

# Apollo-Soyuz Astronauts Ready for Liftoff

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI) — Launch teams in America and Russia worked into the night Monday readying rockets to blast three astronauts and two cosmonauts aloft Tuesday to shake hands in space and signal a new era of international pioneering in the skies.

Soviet cosmonauts Alexei A. Leonov and Valeri N. Kubasov are to open the unprecedented dual space show with a 7:20 a.m. CDT launch. The

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Apollo team of Thomas P. Stafford, Vance D. Brand and Donald K. "Deke" Slayton will follow at 2:50 p.m.

The countdown rolled smoothly into the final hours in both nations.

AT THE AMERICAN spaceport on the Florida seashore, the countdown for the Apollo spacecraft and its Saturn booster entered a planned nine-hour, 48-minute hold at 8 p.m. With resumption of the count at 5:48 a.m. Tuesday, thousands of gallons of liquid oxygen were to be poured into the

floodlit rocket.

More than a week of foul launch time weather over the spaceport gave way to mostly sunny skies Monday afternoon, and the forecast was for good weather Tuesday.

The astronauts planned to sleep until 1:30 a.m., then watch a video-taped replay of the takeoff of their friends Leonov and Kubasov while breakfasting in quarters near the launch pad.

SOVIET AMBASSADOR to the U.S. Anatoly F. Dobrynin was to watch the live television broadcast of the Russian launch with President Ford in Washington and then fly here to witness Apollo's departure. U.S. Ambassador Walter J. Stoessel Jr. accepted an invitation to visit the Russian cosmodrome for the Soyuz launch, an unprecedented advance in diplomatic relations.

Stafford, Brand and Slayton went flying in T38 jet trainers Monday for a second straight day to ease prelaunch tensions and keep their piloting skills sharp. And they had a final brush-up session in Russian.

Leonov and Kubasov studied their mission assignments a final time in an air conditioned hotel for space crews at Baikonur, the Soviet takeoff point halfway around the world where the sun bakes the desert at more than 110 degrees.

The major goal of the mission is to demonstrate the capability of Apollo and Soyuz linkup in orbit for future space rescues. But it also will pave the way for additional Russian-American projects in space when the United States moves into its space shuttle program near the end of the decade.

"THE HARDWARE is in excellent shape," said Chester M. Lee, U.S. program director. "The crew is trained and ready to go. The (launch) team is ready to go. Everything is ready to go."

The astronauts and Cosmonauts last talked when they signaled each other they were ready in a telephone call Sunday.

"We are ready here," Stafford said in Russian. "So are we," answered Leonov in English. JUST 24 HOURS before the takeoff of Leonov,

41, a miner's son, painter, Russian Air Force colonel and the world's first spacewalker, and the shy, 40-year-old civilian engineer Kubasov, Soviet officials reported, "Prelaunch operations are proceeding strictly on schedule."

The countdown also remained on schedule for the Cape Canaveral blastoff of Stafford, 44, Brand, 44, and Slayton — one of the original seven Mercury astronauts who at 51 is the "old man" of the U.S. corps of spacemen.

It's a flight that Slayton, taken off his Mercury mission because of a minor heart irregularity since cleared up, waited 16 years to make.

"To some people, life begins at 40. To me, it's more like 50," he said.

The Americans are due to catch the cosmonauts Thursday 136 miles over Germany. When the Soyuz and Apollo have docked, Stafford and Leonov will float weightlessly toward one another in the tunnel connecting the craft for their symbolic handshake.

Chief astronaut John Young said the U.S. crew

could "watch the Soviet launch if they want to, but the plan is to show them a video tape after breakfast." The astronauts were scheduled to be asleep when the cosmonauts blast off.

BOTH PRIME AND BACKUP Soyuz spacecraft and booster rockets, 162-foot tall machines, stood ready for fueling early Tuesday on launch pads more than a mile apart. The Soviets have three backup crews of cosmonauts trained and ready to go if last-minute problems disrupt the takeoff of Leonov and Kubasov.

At the Florida spaceport, ground crews moved steadily through the long countdown of the 224-foot Saturn 1B booster and Apollo spacecraft. Checks were made on the machines' complex systems and instruments prior to the nine-hour, 48-minute hold starting at 8 p.m. which provided a last long break for launch crews.

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING storms have battered the launch site for more than a week, but spaceflight meteorologists said there were indications of improving weather.

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### Concert Proceeds Evoke Dispute Student Government Seeks \$6,000 in ZZ Top Concessions

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Texan Staff Writer

A dispute involving Student Government over \$6,000 in concession proceeds from last September's ZZ Top concert in Memorial Stadium could be headed for court.

Students' Attorney Frank Ivy said Monday he will file a lawsuit — possibly this week — in an effort to collect the disputed sum from concessionaire Charles Walden of Concession Services, Inc.

Since the Sept. 2 concert, Walden has refused Student Government its commission, which was due Oct. 5, claiming damages and theft cancelled his obligation. Students and athletic officials have criticized the concert for lack of planning, overcrowded facilities, vandalism and scarred AstroTurf in the stadium.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT leaders in former President Frank Fleming's administration had pointed proudly to the \$15,000 gate net and the expected \$6,000 commission from Walden. Student leaders who took office when Fleming retired now find that the extra \$6,000 they have been counting on may not materialize.

Ivy said he only needs to determine the exact amount Walden allegedly owes

before filing suit.

The crux of the controversy concerns the agreement made between Student Government promoter Barry Leff and Walden. Leff and Walden agree that no written contract was made, only an oral agreement, but they differ on most other points.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT'S commission was to be equal to the 35.7 percent of gross concession receipts paid under Walden's standing contract with the athletic department, Leff claims. Al Lundstedt, athletic department business manager, assigned the department's percentage to Student Government in a written letter to Walden, which Walden acknowledges.

Walden's memory of the agreement differs sharply. He said he agreed to provide all concession receipts to Student Government "after expenses." His assistant, Steve Smith, agrees with Leff's story, saying he "thought the athletic department was supposed to get its regular cut" — 35.7 percent of the gross receipts.

Walden alleges that damage costs caused by concertgoers who overran concession stands were at least \$7,200, and thus Student Government deserves no money. The insurance he has for his

contract with the athletic department was not in effect for the ZZ Top concert, he said. He also said nothing ever came of the Student Government claim that its insurance would cover Walden's damages.

ACCORDING TO Leff, he, Walden and Lundstedt were present at the meeting at which the oral agreement was made, but Walden claims Lundstedt was not present and that Smith and his secretary were present. Lundstedt recalls no meetings at which both Leff and Walden were present. Smith denies having attended such a meeting.

Sandy Shtofman, Student Government financial director, said he is worried the Board of Regents will consider Student Government "financially irresponsible" for frivolous behavior toward collecting the debt. His worries were directed at President Carol Crabtree's proposal to return the Student Government fee from an optional to a mandatory basis to be presented at the next regents' meeting.

Crabtree, like her Student Government predecessors, claims the students' association will only have enough operating money to maintain present services with a mandatory fee. With preregistration figures showing about 25

percent of students paying the optional fee, \$6,000 could make a difference in financial needs.

CRABTREE AGREED with Shtofman that "there's always a situation where one administration takes blame or credit for the previous administration," but she hoped the regents would "take into account that new people are involved" in the issue now.

Vice-President Lyn Breeland concurred: "You tend to get pinned for the previous Student Government's mistakes, I've noticed." He added that concert information was "kept a secret from the (last Student) Senate," of which he and Crabtree were both members.

Shtofman decried the situation as one which should have been handled by the previous student administration, which had made a policy of fiscal strictness. He complained that "no one pushed to collect on it (the debt) from Oct. 5 to March. Concession Services had the cash until March, but now we may never get it."

ASKED WHO was specifically responsible for collecting the debt, Shtofman said only "whoever was in charge." Student Government secretary Rachel Bohmfalk stated that since "it was the responsibility of Student Government, Frank (Fleming) and (former Vice President) Bill (Parrish)" should have collected the money.

Fleming was not available for comment Monday.

Concession Services has also been delinquent in contract payments due the athletic department since Feb. 1, Lundstedt said, estimating the outstanding amount at "10,000 to 12,000." City finance advisor Monty Nipchols said Concession Services' Zilker Park contract was cancelled by City Council last month because of delinquent payments amounting to about \$5,000. University and city attorneys are negotiating terms for payment of the sums.



—Texan Staff Photo by Marlon Taylor

One student puzzles over his registration book.

### Long Lines, Hassles Bedevil Registrants

By BETH MACK  
Texan Staff Writer

An estimated 3,000 to 4,000 students strolled through the lines at Bellmont Hall during combined registration and centralized add/drops Monday, Gary Speer, registration supervisor, said.

"Most of these were add/drop people," Speer continued, "We did not expect this many. However, things flowed smoothly."

SUMMER REGISTRATION and add/drops were combined for the first time because of limited time in summer sessions, Speer said.

"All things considered, this caused no more problems than normal," he continued, adding, "Many students wouldn't read the signs and had to ask where to go. But, other than this, there were no problems."

Scheduling add/drops and registration on the first day of class resulted in some confusion and criticism. "Probably about half of the students missed class because of being here (Bellmont). Professors couldn't do much with half a class, so it was a wasted day," Speer continued.

"Practically speaking, it's dumb to sit through a class not knowing whether you will be able to add it later that afternoon," Speer said.

Other problems resulted when students reported to Bellmont without fee receipts. These students were sent straight to the bursar's office. For a dollar and an hour wait, they received a copy of their receipt. Sam Lindley, cashier, said 137 fee receipts were copied Monday.

DEPENDENT ON what department students were enrolled in, there were mixed reactions to the registration process.

"This was much easier than during the long term," Lyn Pulford, journalism graduate student, said. "I like having the open registration time so that I'm not locked in to a set time. Only I wonder at the need for the long lines. I don't understand why we had to go up and down, and up and down all those ramps," he continued.

Closed classes were the main complaints of students. "Some departments are tighter than others," Speer said. Departments which had tight classes included the math department where "all classes were closed before noon until Don Edmondson, assistant director with the math department, allowed each class three extra spaces," Charlotte Miller, math registration worker, said.

Payment for courses added or registered for Monday must be made in Bellmont by 4 p.m. Tuesday.

"If a student cannot make his appointment time, he may come any time after that, but it must be on Tuesday," Alan Johnson, administrative assistant in the Office of Accounting, said.

"If a student absolutely cannot make it on Tuesday, I suggest that he give a friend his ID, a blank check and have his friend stand in line and pay for him," Johnson continued.

No more than 4,000 students are expected to pay fees Tuesday. "This is less than half of what we handled during the first summer term," Johnson said.

## today

Warm . . .

Tuesday will be cloudy to partly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of thundershowers. Winds will be southerly from 6 to 12 mph. Temperatures will range from a high in the mid-80s to a low in the mid-70s Tuesday night.

### Montessori Methods Teach Preschoolers With Practical Tasks

By DAWN TURNHAM  
Texan Staff Writer

Small heads were intently studying numbers, while other children, clutching bags of carrots, shook the teacher's hand and excitedly squealed goodbye.

Cutting carrots in half-inch slices is one of the practical life exercises of a Montessori classroom.

USING KITCHEN EQUIPMENT in miniature size, 2- to 6-year-old children wash, peel and dice carrots as part of the Montessori method to coordinate a child's eye and limb muscles.

Montessori schools for preschool children divide education into four groups: practical life exercises, mathematics, language and sensorial activities with lessons in geography, nature study and basic science also. Activities require manipulation, coordination and use of eyes, ears, nose, hands and muscles.

"WHEN WE SEE a child with a new piece of equipment, we immediately go to the child and present the correct way of using the equipment so there is no abstract play but learning," Charmaine Weerasinghe, Austin International House Montessori school teacher, said.

Practical skills are emphasized at the schools. With tweezers children pick up torture beads for training in holding a pencil. Material is provided

for practicing buttoning, tying, snapping, buckling and pinning. Simple skills like screwing jar lids, sweeping floors and polishing shoes also are undertaken.

BOARDS WITH various rough and smooth textures of sandpaper also are graded. Sandpaper numbers and letters are available for children to run their fingers over while repeating the letter or number to learn to identify the alphabet and numerals.

