the early going, was down only 2.27 at 706.12 by noon. Losers maintained a 2-lead over gainers in moderate trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Brokers said investors were uneasy at the opening over talk of a possible end to the recent declines in interest rates. But they evidently drew some reassurance from Federal Reserve operations at mid-morning in the money markets, which seemed to show that the central bank was continuing to pursue a policy of moderate stimulation by exerting downward

pressure on rates. Illinois Central Industries, the Big Board volume leader, was down 1 at 13 in a 124,500 share block trade.

At the American Stock Exchange, the market-value index slipped 38 at 74.49. American Telephone & Telegraph warrants continued active, unchanged at 1 1/4. The warrants, which give their holders the right to buy AT&T common at \$52 a share, and which expire in about three months, have drawn considerable trading interest in recent days as AT&T common moved closer to \$52. The stock was up 1/4 at 49 1/2.

The NYSE's composite index of all its listed common stocks was off 0.1 at 41.67. McDonough, the Amex's most active issue, was down 1/4 at 8 1/4.

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## Permian Basin OIL & GAS LOG

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Originally drilled by W. B. Hamm Jr., as No. 5 McKay, it spots 467 feet from southwest and 2,226 feet from southwest survey 292.

**King Strike Gets Offset Location**  
C-M-R, Inc., Midland, plans to drill No. 4 Bateman as a location southeast offset to its No. 1 Bateman, 3,900-foot sand pay in the Bateman Ranch field of King County.

Location is 2,840 feet from north and 510 feet from east lines of section 36, block A, J. B. Proctor survey, abstract 391, eight miles east of Guthrie.

The discovery was completed Oct. 15, 1973, for 40 barrels of 33-gravity oil and 360 barrels of water per day, through perforations at 3,891-3,894 feet.

**Pecos Field Gets Gasser Location**  
Texas Pacific Oil Co., Inc., operating from Midland, has scheduled No. 3 Elsinore Cattle Co. as a 3/4-mile north stepout to production in the Elsinore (Devonian-Pusseman) gas field of Pecos County, 17 miles south of Fort Stockton.

It is slated to 13,750 feet, and spots 2,440 feet from south and 1,320 feet from east lines of section 44, block C, GC&SF survey.

**FPC Investigates South Texas Gas Firm, Affiliates**  
WASHINGTON (AP)—South Texas Natural Gas Gathering Co. of Corpus Christi, Tex., and its affiliates are being investigated by the Federal Power Commission in regard to compliance with the Natural Gas Act.

The investigation is the result of an order issued Jan. 14, 1974 by the FPC directing compliance by STNGGC.

The order said "due to mistake of law or other reasons South Texas has failed to file a number of applications for certificates to sell or transport gas and to abandon services or facilities and has failed to make rate schedule filings as required by the Gas Act under the present law.

"We shall therefore require that South Texas make filings that are currently relevant and complete all necessary supplements to its rate schedule covering its sale of gas to Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.

The investigation will involve the sales and transportation activities of all affiliates of South Texas.

**Texas American Now Being Traded**  
Quotations on Midland-based Texas American Oil Corporation's stock are now available on the computerized electronic quotations—NASDAQ—System with the symbol "TOIL." It was announced today by William F. Judd, president of the company.

The quotations are available as to bid and ask prices per share and the volume traded each day the company's stock is traded in the Over-the-Counter Market.

**Retired Federal Judge Dies At 85**  
LOS ANGELES (AP)—Leon Yankwich, 85, a federal judge who decided the historic California case that preserved the Elk Hills oil fields for the public four decades ago, died Sunday after a long illness. He was a noted legal scholar and an expert on newspaper law.

**Permian Basin Dry Holes**  
CRANE—J. M. Palmer No. 1 Dawson Estate, wildcard, 990 feet from southwest and 660 feet from southeast lines of section 2, T.M.R.R. survey, nine miles southwest of Crane, td 5,547 feet. Texas Oil & Gas Corp. No. 1-A Nellie Tucker, wildcard, 1,980 feet from northwest and 2,310 feet from southwest lines of section 11, block 4, H&TC survey, 20 miles west of Crane, td 6,000 feet.

CROCKETT—H. L. Hunt No. 1-31-8 University, wildcard, 740 feet from south and 467 feet from west lines of section 8, block 31, ULS, 15 miles west of Ozona, td 9,500 feet.

