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Person-to-Person

Northside ISD maintenance supervisor James Corbin received the Goodwill Industries Presidential Citation Oct. 23 at their annual awards banquet.

Corbin was named to the highest honor for his part in a program to let handicapped people obtain jobs throughout the community.

Among recent guests here were Mrs. Evelyn Osborn of White Deer, Texas and her sister, Mrs. Maxine Andrew of Alton, Texas, nieces of Marie Parrigin, who enjoyed their visit. Also visiting on the occasion were the family of Mrs. Andrew.

They are granddaughters of the late Alex Parrigin, for whom Parrigin Drive here was named. Mr. Parrigin, a real estate expert here, was a founder of the local Lion's Club and former president. The Lion's Parrigin Pavilion at the Park here on Highway 16 was named for him. His birthday will be remembered by many here, Nov. 12, as he believed in gathering with others to mark birthdays. He was born in 1874 and was more than 96 at his death. He was a longtime resident of Helotes.

Mackey School hosted their annual Halloween Dance. Guest disc jockey was Hal King from radio KAPE. King is emcee for the Disco Dance and judged best dancers and best costumed students.

Shenandoah fifth grader Jodi Meyer, won Grand Prize in the Constitution Week poster contest sponsored by the Ol' Shavano Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Others who won, and their schools are: Dean Hollingsworth and Suzette Hierholzen, Colonies North; and also Rose Marie Perez and Roland Guerrero, Esparza Elementary.

The San Antonio Public Library will be celebrating Children's Book Week, November 13-19 with special activities. A free book drawing at the end of the week will be held at Main Library and each of the branch libraries. The drawing will be held for three grade categories: Preschool - 3rd grade; 4th-6th grades, and 7th-12th grades.

Contact your nearest library now for details.

Holidays To Bring Traditional Fete



Photo by John Poindexter
Jennifer Hughes, left, Laura Brown and Scott Ball practice for UTSA's upcoming Madrigal Christmas Dinner. The event, which will be Dec. 1, 2 and 3 on the UTSA campus, will feature the University's Madrigal Singers, Brass Ensemble and Recorder Consort.

Tickets, priced at \$12.50 each, are on sale in the Division of Music office through Nov. 28. The division sponsors the dinner, and all proceeds benefit the music scholarship fund. For information, phone 691-4355.

Helotes P-TA To Meet Nov. 9

Every member and those who plan to be members of the Helotes Parent-Teachers Assn. are reminded to mark this Thursday night to be there, by the president, Sally Hall.

In addition to a busy agenda, with official reports on the recent successful FUN FAIR, and the latest pros and cons of the \$25 million projected bond issue to be voted on Nov. 14—there will be a guest speaker and music. The new Children's Choral group of the Helotes Elementary School directed by Merie Skinner will provide the music.

And that is not all that is new. The new 911 emergency telephone number will be the topic for an address to the Helotes PTA on Thursday, Nov. 9, 7:30 p.m. at Helotes Elementary School.

Peggy Mangold, member of the 911 Speakers Bureau, will explain how the new three-digit

emergency phone number will speed calls for help in situations requiring police, fire or emergency medical assistance. The 911 number will be available throughout the San Antonio metropolitan area in late January, 1979.

An instructor in the Department of Radio-Television-Film at San Antonio College,

Candidate Speaks To Merchants

William "Bill" Siebert, Republican candidate for Sheriff of Bexar County who will contest incumbent Democrat candidate, Rudy Garza on Tuesday for the Sheriff's office, was a guest speaker at the meeting of the Helotes Merchant's Assn. at Chef John's Steak House Wednesday morning.

He outlined his plans to bring efficiency to the Sheriff's Department which is the chief

Mangold has been active in the promotion of 911, serving as a member of the 911 Public Education Subcommittee with the Alamo Area Council of Governments. She is a board member and consultant to the American Heart Association and received the Texas award for outstanding public relations from that group in 1978.

law enforcing agency of the unincorporated area around Helotes as well as in Grey Forest.

Fred Holden, president of the Merchant's Association, said that a drive to add new merchants to the organization will be started. Merchants new in the area are especially invited to attend the meetings on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at Chef John's.