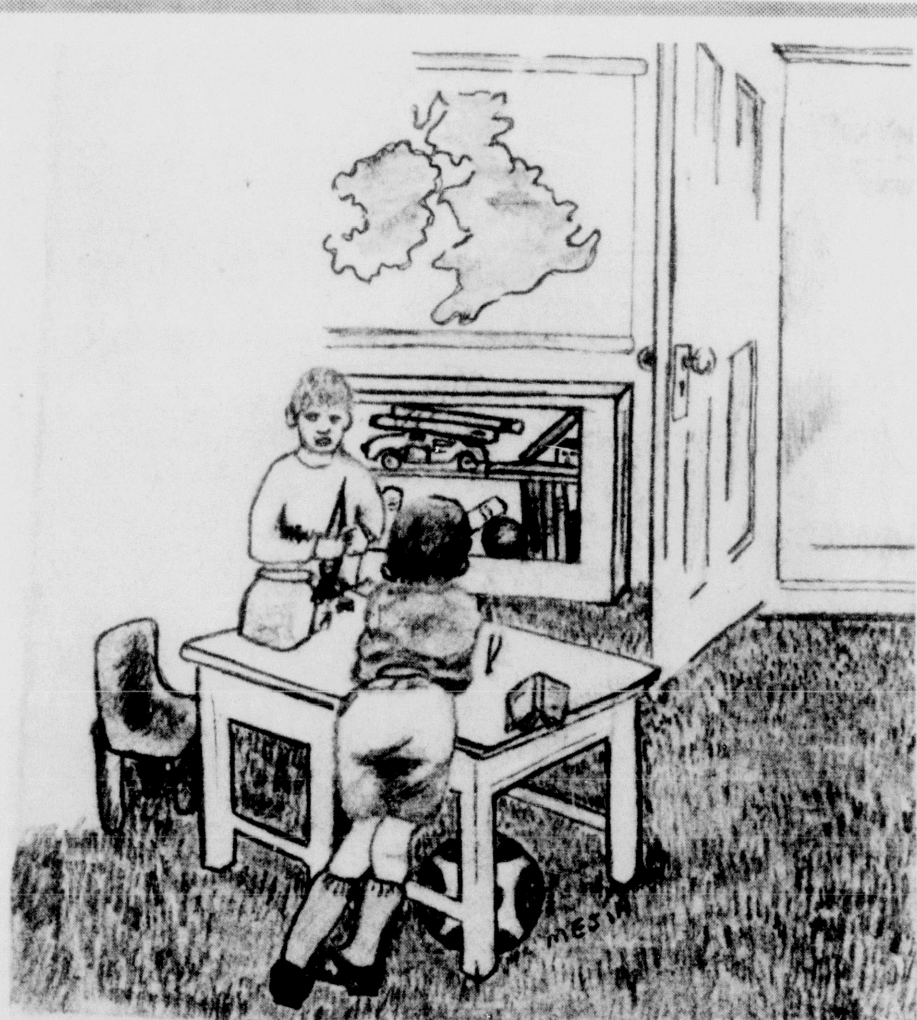
With this equipment Montessori teachers try to isolate students and engage them in simplified activities for as long as they are interested.

"When you show a child how to do something, then leave him alone, he becomes independent and develops self-confidence," Sharon Tate, Montessori school director, said. "After that, we don't interfere so as not to disturb the child's thought process," she added.

The International Montessori House of Children was set up as a school by Dr. Maria Montessori in Italy in 1905.

Children are selected and given simple activities with individual teacher attention. Manipulative learning materials given to the child build up individuality and develop his personality as a whole, Weerasinghe said.

THE AMERICAN MONTESSORI schools may have accredited teachers but other teaching ideas and methods



—Drawing by Esther Majia

are used in addition to the Montessori ones, Iranganie Weerasuria, director of the Austin International Montessori House, said.

"The International Montessori House is a strict school not a day care center. There are children in our school who are frustrated in public schools, some who just can't learn in public schools and some who have

been shoved aside," Weerasinghe said.

"With the open classroom and physical movement stressed in activities, children feel free to learn and explore while developing their bodies," Weerasinghe added. "They can sit in the corner quietly reading, learn the anatomy of a grasshopper, paint or wash tables."



# Insurance Board Ponders Malpractice Dilemma

By JIM NEFF  
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The State Insurance Board's plans to cure the malpractice insurance quandary are proceeding without a hitch. The board extended the filing date by 30 days Monday for insurance companies who want approval of their medical insurance rates. This is one of many steps.

dividual risk. Premiums will still be expensive.

IT DOESN'T matter whether a board regulating malpractice insurance exists, an informed source believes. States with regulatory boards have the same problems as Texas, thus indicating that regulation is not the answer. The problem had its conception 20 years ago. By their ef-

Texas situations." In other words, rates calculated from the hard data of recent years.

Other aspects of the malpractice problem could hardly be anticipated.

In 1955 few people filed suits against their doctors for negligence. Premiums for doctors then were about \$100, and even then some doctors never bothered to insure themselves.

JURISTS' "biased attitudes," favoring the individual over the large firm, have made it easy for claimants to win their suits, many doctors feel.

The high insurance rates, caused by many factors, cannot be solved by the regulatory process, the official feels.

What is needed, he believes,

is a limitation of the liability tort. Malpractice claims could be handled the same as workmen's compensation.

For example, a man who gets his hand cut off in a saw-mill doesn't have to prove negligence of his employer to win the case. His employer is not forced to argue that the accident was the fault of the worker's carelessness, as in

malpractice suits. The claimant is awarded an amount according to the seriousness of his injury. This is an example of a limited tort.

THE PRESENT situation, resulting in the spiraling premium costs, benefits no one, except perhaps lawyers, the Insurance Board official said. There is a lack of objec-

tivity in all involved, he emphasized.

Many doctors feel they are being maligned by the astronomical rates. Lawyers don't want to limit the tort because this will cut into their business, which is on the decline, he explained. The citizens are feeling the squeeze from increased medical costs the doctors

have to pass on to offset the high rates.

The Insurance Board will not solve this complicated malpractice impasse readily. To unknot the tangles that evolved from years of inattention and to implement solutions to problems anticipated a few years ago is no easy task for even the most efficient bureaucracy.

## Interpretive

Some, however, feel it is doubtful that these plans will remedy the problems.

IF THE BOARD approves rates proposed by the insurance companies, doctors can then be protected by malpractice insurance at the new rates. Rates can be expensive, however, and still be considered fair.

Insurance companies may choose not to provide insurance for high risk doctors, such as brain surgeons. Or they might submit rates that the board feels are too high.

In this case the Joint Underwriters Association, an authority recently created by SB 491 in case doctors could not get insurance on the voluntary market, would provide pooled insurance. Then several insurance companies would share the liability, thereby reducing the in-

forts, Texas doctors managed to separate medical insurance from the regulation of the State Insurance Board. The form of insurance policies and their rates were determined by individual companies.

Until recently no medical malpractice figures had been filed since 1955. Instead, all medical insurance claims fell into the general category "liability."

This situation is now an actuary's nightmare. An insurance premium is calculated from statistics such as occurrence rates, which are collected over the years. No statistics — no sound basis for computation.

INSURANCE companies have used national rates to calculate insurance premiums for Texas doctors. Insurance Board members say they want rates meaningful for

Today a doctor might pay up to \$25,000 for one year of protection.

Several reasons exist for such high rates, an Insurance Board official stated. Inflation is one reason. An insurance company liable for a suit, cannot anticipate how expensive medical care might be in future years when a case might be filed.

Some feel poor relations between doctors and patients have spurred the increase in malpractice suits. In the past, patients did not think of suing the family doctor. Urbanization, the shortage of doctors and the fast pace of American life have changed this.

Doctors no longer hesitate to testify against other doctors in a civil suit. In the past, claimants were hard-pressed to find a doctor willing to act as an expert witness and to oppose a member of the same fold.

# Deficit Requires Budget Changes

## City Officials Fight Possible \$10 Million Shortage

By KAREN HASTINGS  
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Emergency measures designed to keep Austin's budget from ending the year \$10 million in the red can only relieve the fiscal pressure until next year. Asst. City Manager Homer Reed emphasized Monday.

Facing an unexpected deficit in the city's operating budget, City Manager Dan Davidson told City Council members Friday that "immediate corrective action" would be necessary but warned that his "onetime" proposals could provide only short term solutions.

CITY OFFICIALS knew in March that rising costs citywide called for a major rebalancing of the budget, and appropriate cost reduction programs went into effect, Davidson said in his nine-page report.

But recent abnormally mild weather — reducing electricity usage and thus vital utility revenues — made it evident that more drastic measures

were needed.

The problem is that emergency situations call for emergency action, and some of Davidson's proposals — necessarily chosen from among those with the least impact on services — could mean an ultimate dollar loss to the city, Budget Director Joe Liro said Monday.

"In the current situation, we can't be as concerned with maximizing the return on every dollar as we are with keeping out of the red," he explained.

DAVIDSON'S proposals, up for council approval Thursday, include:

• Transferring \$650,000 in interest on shared revenue monies to the city's general fund, hard hit by the drop in its share of electricity revenue. Liro explained that this money, part of which is used to finance Capital Improvements Projects, would not have been used until next year under normal circumstances. The loss of compounded interest on these

funds will ultimately cost the city, Liro said.

• Transferring \$310,000 budgeted for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to the city's ambulance fund. These funds, mainly for the purchase of equipment and training of EMS personnel, are "available" for transfer because an EMS training program did not begin in June as scheduled. The transferred funds will go toward upgrading equipment and personnel training in the Austin Ambulance Co. — the company handling Austin's EMS.

If EMS becomes a city department in January as scheduled, the city's agreement to purchase Austin ambulance Co. equipment will still hold. Even if council votes to place EMS in the Fire Department, the transfer will not affect services, since the department is financed in part by general fund.

• Transferring \$78,000 from the city's debt service fund — money used to pay interest on city-issued bonds — to the

general fund.

Reed explained that unexpectedly high earnings on investments in the debt service fund make transfer of the money available.

In addition, Davidson authorized the following action:

• Retention of \$955,000 in general fund monies earmarked for right of way land acquisition and construction projects for Brackenridge Hospital under the Capital Improvements Program.

• Transferring \$1.2 million budgeted for city vehicle replacement back to the general fund, an action which could result in a one-year delay in replacement of aging cars and trucks used for city business.

WHILE the action increases money available in the general fund, the retention of older vehicles could run up maintenance costs, Liro said.

• "Freezing" 301 empty positions in city departments — including clerks, typists, water and wastewater servicemen, garbage truck drivers, electrical engineers and technicians — at a savings of more than \$400,000.

Davidson also is authorizing the retention of \$7 million in funds budgeted for utilities extension in the utilities fund —

hit drastically by the drop in consumption.

"Each year it's our objective to have a sizable percent of our total expenditure for capital improvements paid for out of our operating income. Instead of borrowing the money we need to extend (utilities) we try to finance a portion out of our operating budget. We had hoped to put out \$7 million more than we'll be able to," Reed said.

THOUGH HE called it "bad business," Liro said no projects would be canceled since the city would borrow to make up the \$7 million.

While the unseasonable weather was termed the "unanticipated factor" in the city's budget troubles, Reed said Austin was only following the trend across the nation.

"Part of the problem is a reflection of the national problem. With the upturn in the economy, we don't expect this kind of problem a second year," Reed said.

He warned, however, that "you can only cut a project once" and that next year, should serious budget problems arise, Austin would be pressed to find solutions that would not either curtail essential services or have lasting ill effects on the city's economy.

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# Colby Tells Senate Panel Of CIA Chilean Activities

WASHINGTON (UPI) — CIA Director William Colby Monday testified before a Senate committee investigating intelligence activities on covert actions by the agency in Chile and its alleged involvement in the death of Marxist President Salvador Allende.

Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, chairman of the Senate panel, told reporters after Colby's sixth appearance as a sworn witness that the CIA director had promised to produce requested documents and would be back again Tuesday.

Church said Colby was expected to give "the complete story of CIA efforts against Allende" and other covert actions in Chile, including alleged complicity by the agency in the assassination of Chilean Army Gen. Rene Schneider.

**SCHNEIDER** was shot down by gunmen in Santiago in 1970. Allende's regime was overthrown Sept. 11, 1973, by a revolutionary junta, and he died with gunshot wounds during an army assault on the presidential palace.

Allende's widow said she believed he was shot and killed by agents of the CIA, which has denied complicity despite charges that the agency spent at least \$8 million in Chile to generate opposition to Allende's regime.

David Phillips, chief of the CIA's Latin American department between 1970 and 1975 and who was once stationed in Chile, has denied any CIA involvement in the coup or Allende's death and has written Allende's widow to that effect.

**PHILLIPS** took early retirement from the CIA in May to form an organization of former intelligence personnel to dispell "myths and rumors" about the agency. He told UPI Monday that he had been called in by Senate committee staff last week

to talk about CIA activities in Chile.

"I may be called back later as a witness," he said.

The Senate panel also is looking into allegations that the CIA encouraged a 1970 scheme aimed at sparking a coup in Chile which resulted in the assassination of Schneider.

Schneider was killed by gunmen Oct. 22, 1970, as he was driving to his office in Santiago. Two days later the Chilean congress ratified Allende's election as president.

The Washington Post said earlier this month that Schneider had been "on what amounted to a worldwide (CIA) enemies list of individuals considered inimical to U.S. interests" but that the agency had not intended killing him.

**IN A RELATED** development, the New York Review of Books said Monday that two State Department officials probably committed perjury during 1973 and 1974 congressional hearings on CIA activities in Chile.

The magazine said that the two officials were later promoted by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to top jobs in the department.

It identified the officials as Nathaniel Davis, who was ambassador to Chile during the Allende regime and is now assistant secretary of state for African affairs, and Harry Shlaudeman, who was Davis' deputy in Chile and is now ambassador to Venezuela.

The magazine said that both Davis and Shlaudeman "apparently committed perjury in congressional hearings on CIA activities in Chile."

# Soyuz Press Center Serves More Soviet Cola Than News

MOSCOW (UPI) — Western diplomats said Monday it would be difficult for the usually supersecret Soviets suddenly to lift their security blanket and provide international facilities for press coverage of one of their manned space shots.

Making a major attempt to impress the 700 western correspondents accredited to cover the Apollo-Soyuz joint space shot, Soviet officials loaded the Moscow Intourist Hotel press center with typewriters, televisions, duplicating machines, telephones, telexes. The bar even serves Soviet-produced Pepsi-Cola.

Beginning Tuesday, 400 special listening devices are to be made available to monitor flight activities.

What is lacking?