GLASSCOCK—Adobe Oil Co. No. 4-11 Zant, in the WZB (Grayburg) field, 1,980 feet from south and east lines of section 2, block 36, T-S-S, T&P survey, 15 miles northwest of Garden City, td 3,860 feet.

KING—MGF Oil Corp. No. 1 Katz, et al, wildcard, 565 feet from southeast and 1,510 feet from northeast lines of section 72, block 13, H&TC survey, 10 miles northwest of Knox City, td 5,800 feet.

SCHLEGELER—HNG Oil Co. No. 1-156 Bacon, in the Mayer (Canyon) field, 1,063 feet from south and 933 feet from west lines of section 158, block A, HE&WT survey, 11 miles northwest of Sonora, location abandoned.

**Val Verde Draws Site For Probe**  
Fred Olsen, Inc. of Houston, has staked site for a 4,600-foot prospect in Val Verde County, 29 miles southeast of Comstock. It is No. 1 Olsen-Lewis.

Location is 2,900 feet from most southerly south and 1,500 feet from most easterly west lines of Live Oak CSL survey 587, abstract 1292, immediately west of the Kinney County line, in the extreme southeast part of Val Verde County.

**Dawson Project Pumping Crude**  
Coquina Oil Corp., Midland, was making production tests at No. 1 Bible, Dawson County, scheduled wildcard, 1/2 mile east of the Tex-Hamon multiphase oil field.

It pumped 24 hours, through perforations, probably Strawn, making 26 barrels of oil.

It was drilled to 9,000 feet and has 4 1/2-inch casing seated at total depth.

It is 660 feet from north and 467 feet from west lines of section 25, block 36, T-4-N, T&P survey, five miles east of Patricia.

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# SCRAM-LETTERS

That Intriguing Word Game with a Chuckle

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

LARSOI

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BATNUE



Isn't it too bad about the neurotic laundryman who keeps losing his...?

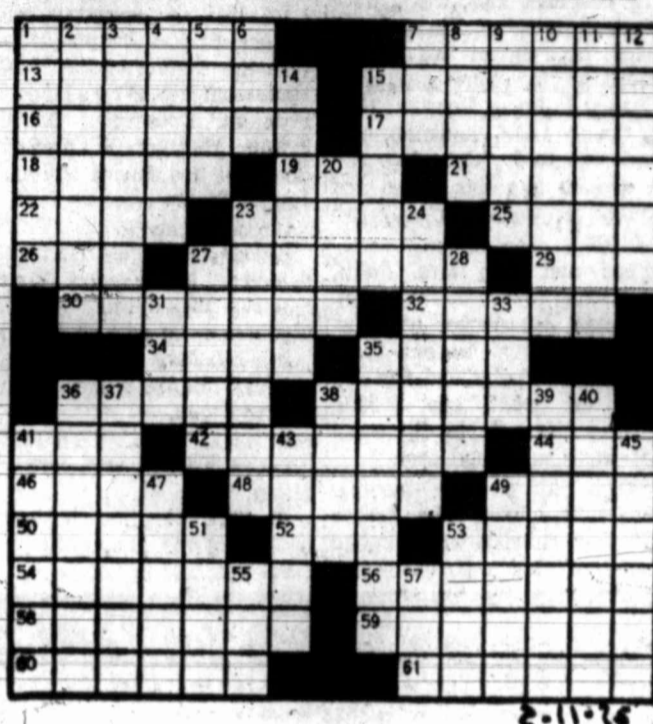
2. Complete the chuckle quoted by filling in the missing word you develop from step No. 3 below.

