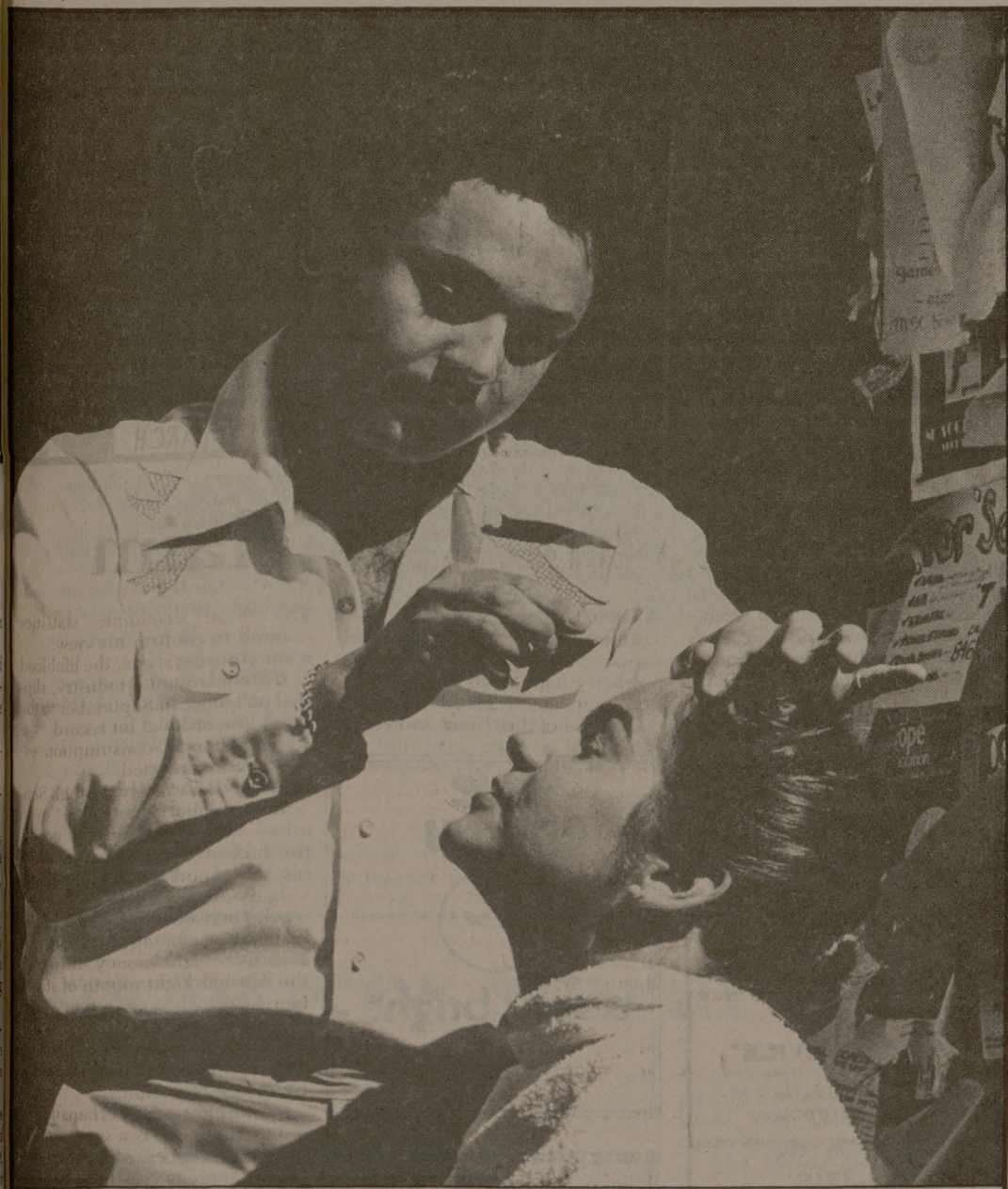


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Staff photo by Colin Valentine

Maybe she is, maybe she isn't — but at any rate, Rene Rogers is getting the latest hair and makeup styling by Jesse Liscano of Courtea's. The styling was sponsored by the MSC Hospitality Committee in order to promote the new fall hair and makeup styles. Rogers, who is a fashion model for the Hospitality Committee, was one of the models who received hair and makeup jobs by Liscano yesterday afternoon.

Dallas lead levels high, tests say

United Press International
DALLAS — Independent laboratory tests showed abnormally high lead levels in the hair samples of 75 Dallas residents who live near three lead smelters.

In addition, more than half of the people sampled had lead levels in excess of 50 parts per million, compared to the norm of 4 to 11 ppm.

"The levels offer pretty good evidence of elevated lead levels (in residents) around the smelters," said Dr. James C. Carriott, chief toxicologist at the Dallas County Institute of Forensic Sciences.

Dr. Robert E. Jervis, chairman of research for the University of Toronto, said: "Even if you sample 100 people, even in one of them, you should not expect anything above 50 ppm. If you do, it's a sign of some contamination."

