

Lucey says Carter will run third in November balloting

By United Press International

Former Wisconsin Gov. Patrick Lucey, a one-time Carter appointee as ambassador to Mexico and now the presidential candidate, predicted Sunday that President Carter will run third in November.

He was asked in a television interview if he is comfortable with the idea that his ticket, headed by Rep. John Anderson, will have a "spoiler" role in the election — taking enough votes away from Carter to permit a Reagan victory.

"The real spoiler is President Carter," he replied, adding that Carter is bypassing the political process by his refusal to debate with both Reagan and Anderson.

Carter attended church Sunday and then went by helicopter to Annapolis, Md., where he visited a funeral home to pay last respects to a former Naval Academy graduate.

Reagan spent a quiet Sunday at his Middleburg, Va., estate, and invited some members of Congress over in the evening.

The big Republican rally at the



Capitol Monday surely was a prime topic of their discussion: The GOP hopes to demonstrate a unified party with a rally on the Capitol steps.

Anderson and Vice Presidential candidate George Bush will arrive by motorcycle to greet all Republican incumbents and most of the GOP candidates for House and Senate.

Both Reagan and Carter will stump electoral vote-rich Texas early in the week.

Carter plans campaign stops in Houston and Corpus Christi Monday. Then he will fly to Roswell, Ga., to spend the night before campaigning in Spartanburg, S.C., and Cleveland Tuesday.

Reagan will fly to San Antonio Monday night, and then follow Carter into Corpus Christi and Houston

Tuesday before returning to Washington.

Lucey, on NBC's "Meet the Press," was asked if he believes Anderson has a real chance to win the presidency. "Oh, I do," he replied, adding he would not be on the independent ticket if he did not think so.

Asked who he thinks will run second in November, Lucey said: "My guess, frankly, is that it will be 1912 — the incumbent will run third."

In 1912, Theodore Roosevelt bolted the Republicans to form the Bull Moose party, which finished second to Democrat Woodrow Wilson. President William Taft ran third with 23 percent of the vote.

The two top congressional GOP leaders also appeared on talk shows Sunday.

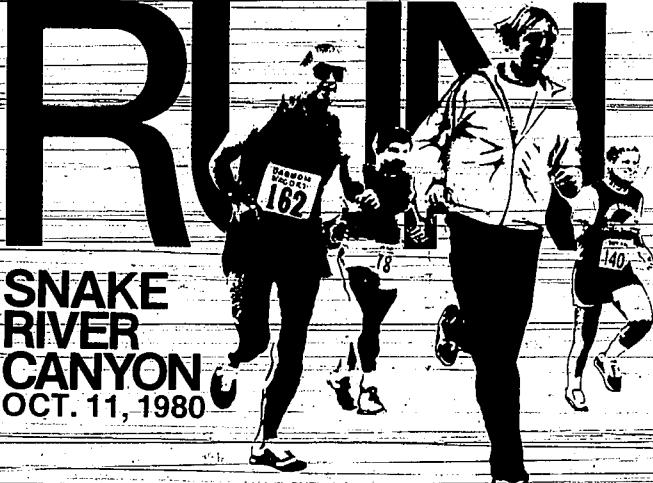
Senate Republican leader Howard Baker said on ABC's "Issues and Answers" he believes Anderson "is more of a factor now ... based on electoral distribution." He said he believed it is possible Anderson could win enough states to throw the election into the House of Representatives.



Reagan and wife Nancy raise arms with Sen. John Warner at Virginia barbecue

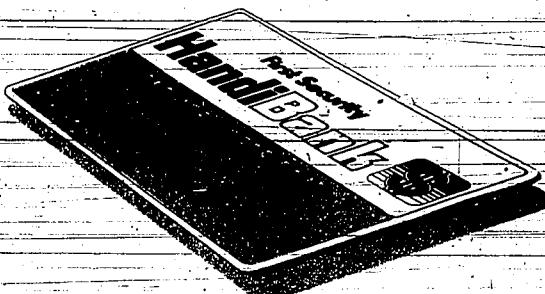
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Horoscope

Okay, get up early today to take good advantage of what comes your way

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You are now able to accomplish much early in the day if your activities are well scheduled. Make plans to gain your most cherished aims. Maintain a cheerful manner.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Get busy at handling duties early in the morning and later talk over business matters with associates. Make new plans tonight.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Engage in creative work you have been concentrating upon and get good results. Avoid one who dwells on trouble.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You are thinking clearly now and can easily advance in career activities. Study a new venture that fascinates you.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Good day to obtain the information that means much to you. Avoid one who likes to waste your time.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Gain the confidence of a successful money expert and follow his instructions. Be more economical in the days ahead.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Engage in activities that please you and feel happier. You are able to communicate very well with others today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make plans far into the future that don't worry yourведен success. You have creative ideas that need expression now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Do favors for associates and gain their goodwill. Follow your intuition when dealing with others and get good results.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Attend to important duties early so you will have more free time to engage in social activities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Plan to make valuable new contacts and then talk about them over with experts. Be more thoughtful of others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 18) Make sure to keep any promises pertaining to business matters. Show more interest in outside activities.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) Make sure youth ideas are practical before putting them in operation. Try to cooperate more with associates.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY . . . he or she will want ready for the future and follow through so that there can be much success in life. Give an education along artistic lines for best results. Don't force any sports on your serious-minded progeny.