3. PRINT NUMBERED LETTERS IN THESE SQUARES

4. UNSCRAMBLE LETTERS TO GET ANSWER

# DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

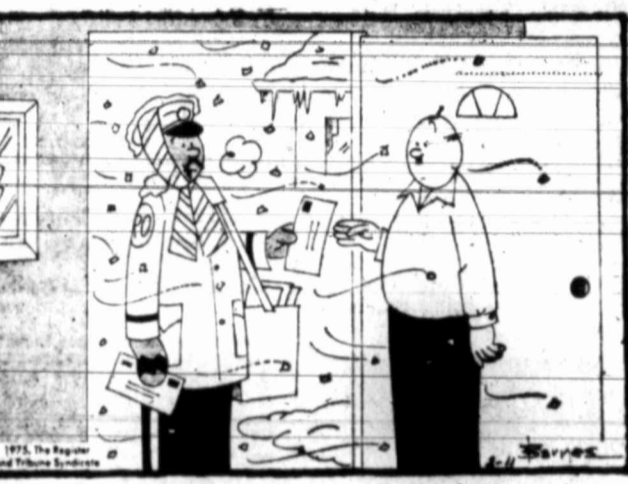
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  - 3. Baltimore team
  - 4. Clues
  - 5. ...the
  - 6. Beautiful
  - 7. San Francisco's neighbor
  - 8. Certain
  - 9. Handbags
  - 10. Oahu fare
  - 11. Harness parts
  - 12. Cycles
  - 13. Brandished
  - 14. Riviera resort
  - 15. Always: Post.
  - 16. Law defers
  - 17. Make lace edging
  - 18. Producers of energy
  - 19. Hebrides or Mongolia
  - 20. Contemporary of Lily
  - 21. Glutinous
  - 22. Legendary enchantress
  - 23. Goes back (to)
  - 24. Los Angeles player
  - 25. Curious one
  - 26. Thing: Law
  - 27. Author Bagnold
  - 28. Redskins
  - 29. Colliery
  - 30. Course
  - 31. Baltic, for one
  - 32. Tumbit
  - 33. Make a lot of
  - 34. Slander
  - 35. Shows state
  - 36. New York lake
  - 37. Establishes
  - 38. Most courageous
  - 39. Small, trim beard
  - 40. Describing certain ears
  - 41. Of food
  - 42. Skirt panels
  - 43. Ivy Leaguers
  - 44. Gumshoe, for short
  - 45. Scale note
  - 46. Western state
  - 47. Provide a new crew
  - 48. Hermit
  - 49. Motorcycle accessory
  - 50. Crumpet-time china
  - 51. Tree part
  - 52. "The ... Mutiny"
  - 53. A4—(quartering)
  - 54. Mandrills
  - 55. Channels
  - 56. Talks wildly
  - 57. Smashing
  - 58. Norse god of war
  - 59. Goes over again
  - 60. Sea cow
  - 61. Distinguished
  - 62. Give in to wanderlust
  - 63. Popular name for a newspaper
  - 64. Five Nations tribe
  - 65. Takes a chance, at bridge
  - 66. Green spots
  - 67. Pick out
  - 68. The common people
  - 69. Title
  - 70. In—
  - 71. Theda of early movies
  - 72. Airstrip, for short
  - 73. Discarded cloth



Answer to yesterday's puzzle on second page of Classifieds.

## THE BETTER HALF

By Bob Barnes



"Modern airmail is certainly fast... this letter from Hawaii is still a little warm!"

