

### Woman's Day Observance Due

Mount Zion First Baptist Church will observe its annual Women's Day, Sunday, Oct. 13, at 3:30 p.m. in the main auditorium of the church at 333 Nebraska. The choir of David Chapel and braska, Rev. James E. Obey, members of the congregation pastor of David Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Austin, will be the guest speaker. Obey is well known in both religious and civic affairs and as a dynamic gospel preacher. The choir of David Chapel and members of the congregation will accompany him. The public is invited.

### Record Sum Awarded Man

HOUSTON (UPI) — A 40-year-old Houston man who was severely burned in a 1964 industrial accident at Lake Charles, La., Friday received a jury award of \$1,380,000 from the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp. Attorneys said the jury award to Richard William Gersaltz may be the largest ever passed out in a personal injury suit by a single person. District Judge Joe Ingraham will enter a final judgment later this year. Gersaltz was an electrician for General Electric when he was burned by a 440-volt transformer at the Olin Mathieson plant at Lake Charles. The jury found Olin Mathieson negligent in the accident, which caused severe disfiguring of Gersaltz's face. Olin Mathieson has asked Ingraham to find General Electric liable for the accident.

**WON'T TALK**  
WASHINGTON (UPI) — The National Education Association (NEA) declined an invitation Friday to discuss a possible merger with the American Federation of Teachers.

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## Action Line

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in an old creek bed. To Mother Nature, it still is a creek bed. So naturally, when it rains, all the area still drains into what is now a street. The city's public works department hopes that, after the next bond election, the drainage committee will make an underground drainage project of Kingston. Until then, the problem will continue.

**ACTION NOTE** — Concerning the VA-approved house of the "CGs" which had leaking roof, spots on the walls, doors hanging crooked and driveway cracking, among other things, Mrs. C. G. writes, "This is to let you know that (the contractor) has never contacted us. Even though I have been in the yard when he has passed the house, he has never stopped." Under the prodding of U.S. Rep. Abraham Kazen, the VA Regional Office in Houston last month verified the deficiencies and imposed a deadline of Oct. 5 for the builder to correct them "or be suspended from participation in our Loan Guaranty Program." ACTION LINE has written the VA Regional Office asking whether it will make this action official and place it in the public record so that it may be publicized.

**CORRECTION:** That phone number for Alamo Area Council Boy Scouts is CA7-0313, not CA7-9313 as carried in this column yesterday.

### House Adjournment Delayed by Absentees

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Lawmakers abandoned plans to wind up the 90th Congress Friday when excessive absenteeism forced the House to quit for the day before an adjournment resolution could be passed.

Both the House and the Senate had completed their legislative workload and were ready to quit until Jan. 3, 1969, when Rep. Delbert Latta, R-Ohio, demanded a quorum, or a majority of the House's 433 members to be on the floor. The quorum turned up only 183 members — 29 short of the number necessary to remain in session.

**TO MEET AGAIN**  
The House planned to meet again at noon Saturday, at which time House Democratic Leader Carl Albert, Okla., said he would bring up a Senate-passed adjournment resolution.

But a promise to thwart that move — again by demanding a quorum — came from House Democrats seeking to revive a bill which would pave the way for televised debates between Richard Nixon, Hubert H. Humphrey and George Wallace. Albert admitted he wouldn't be able to muster a quorum and that the House would have to go over until Monday.

**MANY AT HOME**  
Although it upsets the well-laid plans of congressional leaders, an inability to adjourn would not prevent lawmakers from following the lead of many of their colleagues who have been home campaigning for reelection and tending to other matters.

The net effect of the delays would be that the House and Senate would have to comply

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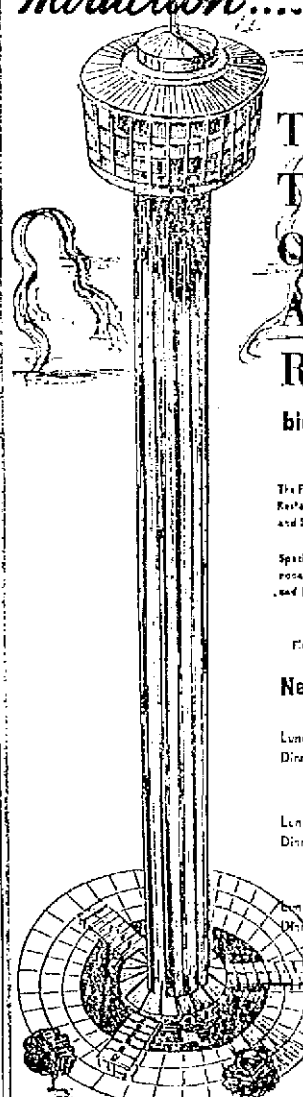
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