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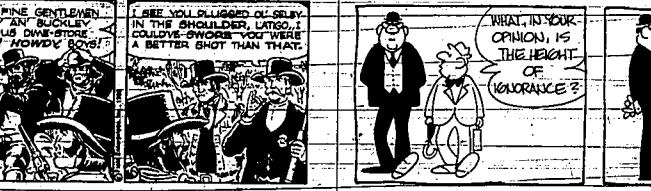
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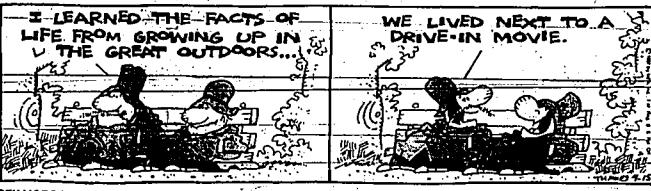
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"SORRY TO WAKE YA UP SO EARLY, MR. WILSON, BUT I WANTED TO SHOW JOEY HOW YOU SLEEP IN A TENT!"

What's what

First, get whale drunk, then jump on its skull

Harpoonists in the Arabian Sea feed picked fish to carnivorous whales. This gets those whales drunk. At least, they act drunk. The harpoonists then jump onto the heads of the whales and thrust their spears down through the whale's skulls. Or so a correspondent tells me. A horrid story.

Young men who play musical instruments tend most to admire girls who don't. Young men who don't play musical instruments tend most to admire girls who do. This is No. 1482 in our War man's file of random single, meaningful observations.

Artificial larynges powered by ordinary transistor batteries will be on the market shortly, if they aren't already. Bell Telephone is putting them out.

A gravestone in a New Mexico cemetery reads: "Here lies Johnny Yeast, Pardon Him For Not Rising."

CRAMPED QUARTERS

Q. Is it true there are young couples in China who live in such crowded cramped quarters that they can't even be intimate in bed?

A. That's true over there, the woods are full of them. Likewise, it's true in Vietnam. Last year, Hanoi police arrested 300 couples for lovelmaking in public at the park around the Lake of the Sacred Sword in the middle of the city.

Q. What, when and where was the first feature-length motion picture produced?

A. "The Story of the Kelly Gang" was the title. In 1906.

O. Didn't Levi Strauss make his first blue jeans for miners?

A. For miners. But more miners than miners bought them eventually.

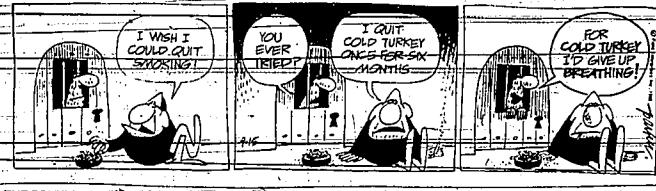
GUM MACHINES

Somewhat earlier in this century, the manufacturers of gum machines boosted their world's profits by 40 percent with the simplest little trick you can imagine. They enlarged the money slot and changed the wording from "Insert a penny" to "Insert a coin." That did it.

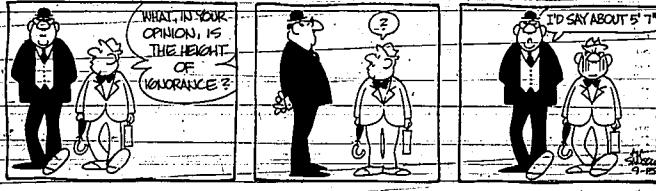
Certain Mexican artists of immense talent sculpt fantastically intricate figures in one medium and no other—enormous radishes. These works of art are sold every December 23rd at the Fiesta of the Radishes in Oaxaca, Mexico. An "Artist's Book of Odd Facts" (Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 120 East 55th Street, New York, N.Y.) lists the address for mail delivery, send payment with order to "Boys' Book," Crown Syndicate, Inc., Box 5, Crown Road, Weatherford, TX 76088.

