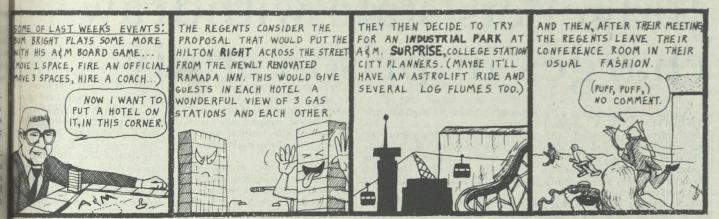
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#### Career women suffering

### Stress linked to jaw ache

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United Press International PHILADELPHIA — Dental rgeons say that at least 10 miln Americans - most comonly career women - suffer om a stress disorder of the jaw int that can cause many physicproblems

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Eight hundred doctors at a eekend convention of the merican Association of Oral nd Maxillofacial Surgeons conuded that clenching of the teeth can overload the joint. This can cause headaches, an inability to open and close the nouth properly, painful clickng, locking of jaws and ringing n the ears

The joint is known clinically

as the temporomandibular joint ease in the muscle, degenerative and it moves each time the jaw move

"The hyperactivity of the jaw muscle is related to stress." said conference moderator Dr. M. Franklin Dolwick, an associate professor and coordinator of re-

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center. "Some people react to stress with ulcers or high blood press-

ure and some grind their teeth. "The constant clenching of the jaw causes fatigue of the muscle that can cause tension

headaches over the temples. In the long term it can cause dis- jaws and ringing in the ears.

joint disease or disk displace- and severity of the problem, Dolwick said 5 percent of the population suffer from TMJ

disorders that need medical attention A profile of TMJ sufferers

search at the Department of shows that they are usually women, 20 to 40 years old, who are competitive, upper-middle class, have trouble coping with stress and are self-reliant. The ance of a feared boss. doctors said they have also noted a marked upswing among career women with TMJ symp-

toms TMI headaches, facial pain, locked

"Depending upon the cause treatment can be medication, re-

laxation therapy or surgery. Dolwick said new technology has helped greatly in diagnosing TMJ problems.

One device can be used to record muscle contractions of the jaw that correlate with specific occurrences such as the appear-

He said pinpointing the cause of tension is vital to avoid surgery and stress control progsymptoms can be rams can teach patients to relax jaw muscles through biofeedback and special exercises

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## Court refuses to halt redistricting plan

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Without comment, the jus-tices turned down the request made by the Associated Republicans of Texas, an Austin-based group challenging the constitutionality of legislative redistricting plans drawn by the threejudge federal panel.

ART had hoped to halt implementation of the plans at least until its appeal on the merits of the case was heard by the court.

Patricia Hill, a Dallas attorney representing ART, said the appeal of the case could still be

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### Judge denies money owed plaintiff influenced decision

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Judge Joe B. Burnett last year ranted Dallas insurance milnaire John Abdnor a permant injunction against District torney Henry Wade, June 3,

981 – prohibiting the district torney from seeking the sychiatric records of Abdnor's on, who was charged with murer and planned a defense of

Abdnor's son was convicted murder and sentenced to life Inprisonment last October. The Dallas Morning News re-orted Sunday that while Bur-ett was acting as judge in the orted Sunday that while Burawsuit, Abdnor's company was

that a judge should withdraw from a case in which the judge has a financial interest in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding. Burnett excused himself from the case in February

Burnett said he borrowed \$28,000 from Abdnor's insur-ance company and allowed off the bench.

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Burnett said he did not conder his financial obligation to bdnor a conflict of interest, or did he let it influence his

"I don't think it was a problem om either of the litigants' andpoint,' Burnett said Although looking back, I ould have (disqualified) my-

Judges have human frailties st like anybody else. I made e (mistake) by letting Abdnor pme financially. But it's done d I can't do anything about it. However, Wade, who said he is unaware of the debt Burnett ed Abdnor until recently, id the circumstances reinforce belief that Burnett was sed in his ruling.

There's no question there is onflict of interest if you hear a e involving a close associate personal friend," Wade said. I provision of the Texas



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