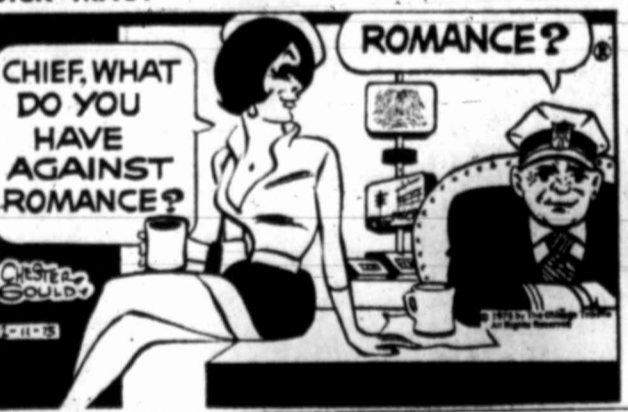
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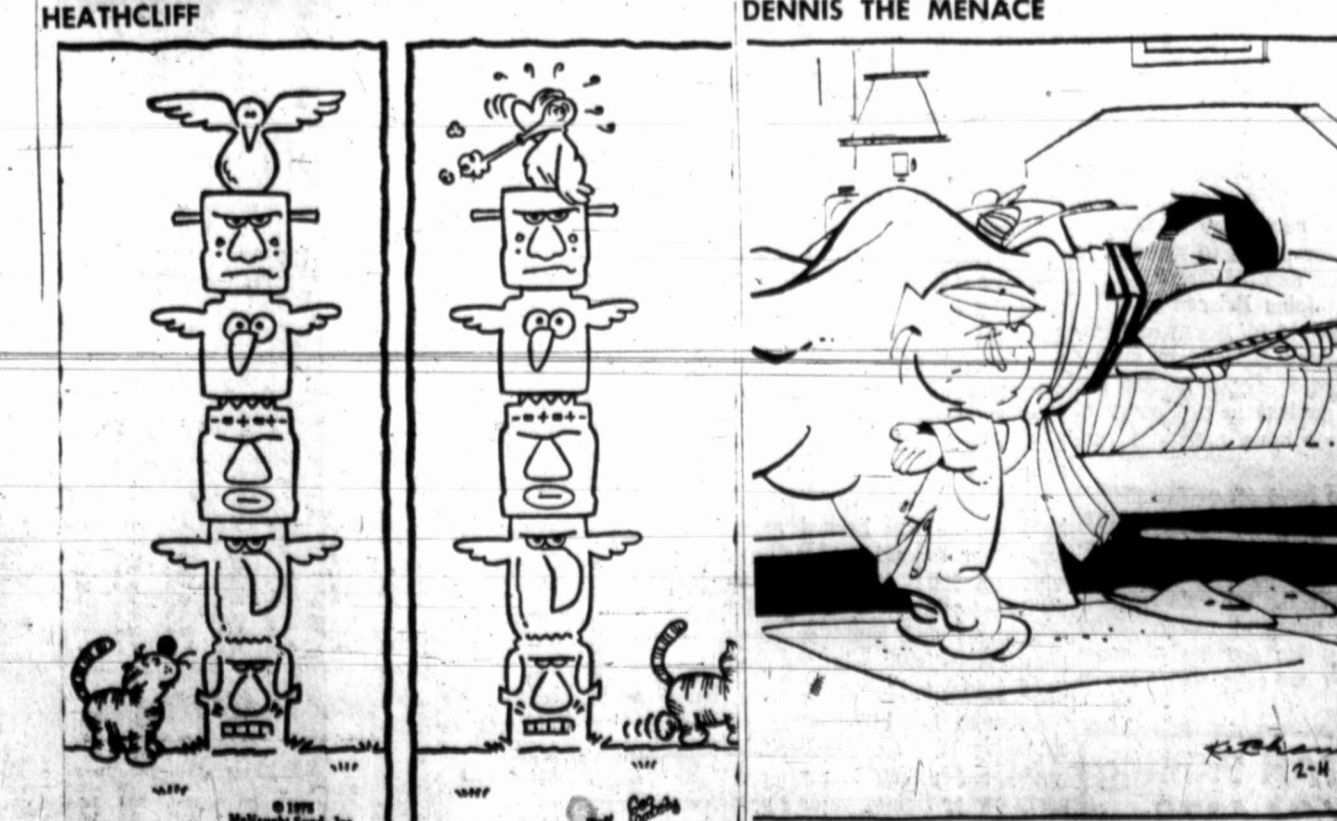
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**GREETES VISITORS** — President Ford is shown as he shakes hands with a small crowd of Ellington Air Force Base families that were on hand to greet him as he arrived in Houston Monday. Ford was in Houston to talk with area oil and business leaders. (AP Wirephoto.)

# President Given Warm Welcome, Warning From Texas Republicans

HOUSTON (AP) — Gerald Ford got a warm, flag-waving welcome from school children, a stiff warning from Texas Republicans and careful scrutiny from oilmen Monday on his first visit to this state as President.

Texas GOP leaders, in an hour-long meeting, bluntly told the President that "a Ford-Rockefeller ticket will not carry the state of Texas" in the 1976 presidential election.

Fourteen state Republican and business leaders let the President know that Nelson Rockefeller, although fine as a vice president now, would have rough sledding at Texas ballot boxes because of his liberal record as New York governor.

Nancy Palm of Houston, Harris County GOP chairman, said Ford was told, "Our state can be divided into five states and Rockefeller would win only two of them."

incentive in the President's energy program. Archer quoted the President as saying he would accept the plowback if it was approved by Congress.

The plowback, tax credit given for profits reinvested in oil exploration, is viewed as a counterbalance to Ford's proposed windfall profits tax.

Moments after the meeting with party leaders, Ford dined in his plush Shamrock Hilton Hotel suite with former Texas Gov. John B. Connally.

Connally, who faces two federal grand jury indictments claimed his conference with Ford dealt mainly with golf.

Asked if he discussed his legal difficulties with Ford, Connally said, "No, not at all."

