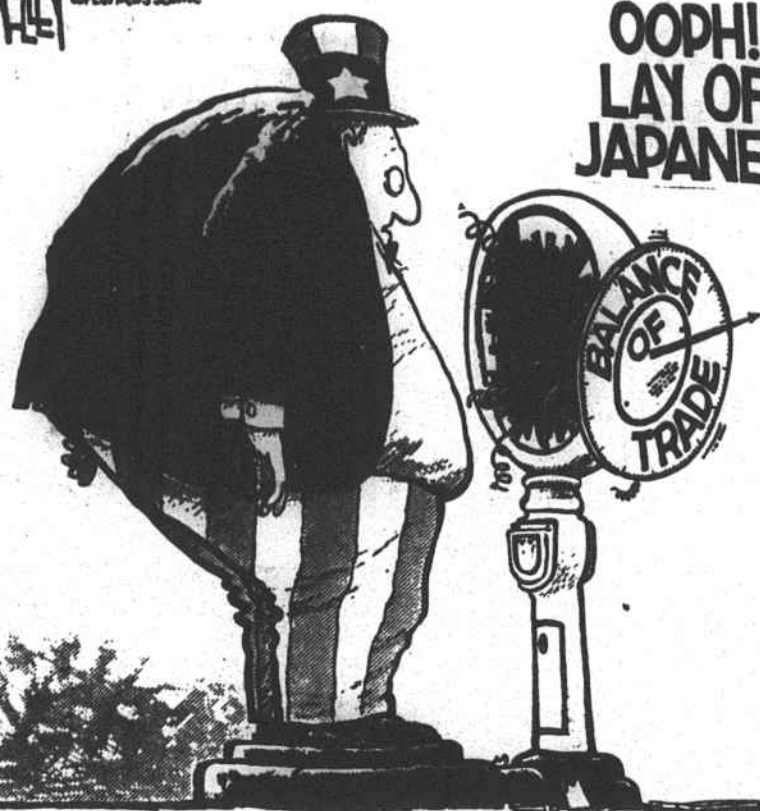


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President acting as lame duck

One of the reasons President Reagan is called a lame duck is that he pulled the rug from under Senate Republicans who were demanding really meaningful spending cuts in July.

The president backed away from G.O.P. proposed delays in social security increases and oil import fees. Thus he left his own party members, including those up for reelection next year, out on a limb. They had proposed taxpayer sacrifices the president rejected.

Mr. Reagan was playing the political game; as far as next year's elections are concerned. He can say he didn't touch social security payments.

Whether he played the game best is a question, however, since he undermined some of his closest congressional allies.

Political analysts note the high number of top aides in Congress the president has either lost or alienated.

Majority Leader Howard Baker quit; if he had a perfect working and personal relationship with his president, would he have retired? Senator John Tower stepped down—he was chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

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People and Issues

Senator Paul Laxalt, considered to be the closest personal friend of the president in the Senate is retiring. Budget Director Stockman is gone. A very effective chief of staff, Jim Baker, is now out of the White House, as Secretary of the Treasury. William French Smith has resigned as Attorney General.

Majority Leader Bob Dole in the Senate is alienated. Other members of the upper legislative body, such as Jesse Helms of North Carolina are saying only that sentiment is not here to pass tax reform this year.

In general, there's disturbing disunity in the G.O.P. Talk about Reagan gaining the initiative and staging a strong comeback from his summer loss of control of events is mostly talk.

FALL . . . Fall arrived on the 22nd of September at 9:07 p.m.

Why is it warmer at the fall of equinox than at the time of spring? September weather is warmer than March weather because of the heat which has been stored up in the earth during the days of long sunshine since the sun crossed the equator in March.

In September it crosses it again, and the daylight and darkness is equal at both equinoxes. But in March the earth has lost much of its heat over the winter, and equal sunlight doesn't produce equal weather.