News, say the correspondents.

Much of the western newsmen's dissatisfaction stems from being excluded from the Baikunur launch site and the Kaliningrad mission control outside Moscow.

The Westerners also are unhappy over the flow of preflight information at the press center. They say it is slow and not in sufficient detail.

The first so-called "press bulletin" issued soon after the press center opened last week consisted of nine pages of background information. Seven of the pages were verbatim from the Soviet-produced press kit issued earlier.

A later bulletin on the rollouts of the

prime Soyuz craft and the backup was confusing. It did not make clear when the events took place. Press center officials were unable to shed light on the confusion.

American television newsmen complained at the outset they were not being told by Soviet officials what broadcast coverage would be available of preflight activities. They and other newsmen confined to the press center learned only by watching the main Sunday evening news that cosmonauts Alexei Leonov and Valeri Kubyasov had met Soviet newsmen in Baikunur.

Soviet television officials later apologized and said it was "a weekend oversight." They promised better coordination with their American counterparts and daily early afternoon rundowns on what would be available later in the day.

Monday morning's major news conference dragged on for more than an hour before newsmen could ask questions. The first part was taken up by ranking Soviet space experts reciting background information already available from the Soviet and American press booklets.

# FBI Head Admits Embassy Raids

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Director Clarence Kelley acknowledged Monday that FBI agents have broken into foreign embassies and other facilities as part of national security investigations but said the practice now has been halted.

At a news conference, Kelley gave the first official confirmation of statements by William Sullivan, retiring former assistant FBI director, who said burglary was one of the methods the FBI used to obtain information.

"Yes," Kelley told reporters when asked about Sullivan's report, "the FBI has conducted surreptitious entries for national security. We acted in good faith. The actions were reasonable. The impact was to protect the country."

Asked if any foreign embassies were entered, Kelley

said, "Without naming or discussing the victims or institutions, I can only say there were a few." He said all were in this country but not all were in Washington.

He said Director J. Edgar Hoover discontinued surreptitious entries in 1966, "except for a small amount regarding foreign counterintelligence which we felt had a grave impact on the security of this nation."

Kelley, the former Kansas City, Mo., police chief who took over the FBI in July, 1973, said such operations are no longer used, although he considered them legal and in the public interest at the time they were used.

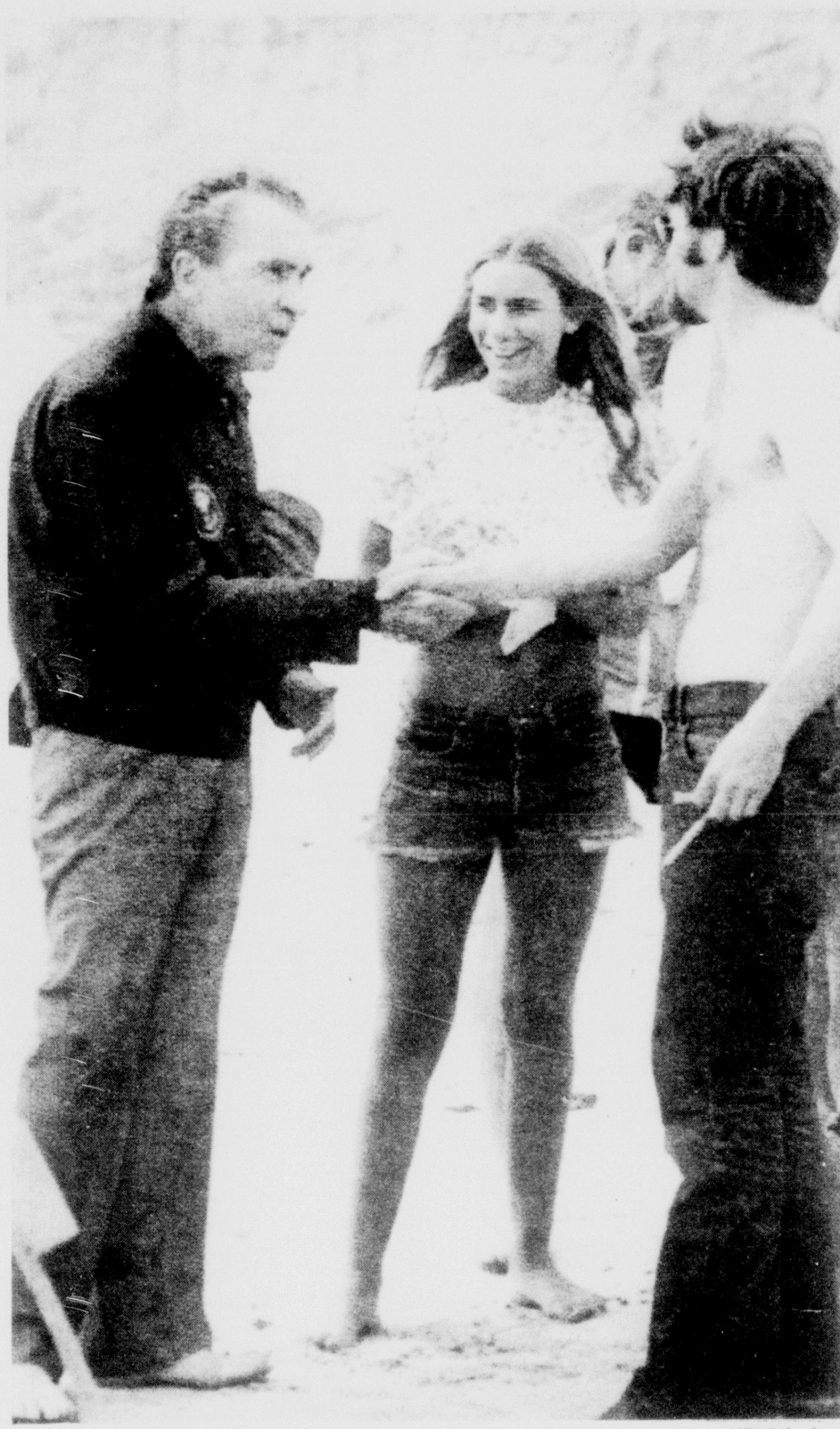
"I have not had a single request to conduct such activity since I became director," he said. Asked if he would approve an entry if the occasion arose, Kelley said, "If it were a matter of grave concern I would present it to the attorney general and be guided by his opinion."

Asked why Hoover sharply reduced the use of break-ins in 1966, Kelley said: "By virtue of the feeling of Mr. Hoover in the possible context of the times that this was not a viable procedure it was stopped."

The question of whether presidential authority makes such break-ins legal in national security cases is expected to come up before congressional committees and possibly the courts.

Kelley is preparing a massive report requested by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence headed by Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho. Kelley and Atty. Gen. Edward Levi are to testify before the committee later this week.

Asked if the report will contain any major new revelations, Kelley said, "I don't know of any bombshells so to speak. Everything we know about has been to some extent publicized."



On the Beach

Richard Nixon greets fellow beachgoers this past weekend at Camp Pendleton, Calif. The former chief executive spent about an hour talking to bathers and walking on the beach with members of his family.

— UPI Telephoto

# Business Prospects Brighten

Inventory Liquidations Prepare Manufacturers For Production Upturn

By United Press International

Businessmen cut their backlog of unsold products by a record \$3 billion in May, the government said Monday. The inventory sell-off sets the stage for an upturn in production.

The inventory liquidation reduced the value of unsold stocks to \$264.5 billion, the lowest since last September, according to the Commerce Department.

The sell-off was accompanied by a 2.7 percent increase in retail sales and 0.5 percent increase at the wholesale level, but manufacturers' sales fell 1 percent.

**IT WAS** the fourth consecutive monthly decline in warehouse stocks and provided fresh evidence that the economy was poised for recovery after an 18-month recession.

But AFL-CIO President George Meany said the recovery could be stalled unless Congress extends pump-priming tax cuts through 1976.

"If this is not done," he said, "the increased payroll withholding now scheduled to take effect on Jan. 1 would reduce purchasing power by more than \$9 billion, and any forward momentum the economy may have developed would be halted."

Chase Manhattan Bank of New York warned in its latest financial report that further stimulation of the economy next year will be tempting because 1976 is an election year.

**"IF POLICYMAKERS** yield to overstimulation, the economic outlook beyond 1976 will rapidly shift toward another debilitating round of boom and bust," Chase economists said.

The prime rate, a key barometer of government monetary and credit policy, rose at major banks across the nation in the first general surge in the key interest rate since it began dropping from 12 percent last September.

The upward turn in the prime rate was touched off by First National City Bank of New York Friday when it raised its rate to 7 1/4 percent from 7 percent. First National Bank and Harris Bank, both of Chicago, and Mellon Bank of Pittsburgh were among banks matching that increase Monday.

**IN A MOVE** that would add to gasoline and fuel prices, President Ford proposed removing, through stages over 30 months, the \$5.25 ceiling on domestic oil in production prior to 1972.

Decontrolling such "old oil," about 40 percent of the nation's domestic production, would add another seven cents a gallon to gasoline by 1978.

Ford called for decontrol in a message to Congress but then withdrew it until later this week in an effort to gain support for the measure.

# Convicted Slayer Gets Life Sentence

HAMILTON, Ohio (UPI) — James Ruppert, convicted of killing 11 of his relatives — the largest mass murder of members of one family in U.S. history — Monday was sentenced to 11 consecutive terms of life in prison.

Ruppert, 41, who could have been sentenced to death, took the verdict of the three-judge Butler County Common Pleas Court Panel calmly.

The 5-6 defendant showed no emotion and asked only one question in a barely audible voice — "If I decide to appeal, how long do I have?" He was told 30 days.

Ruppert's attorney, Hugh Holbrook, said it was a "safe assumption" that Ruppert would appeal.

Ruppert, dressed in a short-sleeve shirt, yellow tie and tan slacks, stood quietly with his hands clasped in front of him as Judge Fred Cramer imposed the sentence.

"You are sentenced to the Ohio State Penitentiary at Lucasville on each of the 11 crimes, for and during your natural life," Cramer said. "Each sentence is to be served consecutively."

Ruppert was convicted July 3 of the

Easter Sunday slayings of his 65-year-old widowed mother, his only brother, his sister-in-law and eight nieces and nephews, aged 3 to 18.

Although the 11 consecutive life terms make parole improbable, Ruppert did avoid the death penalty. Death could have been imposed only by a unanimous decision of the three judges, and Cramer said there was no such conclusion.

Ruppert was convicted only on a 2-1 split decision — Cramer dissenting from the majority decision of Judges Arthur Fiehrer and Robert Marrs.

Prosecutor John Holcumb had demanded the death sentence in a final hearing just minutes before the sentencing.

Holbrook begged the judges to spare Ruppert's life. Ruppert had entered a plea of insanity.

"There are 11 dead — the most horrible thing that has happened in the United States of America in a long time," Holbrook said. "Do not make this a worse crime by adding a 12th person."

"Gentlemen," he told the judges, "death serves no purpose. Only God can give a life, let only Him take it."



— UPI Telephoto

James Ruppert

# Coastal States Appeals Verdict

Attorneys Challenge Court's Final Authority

BRYAN (AP) — Coastal States Gas Producing Co. Monday told Dist. Judge W.C. Davis that his court has no authority to overrule an order from the Texas Railroad Commission and cannot pass a financial judgement against the gas company.

The statements were made by Coastal States' attorneys in their final presentation before Davis following a jury's decision in favor of the Lower Colorado River Authority, which is suing Coastal States for \$26.7 million.

The jury of six men and six women found mostly in favor of LCRA Friday when it decided 16 of 21 issues presented to it in favor of the river authority. Five issues were determined in favor of Coastal States but were conditioned to issues decided in favor of the authority.

Coastal States asked the judge to

overrule LCRA's motion for a judgment against the company.

The jury left the final decision to the judge, especially the settlement of the financial question.

Jefferson Geller, an attorney for LoVaca Gathering Co., a Coastal States subsidiary and an intervenor in the suit, said the LCRA action was a collateral attack on a Texas Railroad Commission order and such attacks are forbidden by state law.

LCRA had filed the suit seeking the return of money it said it paid to Coastal States above prices specified in a 20-year, 1962 gas supply contract. Coastal States argued during the trial that the contract was nullified in 1973, when the Railroad Commission allowed suppliers to pass through to purchasers any ad-

ditional cost in the acquisition of new gas reserves.

"This court is without jurisdiction," Geller said. "LCRA has no claim under the 1962 contract unless and until the Railroad Commission orders are set aside."

Geller said the only way to attack a commission order would be with a suit filed in Travis County and not by an attack on Coastal States which, he said, was only carrying out the commission's order.

Hume Cofer, chief counsel for LCRA, asked for a final judgment saying: "There does not seem to be any real question as to the verdict."

Cofer said the jury finding substantiated LCRA's claim.

The hearing will continue Tuesday morning.

# news capsules

Youths Firebomb U.S. Base

TOYO (UPI) — Radical youths hurled home-made firebombs simultaneously at a U.S. military base and three other targets Monday to protest a visit to Okinawa by Crown Prince Akihito to open an international ocean fair. No one was hurt.

In another development, police said about 50 students clashed with police in Naha, capital of Okinawa, and four policemen were injured.

The clash occurred when police tried to search a dormitory of Ryukyu University which was used as a stronghold for radicals opposing Akihito's trip, police said.

Shortly after the firebomb attacks, the leader of an extremist student group declared at a news conference the action was carried out by members of his faction in coordination with Okinawan radicals.

