



Sheriff investigating beating of prisoner by jailer, deputy

By JULIA CLARK
Staff Writer

"Marshal and James were wrestling on the cot. Doug grabbed James by the hair and pulled both of them off the bunk, then swung and hit James in the face a couple of times."

Ricky Mullins confirmed James Williams' story of his being beaten in their jail cell earlier this week by jailer Marshal Hopkins and Deputy Doug Davis.

Gray County Sheriff Rufe Jordan asked both jail inmates what happened that prompted James Williams, 20, to write a letter to The Pampa News accusing "people sworn to uphold the law" of "brutal beatings."

Williams is being held for trial on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle stemming from an incident at Heritage Ford on Dec. 8.

The Pampa News received a letter from Williams Wednesday, sent from his cell at the Gray County Jail. It said in part: "I recently became a victim of the tactics often used by the Sheriff's Department. These often, if not always end in a trip to the hospital. I can't elaborate further, for fear this letter will fall into the wrong hands. Our mail is censored."

Sheriff Jordan denied he or his deputies make a practice of beating prisoners. Sometimes prisoners don't like the idea of

going to jail and they cause "altercations from the door all the way up to the cell," he said.

"Yes, the mail is censored," Jordan said. He explained that sometimes an inmate will write things that aren't right, and the letter will be taken back to the prisoner and he will be asked to correct the letter.

Jordan said he was aware there had been problems between the day jailer, Marshal Hopkins, 21, and Williams. He also said Hopkins had come to him "immediately that morning" of the fight in the jail cell.

"I am making a complete and thorough investigation of

story. Each man was questioned separately by the sheriff and The Pampa News in the sheriff's office Wednesday night.

"Marshal doesn't like me or Ricky," Williams said. "Marshal thinks because he is the jailer and we are the prisoners, it makes him a god; that he can tell us what we can and cannot do," Williams said.

The morning of the fight, Hopkins had come up to the jail to awaken the inmates for breakfast, both men said.

Mullins said he was in a foul mood at being awakened and "I popped off to Marshal. I shouldn't have said the things I

returned immediately with Doug Davis, a deputy sheriff.

Both inmates said the jailer entered the cell a second time and told Williams if he "wanted a piece of me, now was the time to get it." They said the jailer, Hopkins, grabbed Williams by the front of his coveralls and shoved him.

Williams said Hopkins had him up against the wall and told him to get sit down, but he couldn't because the jailer was too close to him. The inmates said Hopkins kneed Williams in the groin and wrestled him around. Williams said "I felt like hitting him, but I didn't. I just put my hands up in front of my face and asked him to quit."

The two men ended up on the bunk, still wrestling.

Mullins said when Williams and Hopkins were on the bunk, Williams was on the bottom. "Doug reached and grabbed James by the hair and pulled both men off the bunk," Mullins said.

"Then Doug swung under and hit James in the face," Mullins said.

"He hit me three or four times in the face and eye," Williams said.

Williams eye was red and black and blue and he did have three or four stitches in the area of the eye.

At this point, Williams was protecting his face with his

'I just put my hands up in front of my face and asked him to quit.'

the whole affair and am going to find out who is on whose case," the sheriff said.

"When I find out about fighting in the jail, I put a stop to it," Jordan said.

Jordan asked Williams and Mullins to tell their side of the

said Marshal called me an s.o.b." Mullins said the name-calling didn't mean anything to him, but Williams took exception to the epithet and said so to Marshal.

According to Williams and Mullins, Marshal, who had come up to the cell block alone, went back downstairs. He

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Doing his job



The strain of fighting fires shows on the face of fireman Kelly Randall Wednesday when the Pampa Fire Department tried to save a storage building belonging to Harley Smith behind 1210 Hobart St. Smith said the fire probably began when some grass he was burning got out of control. No one was injured and there was no immediate estimate of damages. The shed was destroyed. (Staff photo by Bruce Lee Smith)

weather

The forecast calls for variable cloudiness and thunderstorms, a few possibly severe for this afternoon through Friday. High today in the 80s with tonight's low in the 60s. Southeasterly winds 5-15 mph today, shifting to the south Friday.

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Ma Bell needs \$1 billion Guess who gets to pay for it?

By JEFF LANGLEY
Senior Writer

Southwestern Bell will soon ask the Public Utilities Commission for a rate increase of "\$1 billion or more" — your bill for local phone service will double or triple — but the phone company won't make an extra dime from the higher local rates, according to company officials.

Basic phone service in Pampa now costs \$8.05 per month — that charge for local service will likely jump to \$30 or more, if the rate request is approved.

The government's ordered break-up of AT&T by January 1 has changed the telephone industry and caused the requested, whopping increase in the charge for local calls, Bell officials said.

Southwestern Bell says about half of their cost of providing local phone service has always been "subsidized" with money made by AT&T from long-distance charges. After companies, such as Southwestern Bell, are separated from AT&T January 1, they will lose the long-distance subsidy. The charge for basic local phone service has always been below the company's cost of providing it, they say. And when the subsidy is lost next year, local phone service must pay its own way. Bell executive Gary Stevens said today.

The \$30-per-month figure is about what it costs Southwestern Bell to provide local phone service to its Texas customers, according to the company. All Bell wants through the proposed rate increase is to make up its true costs for local service, and to make a reasonable profit, news releases about request say.

But the cost of long-distance calls should come down or "stabilize," Stevens said.

Bell's Dallas Vice President Paul Roth said the



proposed rate hike "will significantly increase local rates."

