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By TERRANCE WILLS

~â\200\230Montreal Gazette

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OULD FREE TRADE

with the United States

really put pressure on

Canada to dismantle

-medicare, weaken unemployment

\_IniSurance and abolish or alter

â\200\234other social programs?

..The government denies it, but  
the opposition parties say free  
trade could erode Canadaâ\200\231s share-  
the-wealth programs.

Scheduled to take effect Jan. 1 â\200\224  
if it gains final approval from Par-  
liament and the U.S. Congress â\200\224  
the trade deal calls for â\200\234harmoni-  
zationâ\200\235 of Canadian and American  
ways of drawing up trade docu-

~ments, writing and enforcing regu-  
\*lations on farm products, and so on.

-The agreement also says that  
over the next five to seven years  
Ottawa and Washington will nego-  
tiate a mutually acceptable pro-  
gram of government subsidies.

The governing Tories say the  
only subsidies involved are those  
aimed at individual industries. But  
the Liberals and New Democrats  
say some across-the-board social  
programs could be â\200\234harmonizedâ\200\235  
to-conform with the much stingier

.~ U.S. system,  
The idea behind harmonization  
is that without it, some Canadian  
-industries â\200\224 and labor forces â\200\224  
\* . would have unfair advantages over  
\_their unsubsidized U.S. counter-  
\_parts. But interpretations can vary.

.- In one 1986 tariff case the U.S.  
commerce department identified  
31 Canadian programs â\200\224 12

â\200\234federal, 19 provincial â\200\224 which, it

â\200\234'said, subsidized Atlantic fishermen.

<= The opposition parties say they  
;Â»-have some serious concern about  
.. just what programs will have to be  
harmonized. Liberal leader John  
Turner told the Commons before  
the deal was approved in principle  
last week:

The Vancouver Sun,

Saturday, July 16, 1988 \*ak %k

BT THE DEAL BEEEEETT

Threat to social programs  
is real, opposition charges

CARR - GUEST

Harmonize means, according to  
the agreement, render identical.  
Our programs and the American  
programs will be harmonized. ...  
That is the danger where one  
blindly accepts the idea of nego-  
tiating with the U.S. on its terms.

NDP leader Ed Broadbent  
warned: If Canada is going to . . .  
talk about what constitutes a sub-  
sidy, whose belief system is going  
to predominate? Anyone who says  
the Canadian system will predomi-  
nate is either misleading the peo-  
ple of Canada or dreaming in Tech-  
nicolor.

Medicare has to be regarded as  
a human right, and not a market-  
able commodity, Broadbent said.

: IN CANADA, medicare's

available to everyone, for the most  
part financed by tax revenues and  
covering a comprehensive range of  
hospital, medical and related costs.  
In the U.S., the only public medi-  
care is primarily for the elderly,  
through the social security system.  
There is also medicaid for the  
poor, but under the current Repub-  
lican administration it has been  
the subject of such cutbacks in the  
past decade that approximately 60  
per cent of the poor are ineligible  
for it, according to Dennis Guest  
of the School of Social Work at the

"MANDELA = e o

with Oliver Tambo in the study of  
law and the promotion of justice.  
"We were never really young,"  
Tambo said in a recent reminis-  
cence. "There were no dances,  
-hardly a cinema, but meetings and  
discussions every night, every week-  
end."  
"But, even with jail and exile  
...between them, the relationship

. "between Mandela and Tambo has  
- .Â»not changed more than 40 years of  
r-association.  
0x. Also 70, Tambo serves as the ANC  
+chief outside South Africa while  
Mandela remains in prison.  
- â\200\234Oliver Tambo is much more than  
"â\200\234d brother to me,â\200\235 Mandela has writ-  
â\200\234ten. â\200\234He is my greatest friend and  
comrade for nearly 50 years.â\200\235  
For Winnie Mandela, separation  
\_â\200\230has been the story of her marriage.  
â\200\234Part of my soul went with him  
â\200\234dtthat time,â\200\235 Winnie was to say  
wzzyears later of her feelings on hearing  
L=:6fNelsonâ\200\231s arrest.  
~wiThey had barely two years of mar-  
â\200\231;â\200\230;:ï~\201Ã@d life together before he went  
â\200\234wclinderground to organize insurgency  
--and sabotage.