Saigon Soldiers Offered Amnesty

SAIGON (UPI) — South Vietnam's Communist leaders have adopted a carrot-and-stick approach toward soldiers of the defeated Saigon army who register late with authorities.

As part of a nationwide drive to establish security, military authorities have promised amnesty for soldiers who turn themselves in now — even though the deadline has long passed — but have warned that anyone who opposes the new regime will be "severely punished."

At the same time, the government is encouraging citizens to leave their money in banks so it can be used to rebuild the war-torn nation. A banking official said special permission would be needed for withdrawals exceeding \$13 a month per person.

Angolan Marxists Oust Rival Group

LUANDA, Angola (UPI) — Troops of a pro-Communist African faction drove a rival prowestern group from the capital of Angola Monday, threatening to plunge Portugal's richest territory into civil war to decide who will rule it after independence.

Sources in the prowestern Angola National Front Party said that its political leaders were forced to flee to neighboring Zaire after their Luanda offices were destroyed in five days of fighting with troops of the Angolan Popular Movement.

More than 300 persons have been reported killed and about 1,500 injured in the clashes. Radio Luanda broadcast regular appeals for blood donors and doctors to help treat the wounded lying in blood-spattered and overflowing hospital wards and corridors. Most of the wounded were civilians, but a spokesman at the

military hospital said 10 Portuguese soldiers were wounded.

World Powers To Hold Conference

GENEVA (UPI) — The major world powers and nearly all of Europe agreed Monday to hold a summit conference in Helsinki July 30 to sign a document proclaiming security for national boundaries and cooperation in nearly all fields.

The three-day summit, called by the European Security Conference, will bring together the heads of state of 35 countries, including the United States, Canada, the Soviet Union, and all of Europe except Albania.

It will provide the framework for countless bilateral meetings, particularly between President Ford and Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Leonid Brezhnev.

Stock Prices Gain Slightly

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market responded to the news of a further sharp decline in business inventories with a sporadic advance Monday.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 4.77 to 875.86, and gainers outpaced losers 890 to 558 among the 1,858 issues traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Usery Warns of Railway Strikes

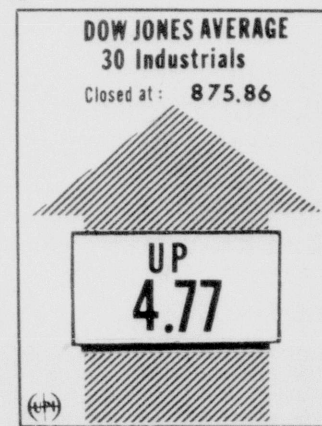
WASHINGTON (UPI) — W.J. Usery Jr., a White House labor trouble shooter, said Monday if the railroads and a major rail union are unable to reach a contract agreement by Wednesday the Administration may ask Congress for emergency legislation to head off a nationwide strike.

Usery met with reporters before entering talks between the representatives of the Brotherhood of Railway and Airline Clerks and the National Railway Labor Conference.

The union is entitled to strike under the National Railway Labor Act, but has agreed to a 30-day extension that expires midnight Monday.

Usery said he saw no likelihood of a further extension by the union.

He said there was "no way to head off a strike" if contract talks fall through this week short of congressional action.





# editorials

## Systematic firing: the LeMaistre way

With the same swift, subtle and uncompassionate expediency of the Stephen Spurr firing last year, the University System removed yet another thorn in its side — firing Dr. R.C. Thompson as UT Permian Basin vice-president two weeks ago.

Yet this time the reasons seemed all too clear — Thompson finked on the System when he shouldn't have.

During a 1973 House Appropriations Committee hearing, Thompson along with then-UTPB Director of Development H.W. Hise testified that \$53,000 had been spent on the unauthorized construction of a duck pond and three-hole golf course on the Permian Basin campus.

This was contrary to the testimony of then-UTPB President B.H. Amstead, who said state money had never been spent for that purpose. However, Amstead later retracted the statement, thereby vindicating Thompson and Hise.

BECAUSE THOMPSON'S testimony proved embarrassing for the University System, LeMaistre and Deputy Chancellor E.D. Walker have "been planning to get rid of me" for six months, Thompson charged last week.

Thompson's removal came in the form of a "reassignment" by UTPB President Ad Interim V.R. Cardozier to fulltime teaching duties effective Sept. 1, the abolishment of the vice-presidential office and a mandatory vacation for Thompson until his teaching job begins.

Now Hise, who once supervised the University's grape-growing experiments in West Texas, faces the same fate.

Expecting to have his position as an instructor and assistant dean at UTPB terminated in September, Hise said Sunday, "It is clear that if they are moving on Thompson for telling the truth, then they'll probably move on me next."

WHILE THE ABRUPT firing of Thompson for simply telling the truth is outrageous in itself, the main atrocity in LeMaistre's brutal power play is that the System once again is in no way obligated to give reasons for the removal.

As was the case in the Spurr firing, the System has hidden behind a legal shield, explaining that if reasons were given Thompson could be able to take court action against the System.

This "legal reasons" philosophy is merely a facade screening the System from the public's right to know why a state employee should be terminated.

It has now been more than nine months since Stephen Spurr was fired as University president, but his removal has never been adequately justified. Only when forced by Gov. Dolph Briscoe did LeMaistre submit several very vague reasons for Spurr's dismissal, but none pinpointed the trouble.

IN THIS LATEST firing, the chancellor dismissed the hope of any public explanation with a simple one-line statement: "Cardozier's decision still stands."

Therefore, instead of clearing the air in Thompson's firing, LeMaistre refuses to reveal any reasons causing a further rip in the campus' trust of the System and leaving most to fully believe that Thompson was fired because he told the truth.

If the reasons for Thompson's or Spurr's firing are substantial, the System should not have anything to worry about should either one of them take the matter to court. But LeMaistre's caution makes it obvious that many of the reasons border on personalities and are therefore debatable.

In addition, LeMaistre's handling of the entire "duck pond" controversy raises some serious ethical questions.

ALTHOUGH AMSTEAD, who did admittedly lie before the House committee, resigned as UTPB president, he was transferred soon after to the System office to handle special projects. During that time, LeMaistre completely cleared him of any wrongdoing, thus saving Amstead's reputation from any further damage.

But in Thompson's case, LeMaistre chose to punish a man for telling the truth.

The managerial responsibility of the chancellor's office should be a keystone for the ethical morale of the entire System, yet LeMaistre chose to use the office for those who obey him without question and punish those who step out of line, even if it is to tell the truth.

WITHOUT SOME public justification, this latest firing also further diminishes the academic advancement of the Permian Basin campus.

From its conception, the UTPB campus has been nothing but a political battleground for System officials and Midland/Odessa politicians.

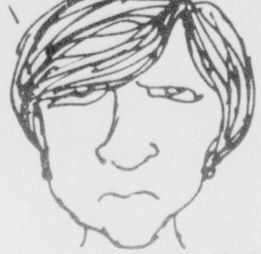
Thompson's dismissal and the expected removal of Hise are sure to increase the unsteadiness of the UTPB faculty and student morale.

In many ways, with one move, LeMaistre has damned the campus from ever attaining its original goals of academic excellence.

MY HUSBAND, WITHOUT TELLING ME, INVITES FOUR COUPLES TO DINNER. I COULD KILL HIM.



I TURN ON "FATHER KNOWS BEST." HIS YOUNGEST GIRL, OUT ON HER FIRST DATE, ISN'T HOME BY ELEVEN. ROBERT YOUNG IS SICK WITH WORRY. THE LAUGH TRACK ROARS.



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MY HUSBAND GETS CALLS FROM HIS COLLEGE SWEETHEART. MY SON WON'T GET A HAIRCUT, MY DAUGHTER WON'T CLEAN UP HER ROOM. I TURN ON TV. MY WHOLE LIFE IS IN FRONT OF MY EYES. IT'S A SITUATION COMEDY.



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THANK GOD FOR THE LAUGH TRACK.



HOW ELSE WOULD I KNOW THE PAIN IS FUNNY?

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## firing line In union is strength, and rightness

To the editor:

Sports writer (?) Bill Scott sure bites the hand that feeds him in your July 10 rag.

If the satisfied voices of union construction workers bother him now why didn't we bother him when we joined with you students to elect our ultra-liberal Austin City Council? We furnished the money, and you did the legwork so you could get the credit but we get the real payoff through dues checkoff.

Just because skilled construction workers make more than most professors is no reason for Bill to have a hangup. If Bill would get a haircut and drop by one of the union halls he could join us. It would mean giving up food stamps, free VD care, weekly unemployment checks, free education and many other freebies he now receives.

But why should he leave the gravy train to sweat out in the hot sun all day, then to cut to the intramural tennis courts and be informed the courts were all taken.

Better stay at the University for the next 6 to 10 years and take advantage of all the freebies because I will be retiring about then and Willie can start paying my Social Security retirement benefits.

J. James  
Lake Bastrop

### Reply time

To the editor:

Mr. Shapiro called for response to a

couple of issues raised in his Guest Viewpoint in reply to my column on guilt and American food. So I feel it proper to frame a concise rebuttal.

1) As for the Terrible 10, I have no objections if people warn against the low nutritional value of junk food (or the evils of demon rum). In fact, I complimented the Food Day nutrition lectures. I objected to the WCTU ambience about the whole matter and the sort of guilt invocation which Shapiro indulged in his final paragraph.

2) The \$2.1 billion figure was calculated in 1970 by a FTC economist as a figure of continuing validity. Naderites use the figure as contemporary. If there is an anachronism, it is not mine.

3) I wish, when Mr. Shapiro "could no longer constrain himself" he had first surveyed Redburn's article in the April Washington Monthly, which I recommended. Redburn discusses the nexus between the wheat deal and beef prices.

4) I also believe in removing price supports. But price supports are not a symptom of self-sufficient oligopolization, but of industries which require the government to protect them from competition.

5) Shapiro cites Charles Shultze as saying that prices (all prices? sugar prices?) would go down 15 percent if supports were removed. He concludes that Redburn's calculation of 8 percent profit on sales in the food industry as a whole is fallacious. I can only observe that sup-

ports equal subsidies, not profits. Apples and oranges?

6) We did not chance upon "amber waves of grain" when we settled the continent. Our social, political and economic organization built our agricultural and industrial wealth. Neither England nor Japan are well endowed in natural resources, and they both developed prosperous economies.

7) I advocate helping by voluntary charity the victims of natural disasters. To continue supporting the victims of social organization is counterproductive. Yes, they should be cut off.

8) As for the old priorities argument, defense is not a "priority," it is a necessity. If we are spending too much, we should cut spending; if we are spending too little, we should increase. As for charity, personal priorities should determine the extent to which a citizen devotes his resources to supporting other people.

Finally, I would like to thank Mr. Shapiro for wisely dealing in ideas rather than insults. And his vision is attractive — the world as a marketplace rather than an ammunition dump.

Terry Quist  
General and Comparative Studies

### Misleading

To the editor:

I have been, and continue to be, outraged at the antics of the student senators who hold down "responsible" committee positions while spending the summer

away from UT. All glory, no work. But, after reading Sen. Shapiro's reply to Terry Quist, I think he's more valuable gone.

There have been long, ill-written and inane columns before. Even from politicians. But this reaches a pinnacle of mediocrity. It incites violent apathy. It says nothing, very badly.

But it is merely pathetic, right up to the penultimate paragraph. Then it is frightening. Inasmuch as Sen. Shapiro is playing with MY Student Government fee, there is one thing I want him to get straight.

Nine comes BEFORE ten, Gordon.  
Steve Jackson  
Law

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## Up against the Wallace, Commies

By DAUN EIERDAM

Alabama Gov. George Corley Wallace has a penchant for getting in the news, managing to do it again recently when he told visiting foreign journalists that America had fought on the wrong side during World War II. It was the good governor's contention that the Com-mies of Soviet Russia were the real enemies and that U.S. foreign policy had played hell with the German people by letting Hitler come to power.

David Broder took up the subject in a column which The Texan printed June 24. In that piece, Broder quoted a section from a 1968 biography of Wallace in which the governor was supposed to have uttered these lines: "I thought back then, hell, we should have been in those trenches with the Germans ... fightin' them Bolsheviks."

WALLACE also indicated then that we should have fought with the Japanese against the rising red tide in Asia during WWII.

In his column, Broder dealt with what he termed Wallace's "conspiratorial view of history which made it seem that American governments for the past two generations had been ... the agents of international communism." A partial transcript of the interview Wallace granted to the visiting reporters, printed in the *National Observer* for July 5, suggests that Broder was letting George off lightly by charging him with "conspiratorial views;" a more appropriate adjective to describe the Wallace vision might have been "paranoia."

In response to questions, Wallace stated that his viewpoint on international affairs "is that I think the best foreign policy we can have at the present time ... is to be the strongest nation on the face of the earth — because the people we're dealing with don't understand anything but strength." Any country that did not believe this, he added, "will wind up like people in Finland ... Every move they have to make they almost have to clear it with the Soviet ..."

So, the basis of his presidential foreign policy, the spunky guy concluded, is "... the fact that you can't trust a Communist ... I don't believe in confrontation. I believe in negotiation. But while I'm 'detente-ing,' as they say, I wouldn't turn my back on 'em."

"So, if I were the president, I would do foreign policy on the basis of what was in the interest of this country — because the survival of this country is in the interest of the Free World and ... I'd stop

worrying about whether the Netherlands like what we did or not."

