

# Woman "shakes" as earthquakes close in

Associated Press  
WICHITA FALLS — Clarissa Bernhardt gets those "shake, rattle and roll" feelings once in a while but that doesn't mean she wants to dance.

It's just her way of telling when an earthquake will occur.

I'm glad no one was hurt," she said Tuesday of her successful and most recent prediction.

Mrs. Bernhardt was in North Carolina earlier this month when she predicted a quake would shake, rattle and roll through the Wilmington, N.C., area on or about Jan. 17, "give or take a few days."

An unusual earthquake felt in North Carolina did ripple along the Kentucky-Tennessee border early Monday.

"I may have been concentrating on too many things at once," she said. "But the earthquake partially fulfilled my prediction . . . it fitted into the time period of my forecast."

And she was off only 500 miles, which some say makes her prediction nonetheless phenomenal.

"I wasn't really surprised it happened," she said. "Of course, the main thing is to be happy no one was hurt."

Mrs. Bernhardt and her husband, Russ, are natives of Los Gatos, Calif., but are living temporarily in Wichita Falls. She has been a student of metaphysics for the past 10 years but "it's only been since last March that I have really been public about my predictions. I publicly predicted a woman in a red coat would attempt to assassinate President Ford. I also predicted the time of Patty Hearst's capture and the place."

Mrs. Bernhardt's husband said she told him privately in 1972 that Los Angeles would be rocked soon by an earthquake.

"I put away all our antique china and the like," he said. "Three days later the thing hit. Our neighbors had cracked dishes and windows and things."

Mrs. Bernhardt said, "I don't want to be a prophet of doom and gloom. But I want to zero in on natural phenomena like earthquakes. I am especially interested in preventive predictions . . . putting ESP extrasensory perception into practical use . . . to apply metaphysical principles and be of some help to the scientific community."

She said her ability to predict earthquakes is something like tuning a radio.

"The radio waves are still there after you turn it off," she said. "It's just that you're not tuned in to them. I tune into things, though."

It's like a person who senses in his bones that a weather change is coming."

Mrs. Bernhardt said she was "exhausted" from her recent experience in predicting the earthquake in the eastern United States but she did

make an effort to predict outcome of the National Football League Super Bowl.

"Oh, I predicted the Steelers, all right but I kept getting the figure 12 rather than 21. I just had the numbers reversed."

## Sustained growth expected

# Budget not a 'quick fix'

Associated Press  
WASHINGTON — Here are highlights of President Ford's budget for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1:

**TOTAL AND DEFICIT** — The federal government would spend \$394 billion, an increase of \$21 billion from the current budget year. The deficit would total \$43 billion — but that would be a drop of nearly half from the estimated deficit of \$76 billion in the current year.

**PHILOSOPHY** — The tax and spending changes Ford proposes

would, he believes, lead to a balanced budget within three years while improving chances for the economy to get onto a sustained growth path. But "this is not a policy of the quick fix; it does not hold out the hollow promise that we can wipe out inflation and unemployment overnight." The growth rate in federal spending would be cut to less than half the average annual growth rate of the past decade.

**TAXES** — Personal income tax cuts which were enacted on a temporary basis for 1975 and part of 1976

would be enlarged and made permanent, reducing payments to the government by \$28 billion. One key provision would increase the personal tax exemption from \$750 to \$1,000 a year. Corporate taxes would also be trimmed, but Social Security taxes, paid by both employees and employers, would be increased.

**DEFENSE** — Spending would increase from \$92.7 billion to \$101.1 billion based on what Ford called "a careful assessment of the international situation and the contingencies we must be prepared to meet." More than half the increase is for procurement of hardware, and research and development. Personnel would be slightly reduced.

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS** — Foreign aid would drop from \$6.6 billion to \$5 billion, principally due to a large reduction in emergency security assistance of Israel and the end of aid to Vietnam. However a foreign military credit sales program totaling \$2.1 billion would be substantially earmarked for Israel.

**SOCIAL PROGRAMS** — Block grants in four areas would replace 59 separate grant programs covering assistance for health, education, feeding of needy children and community social service programs for the needy. Temporary unemployment assistance would be continued through calendar 1976, then phased out during the first nine months of 1977 "as the economy continues to improve."

**ENERGY** — An Energy Independence Assistance Authority would be established to provide loans, guarantees and other help for private sector energy projects. About \$650 million in spending is planned for fiscal 1977, but \$83 billion is sought in spending authority for subsequent years.

## CS council to consider zone changes

A joint public hearing between the College Station City Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission to consider establishing a medium density residential zoning category is on the council's Thursday night agenda.

Also planned is a discussion of the date and procedure for a referendum on an amendment to the city charter.

A public hearing concerning the rezoning of a 352-acre tract in Southwood Valley from an agricultural district to single family residential is on the agenda.

A public hearing on the question of giving final plat approval of subdivisions to the city council is also scheduled. Under current ordinances, the Planning and Zoning Commission has final approval.

The meeting will begin at 7 at city hall.

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