â\200\234If you are looking for some kind  
of romance, you wonâ\200\231t find it,â\200\235 Win-  
nie told an interviewer of their  
courtship. â\200\234Even at that stage, life  
with him was a life without him.â\200\235  
~. Their two daughters, Zindziswa

\* and Zenani, experienced an unusual  
childhood â\200\224 even by South African  
standards.

- At one period both father and  
- mother were in prison followed by  
. Winnie being banished from their

Soweto home to the township of  
Brandfort in the Orange Free  
State.

â\200\234My mother has made us strong,â\200\235  
Zindziswa believes.

â\200\234Once in court, when mummy was  
convicted â\200\224 I think it was 71 â\200\224 I  
started crying and she said, â\200\230You  
must never cry, because you are giv-  
ing them satisfaction if you do so.â\200\235

Recognizing, in part, the signifi-  
cance of Mandela spending his 70th  
birthday in prison, the South Afri-  
can government granted the family  
an unprecedented six-hour reunion  
inside Pollsmoor prison on the day.

But Winnie Mandela called off the  
visit Friday saying she does not want  
to accept special privileges from the  
regime and she wants to focus atten-  
tion on other jailed opponents of  
apartheid.

Analysts of the South African  
political situation anticipate a major  
crisis if Nelson Mandela were to  
accommodate Botha and die in

prison.

There is ground for dialogue,â\200\235 writes Bernard Wood, who worked as a special adviser to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney on the possibility of a peaceful solution to the South African racial conflict.

But it can quickly slip away if Mandela and a few other leaders of his generation pass from the scene,â\200\235 Wood states in the Encounter publication of the University of Western Ontario.

It would then be an entirely new :

and terribly dangerous and unpredictable game.â\200\235

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and the Liberals far behind at 26 per cent.

' On a national basis, however, the Gallup offered some encouragement for the Mulroney government, confirming other surveys that have shown the Tories closing on the teading Liberals for several months.

.. The latest Angus Reid-Southam News survey, released June 24, showed the Liberals with 34 per cent of decided voter support nationally, while the Conservatives had 33 per cent and the NDP, 31.

And the Gallup poll is further proof that the Tories, after a two-year struggle, have successfully shored up their standing in Quebec, which along with the West, is crucial 10 â\200\230any Conservative re-election strategy.

In the Gallup released Wednesday,

the Tories shot up 20 points in Quebec to 42 per cent. The Liberals in Quebec slipped 13 points to 37 per cent, while the NDP dropped six points to 20 per cent.

The Angus Reid-Southam News polls have generally found the Conservatives, and Mulroney perso-

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nally, doing better in Quebec since last fall. X e

Pollster Reid said only part of this

improvement stems from the extensive campaigning done by Mulroney and his party to win the Lac-St-Jean federal byelection last month.

"I think there is a sense among Quebecers that perhaps Mulroney is not out of it in the rest of the country and so they're coming back on board," Reid said.

Also, he said the brief fling many Quebec nationalists had in the past few years with the NDP seems to be coming to an end and they are switching back to the Conservatives federally.

Even in the unlikely event the Tories could repeat their 1984 triumph in Quebec, when they captured 58 ridings, they are still a long way from regaining their majority in the House of Commons unless they can bounce back from their current standing in Ontario and B.C.

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#### MULRONEY

University of British Columbia.

Some 36 million Americans, a third of them children, have no medical insurance of any kind.

The result: Canadians enjoy a longer life expectancy and lower infant mortality, the Economic Council of Canada reported recently.

Canadians also enjoy more generous unemployment insurance,

family allowances, maternity benefits, old age pensions and minimum-wage laws.

The list of subsidies up for negotiation (and harmonization) has not been decided but, in any event, no list could include every Canadian social program and regional hand-out that a future U.S. administration may want to talk about.