Spooks, Awards Spark Fire Dept. Month

Firefighters here who volunteer for around-the-clock manning of the Helotes Area Volunteer Fire Department do take out time to observe holidays too, if they can. Last Tuesday, Halloween night, found them covering the Fire House area into a SPOOK HOUSE to which they invited the neighborhood children—who came in disguise as ghosts, ghouls, princesses, gypsies and vintage hoodlums—and they had a sensational time. Also, Helotes trick-or-treaters called on mostly their own good, friendly neighbors before joining the activity in town at the Fire House.

During the past month, the other official events were observed. For instance, Oct. 8-14 was Fire Prevention Week.

The Helotes Area Volunteer Department reported that the week passed by without a single fire call. "An unusually quiet week," reported Chief Wayne Chaffe. "We usually average two alarms a week. . . But this is better. . . A needed rest. Just because there weren't any alarms doesn't mean we've been inactive. Training continues, and the department participated in fire drills and demonstrations at both the Helotes Elementary School and the preschool at the Presbyterian Church."

This year the Helotes VFD, in conjunction with T.M. Edwards of the Village Insurance Agency, sponsored a fire prevention essay contest at Helotes Elementary. Members of each grade competed among themselves. Topics ranged from general fire prevention and fire hazards in the home to such topics as "What I would do if there was a fire in my house." The first grades and kindergarten classes drew posters.

A trophy was awarded to the winning essay or poster in each grade and three ribbons per classroom were presented. Chief Chaffe announced the following:

TROPHY WINNERS

5th grade: Emily Knicker; 4th grade: Ann Abney; 3rd grade: Laura Riley; 2nd grade: Leesa Kime; 1st grade: Tami Herring; and Kindergarten: Billy Ruck.

RIBBON WINNERS

5th grade: Lori Killian, Dawn Love, Alicia Creed, Wally Chesshir, Larry Frost, Todd Braendle, Lizzy Lopez, Karrell Koop, Sabrina Delgado.

4th grade: Eric Stutes, Diana Garcia, Letty Chavarria, Jennifer Pizzini, Kirsten Thompson, Eric Freemeyer, Jennifer Gardner, Eric Demski, Scott Miller.

3rd grade: Lorelei Toep-

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ECHO-LOG

Friday, Nov. 3

Exhibition of Mexican bronzes, Trinity University. Sponsored by Trinity and the Mexican Cultural Institute. Through Nov. 27. Admission free.

"The Crucible," Arthur Miller's drama of the 17th Century witch trials in Massachusetts, onstage in the Incarnate Word College Auditorium. Continues Nov. 4, 9, 10 and 11. Curtain at 8:15 p.m. Admission \$3 and \$1.50.

Exhibit of drawings, prints and paintings by Dadi Wirz. In the UTSA Arts Building lobby, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays through Nov. 17. Admission free.

Tennessee Williams' "The Glass Menagerie," onstage at the Church Dinner Theater, Tuesday through Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons until Nov. 12. Admission (includes dinner) \$7.50 to \$10.50.

Saturday, Nov. 4

Marisa Galvany, leading soprano of the New York City Opera, will perform with the San Antonio Symphony under the direction of Francois Huybrechts, Theater for the Performing Arts at HemisFair Plaza, 8:30 p.m. Concert will be repeated Monday, Nov. 6, in Trinity University's Laurie Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 6

San Antonio Public Library Bookmobile at Helotes School, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Ignacio Bernal, former director of the National Museum of Anthropology, will speak on decorative sculpture at the site of the ancient city of Dainzu, Oaxaca. UTSA's Humanities-Business Building, 7:30 p.m. Admission free.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

Election Day. Take time to vote.

Women's Aglow Fellowship will meet, Holiday Inn Northwest, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Make Today Count will meet at the Cancer Therapy Center, 7 p.m. For information call the Cancer Therapy Center at 690-1111.

Thursday, Nov. 9

College Town Hall, for students and business executives, in UTSA's Humanities-Business Building, 2 p.m. Admission free.

Jules D. Prown, Yale University professor of art history, will speak on the American artist John Singleton Copley, Witte Museum, 7:30 p.m. Admission free.

