

President proposes budget

No new Carter spending

WASHINGTON — President Carter proposed his first budget, a one-half trillion dollar package that exceeded his self-imposed limit and promised a substantial tax reduction for most Americans.

It exceeds current federal spending by \$38 billion but, with few exceptions, proposes no new federal spending programs.

Carter's budget concentrated on keeping up with inflation and proposed little new spending except for energy conservation and research. There was a small increase in outlays for national defense and a hint that spending would rise for ailing cities, towns and older suburbs.

Despite the fanfare surrounding the introduction of the Carter administration's first budget, the final spending decisions must be made by Congress. If history is any guide, the budget will be changed considerably before the bureaucracy begins to spend the money this October.

Of the \$38 billion in proposed increases, he said \$30 billion was necessary to maintain current services because of inflation. Carter allocated one-third of the \$8 billion in new spending for energy research and conservation, and suggested modest rises in spending for education and assistance to the jobless.

Carter asked for \$13.2 billion to

more than double spending for energy conservation, to substitute wood and other fuels for oil and gas, and to step up research on all energy sources except nuclear reactors.

But a White House forecast of future spending showed the years of rapidly growing energy budgets are about to end.

Carter said he wants to cut back the space shuttle program by seeking funds for a fleet of four orbital transports instead of five as originally planned. The shuttle is a reusable ship that will haul satellites to and from orbit and carry manned laboratories to conduct space research.

Carter offered only two new initiatives in his campaign to cut unemployment from 6.6 percent to a historic full employment level of 4 percent by 1983.

The president created 725,000 public service jobs in fiscal 1978 as the backbone of his jobs campaign. The new budget would continue to fund those jobs, plus 50,000 more through a welfare reform demonstration project.

Acknowledging the political realities of trying to scrap a program with strong support on Capitol Hill, Carter withdrew his ill-fated attempt of last year to chop nearly \$400 million in "impact aid" funds for schools.

Carter disclosed plans to end

school food subsidies to exclude all but the children from the very poorest families. But he would increase aid for needy children and mothers at home.

Agriculture Department spending for all programs would drop one-fourth to \$17.7 billion, largely because of reduced farm and conservation subsidies.

Teachers' job talks planned

By SALLYANNE CORNELIUS

A program concerning educational placement opportunities in public schools will be held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in room 701, Rudder Tower. The program, sponsored by the College of Education and the office of Educational Placement Services at Texas A&M University, is open to undergraduate and graduates in education.

Visitors may attend one of two panel discussions at 9:30. One panel will conduct a question and answer session for student teachers and other interested students with personnel directors.

All graduates in education are invited to the other panel, a question

and answer session concerning opportunities in public schools and regional service centers. The panels will feature representatives from Houston, El Paso, San Antonio, Caldwell, Brenham, and Waco. Representatives from A&M Consolidated, Bryan, Deer Park, Clear Creek, Arlington and Region IV, Education Service Center will also be present.

At 10:30, students may visit with the personnel director of their choice. At 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., discussions continue, covering new education programs at Texas A&M and employment selection of teachers. They will be held in room 203, Memorial Student Center.

Italian oil tanker blocking Texas harbor

United Press International
FREEPORT, Texas — Refloating a grounded 700-foot Italian oil tanker blocking the harbor entrance was delayed by