For instance, how about equalization payments to the poorer provinces, which are built right into the Canadian Constitution? And what about federally financed day care?

flâ\200\230h\_e deal â\200\234could erode everything from medicare . . . to workersâ\200\231 rights to organize and bargain collectively,â\200\235 says Shirley Carr, president of the Canadian Labor Congress.

Advocates of the deal argue that bilateral free trade is needed to generate the wealth to support social programs:

â\200\234We are going to have a healthier economy after free trade than before, and business will be in a better position to afford these things,â\200\235 Canadian Chamber of Commerce president James Her- rick told the first parliamentary committee to study the deal.

The only subsidies involved in the seven-year negotiation are those that are trade-related, meaning they must be specific to an industry, Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and his ministers insist. Canadaâ\200\231s social programs â\200\234are not on the tableâ\200\235 because they are national in scope and available to

The Conservativesâ\200\231 stand has resulted in a dearth of official studies on the implications of the negotiations for Canadaâ\200\231s social programs.

This so concerned the Canadian

Council on Social Development it convened its own national conference on the issue this spring.

That conference reached no consensus over whether social programs are endangered, but there did emerge a common view that the governmentâ\200\231s curt dismissal of

the threat was far from realistic.

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By SETH MYDANS

N.Y. Times News Service

SINGAPORE

ANIEL LIM is suffering  
D from hypergamy, a wide-  
spread ailment that is caus-  
ing Singapore's government seri-  
ous concern about the future of its  
economy, social structure, and  
national defence.

Hypergamy is the tendency to  
marry a upward, a used here to  
refer to the practice of women  
who choose a husband better edu-  
cated, wealthier, even taller than  
they are and to stay single if  
they cannot find such a person.

Fully 30 per cent of college-edu-  
cated women in Singapore, unable  
to find Prince Charming, remain  
unmarried today even as nearly  
all their poorly educated sisters  
continue to marry and have  
babies.

Men like Lim, according to  
government officials, often end up  
marrying a downward a hypo-  
gamy after they fail to win a  
woman of their own educational  
level.

Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew  
expressed alarm-at what he said  
this was doing to the gene pool a  
few years back, asserting: Levels

economy will falter, our adminis-  
tration will suffer, and society will  
decline.

Apart from quality, quantity is  
also worrying Singapore's plan-  
ners in light of the overwhelming  
success of the two is enough  
campaign for offspring in small  
families.

The planners are aiming for  
growth from the current popula-  
tion of 2.6 million to a goal of 3.4  
million in the next few years. But  
the fertility rate the number of  
children a woman is likely to bear

of competence will decline, our:

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EETEERTETNE SINGAPORE \_  
Marrying up leaves  
nerds to rot on vine

â\200\224 has dropped from 4.7 in 1965 to  
1.44 last year, below the replace-  
ment rate of 2.1.

A year ago, the acting health  
minister, Yeo Cheow Tong,  
warned that the resulting decline  
in the young population would  
mean a drop in the tax base to sup-  
port the elderly, as well as a lack  
of recruits for the armed forces.

â\200\234If you want to produce gen-  
iuses, you have to get the graduate  
man to marry a graduate girl,â\200\235  
according to Helen' Wang, deputy  
director of the Social Develop-  
ment Unit which tries to match  
better educated people.

She said well-educated single  
women may be highly productive  
in the work place, â\200\234but they are  
not fulfilling their function of  
having families.â\200\235 \_

A good part of the unitâ\200\231s efforts  
go into propaganda, Wang said.

â\200\234We try to tell our girls not to  
expect too much,â\200\235 she explained.  
â\200\234They want looks. They want  
money. They want security. They  
want a tall man.