Summit Oaks Chapter 3106, AARP, Trinity Methodist Church, 5319 Newcombe at Wurzbach. Pot Luck Dinner, Thursday 6:30 p.m. Nov. 9. Mrs. Marguerite Lasley, speaker from South Central Chapter of Arthritis Foundation with film on Arthritis. Plan Dec. 14 Turkey Dinner get-together.

Friday, Nov. 10

Annual Pops Concert of the Trinity University Choir, Ruth Taylor Concert Hall, 8 p.m. Will be repeated on Nov. 11, 17 and 18. Admission \$3.

Gordon MacRae of stage, movies and television, will be featured in the San Antonio Symphony's Pops Concert, Banquet Hall at the Convention Center, 8 p.m. Series tickets for five Pops Concert this season \$20 and \$25. Dancing after each performance.

Saturday, Nov. 11

Veterans Day or Armistice Day. This year it's back on its traditional day, which also is the feast day of St. Martin de Tours, patron saint of France.

Holmes High School Health Occupations students will be at Valley-Hi Mall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to collect funds for the American Diabetes Association. The association also will be conducting a family workshop for families with diabetic children between the ages of 6 and 17 at Hope Lutheran Church, 5714 Callaghan Road, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bill Lister, Hill Country Opry, Comfort Theater, Nov. 11 at 8 p.m., Adults \$2.50.

Wednesday, Nov. 15

HELOTES PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION. 7:30 p.m., El Chaparral Restaurant. Interested citizens invited.

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Billy Henderson, 16-month-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Bill (Jody) Henderson, Helotes Hills Methodist Church, here gets his first haircut, at Yolie's. His apprehension cared for, his father, Rev. Henderson holding Billy, seems to be recalling that long ago first haircut of his own.



According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, one fifth of the money the average American spends at supermarkets goes to non-food items.

HELOTES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Chaparral Restaurant

October Had Sunny Days

November arrived with a warm dawn and golden sunshine, continuing the pattern set in October which totalled a rainfall of one-half inch to bring the 1978 rainfall record to 31 inches, according to local weather observer Henry Brauchle. Despite marvelous holiday activities already in evidence including championship teams and Thanksgiving travel, ranchers and homeowners would greet a rain to help make this a banner year—with a small surplus of moisture.

The year will end above average regardless, as average on most expert charts is about 27.2 to 28.7 inches for Helotes.

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Five Generations Gather Here



Nearly a century in the lives of one family—spanned by five direct generations—was represented at a recent gathering in the Helotes home of Mr. and Mrs. Therrell Powell, where the youngest—the Powell's first grandchild—little Nancy Rochelle Proctor, was the center of attention.

Shown holding little Rochelle, born June 22, 1978, is her great-great-grandmother, Mrs. H.R. Schnitz, 93 years old, of Nixon, Texas.

Behind them is the baby's great-grandmother, Mrs. Olga Copelin, who lives on John Wagner Road here.

The proud grandfather, left is Powell, well-known resident of Morningside Drive. He is employed in the petroleum and mineral department of the National Bank of Commerce.

The baby's mother, right, is the former Elaine Powell, now Mrs. Michael Proctor. Mr. and Mrs. Proctor live in Moody, Texas, where the baby's father is band director in the public schools. Grandmother Nancy Powell—for whom the baby was named—is a well-known teacher at Helotes Elementary School. She was the family photographer here. The baby was also welcomed by numerous other relatives on this occasion.

Bureau Says Send A Message To Austin

The Tax Relief Amendment to be voted on in the November 7 general election deserves an affirmative vote for a number of reasons.

First, it corrects some tax inequities for homeowners, elderly, disabled persons, and farmers. Second, there is a limitation making it more difficult for the Legislature to pass excessive increases in spending. Third, the truth-in-taxation provisions insure more citizen involvement in local government. Fourth, an exemption on household goods and personal effects is spelled out in the constitution. Fifth, property tax appraisal and enforcements could not be centralized in Austin, but would have to originate locally.

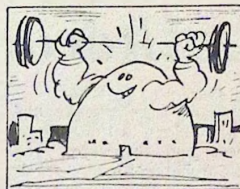
The experience in California leading up to passage of Proposition 13 points up the need for preventive measures in

our constitution. And the consequences of a "no" vote would be catastrophic. A "no" vote would tell our lawmakers that we really aren't all that interested in tax reform and limits on spending and taxation.

