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AUSTIN — A teen-ager at a pre-Halloween masquerade party fell 12 stories to his death off the ledge of a downtown building Sun-

Witnesses told police Kyle William Creekmore, 19, climbed over a balcony railing onto the ledge of the Commodore Perry Building and was clowning around when he fell about 3 a.m. Sunday.

Creekmore was clad in women's

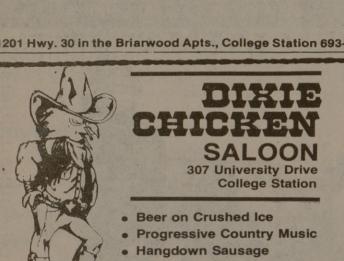
Homicide Sgt. Mike Farrar said the death apparently was accidental. "It doesn't look like there was any foul play." Farrar said. "The people were drinking fairly heavily

Farrar said at least 23 persons attended the party at an apartment in the building and three or four were on the balcony when the fall occur-



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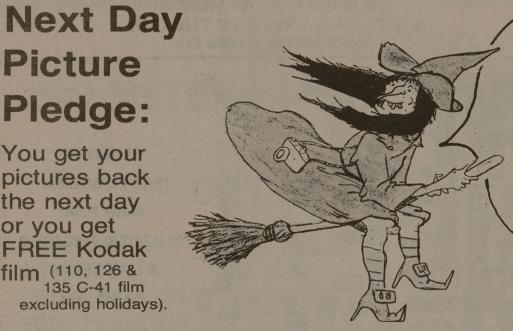


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the state of Texas and until recently

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member of the Texas Public 1983-era tale of national disaster brought on by American's punitive measures toward oil producers and

"There's a mentality in Congress that one of the things that has to be done as part of any energy program is to hit at Texas," Erwin told an interviewer. "They shoot at the oil companies but they hit us. Somehow the punishment always seems to fall on Texas' natural resources."

Erwin, 34, got the idea for his book while heading the Texas Office of Federal State Relations in

Washington during the 1973 energy crisis. Erwin said Congress and most Americans do not understand that Texas no longer has the oil and gas reserves to take up the slack when imports are cut, and fail to realize that punitive measures against energy producers reduces the amount of domestic supplies av-

In his novel, "The Power Exchange," Erwin portrays the ultimate outcome of such attitudes as a disastrous effort to seize control of Texas' power plants to ship electricity to a blizzard-ravaged East Coast.

To avert congressional action to nationalize energy production, Texas exercises its option to split into five separate states — an option written into the treaty of annexation by which the Republic of Texas became part of the United States in

The split option — which actually exists — in Erwin's novel is blocked by a Supreme Court ruling declaring the article of annexation invalid

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Hispanics object to Renfrew

United Press International CORPUS CHRISTI — The nation's oldest and largest Hispanic organization announced Monday it would carry on a campaign to defeat the nomination of San Francisco federal judge Charles Renfrew as deputy at-torney general of the United

Attorney Ruben Bonilla, national president of the League of United Latin American Citizens, said his organization objects to Renfrew's opinion that Hispanics should not be considered as a minority group under the law.

Bonilla said Renfrew wrote in a 1977 article for the Southwest University Law Review that "a national rectification principle — the legal principle designed to correct historicial wrongs —

Cour must perhaps fairly and be limited to American and blacks."

Renfrew stated in the that discrimination aga panics "has not been per nationwide" and that the status of Spanish speak dents "was not govern approved."

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Hispanics — the fastest-growing minorit gaining equality in the fi employment, Bonilla said He called on Hispanics

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