â\200\230â\200\234â\200\230We have to change those  
ideals. You cannot look for Mr.  
Right or Mr. Perfect. So we ask  
our women to play softer, to play a  
little dumb if possible.â\200\235

In Singapore, she said, men  
tend to concentrate on their  
careers, to spend their time at  
their computer terminals, and to  
have little knowledge of social  
graces. â\200\230â\200\234â\200\230Some men come to us at  
the age of 30 and say they have  
never had a date,â\200\235â\200\235 Wang said.  
â\200\234They are scorned as nerds. They  
do not know how to behave, what  
to do with girls. We have a lot of  
nerds around here.â\200\235 X

So, she said, â\200\230â\200\234we try to teach  
them â\200\224 maybe not to be Prince  
Charmings, but we teach them to  
be halfway, and not be frogs.â\200\235



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ATLANTA  
ORMER PRESIDENT  
Richard Nixon predicts that  
Massachusetts Gov. Michael

+ Dukakis' will make political gains if  
+ he and the Rev. Jesse Jackson  
. engage in a lively floor fight at next  
  
. weekâ\200\231s Democratic National Con-  
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In the memo to Vice President  
George Bushâ\200\231s campaign headquar-  
ters, Nixon said Dukakis, the cer-  
tain Democratic nominee for presi-  
dent, and Jackson eventually would  
make peace. But a battle on  
national television during an other-  
wise dull convention, he said, could  
turn into a net plus for the Demo-

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HARARE

TELEVISION inter-  
viewer recently asked  
South African President  
Pieter Botha how he had  
dealt with his enemies  
uring a lifetime in politics.

â\200\234Outlive the bastards,â\200\235 Botha  
responded.

Nelson Mandela, one man the  
president has not outlived, also

represents the problem the South African government has not outlasted.

On Monday Mandela will celebrate his 70th birthday.

And he is 30 months younger than Botha.

The event will be marked in Pollsmoor, a South African prison, one of the many Mandela has

inhabited during almost 26 consecutive years of incarceration. |

His crime was treason: [ore s o] He counselled the use of violence and| SOUTHAM sabotage as

â\200\234means of end- PATRICK

ing South|NAGLE

Africa racial

segregation and white political dominance.

His cause, black liberation, has not faltered despite his age and more than a quarter century away from any public platform.

His name, linked with the outlawed African National Congress (ANC), which he leads despite his imprisonment, is recognized worldwide as a prime reflection of black South African political aspirations.

â\200\234T have cherished the ideal of a

. democratic and free society in which all persons live together in harmony with equal opportunities,â\200\235 Mandela said 24 years ago

in a self-inculpatory statement to

WINNIE MANDELA

Mandela  
at 70 still  
stands tall

a trial judge who could have him  
hanged.

â\200\234It is an ideal I hope to live for  
and to achieve. But, if needs be, it  
is an ideal for which I am pre-  
pared to die.â\200\235

Only a handful of people â\200\224 jail-  
ers, cabinet ministers, inmates,  
family and the occasional inter-  
national visitor â\200\224 know what  
Mandela looks like and sounds  
like today.

Reproduction of his photo-  
graph is prohibited in South  
Africa as is the quotation of any of  
his political statements from  
banned ANC literature.

Yet he has a street named after  
him in London, a statue of him  
stands in Dublin, there is a Man-  
dela square in Amsterdam and he  
is an honorary Roman citizen.

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inspiration for a satellite rock  
concert last month and his name  
will touch off vastly differing and  
emotional responses throughout  
South Africa around the anniver-  
sary of his birth.

In response to powerful inter-  
national pressures applied to free  
the aging leader, the South Afri-  
can government has said Man-  
dela could be released any time

. he renounces the use of violence  
as a means of achieving political  
change.

Pretoria uses the ANC as justi-  
fication for maintaining a state of  
national emergency suspending  
most civil rights and claims the  
ANC leadership in exile wants  
Mandela in prison for propa-  
ganda purposes.

In a letter written to be read at  
a freedom rally, Mandela repu-  
diated any offer of a conditional

pardon.

â\200\234I cannot and will not give any undertaking at a time when you the people are not free,â\200\235 Mandela wrote.

â\200\234Your freedom and mine cannot be separated.â\200\235

According to former cellmates, Mandela lives an intellectually and physically rigorous life in prison despite the burden of his years.