Jervis said hair lead levels in excess of 100 ppm are a signal that a person should seek medical aid. The most contaminated hair sample was that of a 13-year-old girl living near the RSR Corp. lead smelter. The federally approved laboratory results revealed the lead level in her hair was 246 ppm — more than 22 times the level established as a norm for the Dallas area, the newspaper reported.

Her mother said the 5-foot-2, 58-pound girl suffers from loss of appetite, vomiting, headaches, irritability, arm pains and be-

havioral changes — all symptoms of lead contamination, according to numerous studies.

Among other findings: — The average for all samples was 68 ppm, compared to the norm of 4-11 ppm.

— Elevated levels of cancer-causing cadmium — as high as 10.4 ppm — were found in 65 residents. The laboratory established an average cadmium level for Dallas residents of 0.3 to 1.1 ppm.

— More than half of those tested had high calcium levels in their hair.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Dallas Environmental Services Department discovered high levels of lead in the soil of some residences, playgrounds and other locations near the three smelters. Lead levels were as high as 90 times the levels some medical experts say can result in adverse health effects, including brain damage in children.

More than 10,000 residents who live within a 2-mile radius of the smelters have been tested in a city-sponsored blood testing program. Initial results have shown about one percent are suffering from lead toxicity.

In addition, the Baylor College of Dentistry is analyzing the teeth of children who live near the smelters, a test considered perhaps the most accurate indicator of the body's lead content.

Bullock: Alcohol was a problem

United Press International
AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock, notorious for his wise-cracks to the press and controversial behavior, says he was an alcoholic and that the issue would be raised in his re-election campaign.

But he said he has no apologies.

"I am glad to say they told me I am not a manic-depressant," Bullock said in a news conference Sunday. "I'm just Bob Bullock. I feel good, I feel good inside."

"It's not particularly easy for me to sit here before you and admit to you I am an alcoholic — but I am an alcoholic. I discovered that some time ago when, frankly, my life became rather unmanageable."

"I discovered it at a time when my alibis were exhausted. I found it out at a time when I knew I needed help both spiritually and physically. I received my spiritual help from

God." He said his recent treatment at the Care Manor Hospital in Orange, Calif., had been effective and described his doctor, Joseph Pursch, as the world's leading authority on alcoholism.

Bullock, a Democrat who has held his post since 1974, said he assumed his drinking would become an issue in his re-election bid, but would not comment until he felt more fully recovered.

Bullock then reeled off a list of politicians and actors, ranging from Betty Ford to the late John Wayne, that had been treated for the same problem by Pursch.

"I went wanting his help and seeking his help, knowing I couldn't do it myself," he said. "I had tried and I couldn't do it. With alcohol I was under its control. The slave had become the master and I wanted free of it."

Congressman bombs funding of B-1, MX; wants defense cuts

United Press International
WASHINGTON — The chairman of the House Appropriations defense subcommittee proposed the elimination of funding for the B-1 bomber and the MX missile Monday.

Rep. Joseph Addabbo, D-N.Y., proposed the cuts as part of an \$11.2 billion package of defense reductions designed to help hold down the projected budget deficits.

Addabbo's cuts would be in addition to \$7 billion in reductions proposed by the administration. Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Mark Hatfield, Ore., recently offered his own package of proposed budget cuts, but Hatfield's plan would spare the B-1 and MX programs.

Addabbo urged the members of his subcommittee to examine his package and said they would meet again today to decide whether to endorse the plan or proceed to a

line-by-line review of the defense appropriation bill for 1982.

In recommending elimination of the B-1 and MX weapons systems, Addabbo said there are bet-

ter ways to do both jobs, including development of an advanced technology bomber and further development of the Trident missile submarine program.

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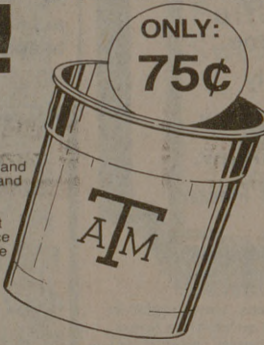
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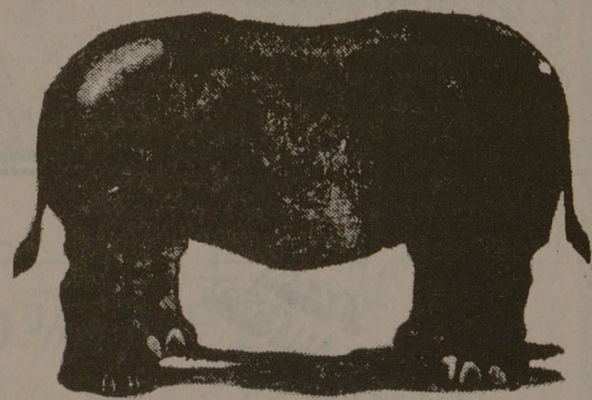
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