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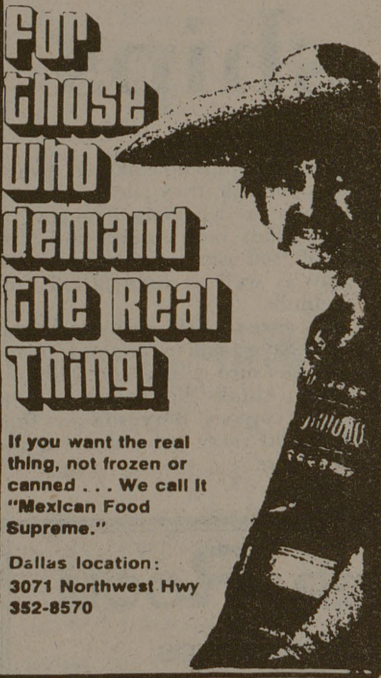
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Fathers influence sons little

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SAN ANTONIO — A researcher says his study of middle and lower income families exposes as a myth the popular assumption that boys learn to be masculine by following the behavior of their fathers.

Dr. James Turnbull of the University of Texas Health Science Center says his research shows that fathers in the study group spent an average of only 25 minutes each week in a direct one-to-one relationship with their young sons.

"The images on television and in advertising showing boys and their fathers playing touch football,

fishing and building model aircraft support the assumption — but simply don't reflect real life," said Turnbull, an associate professor of psychiatry.

Turnbull said he found in the fatherless homes of middle and lower income families, the key to personality development is in the sons' relationships with their mothers.

"Fathers are certainly important in shaping their sons' behavior, but mothers, peer groups and other adult males usually have more contact with the boys," he said.

"If a father is present, he tends to modify the mother's influence with

comments such as 'you've spoiled the boy,' or 'boys don't play with dolls,' and other such reactions. The father's treatment of the mother serves as an example for the son of how to interact with members of the opposite sex."

In fatherless homes, Turnbull said, the mother's attitude toward men and her degree of protection toward her son seem to be keys to a boy's development.

"Many women rearing sons without the father seem worried that the boy might grow up to be effeminate. Our studies seem to show that this

does not have to be a problem, researcher said.

He suggested that mothers making negative comments about the father, or about men in front of their sons.

"A growing boy can easily interpret such comments as applying to all men and to him," he said. "Ties with other boys seem to be important so that social skills are avoided. Finally, the pro-supportive adult role models — coaches, male relatives and friends can have a positive influence."

Another spill in Gulf

New oil washes ashore

United Press International
GALVESTON — New waves of crude oil leaked from a burning supertanker washed ashore on Galveston Island Sunday and the Coast Guard said it likely would continue to wash ashore until the winds changed.

The oil from the crippled *Burmah Agate* drifted in along a 30 mile stretch of beach despite Coast Guard attempts to contain the spillage around the vessel, now anchored a short distance off the coast.

Thirty-two persons were killed Nov. 1 when the outbound freighter *Mimosa* slashed into the tanker in the dark about 5 miles off Galveston Bay. The *Burmah Agate*, fully loaded, erupted into flames

after the collision and has been burning ever since.

Oil spilled from the ship has washed ashore periodically since the accident. For the past several days northerly winds had kept the flow out in the Gulf of Mexico but late Saturday the winds shifted to the southeast and began pushing the oil ashore.

A Coast Guard spokeswoman said some of the oil was coming in in heavy patches and some in sheens. Containment booms and sweeps have picked up an estimated 85,000 gallons.

A third of the tanker's 16 million gallon cargo was believed lost, 800,000 gallons of it having poured unburned into the sea.

Air traffic rule called dangerous

United Press International
DALLAS — An air traffic controllers union representative charged a new take-off procedure ordered by the Federal Aviation Administration increases possibility of a collision between aircraft using Dallas-Fort Worth Airport and Love Field.

Charlie Phillips, safety representative of the Professional Traffic Controllers Organization, said Friday the FAA had dated controllers to order pilots, during suitable conditions, to fly with flight rules until they reach a altitude of 3,000 feet.

The order makes pilots, rather than controllers, responsible for spotting and avoiding collisions. The order covers departures from D-FW on a runway parallel to a runway at Love Field.

Phillips said pilots taking off from D-FW in a southeasterly direction might not spot a traveling northwest and approaching Love Field.

But Harold J. Doebler, of the FAA tower at D-FW, said he tended the procedure is hazardous because of a rule that prohibits approach of Love Field while D-FW were leaving the runway in that direction.

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GOP governors meeting

Candidates come to Texas

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AUSTIN — For the first time in history the nation's Republican governors have crossed the Red River to have their annual conference in Texas, and the occasion is being marked by the appearance of five of the party's candidates for president.

Party luminaries John Connally and Howard Baker, both hoping to unseat President Jimmy Carter, were scheduled to address the con-

ference Sunday.

Connally, a former Democratic governor of Texas, became a Republican while serving in President Nixon's cabinet. Baker, a popular Republican senator from Tennessee, achieved nationwide prominence during the Watergate hearings.

Other GOP hopefuls who accepted invitations to the conference were Harold Stassen, Ben Fernandez, and Sen. Larry Pressler, R-

S.D.

Ronald Reagan and George Bush both declined invitations to address the group because of prior commitments.

The winter conference is being hosted by Gov. Bill Clements, the first Republican to occupy the Texas governor's mansion in 105 years. Clements celebrated the first anniversary of his administration by inviting his party peers to meet in the state for the first time.

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Accord reached on plan used to produce rubber

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EL PASO — A small, scraggly desert plant that could provide an "economic boon" with its reserves of rubber, wax and other valuable products will be developed under a joint agreement between the United States and Mexico.

"This is a major step in direct and formal scientific cooperation with the government of Mexico," Dr. Daniel Bragg, a Texas A&M University research economist who is an expert on the plant, said Friday in announcing the agreement.

"There has to be joint interest. Guayule is a natural resource that knows no boundaries."

The guayule bush "could prove an economic boon to the desert Southwest and northern Mexico," Bragg said.

The stumbling block for scientists is the development of a variety of the plant that can be cultivated commercially, but should that problem be resolved, Bragg said, "guayule is expected to provide

significant amounts of the rubber needed by Mexico and the United States."

"Of all the so-called petroculture crops currently under study, guayule shows the most promise primarily because of its good track record," spokesman for Texas A&M said.

"Guayule was grown experimentally in California during World War II when the nation's rubber supply was shut off. A pilot rubber production plant already in operation in Saltillo, Mexico."

The agreement was reached following a long meeting between scientists and officials of the United States and Mexico sponsored by the Joint Commission for Science and Technology.

The final report of the conference, released today, cited agreement on joint research goals, objectives, and principles and priorities for the country. Much of the five-day meeting involved genetics, agronomics, economics, agricultural and environmental impact divisions.

Senator backs Carter over Iran

United Press International
AUSTIN — Sen. Howard Baker, R-Tenn., said Sunday he had discussed the Iranian situation with President Carter and supported the president completely.

"I will support him in whatever action he might take and I

believe the American people will also," Baker said. "Only the president can decide that and I do not propose to further discuss the options."

He said the specter of Iran trying Americans on spy charges and deciding punishment was totally "unacceptable."

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