â\200\230â\200\230He has not completely escaped the effects of old age,â\200\235 wrote Thami Mkhwanazi, a recently released prisoner, about Mandelaâ\200\231s current condition.

â\200\230â\200\234â\200\234He walks slowly, looking straight ahead, as if in deep thought. Nevertheless, Mandela is still a tall, powerful and fit man. :

â\200\234He has a slight stoop and a lick of grey hair on his temples, but he is flat-bellied and has not developed the paunch that characterizes many of his contemporaries in prison,â\200\235 is Mkhwanaziâ\200\231s description.

â\200\234He no longer wears his hair with the deep side parting that can be seen in pre-prison photographs.â\200\235

cratic nominee.

â\200\234For Dukakis to stand up against the extreme demands of Jacksonâ\200\231s radical forces might reduce the total black vote, but it will not drive any significant number of blacks to Bush. The brutal political reality is that standing tough against Jackson would help Dukakis with some

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Mandela has been a physicalâ\200\231 fitness practitioner all his life. In college days he was an ama-

teur boxer and photographs of

the period (with that distinctive side part in his hair) make him look like Joe Louis, then world heavyweight champion. L

IN ONE OF his letters

from prison to his wife, Winnje

Mandela, he encourages her to keep in condition by using the old Royal Canadian Air Force 10BX training routines. gk

Nowadays, according to witnesses, Mandela rides an exercise bicycle or skips rope to keep in shape.

â\200\234We were struck by his physieal authority â\200\224 by his immaculate

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whites, not only in the South but in some of the key urban states in the North,â\200\235 Nixon wrote in the memo. Nixon said a Dukakis-Jackson fuss would help the Democratic ticket with conservative Democrats who have voted twice for Ronald Reagan. Nixon said Bush needs those votes to win in November. Nixonâ\200\231s view is that while Jackson was understandably miffed by a

appearance, his apparent good health and his commanding presence,â\200\235 states the 1986 report of

. the Commonwealth negotiating group that met Mandela as part of an eventually doomed initiative to bring racial peace to South Africa.

â\200\234In his manner he exuded authority and received the respect of all around him, including his jailers.â\200\235

Mandela could have been a king of the rural tribes in what is now the Xhosa homeland of the Transkei where he was born July 18, 1918.

Instead he deserted the traditional way of life to study at the Fort Hare black university, to work as a mine security guard and, eventually, to join forces

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Democratic floor fight considered a plus by Nixon

failure to be notified before Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas was selected as a running mate, he would destroy his influence in the party if he failed to help Dukakis this fall.



Once he recovers from his initial disappointment, Jackson will realize that the key to future influence is as a power broker within the party, Nixon said.

NELSON MANDELA: â\200\234Yoï¬\201r freedom and mine cannot be separated.â\200\235

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favors tax cuts

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look-alike

By DAVID ROSENBAUM  
N.Y. Times News Service >  
WASHINGTON  
MANY respects, Lloyd  
Bentsen resembles George  
Bush more than he doÃ@s  
Michael Dukakis.

Like the vice-president, Bentsen is a lanky Texan from a wealthy family, a bomber pilot in the Second World War who earned a fortune in business and served briefly in the House of Representatives before moving into bigger political pastures.

Some of Bentsenâ\200\231s political views â\200\230are also more like the vice-presidentâ\200\231s than the Massachusetts governorâ\200\231s, :

The cornerstone of the senatorâ\200\231s economic philosophy, like that of the

- Reagan administration, is that tax cuts for individuals and tax incentives for businesses are the best solution to the economic problems.

He has voted for aid to the Contras in Nicaragua, mandatory prayer in public schools, production of the MX missile, restrictions on involuntary busing for school desegregation and various pieces of legislation to require a balanced budget on a specific timetable, all of which Bush supports and Dukakis opposes.

Takes the lead

Bentsen has voted against federal financing of abortions for poor women and against gun control, which Bush also opposes and Dukakis supports.

