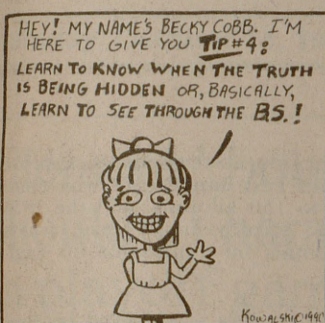
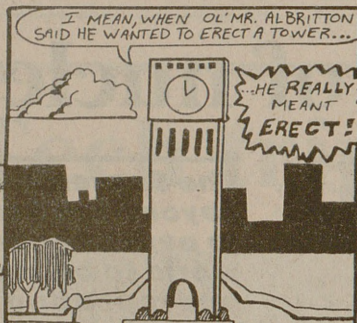


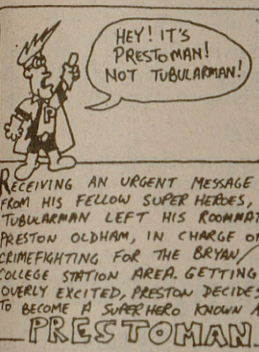
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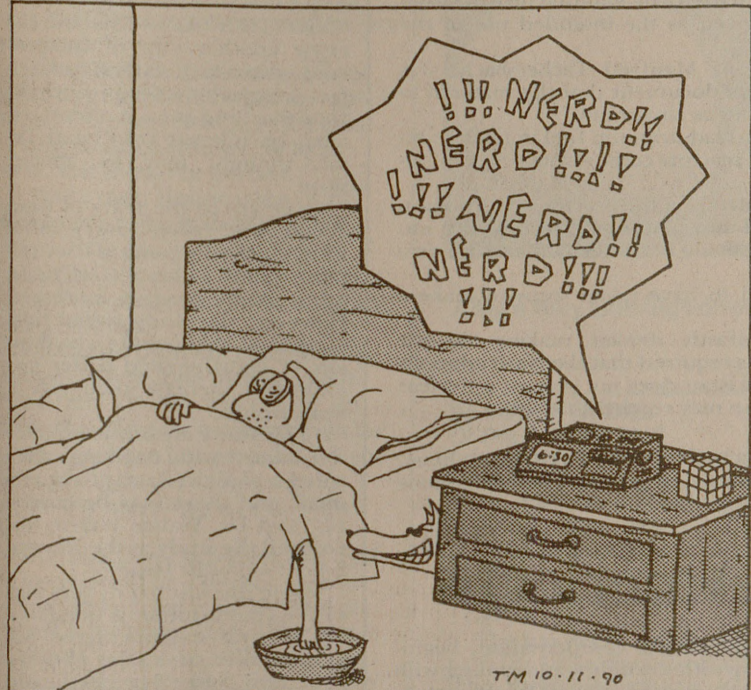
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### Train collides with truck, man killed

WALLER (AP) — The engineer of an Amtrak train was killed Wednesday and at least three other people aboard the train were injured when it collided with a tractor-trailer, officials said.

Thirty-one passengers were aboard the Houston-to-Dallas train when the accident occurred at mid-morning on Farm Road 362 near Waller, about 40 miles northwest of Houston, Southern Pacific Railroad spokesman Jim Johnson said.

The train had been traveling about 50 mph westbound on the tracks when the tractor trailer, which was traveling south on Farm Road 362, attempted to cross the tracks at a marked intersection and "turned into the path of the train," said Waller Police Patrolman Tom Chavez.

The train struck the rear of the trailer, breaking it away from the truck cab, Chavez said. "The train came to rest about 1,000 feet from the intersection," he said.

The engineer, whose name was withheld pending notification of relatives, was dead on arrival at Cy-Fair Hospital, Chavez said.

### Court reaffirms conviction in Port case

AUSTIN (AP) — David Port's conviction in the 1984 slaying of a Houston postal carrier was affirmed Wednesday by an appeals court here.

Harris County prosecutor Tim Taft hailed the ruling as "good news."

Jack Zimmermann of Houston, Port's attorney, said he expected to appeal the decision to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

The 3rd Court of Appeals has considered Port's case before.

