

Silver-Haired Unicameral to meet

Senior citizens from around the state will be meeting in Lincoln next week to take part in the Silver-Haired Unicameral at the State Capitol.

The Silver-Haired Unicameral is sponsored by the Nebraska Senior Citizens Council.

The state is divided up into seven different regions with seven Senior Senators in each region.

In August, the Senior Senators met in their own regions and decided on three bills which will be

debated and voted on by the Silver-Haired Unicameral.

The bills from each region that are passed will then be put to a final vote and five priority bills will be sent on to the state Legislature for consideration.

Several of the bills are aimed at reducing the financial burdens that senior citizens face.

Silver-Haired Bill Three would provide for at least a 20 percent reduction in state income tax for federal and civil service retirees.

SHB-5 would put a lid on utility bills and energy costs. SHB-9 would eliminate state income tax on the first \$2,000 of income for any Nebraska resident over age 65.

The Silver-Haired Unicameral will meet Monday through Wednesday in the Est Senate Chamber of the State Capitol Building. All of the sessions are open to the public.

The Unicameral Banquet will be Monday at 7 p.m. in the Omaha Room at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education at 3300 Holdredge St.

The banquet speakers will be John Yost, assistant to the chancellor at UNL, and Lois Schwab, professor of human development and family at UNL.

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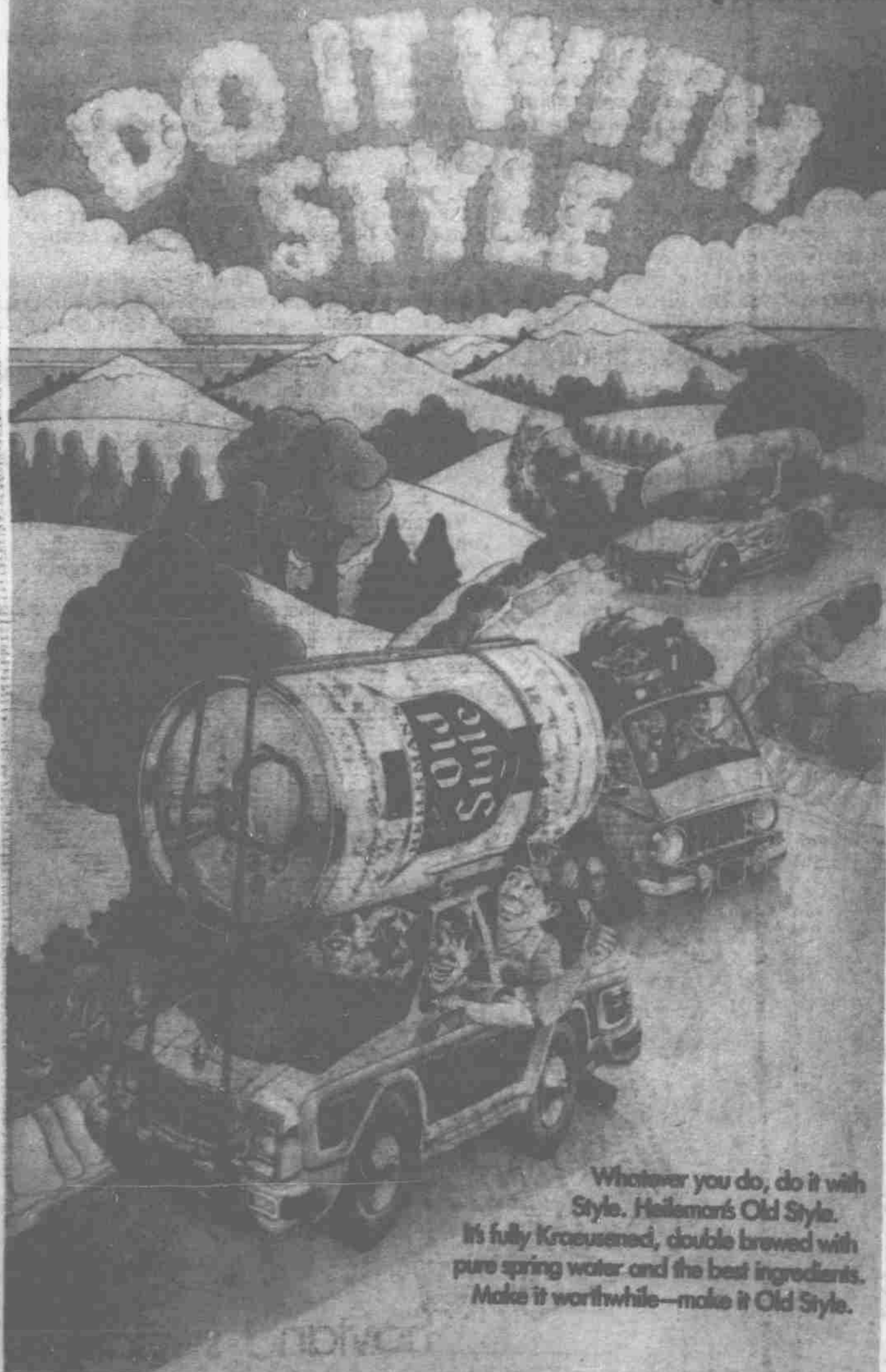
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Reagan names Clark as Watt's successor