Indeed, in 1981, the first year of the Reagan administration, no other Democratic senator was more supportive of the president, according to an analysis by Congressional Quarterly.

In the last two years, however, after having become chairman of the Senate finance committee, Bentsen has taken the lead on several issues on which the Democratic party challenged the president.

This year alone, he has led fights for legislation that would require businesses to provide advance notice of plant closings, restrict imports from nations that have barriers to American products, change the welfare laws and provide better protection under Medicare to people with catastrophic illnesses.

Moreover, in a matter of some symbolic importance, Bentsen won his seat in the Senate in 1970 by defeating Bush. Dukakis hopes to win the presidency the same way.

War medals

Unlike Bush, who moved to Texas as an adult, the 67-year-old senator has deep roots in Texas. He comes from one of the richest and most prominent families in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas, where the great wealth of a few families contrasts with the poverty of the overwhelmingly Mexican-American citizenry.

His father, Lloyd Bentsen Sr., 94 , known as Big Lloyd, moved to the Valley from South Dakota as a young man after the First World War and began buying land, He

By LES WHITTINGTON

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HE LATEST national opinion

I poll, while providing a glimmer of hope for the ruling Conservatives, falls far short of the good news Prime Minister Brian Mulroney needs to call an election. An over-all improvement in the Gallup poll brought the Tories neck-and-neck with the leading Liberals nationally. But the survey released Wednesday also underscores the severe problem the Conservatives face in Ontario, which has 99 seats â\200\224 the most of any province â\200\224 up for grabs, The prime minister and those around him were not exactly break-

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Gallupâ\200\231s good news for Mulroney still finds Tories short in Ontario

ing out the champagne after examining the Gallup results, one aide said.

â\200\234Not on those numbers,â\200\235 blurted another Conservative when asked if he thought Mulroney was now ready to send Canadians to the polls.

Mainly because of a sharp upsurge in Quebec, the Toriesâ\200\231 national support among decided voters climbed to 35 per cent, only slightly behind the Liberalsâ\200\231 37 per cent. The New Democrats were third with 27 per

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cent.

But in Ontario, the poll found Liberals holding a 2%-p0i0r:lt n?eg:1e with 47 per cent compared With 2'i for the NDP and 25 for the Tories

In an election, that would mean the Conservatives would send only six lonely MPs to Parliament from Ontario, said a Conservative organizer who compared the Gallup numbers to the results of the 1987

election.

Four years ago, in Mulroneyâ\200\231s

overwhelming national victory, his party elected more MPs â\200\224 67 â\200\224 from Ontario than any other province. ; Ontarioâ\200\231s seat total increased to 99 from 95 at midnight Wednesday when new riding boundaries took effect.

On the basis of Gallup's findings,  
the Liberals would clean up in  
Ontario with 87 seats (compared

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with 14 in 1984), the Conservative  
organizer said.

He estimated the NDP would win  
only six seats in Ontario based on  
Gallup's findings. In 1984, 13 NDP  
MPs were chosen from that prov-  
ince.

And that's not the only trouble  
spot for Mulroney as he looks for an  
opening to call an election.

The Tories, who won 19 seats in  
British Columbia in 1984 (compared  
to eight for the NDP and one for the  
Liberals), now trail the NDP there.  
The latest Gallup put the NDP at 38  
per cent of decided voter support in  
B.C., with the Conservatives at 34

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expanded from agribusiness to oil  
- and then branched into banking.  
Lloyd Millard Bentsen Jr. he  
now uses neither his middle initial  
nor the Jr. he was born on the  
family ranch in Mission, Tex., on  
Feb. 11, 1921. He received a law  
degree from the University of Texas,  
enlisted in the Army as a private in  
1942, became a commissioned  
officer, served in Europe in the  
Army Air Forces and received the  
Distinguished Flying Cross, among  
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other decorations, before leaving  
the service as a colonel.

He returned home after the war  
and, aided by his family's money and  
prominence, became the youngest  
county judge in Texas at the age of  
25. Two years later, in 1948, he  
became the youngest member of  
Congress.

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