mechanical problems aboard a tugboat, a Coast Guard spokesman said Monday.
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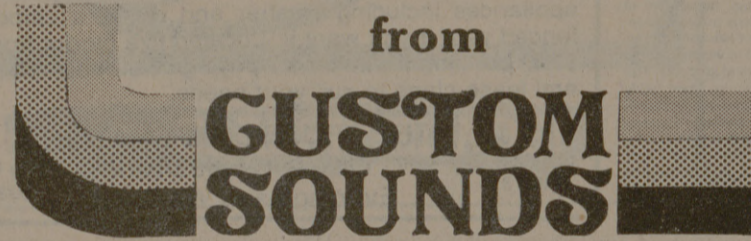
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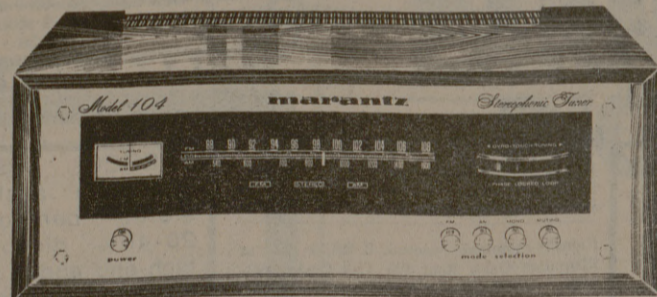
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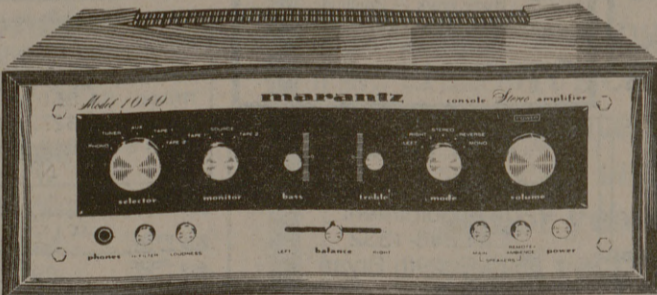


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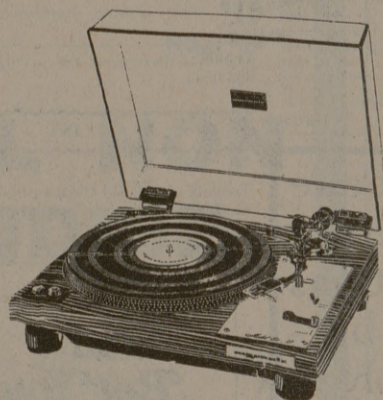


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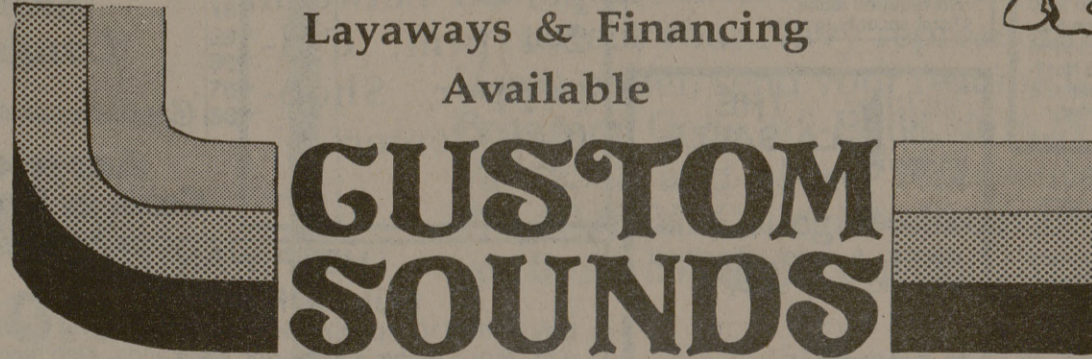
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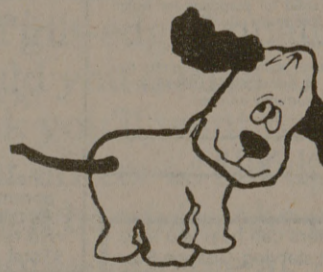
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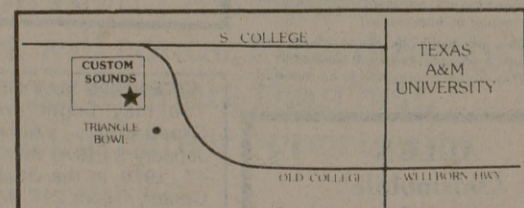
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