Wallace says he believes in negotiation, not confrontation, but displays the football mentality of a Jerry Ford in thinking that a country needs to negotiate from a position of inflicting nuclear holocaust in order to secure peace. Gosh, George, we're already No. 1 militarily, and, as I.F. Stone pointed out in the '60s (or was it the '50s?), the more and more the United States builds up its military machine, the more and more the USSR feels as if it has to do the same. So while we're busy making sure we're on top, we're also busy making sure that the Soviets aren't going to lag too far behind if they can help it.

Additionally, to say that one doesn't trust the folks that one is negotiating, or

'detente-ing,' with, does not inspire great trust on the part of the other negotiators.

Wallace claims that foreign policy should be made on the basis of what is in the interest of this country. True, but so far neither Democratic nor Republican administrations have been able to make an approach that is even close to what is in the true interest of the country. Just what is it that is in our interest to conduct the Metternich-style of foreign policy that both parties seem to endorse?

And then there's the telling comments about worrying over what the Netherlands thinks. The U.S. government never worries about what anyone thinks. This is in line with the cliches Wallace embraces about the "pointy-headed intellectuals" who he thinks run

the country.

LATER ON in an interview, Wallace commented to an Indian journalist: "While we were in the Vietnam, people in your government ... criticized us and even, in effect, gave aid and comfort to the North Vietnamese. And many other countries here did the same thing."

To a Yugoslavian reporter: "We've given up into the close to the billions of foreign aid to Yugoslavia. And that's what I'm talking about. Your country gets up and criticizes this nation, and yet takes our money. And as you say — or they say — Well, but we're a different brand of communism than the Communists in Russia — so, that's the reason we did it ... But your country ought not to criticize us if you're going to take our money."

"Now, it's all right to turn our money down and criticize us, but don't take our money and criticize..."

Such a Neanderthal view of the relationship between countries giving and those receiving aid is downright frightening. Does Wallace actually believe that a country can buy or sell loyalty to another country, buy or sell its conscience? Does Wallace see this as the reason for humanitarian aid? Admittedly, the Rockefeller's, Kissingers, and Breshnevs of the world act in this manner also, but Wallace, in his affirmation of this policy, presents no alternative.

At another point in the interview, Wallace stated: "I don't care what kind of government any country has — that's their own business... Well, everybody don't want a government like ours. The people are conditioned over centuries for other type (Communist?) governments. If they want to have that type of government, that's one thing..."

IN ADDITION to being condescending about those folks in other countries who "have been conditioned over centuries" to favor other forms of government, Wallace here is contradicting himself. It was during the same interview that he stated the United States should have teamed up with Japan and Germany to defeat the USSR. But he says he doesn't care what kind of government other countries have.

It is fortunate that Broder and his paper, *The Washington Post*, have pointed out a few inconsistencies in the Wallace stand on foreign policy. But if the man is a serious contender for a place on the Democratic ticket (and through their recent, strident attacks, most party shakers indicate that they think he is), then much, much deeper and more penetrating analysis of the man's views need to be made and published broadly.

We have a right to know.

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'He seems like such a nice guy, I wish he was on our side.'





'I is defendin' da people's right to know — dat's what!'

## Fighting crime the Dick Tracy way

By JACK ANDERSON  
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WASHINGTON — With crime on the ramp, the top officials at the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration are too busy fighting one another to devote much effort to fighting crime.

The agency's chief, Richard W. Velde, is preoccupied with a bureaucratic purge. He has drafted dismissal letters, according to insiders, for at least four senior officials.

THE LETTERS have been held up by the Justice Department, which is trying to bring peace to the agency. But the situation is so chaotic that the General Accounting Office has stepped in.

Velde is a loud law-and-order man who believes crime can best be defeated with Dick Tracy gadgets. He wants to provide local lawmen with fancy paraphernalia.

For example, he approved a wonder wristwatch, which would provide the cop on the move with a digital read-out of his blood pressure, pulse

rate and body temperature — in case he should wish to check on the state of his health as well as the time of the day.

THE AMAZING WATCH, called "A Personal Fitness Monitor," will cost taxpayers \$300,000 to develop.

Velde, perhaps mindful of the police nickname "flat-foot," also has launched an exhaustive search for "the proper shoe" for lawmen. His plans call for 300 pairs of shoes to be tested in the field by different police groups.

This doesn't mean that Velde expects the nation's police to fight crime on foot. He is also developing 20 prototype police cars "to improve the safety, economy and utility of the patrol vehicle."

VELDE is also pushing new protective gear, which was designed after extensive tests on goats at the Army's Edgewood Arsenal. The program killed 100 animals and cost \$1.5 million.

Several senior officials believe less money should be spent on police gadgets and more on police training. Velde has sought to solve the controversy by firing his critics. This has held up the expen-

diture of approximately \$100 million from last year's budget and has created management chaos at the LEAA.

The auditors from the General Accounting Office, meanwhile, are also investigating allegations that Velde brought political pressure to bear in the contracting process.

Footnote: a spokesman for Velde confirmed that "charges are being considered." He denied that the agency was paralyzed by internal dissension. An Army spokesman said the goats were "anaesthetized" before being shot and were then "humanely euthanized."

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BOSTON — The whole purpose of the U.S. Conference of Mayors' meeting last week was to push the plea for emergency aid to recession-ravaged cities. From beginning to end, the message hammered in speeches, panels, press conferences was that New York City's fiscal crisis is a foretaste of what every city faces unless the federal government opens its purse strings again.

What effect this propaganda blitz will have on Congress and the President remains to be seen. But in a way, it's a shame that the entire four-day meeting was orchestrated solely for the repetition of that single cry for help.

There's no doubt that some

cities, like Detroit, really are "disaster areas," as they were called. And there's no doubt that the hordes of unemployed youths in the heart of almost every city are a living reproach to the smugness with which some Washington officials proclaim that the "crisis of the city" is over.

TARGETED AID to those hardest-hit cities and groups has a legitimate part in an over-all economic recovery package. And the Muskie-Humphrey bill for "countercyclical" federal aid to cities with exceptionally high unemployment levels offers a logical way of delivering it.

But if the managers of the mayors' conference had not determined in advance on selling the dubious theme of approaching ruin for all cities, there was quite a different story that could have been told.

It is the story of successful innovation and promising experiment by a new generation of municipal leaders. It is the story of the medium-sized cities, where growing numbers of Americans live, whose mayors have found ways — often in cooperation with state and suburban governments — to use existing federal programs to stimulate economic growth and deal with social problems.

It is a story more hopeful than the New York City saga. And, despite the efforts of the stage managers of this conference, it did begin to emerge here.

BUT YOU had to look to find it. Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., was put in the spotlight for more than

an hour on the final day of the meeting to roar about the Ford administration's alleged "bleeding" of the cities. But the man who now occupies the Minneapolis mayor's chair, where Humphrey 30 years ago began his political career, was shunted off to the obscurity of an afternoon panel session.

What 34-year-old Minneapolis Mayor Albert Hofstede had to say was worth hearing. He outlined how the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area, with 135 communities in seven counties, "has initiated local economic development programs which have gone a long way in bridging the gap created by reductions in federal expenditures" for some of the old urban programs.

Hofstede told of an innovative tax measure, passed by the Minnesota legislature and now approved by the court. It sends 40 percent of the additional property tax generated by any new commercial or industrial development in the metropolitan area into a pool which is shared by the entire area — including its center cities.

THIS "fiscal disparities" measure is designed, over time, to reduce the property tax inequities between cities and suburbs. It underlines the economic and social interdependence of the metropolitan area, without penalizing the growth potential of any of its parts.

It was achieved by innovative state and local officials who, unlike some of their contemporaries, did not

assume that they had exhausted their remedies when they returned empty-handed from a foraging trip to Washington.

The story can be duplicated elsewhere: in Peoria, where a university medical school project has been the key to a dramatic downtown renewal effort. In Hoboken, N.J., where rehabilitation and home improvement loans have been used to save existing neighborhoods. In Berkeley, Calif., where an intensive program of building code enforcement not only halted the deterioration of a 47-block area, but reduced its crime rate from the second-highest in the city to the second-lowest. In Pittsburgh, which has managed to reduce both its city payroll and its crime rate. And even in Gary, that onetime symbol of approaching ruin, whose mayor, Richard G. Hatcher, now is convinced it has turned the corner to better days.

MANY of these efforts would have been impossible without federal funds and federal programs. But none of them would have worked without local leaders capable of rousing city residents to save their own skins and wrangling help from suburban and state officials as well.

The mayors do themselves a disservice when they allow themselves to be portrayed constantly as beggars at the federal trough. Some of them are also capable leaders, coping with tough problems, and achieving a fair degree of success. That's too important a story to cover up for propaganda purposes.

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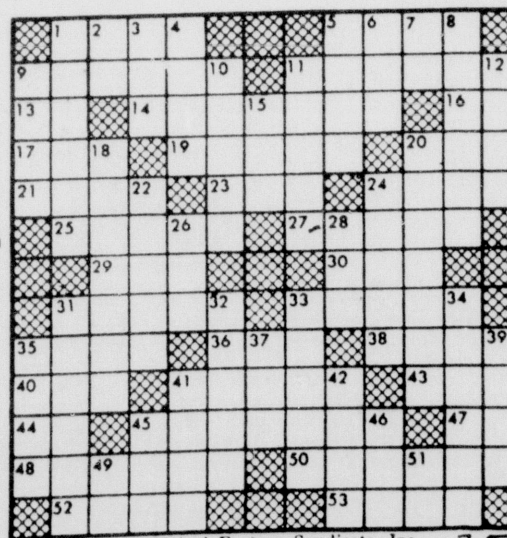
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  - 19 Greek letter
  - 20 Toll
  - 21 Let it stand
  - 23 Compass point
  - 24 Slender
  - 25 Mistake
  - 27 Evaluated
  - 29 Uncooked
  - 30 Confederate general
  - 31 Contends
  - 33 Room
  - 35 Planet
  - 36 Meadow
  - 38 Pinocchio term
  - 40 Bitter vetch
  - 41 Venom
  - 43 River in Scotland
  - 44 Compass point
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  - 48 Blemishes
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# All-Stars Blue, Reuss To Start

## American League Seeking First Victory in Four Years

MILWAUKEE (UPI) — The American League, hoping to parlay a combination of well-rested pitchers, a rejuvenated Rod Carew and five world champion Oakland starters into its first All-Star victory in four years, sends southpaw Vida Blue against the National League and lefthander Jerry Reuss Tuesday night in baseball's 46th midsummer showcase of talent.

After a directive by league president Lee MacPhail that the clubs rest their ace pitchers Sunday prior to the All-Star game, the Americans suddenly find themselves with the luxury of having Oakland's Blue, Kansas City's Steve Busby, New York's Catfish Hunter, etc., rested and ready, while National League aces like Tom Seaver of the

Mets and Andy Messersmith of the Dodgers will be pitching with only a day's time between outings.

"I'M GOING TO USE all of my starters, and none will get to bat," said confident American League manager Alvin Dark. "We've gone all out to win this thing by resting our pitchers on Sunday, and I think it should pay off."

One last-minute hitch in Dark's pitching plans, however, was the removal from the squad and later reinstatement of Baltimore's 13-game winner Jim Palmer. Palmer, plagued by tendinitis, was originally scratched from the squad, and although he later was put back on the roster it is doubtful that he will see action.

In addition to Blue, 12-7 with a 3.10 ERA this season, Dark

will have the pleasure of starting Reggie Jackson (in right field), Joe Rudi (left field), Gene Tenace (first base) and Campy Campaneris (shortstop) from his world champion A's squad. The rest of the lineup will be filled by New York's Bobby Bonds (centerfield), Thurman Munson (catcher) and Graig Nettles (third), plus Carew, openly bitter last year after getting a quick hook from the game by then-manager Dick Williams.

"I know I said a lot of things about never wanting to play in this game again," said Carew, the Minnesota Twins' second baseman who, besides leading both leagues in batting at .372, was also the top over-all All-Star vote getter. "But now I'm glad to be here. After talking it over with my wife, I realized

ed the only people I'd be cheating would be the kids."

**DARK ADDED** that Carew would "play all nine innings, if he's physically able," this time.

The National League, meanwhile, winner of three straight All-Star contests and 11 of the last 12, was confident that a starting lineup comprised of four Cincinnati Reds, three Los Angeles Dodgers plus Lou Brock of the St. Louis Cardinals could quickly overcome the Americans' renewed optimism.