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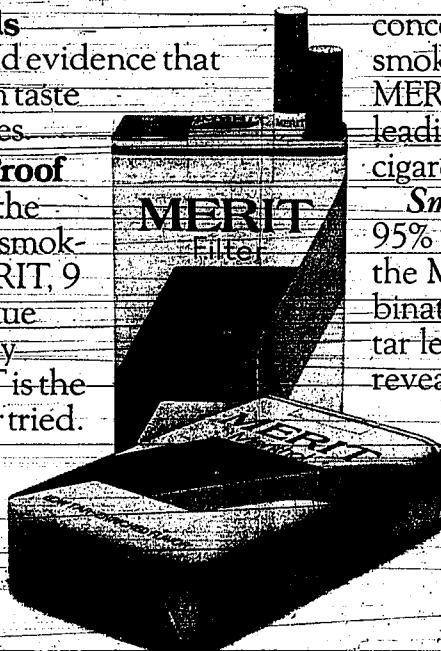
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Taking poll at Texas watering holes

Patrons tell reporter what they think of Carter's and Reagan's prospects

AUSTIN, Texas (UPI) — Margaret Ann Morgan sipped a tumbler red oil cloth tablecloth and said: "Wheee!" The 30-year-old hostess of Another Raw Deal, one of the restaurant-bars that serve the Texas capital in the spirit that Madame de Staél's and other salons watered the wheeler-dealers of royalist France; spoke with an accent that only a professor at University of Texas, the world's richest university a few blocks away, might be able to decipher.

"I'll end up voting for President Jimmy Carter," she said. "I know Ronald Reagan will get elected but I won't do anything to make it happen."

Mrs. Morgan said: "Make it Mrs. Miss or Ms. It makes no difference in these exciting and heavy days." — sat down at a table and looked at the room.

Another Raw Deal's patrons mostly are liberal Texans, which means they do not favor neckties or the Vietnam war but are willing to live on the same plane with New York and even Los Angeles, and just possibly the Texas Aggies.

Even the men's room graffiti is not sexual but political. Vulgar, but political.

The atmosphere of Another Raw Deal and the politics of its liberals might be seen in the last two nights the customers stomped, cheered and whooped with joy.

"For night, Adele Hoffmann appeared. What kind of entertainment?" Mrs. Morgan said.

"And don't forget the night the Americans beat the Russians in hockey at Lake Placid," said custom-

er Edwin A. (Bud) Shrike, novelist, movie writer and host of Austin's highly moveable feast.

"Those are the only good things that happened in the whole world this year," Mrs. Morgan said.

Shrike, 49 and at 6-foot-5 as tall as Texans should be and as politicks somewhere south of H. L. Mencken, looked at his beer.

"Carter is the anti-Chris. He poses as a saint. He's really a devil," said Shrike, who voted for Carter four years ago.

Is Shrike now for Reagan?

"No, I am not. I was until he actually got nominated."

Why?

"The press told me to be for him."

Is that really why?

"Well, no. He also was the handsomest and wittiest."

Shrike stopped talking when a waiter served him a dish described on the wall blackboard as "Fried Things. Fried chicken-fried chicken breasts, etc." Another Raw Deal has that kind of Un-American Texan smarts that says zucchini instead of squash, as the Aggies say, mushrooms — and onions (explosive)," said Krall, who like some other Texas liberals drives a Cadillac limousine. The former regents chairman, once a chief lieutenant to President Lyndon B. Johnson and John Connally, made his first appearance.

What about Texan George Bush running as Reagan's vice-presidential mate?

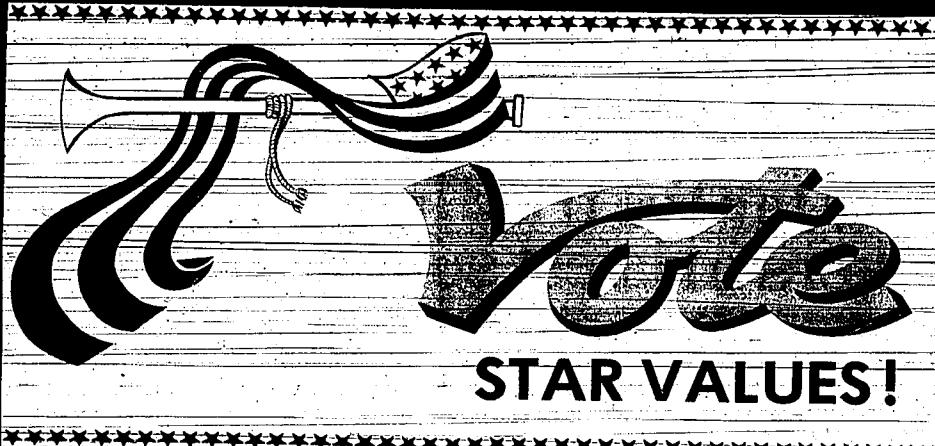
Krall suddenly looked like a lion with a thorn in his paw. He ordered a waiter to fetch a drink named the Angry Bachelor as a foreword to talking about Houston's George Bush. An Angry Bachelor consists of 150 proof rum and other things.

"George Bush, God love him, is the only Yankee who claims to be a Texan who wears penny loafers with his tuxedo," Krall said. "I've seen George Bush do it."

The ex-regents chairman made a second quaff face.

"Bush isn't no more a Texan than a Kennedy from Boston," Krall said.

"A movie star and a fake Texan ain't gonna get it down here in Texas. As many mistakes as he has made, Jimmy Carter will take Texas."



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