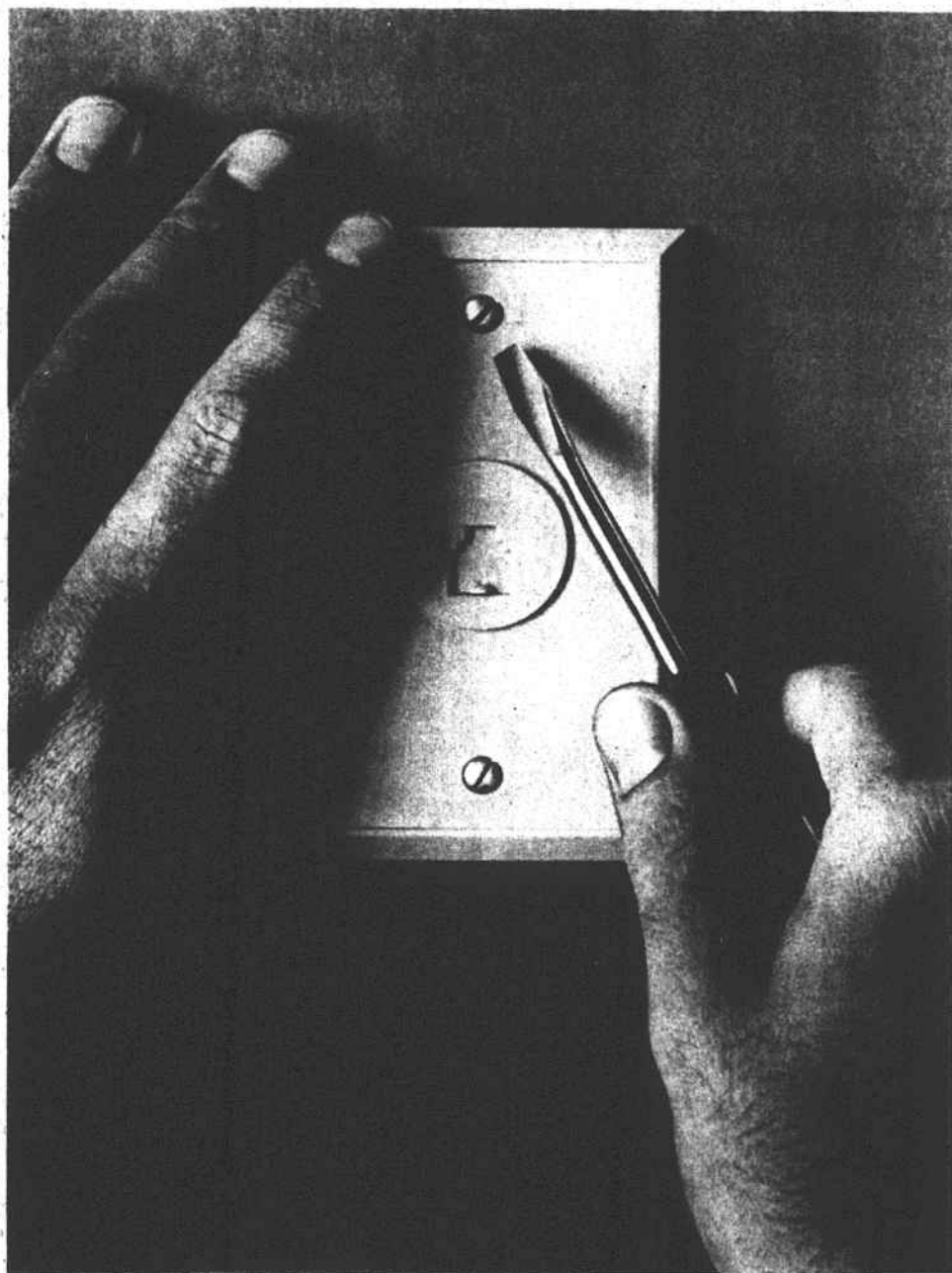
STOCKMAN'S WARNING . . . David Stockman resigned as Budget Director after failing, for four years, to get either the Reagan Administration or Congress to heed his warnings about deficit spending.

In a recent comment on the action of Congress in reducing next year's deficit by something like \$40 or \$50 billion, Stockman was pessimistic.

He said Congress and the president missed their last chance to get deficits under control.

If Stockman is right, what does this say about the future? For one thing, it strongly hints at inflation.

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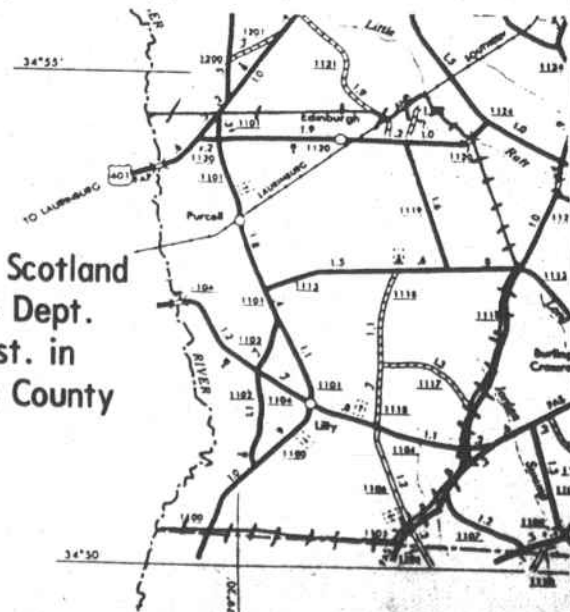
This is to advise that the Raeford City, non-partisan election will be held on November 5, 1985.

Raeford #1 precinct residents will be voting at Raeford Fire Department Bldg. on E. Prospect Avenue.

Raeford #2 residents will vote at Old County Office Building on Elwood Ave.

Raeford #4 residents will vote at Hoke Civic Center.

There also will be an election held on this day for resident freeholders of Lilly's Fire District. This area consists of Allendale precinct and a small portion of Blue Springs precinct. (about 3 miles in Hoke County). See copy of map.



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