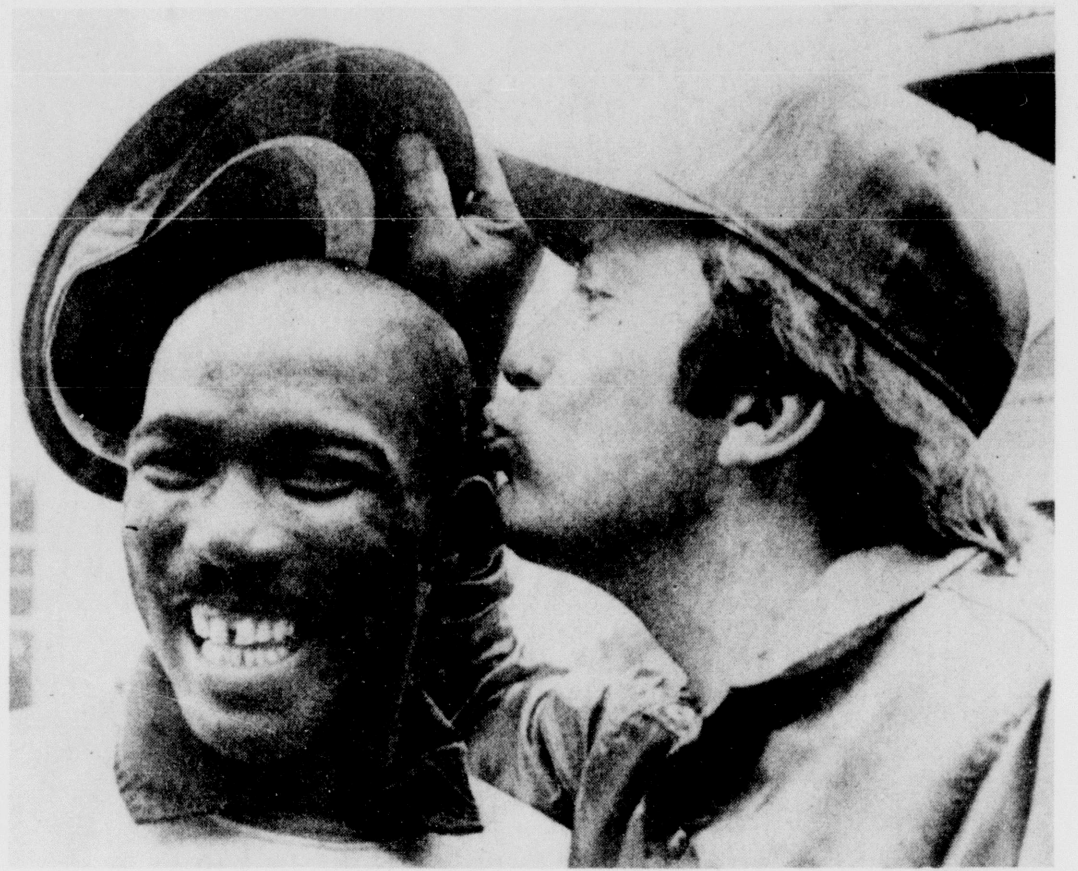
"If we can't win with this club, then I'm in a slump," said National League manager Walter Alston, who will field first baseman Steve Garvey (.318), third baseman Ron Cey (12 hrs, 55 RBI) and Jimmy Wynn from his own Los Angeles Dodger club along with catcher Johnny Bench (73 RBI), second baseman Joe Morgan (.345, 60 RBI), rightfielder Pete Rose (.319) and shortstop Dave Concepcion from the red hot (10 straight wins) Reds.

**REUSS**, 10-6 with a 2.23 ERA and the Pirates' most effective pitcher this year, will probably be followed in the rotation by knuckler Phil Niekro of the Atlanta Braves and southpaw Randy Jones of the San Diego Padres — two

of the NL's starters who did not see action on Sunday. Otherwise, Alston has at his disposal two of baseball's most notable relief specialists, Mike Marshall of the Dodgers and Tug McGraw of the Philadelphia Phillies.

But it is their hitting, as usual, with which the National League expects to continue its winning ways. For after people like Bench, Garvey and Morgan in the starting lineup, there are substitutes like Greg Luzinski of the Phillies, who leads both leagues in homers and RBIs with 25 and 79 respectively, plus Bill Madlock, the Chicago Cubs' .353-hitting third baseman, and Manny Sanguillen, the Pirates' .338-hitting catcher.

"At this time I'm not going to worry about all this resting of pitchers business," said Alston.



Bench plants a playful kiss on Sanguillen's bald head.

## Baseball Rules Scrutinized

MILWAUKEE (UPI) — Major league baseball players, softpedaling any talk of a strike, met Monday and decided to ask management for revisions — but not abolishment — of two of baseball's most controversial rules, the reserve clause and the free-agent draft.

Representatives of each

major league club met with Marvin Miller, executive director of the Players Association, and attorneys for nearly four hours to draw up proposals for the basic agreement which is being negotiated with baseball owners.

**THE PROPOSALS** are expected to be given to the owners the last week in July, and the basic agreement expires in December.

"The players looked at the problems responsibly and tried to tailor solutions to the problems," Miller said. "I think the players demonstrated good faith. They're not looking for trouble at all."

The Players Association meeting was held in conjunction with the major league All-Star Game here Tuesday

night and, in some cases, members of the All-Star team replaced player representatives. Many player reps, however, flew specifically for the meeting and then left immediately for their homes.

"It was an extremely important meeting," said Milwaukee Brewers representative Mike Hegan. "I think that's why so many came in."

**MILLER SAID** the proposals include several changes in the basic agreement, with the reserve clause and the free-agent draft drawing most attention from the public.

"We are not saying that a player should be free at all times," he said, without outlining the specific proposals for change.

"There is a certain investment in the development of a player, and perhaps this entitles the investor to some

guarantee of his services for a specific time — but not his entire life. That's unreasonable.

"If we got everything we're asking, players will not have a free and open market. Players would still have limitations, but it would be a lot freer."

**"THE PLAYERS** don't say, 'well, — let's abolish all the rules. Their proposals were well thought out; probably some things will be eliminated, but others will be put in their place.'"

Miller said the players' main aim was to "try to work it out so that we don't ever get into a crisis area. We think it would be beneficial to all concerned."

He also said the players, in their discussions, considered greatly public reaction to the football players strike last year "in the light of everything, management statements and all."

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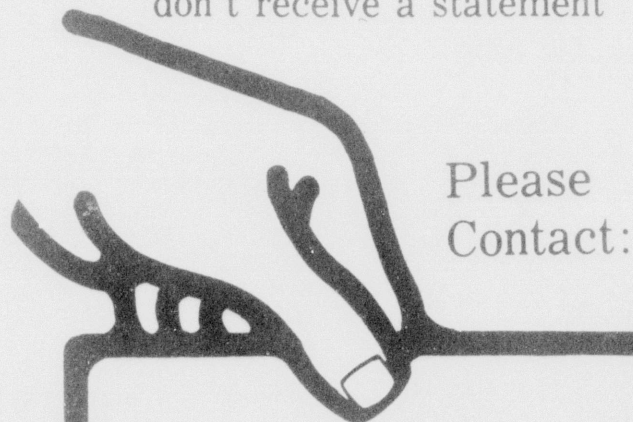
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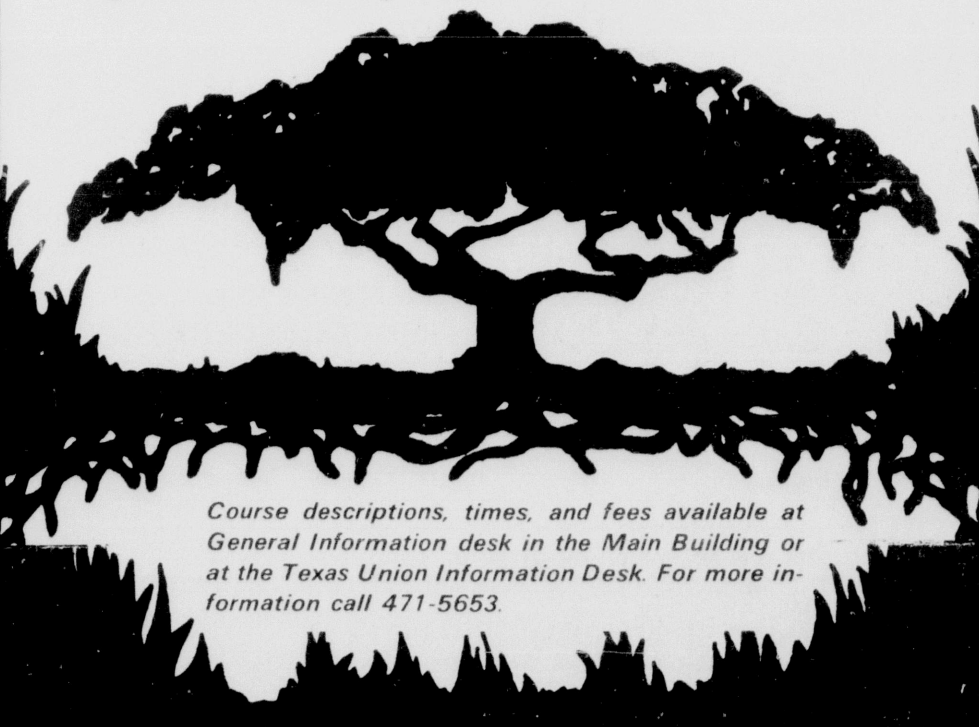
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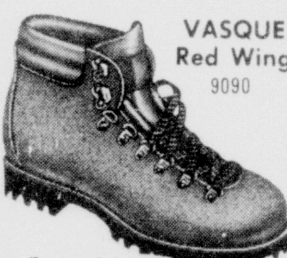
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### The Power of the Ballot

For years, baseball has presented the most respected All-Star game of any sport. They have been hallmarks of athletic excellence, played with pride, enthusiasm and a true desire to win. And what's most important, the rosters have been filled with nothing but the best. It is sad to report that this last characteristic may be falling by the wayside.

The powers that be in major league baseball decided several years back to allow the fans to vote their favorite players to starting positions on the All-Star teams. This move was hailed by sports enthusiasts as a unique and innovative step, and fans everywhere flocked to the parks to let their voice be heard. This year alone more than seven million ballots were cast. That the idea has been a popular success is unquestionable, but it is a success which has been dearly paid for.

The all-star teams' highly revered starting slots have become nothing more than popularity contests with the players having the biggest name often getting the nod. To be sure, these players have had to achieve a certain level of greatness to make a name for themselves, and over the years there have been times when an All-Star status was undoubtedly deserved. But, it must be remembered that the All-Star game is a yearly occurrence, and positions should be rewarded accordingly — on a player's performance that season.

### Weak-Hitting Starters

This year's starting lineup illustrates perfectly the evils of pandering to a star-worshipping public. Consider the starting trio for the American League outfield — Bobby Bonds, New York; Joe Rudi, Oakland; and Reggie Jackson, Oakland. These perennial greats have a combined batting average of .254, not good for an All-Star shortstop, much less a power hitting outfielder. But they are the fans' choices, picked over men who are having better years. (For example, the amazing rookie Fred Lynn, Boston, who leads the American League in RBIs and is second only to Rod Carew of the Twins in batting.)

And there are other injustices. Gene Tenace, Oakland, was awarded the first base spot despite the fact that the Rangers' Mike Hargrove has established himself as one of the league's best hitters, currently sailing along at a .339 clip, good enough for third on the average charts.

Another Oakland favorite, Bert Campaneris, will assume the starting shortstop role in preference to Chicago's Jorge Orta, who is having his best year ever and batting 30 percentage points better than Campaneris.

The National circuit's bunch is not without similar problems. Greg Luzinski, the Philadelphia outfielder who is tearing up the league with 24 homers and 76 RBIs, did not even finish close to the top in balloting, while the Dodgers' Jimmy Wynn nailed down a position despite his struggling year at the bat.

### Question of Priorities

When the method of picking the starting players is thus, there will never be a way to avoid bad decisions. The baseball electorate is no more intelligent than its political counterpart. Of course, you will always have controversy over who should or should not be an All-Star, but what I am talking about goes beyond petty differences of opinion.

There is the whole question of priorities; what is more important — appeasing the interests of fans who wish to push their favorite player(s), or trying to produce a balanced, accurate All-Star team? When players like Luzinski, Lynn, Hargrove and Bob Watson of Houston have to be picked by the coaches in the bench-fill-out procedure, you know there's something wrong.

No All-Star game should be taken too seriously, but to insure equity an alternative method of selection would be welcome. Perhaps a system could be arranged where the players would have a voice. After all, who knows baseball better? Ultimately, it's nothing to get in a stew about, but dammit, if they're going to have the game at all they ought to do it right.

# Thompson Signs With Denver

DENVER (UPI) — The Denver Nuggets signed All-America forward David Thompson of North Carolina State Monday, making him the first No. 1 draft pick of the National Basketball Association to sign with the 8-year-old American Basketball Association.

For the rights to Thompson,

drafted by the ABA Virginia Franchise, the Nuggets sent the Squires starting guard Mack Calvin, starting center Mike Green and reserve forward Jan Van Breda Kolff. Denver also received forward George Irvine.

Terms of Thompson's contract, a multi-year, multi-million-dollar-pact, were not

released, but it was reported the player would receive around \$2.5 million. President-General Manager Carl Scheer of the Nuggets said, "David turned 21 Sunday, and I would have to say he is one of the most secure 21-year-olds I have ever known."

THE NUGGETS actually

came to agreement with Thompson last week, but announcement of the signing of the 6-5 forward, who averaged 26.8 points and 8.1 rebounds during his college career was delayed awaiting the sale of the Nuggets to a local group headed by Scheer.

Thompson was made the opening pick of the NBA draft

by Atlanta, which also selected Marvin Webster of Morgan State as the third player in the NBA draft. Both signed with Denver.

The swap and the departure of Calvin and Van Breda Kolff left the Nugget with a questionable back court. Coach Larry Brown said the team "might make some moves before the season begins."

The Nuggets are interested in guards Chuck Williams of Memphis, Al Smith of Utah, George Karl of San Antonio and Bobby Warren of San Antonio.

THOMPSON SAID the major factor in his signing with Denver was the city.

