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United Press International ALT LAKE CITY — A cargo e carrying 25 pounds of radioac-material and nearly a ton of ex-ives exploded in flight Sunday, the three crewmen and showan uninhabited area west of ake City with debris.

abandoned airport between Lake City and Magna, Utah, was arily sealed off until health

of Thorium 232.

The plane, a chartered Transamerica Airlines Lockheed Electra L-188, was carrying the military shipment of explosives and gearbox from Hill Air Force Base in Utah to Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada.

The explosion scattered debris "for miles" over fields west of Salt Lake. No buildings or people on the als determined there was no erfrom the radioactive cargo — reraft gearbox containing traces ground were hit. Two truck drivers whose rigs were pelted by the debris described the explosion as a

'meteor" and a "fireball." Ralph Spencer, assistant chief of the control tower at the Salt Lake International Airport, said the pilot radioed he was having electrical problems just before the crash. The plane was flying through bad weather and was trying to get below the clouds for a visual emergency landing at the airport.

Transamerica spokesman Rick Slakoff in Oakland, Calif., identified the civilian crewmen as Capt. Marvin Dick, 46, Ogden, Utah; First It was shipped in a steel case, which

Officer Harry Gardiner, 35, Layton, Utah, and flight engineer Jack John-ston, 54, Warner Robbins, Ga. survived the crash. She said the explo-yield" devices use

Air Force spokeswoman Delah Curry said the radioactive material aboard the plane, Thorium 232 - a substance often used to make watch dials glow in the dark — was actually part of a metal used to harden the case of the gearbox.

The amount of radioactivity was so low that the Air Force was not required to label the gearbox, she said.

She said the explosives were "low-yield" devices used to ignite airlaunched missile and that most of the explosives listed on the manifest was actually casings and shipping containers

The plane came down only four blocks from where an Air Force jet bomber crashed into a building four months ago. That plane was on its last flight from a Montana air base to storage in Arizona. Its crew ejected safely

Setting world pepper record burns winning plumber up

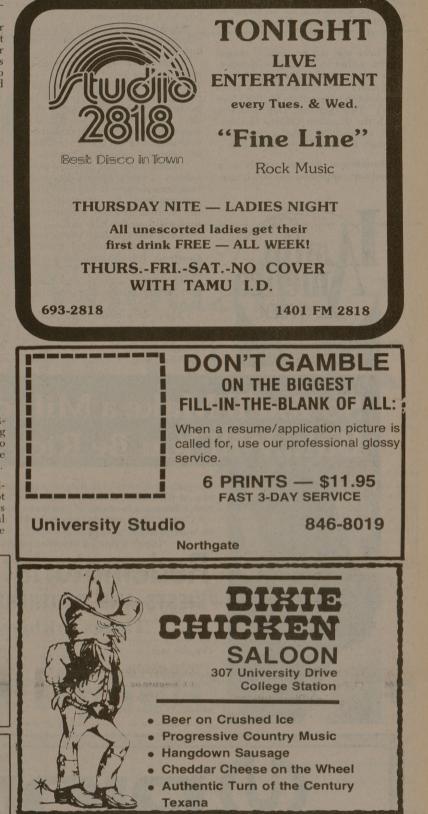
United Press International PAMPA — Ronnie Farmer had just consumed 100 red hot jalapeno peppers in less than 15 minutes and was trying to look no worse for the wear. But looking a bit weak and with his body shaking, he said "I'm burning up.

Farmer, 29, a rural plumber, ate 100 jalapenos in 14 minutes, 19 seconds to claim a new world record. "It's hurting but I think I'll make

it," said Farmer. "My whole body is quivering. I've got the shakes — I'm burning up and it feels like a small campfire in my belly

Farmer's feat was recorded for national television cameras and he was applauded by about 75 persons.

It was his second attempt at breaking the world record. The unsuccessful previous attempt was made at Midland last March.



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United Press International VASHINGTON — Vernon leader of the National n League, said Monday that ck Americans resent being ed as pawns by the Ayatollah neini in bargaining for rese of American hostages.