WASHINGTON — William Clark, national security affairs adviser to President Reagan, was named Thursday night to the post of interior secretary in charge of America's natural resources. Reagan's unexpected announcement prompted speculation that Clark, who will be 52 Sunday, was being removed from his sensitive post because of reported conflicts with Secretary of State George Shultz for control of policy.

The White House denied this. Clark, a close friend of Reagan and a former justice of the California Supreme Court, first served in the Reagan administration as deputy secretary of state despite lack of experience in the foreign policy field.

Reagan said he chose Clark because he wanted a troubleshooter to replace James Watt, who resigned Sunday.

The White House said Watt would remain in the Cabinet until Clark's appointment was confirmed by the Senate.

Shamir drops dollar plan

JERUSALEM — Israeli Finance Minister Yoram Aridor resigned Thursday night after his plan to link the entire national economy to the U.S. dollars was aborted. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who replaced Menachem Begin on Monday, made an unscheduled appearance on television to tell the nation that the so-called dollarization plan had been dropped. Under the plan, the state budget, all salaries and major economic transactions would have been calculated in dollars instead of in Israeli shekels. Energy Minister Yitzhak Modai compared it to changing Israel's national anthem or flag. Other officials threatened to resign if the plan was implemented.

Shamir had been under pressure from supporters to dismiss Aridor, who has been blamed for failing to check Israel's 130 percent inflation.

Funeral for blast victim

SEOUL, South Korea — A million mourners Thursday packed into a Seoul plaza for the funeral of the 17 Rangoon bomb blast victims and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger assured South Korea of Washington's full military backing. South Korean military officials said they believed President Reagan's decision to send Weinberger to the funeral demonstrated the American commitment to South Korea's security.

The victims of the blast included four top South Korean ministers. Another South Korean wounded in the blast, Vice Finance Minister Lee Kie-wook, died in a hospital at the U.S. Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines Thursday. His body arrived by special plane and was taken to be buried with the 16 other victims.

In Rangoon, the government said nothing more about the capture of three alleged Korean saboteurs in the Rangoon area after the bombing at the Martyrs' Mausoleum on Sunday. One was shot dead and the others were wounded. Burma has not said whether the men were from North or South Korea.

Water breaks up protest

BREMERHAVEN, West Germany — Police using water cannons Thursday night dispersed anti-nuclear demonstrators blockading the Bremerhaven harbor to protest the planned deployment of new nuclear missiles this year. More than 2,000 people opposed to the stationing of cruise and Pershing 2 missiles in Europe were taking part in a three-day blockade of a U.S. Army barracks in the north German port. The blockade is the first major action in 10 days of intensive protest planned by the anti-missile movement.

Marine injured in Beirut

BEIRUT — A U.S. Marine was slightly wounded Thursday night when an unidentified attacker in a speeding car hurled a hand grenade at a Marine unit near the American Embassy's visa section, a U.S. Marine spokesman said. The Marine, whose name was withheld, was reported to be in stable condition.