If the present situation isn't rectified, it will become even more difficult for a family to own its own home. Many elderly will be forced to sell their homes. The disabled will continue to be penalized for remodeling to meet handicapped needs. The unfair tax burden on agricultural land will continue — forcing some land out of production.

The Legislature has already passed contingency legislation that would provide funds to reimburse school systems for anticipated loss of revenue. In effect, this Tax Relief Amendment is a workable blue-print for financing a better portion of

education from state general revenue — where it belongs.



The geodesic dome, designed by R. Buckminster Fuller, is the only structure yet devised whose strength actually increases with its size!

It may seem surprising to some, but studies show that infants actually cry less when they're home, being taken care of by their parents, than they do when in the hospital—an average of 22 minutes a day compared to 113.2 minutes a day.

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The San Antonio Lutheran Charity Coronation Association will present its 20th Anniversary court, "Once Upon A Time", at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, in the Municipal Auditorium. Ticket donations are \$5.00, and all seats are reserved. Proceeds will be divided between St. Luke's and Lutheran General Hospitals. Tickets are available at the door.

This year's court will depict fairytales from all over the world. The gowns will be encrusted with jewels and designs, created by Farrell C. Tyson, sewn by the duchesses, their parents and friends.

The Queen's and Princess' identity will be kept secret until the night of coronation when they are presented to the Court. Her Highness, Kristy Vignes, Queen of the "Court of Ancient

Egypt, will relinquish her crown before all Previous Queens and Princesses. The past Coronation Royalty will be present for this special 20th Anniversary Court, and attending in their royal attire representing her own court.

The Court Pages, this year are: Jill Suzette Eppinger, Highland Park Lutheran; Elizabeth Ann Hein, St. John's Lutheran; Kellie Sue Biesenbach, Highland Park Lutheran; Yvonne Bernadette Rogers, Lord of Life Lutheran, Kirby, Texas; Karen Eileen Ricks, Highland Park Lutheran; Robin Dawn Fuchs, Shepherd King Lutheran; Karen Ann Gloor, Christ Lutheran; John Paul Mettke, Highland Park Lutheran; David Scott Erickson, Hope Lutheran Church; Allison Engel, Trinity Lutheran Church, Blanco, Texas.

The Intown Duchesses and her Dukes are: Duchess Cynthia Gayle Erp and her Duke is Christopher O'Neal Hanna; Duchess Jo Beth Babcock and her Duke Bryan Hugh Dietert; Duchess Jean Michele Tiemann and Duke Philip Chris McEnery; Duchess Shauneen Marie O'Rear and Duke Brett Anthony Biesenbach; Duchess Linda Jane Ohlenbusch and Duke Brian David Adix; Duchess Melody Devereaux Hernandez and Duke David Merbeth, Jr.; Duchess Kimberly Lynn Watta and Duke Jerry Lee Kainer, Jr.; Duchess Sylvia Marie Haufier and Duke Duane Mark Poor; Duchess Wanda Proctor and Duke Michael Roy Phillips; Duchess Caroline Ray and Duke Michael Anthony Arnold.

The Out-of-town or visiting Duchesses and Dukes are:

Lutheran Charity Coronation To Be In S.A. Saturday

Duchess Pamela Colette Harris and Brent Robert Harris, Helotes; Duchess Kimberly Ann Wise and Duke Patrick Randle Alcorn, Marion; Duchess Pierrette Leigh Tussay and Duke Hollis Wade Pierdolla, LaVernia; Duchess Carmen Jean Carpenter and Duke Mike Raymond Deming, Canyon Lake; Duchess Susan Jane Triesch and Duke James Glen Nolte, Blanco; Duchess Penney Sue Nolte and Duke Roger Weldon Engel, Blanco; Duchess Holly Jo Waxler and Duke Rich Lynn Weirich,

Blanco; Duchess Janice Renee Flugrath and Duke Zane Weldon Smith, Blanco.

Lord High Chamberlain is Mark Dwayne Tatsch.

Among those from here will be Duchess Jo Beth Babcock, 16, brown haired, hazel eyed daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Babcock, Jr. of 8126 Hausman Road.

