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Tower, Krueger both pointing accusing fingers

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AUSTIN — Sen. John Tower, Texas, and his Democratic challenger, U. S. Rep. Bob Krueger, have accused each other of trying to mislead voters.

"My opponent has resorted to blatant demagoguery over the proposed constitutional amendment which would put the District of Columbia on the same footing in Congress as the states," Tower said Friday.

Krueger said Tower is buying advertisements to falsely brand him as an opponent of right-to-work laws.

"John Tower and some of the members of his 'closed shop' have purchased advertising throughout Texas blatantly misrepresenting my position on the closed shop vs. right-to-work laws of Texas," Krueger said. "I have always supported right-to-work."

Tower said Krueger tried to polarize minorities by saying Tower's vote against giving the District of Columbia two senators and a representative indicated an insensitivity to the concerns of blacks.

"Voting representation in Congress for the District of Columbia is not a racial issue," Tower said. "If my opponent is so concerned about the interests of minority groups in this instance, he ought to think

twice about how this action will affect the minority groups in our own state."

Tower said the constitutional amendment would dilute the power of Texas' and other states' delegations in Congress.

Krueger hit Tower for taking jinkets to foreign nations at taxpayers' expense and voting for a 29 percent pay raise for himself and other members of Congress.

Misdiagnosed pregnancy

Couple sues doctor

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DALLAS — The doctor's announcement to Linda Whisenant that she was pregnant sent the 24-year-old woman and her husband into a flurry of preparations.

But the news six months later that her condition had been misdiagnosed shattered the couple's plans and dreams.

So Mrs. Whisenant and her husband, Melvin, have filed a damage

suit in state district court against Dr. John O. Baker for their monetary losses and "mental anguish."

Mrs. Whisenant's attorney, John Albritten, said Friday the "lower-income" couple, married three years, was living in a modest home in Dallas when Mrs. Whisenant had a pregnancy test in May 1977.

Albritten said the woman's physician, Baker, confirmed she was

pregnant and began prescribing drugs and treatment. The total bill for these services, he said, came to about \$300.

But that wasn't the biggest loss. The Whisenants, concerned that their house payments might interfere with their ability to care for the child, moved in with relatives.

Albritten said the situation changed in November 1977, when a month after she stopped going to Baker, Mrs. Whisenant visited another doctor. Then she was told she never had been pregnant.

The Whisenants' suit seeks an unspecified amount of damages for the time she thought she was pregnant, as well as recovery of the money spent for drugs, the loss of their home and the "mental anguish" she says she suffered on learning she was not pregnant.

Baker has refused comment on the suit, citing advice from his attorney.

State traffic accident deaths

up 10 percent over last year

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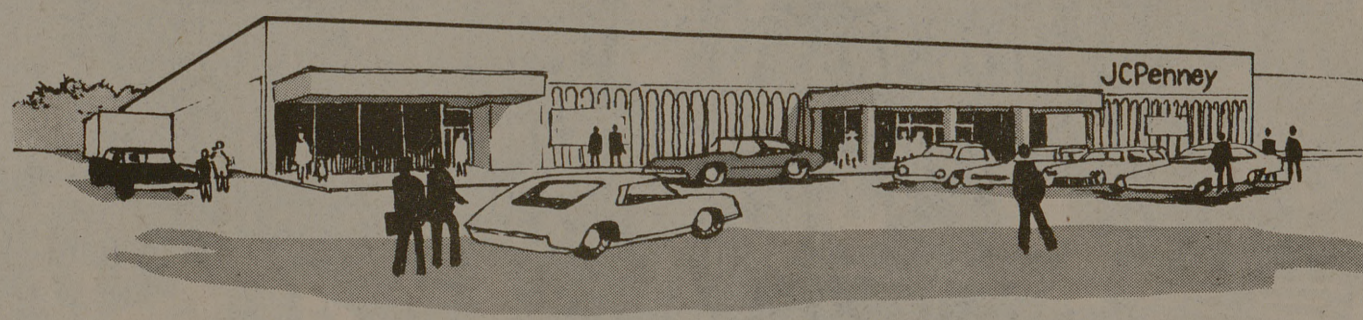
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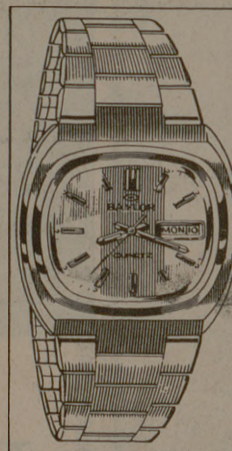
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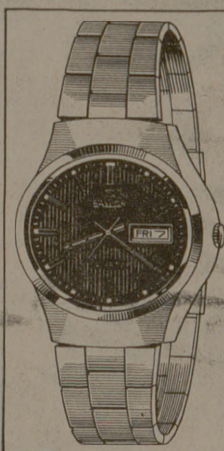


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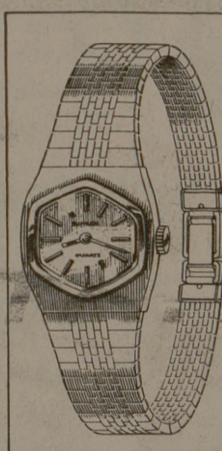
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