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1.5 million-year-old footprints found "We made our find purely by chance while we were digging in a geological trench," said Dr. Anna K. Behrensmeyer, co-leader of the United Press International WASHINGTON — A scientific expedition in Kenya has scored "a

paleo-anthropological hole-in-one" — the discovery of seven foot-prints believed to be the oldest made by a direct ancestor of man. Scientists say the footprints, found on the shore of an ancient lake in the African country, are 1.5 million years old. They were discovered during a routine geological study of Lake Turkana, about 350 miles north of Nairobi.

Discovered during Kenyan study

The footprints were uncovered by scientists working on the Koobi Fora Research Project of the National Museums of Kenya between August 1978 and July 1979. The group waited until the excavation of the footprints was completed before reporting their discovery. expedition.

We had just uncovered a bed of fossil hippopotamus footprints and we were astounded to see a single hominid footprint among them. We uncovered the other six later," she said.

Dr. Glynn L. Isaac of the University of California at Berkeley, called the discovery "a paleo-anthropological hole-in-one.

The scientists say radiometric techniques have determined the footprints were made 1.5 million years ago during the time of two known forms of hominids or human-like creatures: Homo erectus and Australopithecus. Both walked upright.

Will vote on increase of \$138 billion return Senate likely to toughen windfall tax

likely to toughen the pending wind-fall profits tax than to reduce it below the \$138 billion return voted by the Senate Finance Committee.

There has not as yet been a vote on increasing the finance committee's version, which President Carter called a "trillion dollar giveaway" to the

But senators who favor a weaker x lost a vote Friday to cut the gen-ral windfall tax rate from 60 percent cal windfall tax rate from 60 percent WASHINGTON — Preliminary moves indicate the Senate is more indicate the Senate is more water for a weater tax lost a vote Friday to cut the gen-eral windfall tax rate from 60 percent eral windfall tax rate from 60 percent to 50 percent, and the 53-32 margin indicates considerable strength by those advocating a tougher windfall profits tax.

> Under the finance committee bill, oil companies would pay \$138 billion in taxes on the windfall profits they

In advance of Monday's session, Senate Finance Committee chair-

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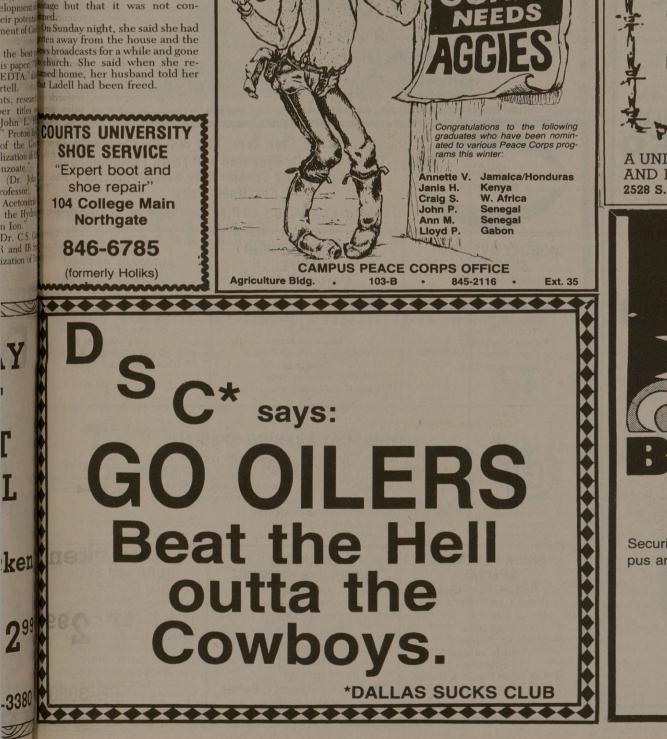
man Russell Long, D-La., said he was determined to prevent non-Long, chairman of the powerful

committee and floor manager for the approved

sen, D-Texas, and Charles Percy, R-Ill., to help small savers by excluding from the federal income tax up to \$500 - \$1,000 for a married couple - of interest on a savings account.

Long told Bentsen the amendment was a good idea but did not belong on the windfall bill, and his strong opposition makes it doubtful amendments of that sort will be







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