"I enjoy the climate, the people and the way I was accepted," he said after disclosing he could have signed with virtually any club in the NBA and had entered negotiations with the New York Knicks.

"Denver also has a winning program and has shown me a desire to provide the city with a championship," he said. "I wanted to be associated with a winning team in a good city, and Denver was the only city that offered that."

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purchase a facility use card for \$3, \$2 and \$1, respectively, for each of the time periods. Cards for their children cost only \$1 per year.

There also is a card for onetime use of the gym facilities for out-of-town guests.

But the price of admission to the summer program is reasonable, considering the activities available.

Persons can participate in badminton, basketball goal shooting, exerciser bikes, shuffleboard, swimming, table tennis, trampolines, a treadmill and volleyball.

"THIS IS the first time we have held the program for five nights a week," Mack

Murphy, a training specialist at the gym, said. "During the long sessions we usually had intramurals on Tuesday and Thursday nights and family recreation nights on the weekends."

Murphy said an average of 65 persons had been participating in the program nightly so far this summer, compared to about 100 during the long session.

## Aussie Advances

CHICAGO (UPI) — Eighth-seeded Phil Dent of Australia fought back from a first set loss Monday night to beat Dick Dell and advance to the quarterfinals of the \$50,000 Chicago International Tennis Championships at Soldier Field.

Dent overcame a 5-7 loss in the first set to down unseeded Dell, of Bethesda, Md., 6-2, 6-1 in the last two sets.

Also reaching the quarterfinals was fourth-seeded Dick Stockton, of Dallas.

Top-seeded Roscoe Tanner of Lookout Mountain, Tenn.,

THE MOST popular activity for the participants so far has been swimming, followed closely by volleyball, Murphy said.

The pool is open from noon to 1 p.m., 4:30 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m.

Families are eligible to participate in the evening, but children are required to be accompanied by their parents.

plays Mike Cahill of Milwaukee, Wis., in his opening round match Tuesday night.

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Milwaukee	46	42	.523	4	Philadelphia	49	40	.551	6 1/2
New York	45	41	.523	4 1/2	New York	43	42	.506	10 1/2
Baltimore	41	44	.482	8	St. Louis	42	44	.488	12
Cleveland	40	46	.465	9 1/2	Chicago	42	48	.467	14
Detroit	39	47	.453	10 1/2	Montreal	35	48	.422	17 1/2
West					West				
Oakland	55	32	.632	—	Cincinnati	61	29	.678	—
Kansas City	47	41	.534	8 1/2	Los Angeles	49	42	.538	12 1/2
Chicago	40	45	.471	14	San Francisco	41	47	.466	19
Texas	41	49	.456	15 1/2	San Diego	41	49	.456	20
Minnesota	39	48	.448	16	Atlanta	39	49	.443	21
California	40	51	.440	17	Houston	33	59	.359	29
Monday's Games					Monday's Games				
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## Finley Draws Suspension

OAKLAND (UPI) — Charles O. Finley and Co., Inc., is under suspension in California because the feisty owner of the Oakland A's failed to file a tax return when he sold the California Seals hockey team, it was disclosed Monday.

The suspension came to light during a superior court hearing for 11 East Oakland

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# Channing: Comedy 'Fascinating'

## Comedienne Reflects on 'The Fortune,' Other Roles

By VICKY BOWLES  
Texan Staff Writer

Stockard Channing's performance in her first major film has earned significant acclaim as a return to the traditional comedienne of the '30s and '40s — the zany innocent who always maintains her balance. As Fredericka Quintessa Bigard in "The Fortune," she plays a stock character of that era, a "madcap heiress." It is an especially appropriate role for Channing, who has had a lifetime's experience as an heiress.

The 31-year-old actress was reared on New York's Park Avenue, daughter of a wealthy shipping executive, and attended Miss Chapin's School in Manhattan, the Madeira School in Virginia and Radcliffe College. What could be more natural than for a former debutante to portray a sanitary napkin heiress who elopes with two (yes, two) con men?

CHANNING'S INTEREST in drama was developed at Radcliffe, where she worked with Agassiz Theatre, the Harvard Dramatic Club and the Loeb Repertory Theatre. After graduation she appeared with the Theatre Company of Boston, the Chelsea Theatre in New York and repertory companies in New York, Boston and Washington.

The "big break" came in 1972 as understudy to one of the leads of Broadway's "Two Gentlemen of Verona." In the next two years, also appearing with the national touring company of the show. In 1973, she was cast in Broadway in "No

Hard Feelings" with Eddie Albert and Nanette Fabray, an appropriately titled play, since it lasted but one night.

"The Girl Most Likely to," a 1973-television movie, was Channing's first major exposure to American audiences, and the film brought in one of the highest rating totals ever. Written by comedienne Joan Rivers, the movie chronicled the life of an ugly girl, persecuted and friendless, who, through plastic surgery, was able to avenge herself. The story was pure black comedy, brutal and unrelenting in its indictment of beauty-conscious culture, and Channing proved herself a remarkably facile comedic actress.

CHANNING SAID last month in situations that she finds comedy "fascinating, so grounded in real life." The role in "The Fortune" was one she felt herself particularly suited for, and added to that was the lure of working with Jack Nicholson, Warren Beatty and director Mike Nichols.

"Nichols is a very good director. He lets you do what you want, relaxes you. I don't like manipulation. Actors are usually intelligent enough to know what they want to do," she said. "But there was little improvisation in 'The Fortune.' The slang and rhythms were very specific. We had to work back from language to develop the characters."

Her next project is a caper film, "The All-American Girl," to be shot in Tacoma, Wash. Channing said of the film, "It's a character study of a female car thief. People always ask me, 'Who's the guy?' Well, there isn't one; the woman is a sort of Steve McQueen role."

"IT'S A VERY difficult project, the true story of a woman named Brenda Pearl, her career and rehabilitation. The rewrite of the original story is by Marilyn Golden, but we're improving a lot, all working together on it," she said.

Her unlikely name is taken from her real name, Susan Williams Antonia Stockard Channing Schmidt. Stockard is the

family name; Channing her first husband's name.

The "Schmidt" provides her with an Austin connection. Her current husband is Paul Schmidt, a University associate professor of Slavic languages and Soviet film.

ALTHOUGH CHANNING divides most of her time between New York and California, she did spend three months in Austin one summer, enjoying the countryside and the lack of creature comforts. "Our water was cut off most of the time," she explained. She also wears a considerable amount of turquoise Indian jewelry, much of it purchased on the range.

From the grandeur of Park Avenue to the large grandeur of screen wealth, Channing is a comedienne to keep an eye on.



Stockard Channing

## KLRN Sets Specials

Meet Washoe, a chimp who talks in sign language and take an inside look at the cosmetic industry Tuesday night on KLRN-TV, channel 9.

At 8 p.m., Nova examines the antics of Washoe in "The First Signs of Washoe." A chimp who is more like a person, Washoe is the first animal to master the rudiments of language and now has a vocabulary of 150 words. The material for this prize-winning show took five years to gather and is used as scientific evidence that chimpanzees can use sign language in a variety of specific ways.

Then, at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Woman features biologist Deborah Chase, author of "The Medically Based, No-Nonsense Beauty Book." Chase informs consumers that there is little difference between cheap and expensive cosmetics. She gives some surprising statistics and practical advice on buying and using cosmetics.

## Creek Festival Continues

The Creek Theater Summer Music Festival enters its seventh week by baritone Wayne Harris. Harris is a student of Arturo Seregi and is completing requirements for his master's degree in voice this summer at the University.

Later this summer, he will perform the role of Guglielmo in excerpts from Mozart's "Così fan tutte" to be staged by the University Opera Workshop. Harris' accompanist will be Mary Boon, who also is a master's candidate. Boon studies with Danielle Martin.

The program will include "Strike the Viol" and "Lord,

What Is Man?" by Purcell; Mozart's "Mentre ti lascio," a cycle of eight gypsy songs; an aria from Wagner's "Tannhäuser," several light hearted songs by Chabrier and selections from "Kismet."

On Friday Tom Cloutier will present his second and final concert of music for classical guitar. Assisted by several other instrumentalists and a singer, Cloutier will perform a diverse program of music from the Renaissance to the present time. Featured will be a quartet by Schubert and works by Diabelli, von Weber and Villa-Lobos.

The River City Quintet will conclude its engagement at the Creek on Saturday with a varied program of music or woodwind quintet. Members of this group include Elizabeth Castano, flute; Jacques Nelson, oboe; Steve Slaughter, clarinet; Marilyn Bump, bassoon; Doug Kirk, horn. They will play music by Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Scott Joplin, Irving Fine and Elliot Carter.

Novus, the Concentus Novus, an ensemble devoted to the performance of music from the Middle Ages and Renaissance using original instruments, will give its concluding program at the Creek. Concentus Novus is directed by Charles Turner and Doug Kirk; both play recorders and krumphorn. Other members include Barbara Amarol, soprano and viola; Julia de Lacy, mezzo soprano and harp; David Fox, tenor; Bruce Kirk, viol; James Wheat, recorder, krumphorn and sackbut; Dennis Moser, lute and guitar.

The Creek Theater is at 705 E. Sixth St. Reservations and information may be obtained by calling 477-8900. All programs begin at 8 p.m.; general admission is \$2.50 and students \$2.

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Johnson, Stephens (l-r) in 'Owl and Pussycat'

## Paramount Schedules 'Owl and Pussycat'

Center Stage has announced a change in plans for its summer season at the Paramount. Instead of the scheduled presentation of the mystery "Sleuth," the theater will revive one of the biggest hits of its first season, Bill Manhoff's comedy, "The Owl and the Pussycat." The two-character comedy, which ran successfully on Broadway for several years and was made into a movie starring Ryan O'Neal and Barbra Streisand, will feature Judy Stephens as Doris, the plucky with a penchant for long words that she doesn't understand and Center Stage director Ken

Johnson as Felix Sherman, the bookish owl who falls for the "happy hooker." Looking through binoculars from a window in his San Francisco loft, Felix catches Doris at work and, having complained to the landlord, now finds that he has a tiger by the tail. Having been dispossessed, she figures he owes her a pad for the night. The result of this strange alliance is that they find themselves falling in love. Since her appearance as Doris in Center Stage's 1973 production of "The Owl and the Pussycat," Stephens has appeared as Sharon in

"Finian's Rainbow," Mary in "Little Mary Sunshine" and Miss Adelaide in "Guys and Dolls" for Center Stage and, more recently, as the Wazir's wife in the Zachary Scott production of "Kismet." In addition to his directing duties for Center Stage, Johnson has frequently doubled as an actor, most recently as El

Gallo in "The Fantasticks" and Judas/John the Baptist in "Godspell." "The Owl and the Pussycat" is scheduled to run

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## Leachman Excellent But Fails To Rescue Movie 'Crazy Mama' Painful, Ill-Conceived

"Crazy Mama," directed by Jonathan Demme; starring Cloris Leachman and Ann Southern; at the Northcross 6, Aquarius IV, Showtown USA and Southside.

By JAMES PHILLIPS  
Texan Staff Writer

I had medium-high hopes for this movie — medium because its type (cheap rip-off) is invariably muddling at best and high because of its promising array of stars and seemingly humorous approach (hopes because, God bless me, I want 'em to be good). My expectations, humble as they were, were shattered. The movie stinks. Briefly, the humor falls flat, the dramatics are awkward and misplaced, the action is ill-conceived and poorly stag-

ed and the direction and scripting are painful. But wait — the color is good, and the '50s music is always nice. This and Cloris Leachman (did you ever consider what a truly awful name that is?) almost bring "Crazy Mama" off, but no. Leachman is a consummate actress — here mere presence adds life — and she tries hard, to no avail.

**WATCHING** "Crazy Mama" in a theater seems ludicrous in itself. These are TV stars in a TV quality piece. Only moderate swearing and a quick glimpse of Linda Purl (just scrumptious) distinguish it from "Movie of the Week." Stuart Whitman I've always liked, (Cimmaron Strip) but he's nothing more or less here than anywhere else. Ann Southern (that's right, fellow SOTAs, Ann Southern) has

added 150 pounds and a style that is not befitting. Donnie Most (Ralphie on "Happy Days") is, well, is Ralphie on "Happy Days," even here. There are a couple of newcomers here, Bryan England and Merie Earle, who, aided greatly by their unfamiliarity, stand out. Jim Bacus has a rich part consisting of about six lines.

**THE STORY** is simple enough, not surprisingly. Three generations of Stokes (Southern, Leachman, Purl) get upset at creditors and decide to steal their way (with Most) back to their original home, Jerusalem, Ark., from Long Beach. In Las Vegas they pick up, respectively, Earle, a looney, god-fearing slot machine addict; Whitman, a Texas sheriff who later engineers his own kidnapping; and England, a black-leathered cyclist.

Though stock characters one and all, the possibilities for humorous interplay are endless. These possibilities,

and a realm of others, are abandoned for yelling, shooting in the air and simple-minded heists, usually without even a redeeming car chase.

**AFTER KNOCKING** off a service station, an allnight wedding establishment and a motorcycle race, they belatedly realize no strikes against heartless bankers and landlords are being struck. This is when, it seems, heart-break starts to creep in, as the bigger the job gets the better the likelihood somebody will go down bleeding. "Crazy Mama" would be an uneven mixture of comedy and tragedy (when people start dying, it's a shock, but a shallow one) except for the fact that the moving forces behind this mess, apparently

undecided about whether to take one route or the other, or both, ended up with neither.