Jo Beth is a member of Grace English Evangelical Lutheran Church, where she is Luther League treasurer and Sgt.-at-Arms. Jr. Choir, plays the flute and is paris caller acolyte.

Jo Beth attends John Marshall High School, where she is a member of the Ram Band, Latin Club, Archery Club, French Club. She is a senior.

Duke Bryan Dietert (escort for Jo Beth Babcock) is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan H. Dietert.

Bryan is a sophomore at Churchill High School, where he is a member of the Charger Band and the German Club.

Bryan is a member of Grace Lutheran Church, where he sings with the Youth Choir and is Vice-president of the Luther League.

Bryan's mother is Erna Lou Brodt Dietert, whose parents are Willie R. and Wanda Brodt

"Once Upon A Time" To Be Court Theme



of New Braunfels.

Bryan's father is Nolan H. Dietert, whose parents are Egon E. and Melitta Dietert of Geronimo, Zorn Community.

Bryan has one brother, Darrell Dietert, a student at SWTSU in San Marcos.

Joins UTSA



Wes Looney has been named assistant director of the Career Planning and Placement Center at UTSA. He is the former director of alumni placement for St. Mary's University, and has a master of arts degree from Texas Tech University.

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Pamela Colette Harris is a visiting Duchess. Pamela is 16, the daughter of Mrs. Joanne T. Harris and the late Robert F. Harris. Pamela and her mother reside at Rt. 1, Box 64A, Helotes, Texas.

Pamela is a member of Zion Lutheran Church of Helotes, where she is active in Luther League. Pamela attends John Marshall High School, where she is a member of the FFA and Rodeo Club, and O.E.A.

Pamela's mother is Joanne Toepperwein Harris. Her maternal grandparents are Lettie Toepperwein and the late Max C. Toepperwein.

Pamela has one brother, Brent Harris, age 19, and a Sophomore at Tarleton State University. She also has one sister, Joi Harris, age 18, and a Freshman at San Antonio College.

Pamela's paternal grandparents are Rachel Harris and the late Hugh Harris of Iredell, Texas.

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County statistics for 1977 and January 1, 1978, are available on Livestock Poultry, Dairy, Field Crops, Small Grains, Cotton, Vegetables, Fruits and Pecans, and Cash Receipts from the Sale of Texas Farm Commodities. Bulletins can be obtained from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, P.O. Box 70, Austin, Texas 78767, or by writing Reagan V. Brown, Commissioner of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

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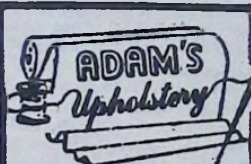
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NOTICE

A community production of Handel's "Messiah" is being planned for Dec. 17. We invite anyone who wants to sing in this program to attend rehearsals, Wednesdays at 8 p.m. Miss Virginia Springer is the director. Rehearsals will be at Helotes Hills United Methodist Church, Rev. Bill Henderson, pastor.

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Marshall Club To Honor Ghana

The John Marshall High School American Field Service club will hold a "Come Celebrate Ghana" party Monday night, Nov. 6, in the school cafeteria beginning at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

Four former Peace Corps members who have represented the United States in the West African country will share their experiences with Ghanaian costumes, food, music, and slides. They are John and Stephanie Farrow, Sidney Cunningham and Elda de la Cerda.

Also participating will be Barbara Gubbin, a member of the British equivalent of the Peace Corps, USA (Voluntary Service Overseas), and John Marshall's Americans Abroad student, Sharon Wales. Sharon lived in Accra, Ghana, last year with a Ghana family. She was the only foreigner in a school of 500 girls.

The celebration is to help carry out the club's theme, "Bring Home the World."

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Festival Assn. Names Officers

The Helotes Spring Festival Association, Inc. recently elected Guy Williams, well-known insurance executive who resides in Helotes Park Estates, to be 1978-79 president. Those wishing to join in planning and presenting the Cornyval '79—which will be held May 2-6, first week-end in May '79—are invited to join the Association and attend the meetings scheduled for Monday and all the following first Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Floore Country Store.

Other current officers—installed in the August meeting—are Jim Benke, first vice president; Charles O. Brown, second vice president; Ruby Duecker, third vice president; and Emma Camarilla, fourth vice president. Secretary is Margaret Stephens, and re-elected treasurer is Neva Goodpaster.