In 1987, the court reversed Port's

murder conviction, saying his unrecorded, oral confession didn't lead police to new evidence and therefore couldn't legally be used in his trial.

Until this year, Port was free on \$20,000 bond. Then, the Court of Criminal Appeals said his conviction should not have been overturned on those grounds. He now is in state prison.

The high appeals court returned Port's case to the 3rd Court for consideration of other issues Port raised in appealing his murder conviction.

The panel, after considering those issues, affirmed the trial court's judgment, in which Port was sentenced to 75 years in prison. He was 17 at the time of the murder.

It could be eight months or longer before the Court of Criminal Appeals would rule on another appeal by Port, Assistant District Attorney Taft said.

"We're gratified that this will go on with the defendant in the penitentiary," he said.

Port was convicted by a Comal County jury in the murder of Debra Sue Schatz, who was shot in June 1984 after she stopped at Port's Houston home on her mail route.

Her body was found two days after the killing in a remote area of northwest Harris County. She had been shot twice in the head with a .22-caliber pistol.

### In Advance

#### RHA co-sponsors casino before midnight yell

Midnight yell practice will be Friday at Johnny B. Dalton's Country-Western Club in Houston for the Texas A&M vs. Houston game.

The Resident Housing Association and Aggie Professional Forum of Houston will sponsor a casino before yell practice from 7 to 11 p.m.

A casino also will be at Johnny B. Dalton's, 13101 Kuykendahl.

A free outdoor buffet will be available from 7 to 9 p.m.

Cover charge at Johnny B. Dalton's is \$2 after 8 p.m.

Casino Night tickets can be purchased today for \$5 at the Rudder Box Office, Sbsa and the Quadrangle or at the door for \$6.

Brant Ince, head yell leader, says everyone needs to go to the game to increase crowd noise.

"That is how we beat Houston last year, and that is how we count on beating them this year," he says.

For more information about Friday's events, please contact the RHA office at 845-0689.

#### Business Day to provide MBA information

MSC MBA/Law's Business Day will feature 16 business schools from across the nation from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the first floor of Blocker.

Recruiters will have catalogs and information about their universities' MBA programs.

Stanford, Columbia, Carnegie Mellon, University of Pennsylvania, University of Chicago and Pepperdine, as well as several Texas schools are among the universities scheduled for appearances.

Committee members will sell

\$5 tickets for an MBA/Law Symposium on Nov. 10, which will have panel presentations on career opportunities in business and law.

Director of Symposia Programs Paul Poirot says the committee is trying to appeal to non-business majors unaware of graduate business program opportunities.

Business day is the second part of a three-part program.

The program began with law day last week and will end with the Nov. 10 panel symposium.

### Texas oilmen debate incentives proposals

MIDLAND (AP) — It is anyone's guess what specifics will emerge in the next budget compromise package.

However, if incentives proposed for the oil industry in the original package survive, many in the industry agree that they would provide a double whammy for getting the oil industry moving again.

"If all the incentives survive," said Harry Spannaus, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, "they could attract outside investors back into the industry."

Spannaus said that any tax incentives for the oil industry would need to be sufficient to put oil on a level playing field with other investments.

"If you can make 10 percent on a CD without any risk, you would be dumb to risk in an oil well to make 10 percent without a good tax incentive," he said.

He said that the incentives provided in the proposed budget contained most of what the oil industry had been seeking, including help on the Alternative Minimum Tax.

"These tax incentives could work to really stimulate activity in the oil patch," Spannaus said.

If incentives for natural gas survive, Robert Anderson, a natural gas consultant, said it will be very good for the industry.

"The tax compromise would restore incentives for drilling and developing tight sands gas, and that would really get things moving in certain parts of the Permian Basin," said Anderson. He said there extensive tight sands in the Sonora and Ozona area.

"It is evident that the incentives work. One only has to look at the rapid development of coal seam gas, which has been developed with incentives, to know that they work," he said.

Sen. Pete Dominici, R-N.M., in a press statement said his state was blessed with an abundance of coalbed methane and tight formation sand and stood to benefit significantly from reinstatement of the incentives.

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