The intended jokes, of which there are many, (but apparently, only a few gags struck a chord with any viewer, and different ones for each) are, when not old and tired, remarkably unfunny. The cops are typically Keystone and the robbers nearly so. Anyway, its hard to laugh when the predominant emotion is pity.

You know you're at a loser when the most interesting thing that happens is a near scrap between dating non-smokers and a gaggle of pubescent smokers — it came as entertainment, not interference.

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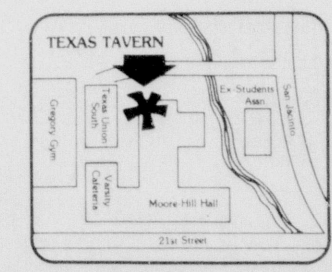
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County Endorses Flood Insurance

By DANNY HOLLAND  
Texan Staff Writer

County commissioners unanimously passed a proposed flood plan ordinance Monday, the first step towards making flood plan insurance available to county residents.

"What we have done is pass a statement of intent which says it is a unanimous decision by the county commissioners to enter into the National Flood Insurance Program," explained Precinct 2 Commissioner Bob Honts.

The ordinance provides for previously unheard-of controls over subdivision development, industrial building and drainage in rural areas.

FURTHERMORE, the ordinance will be of maximum importance to residential landowners in rural areas of Travis County.

By the county entering the National Flood Insurance Program, insurance companies are required to sell insurance to people in flood areas at a special rate, according to susceptibility to flooding.

The next step for the commissioners is to "smooth out all the kinks in the ordinance and submit it to the federal governments, Honts said, adding that if the ordinance meets with all federal regulations, it will be passed into law.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Richard Moya would not make any predictions as to when the ordinance will be ready but said the commissioners will hold a public hearing on the issue in order

Bauerle To Appeal School Shutdown

University Regent James Bauerle, who has been denied approval by the Texas Education Agency to operate two business schools, said Monday he will appeal the decision to Education Commissioner M.L. Brockette.

The San Antonio dentist was informed in a letter from TEA that he cannot legally operate the schools because of deficiencies in his application for approval.

Discrepancies listed included failure to submit financial positions, balance sheets and current liability statements of the two schools — Parish-Draughon's Business College and Technical School in San Antonio and Southwestern Business College in Houston.

The application, according to Bauerle, did contain financial statements and balance sheets, although a liability statement was excluded.

"It's hard to find out exactly what they do want," Bauerle said, adding that the ramifications involved in making the change of ownership have been either vague, or confusing and perplexing.

"I feel the schools should be kept alive, for the sake of those who would like to learn a trade rather than a prescribed IQ oriented learning program," he said.

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**Traffic Control Extended**

University police began Monday to regulate on-campus traffic until 8:30 p.m. As a result, only those persons with "A," "F," "O" or "D" permits will be able to enter campus before that time.

Traffic control stations began closing at 5 p.m. at the beginning of the summer but now will stay open until 8:30, because of heavy traffic.

"The decision to close the traffic control stations at 5 p.m. for the summer was made in the fall when funds were allocated," Lt. William E. Best of the University police, said.

University police cited no reason other than increased traffic for the decision to keep the stations open later.

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Bank OKs Co-op Loan Funding To Provide Student Housing

By JOAN GIVENS  
Texan Staff Writer

After five months of trying to negotiate a loan to purchase an old boarding house, the Inter-Cooperative Council (ICC) is preparing to open a graduate student co-op by Sept. 1.

Tom Stitt, an ICC executive secretary, explained Monday that, since February, the council's loan applications had been turned down by local lending institutions. Last week, an Austin bank agreed to finance the purchase, awaiting appraisal of the building and a list of prominent citizens who will back repayment of the loan, he said.

ALTHOUGH LOANS were refused on a number of grounds other than council instability, Stitt attributed the problem to ICC's nonprofit status. Lending to such an organization is considered high-risk, and foreclosure on a non-profit group by a lending institution is bad publicity, he said.

Loan associations are "leary of giving money for fear of getting burned," he added.

The ICC, a "form of land trust" maintaining a development fund, is a federation of nine Austin housing cooperatives, Stitt explained. Most of the 190 residents are students.

The new co-op, at 2212 Pearl St., will house 16 graduate students or "students older than average," Stitt said. It will consist of single rooms and a central community kitchen.

AN INFORMAL ICC adviser, Robert Cooke, director of the University Division of Housing and Food Service, said he is unfamiliar with current ICC negotiations. When home loans are requested lending institutions consider down payment and ability to repay the loan, he commented.

Bill McClaine, a vice-president and senior lending officer at Mutual Savings Association, explained that his business negotiates "fraternal loans" for non-profit organizations such as churches, fraternities and the YMCA.

Fraternal loans are "a service to the community and

advertising of our facility to a broad number of people," he said. They are not reviewed on a businesslike basis, but individually, according to circumstances, McClaine added.

Individual indemnity is usually sought from members of the non-profit group, the lending officer said. Prominent church members and fraternity alumni often sign for responsibility in repaying a loan in the event that the organization cannot.

"WE'D MAKE the loan if it is a worthwhile situation ... and if funds are available," McClaine said of organization requests. If a venture is not in the best interest of the community or if it serves only a

small segment of the community with limited interest, a loan might not be approved at Mutual Savings, he explained.

An Austin Savings and Loan Association loan officer, Jim Brown, said he considers value of the project, ability to repay the loan, credit, financial statements and income tax returns in determining commercial loan feasibility.

AFTER A LOAN has been granted, Brown works with an organization if it faces financial trouble, regardless of its profit or nonprofit status, he said. When faced with the need to foreclose, his employers do not try to regain property, only the money that was lost, he added.

Student Government Leaders Support Systemwide Council

A student council to prompt communication between the different campuses of the University System will be discussed among student government leaders at the July 25 Board of Regents meeting.

"There is no line of student communication between campuses," said Lyn Breeland, Student Government vice-president and initiator for the council. "This would provide a formalized link between student governments and the Board of Regents to communicate our desires."

ACCORDING to Breeland's plan, the council will be comprised of student government president and vice-presidents from each un-

iversity in the System.

"We are all under the same administration and subject to the same things," Breeland added, "but different things are controlled differently, such as student use fees and the way they are allocated."

Students at each campus have a distinct advantage that other campuses don't have, Breeland added, citing the example of a student services fee allocation committee at UT Arlington.

"Maybe we have something they don't have, and by comparing we can serve the interests of the students in the best way possible," he said.

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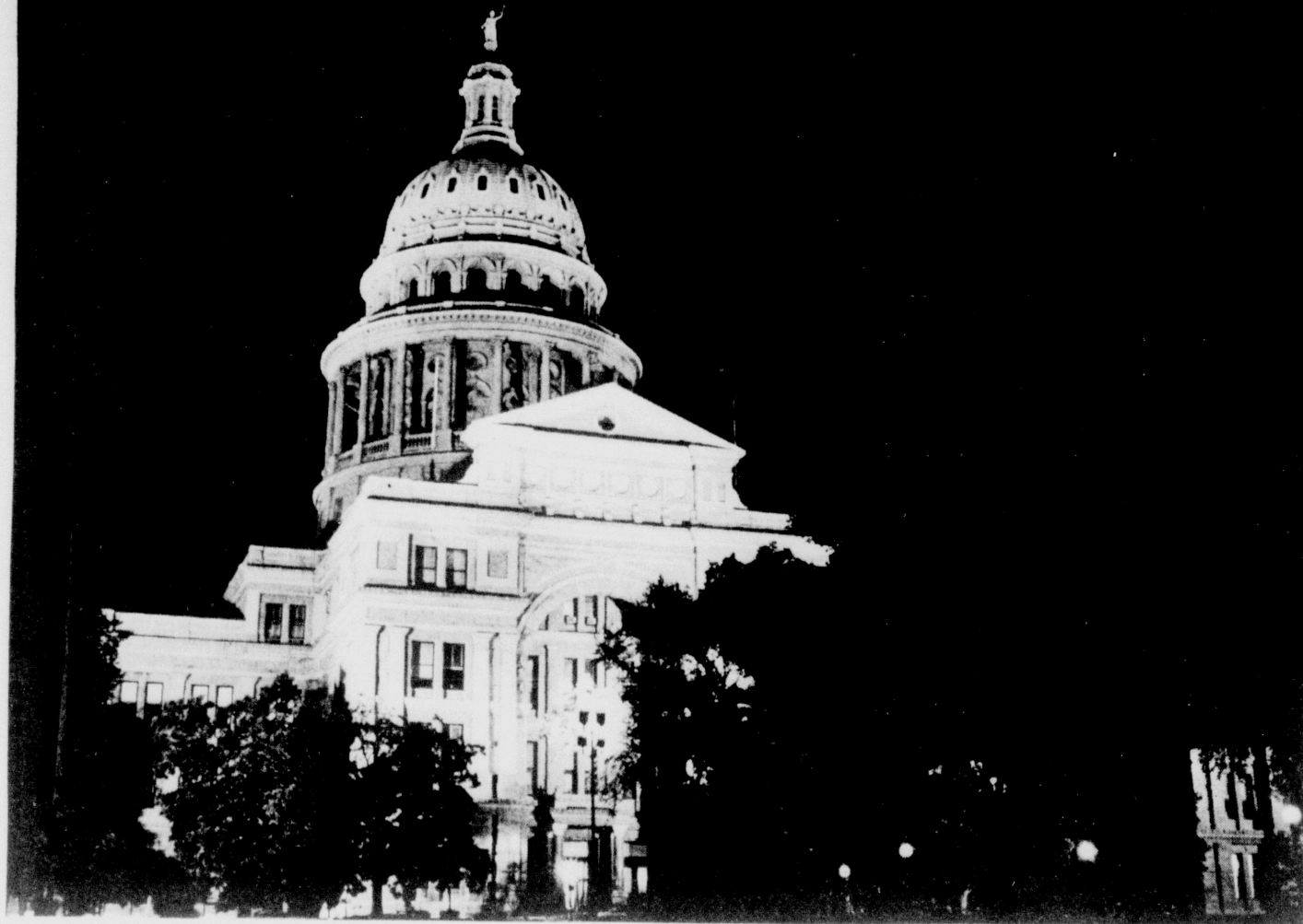
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Construction plans for the fourth Capitol in Austin had begun six years earlier after the 16th Legislature appropriated unsettled lands in parts of nine northeast Panhandle counties to finance the project. This vast amount of land was purchased by a group of Illinois financiers and later became the famous XIT Ranch.

**GROUNDBREAKING** ceremonies were held Feb. 1, 1882, and by the year's end a small city of workmen had sprung up around the new Capitol's excavation site.

In March, 1884, the first load of native limestone was hauled nine miles from a quarry in Oatmanville to the Capitol grounds on the contractor's (Abner Taylor) specially constructed railroad. However, the inferior quality of the stone caused Gen. R.L. Walker, the building superintendent, to reject it.

The Oatmanville limestone was discovered to contain iron pyrites which produced rust-colored stains in the stone when it was exposed to air. Since this condition rendered the stone useless for surface work, another construction material had to be located.

**THE CONTRACTOR** argued the building's architect, Elijah Meyers, had drawn his plans on the basis that limestone would be used to construct the Capitol. Taylor suggested limestone from Bedford, Ind., to replace the unsuitable Texas material.

Gov. John Ireland opposed Taylor's plan since it would have violated the state's policy of using only Texas material on the Capitol. Ireland favored using red granite for the building's exterior and received strong public backing for his stance.

While the conflict over the choice of building material raged,

ed, the new Capitol's cornerstone, made of red granite from Burnet County, was laid March 2, 1885, in celebration of the 49th anniversary of Texas Independence.

Finally, in July, 1885, Taylor agreed to Ireland's proposal but stipulated the state had to furnish all granite free of charge as well as build a railroad to haul the stone from its quarry to the Capitol site. Taylor also called upon the state to provide him with 1,000 convicts to mine the granite and build the railroad.

**TAYLOR'S CONDITIONS** were accepted by the state, and shortly thereafter the owners of Granite Mountain in Burnet County, 75 miles northwest of Austin, offered all the red granite necessary to complete the Capitol.

Although one controversy was settled, other serious problems arose which considerably slowed construction progress. The use of convict labor drew strong opposition from all organized labor groups, and a dispute with Taylor in July 1885 caused the International Association of Granite Cutters to order a boycott of the job.

Taylor sent a representative to Aberdeen, Scotland, to recruit more granite cutters, and he was able to persuade 86 men to make the trip to America. When the men arrived in New York, they were met by union representatives and a federal marshal who told them they would violate the Alien Contract Labor Law by working on the Texas Capitol project. Twenty-four workers returned to Scotland but 62 chose to continue on to Texas.

**THE UNION** filed suit on Taylor in an Austin federal district court for his use of these "scab" laborers, and in 1891 Taylor's Capitol Syndicate was ordered to pay a fine of \$8,000 plus court costs. This was the first and the most notable case ever tried under the Alien Contract Labor Law.

Work continued despite the union boycott, and by January, 1886, nearly a thousand men were working on the project.

The building was completed Dec. 8, 1888, almost seven years after the groundbreaking ceremony. At completion, the structure contained 392 rooms, 924 windows and 404 doors. It measured 566 feet in length, 288 feet in width and rose 308 feet from ground level to the tip of the star held by the Goddess of Liberty.

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Story by Steve McGonigle

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