Named in charge of the current membership drive are co-chairmen Marie Parrigin and Rose Belto. For more information contact officers or members, or attend the meetings beginning this

Monday, Nov. 6.

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perwein, Cindy Motz, Tommy Morrow, Shanna Moore, Patrick O'Hara, Morgan Weber, Sabrina Quiarte, Mike Mannering, Terri Burris.

2nd grade: Greg Joyner, Victoria Watts, Victoria Morales, Kim Wolf, Naylor Gray, Robby Stimson, Amy Page, Ricky Renda, Lance Snyder, Christy Willey, Kimberly Cravey, Jeff Robinson.

2nd grade: Sean Hall, Ronald Frazier, Leigh Hall, David Adams, Emily Vinas, Andrew Williamson, Shelley Dupuis, Meredith Evans, Jason Kaupert.

Kindergarteners were also awarded prizes.



King Peter of Aragon, in the middle of the fourteenth century, outlawed the wearing of false beards in Spain.

Power Shortage Would Affect Jobs And Economy

Fortunately, America already has the domestic resources and the technology necessary to meet our growing energy needs by the year 2000. A leading energy expert points out how critical it is to our economic well-being that we waste no time in moving down the road to utilizing them.

This article is excerpted from a speech given to the nation's governors by the man who manages the world's largest single supplier of electrical generation and power delivery equipment. Dr. Vanderslice is a Senior Vice President with General Electric.

The United States will face an electric power shortage that will short circuit up to 2 million jobs and generate higher electricity prices if projected needs for nuclear power and coal production are not met in the 1980's.

Most forecasts of electric load growth in the U.S. for the next decade are in the 4½ to 5½ percent range. To meet even the low side of this demand would require that 200 plus new units of generating capacity in addition to some 200 units already on order be installed by 1990, requiring some 78 new sites.

If these sites are not approved, we will have about 17 percent less capacity in 1990 than we believe is necessary to avoid serious curtailment of service and widespread economic dislocations.

Coal and nuclear combined are expected to account for some 70 percent of all electricity produced in the U.S. in 1985. At this time, there exists, in effect, a de facto moratorium on



Dr. Thomas A. Vanderslice

new nuclear plant orders; and new fossil plants are encountering similar opposition and delays, with large-scale mining and burning of coal coming under environmental guns.

DRI, one of the nation's leading independent economic forecasting organizations, points out that a moratorium on new nuclear plants and a slowing in the growth of coal production would require the importation of an additional three-quarter million barrels of oil per day in 1985—and would cause actual electricity shortages by 1985 over much of the nation. Electricity reserve margins would drop to 13 percent. Since 20 percent is generally considered the minimal safe margin, this implies a high likelihood of serious brownouts and curtailments of service, particularly in those regions that are especially dependent upon coal and nuclear: our industrial heartland, the entire Central U.S. and New England.

The increased utilization of oil-fired generating facilities would further fuel inflation with a national average

rise of electricity prices of 15 percent. Nuclear is still the lowest cost way of generating a kilowatt hour, with coal next. Oil is the most expensive.

But an electricity shortfall is only part of the overall picture.

We also found what would happen with just a 15 percent shortfall in total domestic energy supplies—including those used in transportation, heating and other nonelectric applications.

Such a shortfall would result in a 25 percent drop in the average annual growth in GNP for the period from 1978 to 1985, and a decline in the average growth rate of business investment from five and a half percent to a little over two percent. In dollars, that decline would equal \$160 billion.

It would also increase the unemployment rate two points from just under five percent—which is what is expected by 1985—to at least seven percent. Three million fewer jobs would be available to the work force. This is particularly critical because the U.S. will have to create about 18 million new jobs in the next 10 years.

This is by no means a worst case scenario. The electricity shortfall case previously presented would alone account for about half of the total domestic energy shortfall of 15 percent.

We can and must afford the costs which are necessary to make energy production and use compatible with the environment, but the cost of implementing environmental goals can only be shouldered if we have a robust economy.

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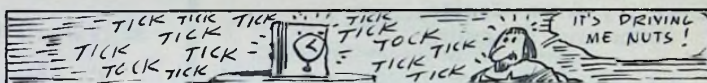
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