Connally has been indicted on charges of perjury and bribery in connection with the milk fund scandal, and is due to be tried in Washington later this spring.

President Ford arrived at Ellington Air Force Base early Monday afternoon and motored to his hotel.

School children waving flags, but struck dumb with awe, shook the President's hand and waved signs wishing him well. The President flourished a handful of Valentines sent him by a group of first grade pupils from a Houston elementary school. He grinned broadly and reached across a rope barrier to touch fingertips with the delighted children.

After dark fell, however, the crowd outside the President's hotel became older and uglier. Bearded, blue-jeaned and long-haired youths waving picket signs and chanting rhythmically, stood across the street while police, some with crowd control dogs, watched.

## Today In History

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Feb. 11, the 42nd day of 1975. There are 323 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: In 1945, a wartime conference in the Crimea ended with the signing of the Yalta agreement by President Franklin Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin.

On this date— In 1744, an English fleet was defeated by French and Spanish men-o-war off the Mediterranean port of Toulon.

In 1808, hard coal was first used as fuel, at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

In 1847, the inventor, Thomas Edison, was born in Milan, Ohio.

In 1920, the first business session of the League of Nations was held in London.

In 1922, the United States, Britain, France, Italy and Japan signed a treaty in Washington limiting the size of their navies.

Ten years ago: Tass news agency reported that at least 100 fishermen were drowned in the sinking of four Soviet trawlers in a storm in the Bering Sea.

Five years ago: U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers was conferring with Ethiopia's Emperor Haile Selassie in Addis Ababa.

One year ago: Thirteen nations began a conference in Washington on energy problems.

Today's birthdays: Comedian Jimmy Durante is 82. Actress Kim Stanley is 50.

Thought for today: You can't build a reputation on what you are going to do — Henry Ford, 1863-1947.

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**Can't Forget Politics** "It is amazing politicians can't forget politics for a short time and solve this most disastrous problem," Glenn said.

"I think the President is trying to get everybody to call a halt to politics and start solving the problems."

Miller said the President is talking about the major problem of independent operators when he talks about incentives.

"However, I don't see incentives in his program," Miller said. "I don't think it is possible to take \$3 billion away from this industry and call that an incentive."

"And I don't think it is possible to take away 40 per cent of the gross income of people who stripper wells and consider that an incentive."

Sitting in on the meeting were four oilmen who Archer said "presented a very forceful argument" for a plowback tax.

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## Briscoe Repeats Message Natural Gas User Tax Would Be Disaster To State

HOUSTON (AP) — Gov. Dolph Briscoe has repeated his statement that President Ford's proposed user tax on natural gas would be a disaster to Texas.

Briscoe first made the statement Jan. 16 in Washington, after Ford's State of the Union message had called for a tax of 37 cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

The Texas governor delivered the message again in person Monday night during a private dinner he and four other Democratic governors had with the President.

**Disaster Seen** "The imposition of such a tax would be a disaster insofar as the economy of the state of Texas is concerned," Briscoe told newsmen after the dinner.

"I don't know that there was any response from the President but, in my opinion, the tax would be a disaster to Texas."

Briscoe said the tax would cost Texans \$1.68 billion in that most of the state's industrial plants use natural gas.

"From 90 to 95 per cent of our electricity is generated by natural gas," he said. "We are moving in the direction now for new plants to use coal. I think there is need for a tax incentive for plants to transfer to coal from natural gas."

**Johns Briscoe** Gov. David E. Boren of Oklahoma joined Briscoe in urging that Ford's excess profits tax not be applied to producers of wells that have marginal production.

"If we have an excess profits tax on marginal producers, those wells that are just breaking even, what we're going to do is have the self-defeating action of plugging many, many wells in this country — some \$2,000 by our estimates," Boren said.

Although the bill touches on extensive land-use situations, it would not affect current property owner rights, water rights laws, locally-controlled building development, local planned unit development and locally-zoned land.

Boren added that some producers of such stripper wells already are being tempted to plug the wells and salvage materials because of the shortage of pipe.

"The marginal producers need incentives to encourage secondary recovery," he said.

**El Pasoan Offers Land-Use Measure** Austin Bureau AUSTIN — A comprehensive statewide land-use management program has been proposed in legislation authored by Rep. James Kaster of El Paso.

The 30-page bill provides for setting aside as areas of state interest land by the legislature, local governments and state agencies.

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