"Although the final amount of the request has not been determined, the figure could be \$1 billion or more," Roth said.

"With competition in the long-distance market, it's no longer feasible for the long-distance rates to subsidize local rates. The long-term result of

competition is that prices will be driven toward costs. That means local rates will have to go up, but it also means that long-distance rates should come down. With divestiture from AT&T, Southwestern Bell will lose much of the subsidy from long-distance revenues which has helped keep local rates low.

"The shift of telephone service costs from the long distance user to the local phone bill will not represent any additional revenues for Southwestern Bell," Roth said.

Though it blames the increase on the need to make local service pay its own way, "Southwestern Bell also will request additional revenues to meet increased costs of doing business and to produce a reasonable return on the company's statewide investment," Bell's news release says.

"It will be a biggie," Stevens said about the proposed increase.

He said Bell will file the request with the PUC "sometime in the near future," in time to be in effect by January, when the break-up occurs.

Stevens said as a result of an anti-trust suit brought by the Justice Department against AT&T in 1974, the huge company will split into 22 separate operating companies, making up seven "regional telephone companies." Each regional company will trade its own individual stock and have no further legal connection with AT&T.

Southwestern Bell is headquartered in St. Louis and operates in five states, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas. Southwestern is one of the regional companies that will trade stock.

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Jobless in Gray County tie Recession record

By JEFF LANGLEY
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Wednesday

The latest official unemployment rate for Gray County, a figure for the month of April, matched the all-time, post-Depression record set last summer when Pampa's largest employer began slashing its workforce.

The unemployment rate for the county jumped to 8.6 percent, matching the modern-day record set last June when Ingersoll-Rand began its layoffs. The April rate for the City of Pampa was 8.5 percent.

The April numbers topped identical figures reported for the previous two months. The February rate of 7.5 percent for Pampa and 7.7 percent for Gray County was matched in March.

Texas Employment Commission Pampa Manager Charles Vance announced the latest figures

Vance was at a loss to explain the rate's leap of about one percent in just one month, except to say that permanent jobs just aren't out there. He said about the only jobs available through the TEC lately are "temporary seasonal work." Vance said the temporary jobs haven't done much to bring down the local unemployment rate.

The TEC manager said claims workers from the Amarillo office continue to process a heavy load of unemployment claims here each Monday, when the Amarillo workers travel to Pampa to take claims at Clarendon College's Pampa Center.

Vance said many of the local unemployment claims are for extended benefits, called "federal compensation claims" available to people who have been out of work for a long time.

Reagan proposal may help MX missile...

By BARRY SCHWEID

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's revised arms control proposal could improve prospects for congressional approval of his MX missile program, but it will break the deadlock in Geneva only if the Soviet Union decides the United States is not aiming for a one-sided agreement.

The treaty Reagan outlined last year at Eureka College, his alma mater, and then had Edward Rowny, his negotiator, put on the table in the arms control talks was swept away by the Soviets as unfair. They interpreted it as a crude attempt to weaken their long-range nuclear force by striking at its core: the heavy land-based missiles that account for about two-thirds of the Soviet strategic punch.

The president is trying to improve chances for an agreement this time in at least three ways: He is raising the ceiling on ground-based missiles from 850, he is offering the Soviets a variety of ways the two sides could reduce to equal strategic weapons levels and he is not disclosing all the details of the revised proposal in an effort to avert a public debate.

The thinking within the Reagan administration was that the Soviets would have been compelled to respond in public to a detailed American proposal, and for propaganda reasons would probably strike a tougher stance than they might take in the confidential Geneva setting.

So far, the Kremlin has not reacted to Reagan's statement Wednesday in the White House Rose Garden and the elaboration on the U.S. position provided by senior administration officials at a briefing for reporters.

Reagan said he was giving Rowny "flexibility to explore all appropriate avenues for meeting our goals" and that he hoped the Soviets "will respond with corresponding flexibility."

In Geneva, where the talks resumed after a 10-week recess, Rowny said he was a "little more hopeful" of progress.

While Reagan and Rowny kept the new ceiling secret, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., who has played a key role in Reagan's negotiations with Congress over the MX missiles, said Tuesday his guess was in the range of 1,100 to 1,200 missiles. That is about midway between the 850 initially sought by the United States and the 1,450 urged by the Soviet Union.

Reagan had already won over a powerful group of House members, including Aspin, who dropped their opposition to the new missile when he promised to consider taking a more conciliatory approach in the Geneva talks.

Their conversion was instrumental in the House's approval of \$625 million to develop and test-fly the MX by a vote of 239 to 186 two weeks ago. The Senate gave its consent 59 to 39.

The next test for the missile will come next week when Congress takes up the administration's \$187 billion defense authorization bill, which includes \$4.5 billion for production.

Rep. Thomas Downey, D-N.Y., a leader in the drive to kill the MX, acknowledged "it appears as though he is going to get it, although we are trying our best to stop it."

Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., one of the House members who was won over by Reagan, praised the president's statement as a "demonstration of flexibility."

Thatcher expects landslide win

By JEFF BRADLEY

LONDON (AP) — Conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, strongly favored to win a second term, asked for a landslide victory in British national elections today to "banish forever" extreme left-wing socialism.

Skies were clear when polls opened this morning, but showers were predicted as the first of 42.7 million eligible voters cast their ballot papers. A turnout of 75 to 80 percent was expected, and computer predictions of the final outcome were likely to be made by Friday morning.

Mrs. Thatcher ran on right-wing policies of strong defense and tight fiscal control, while the main opposition Labor Party fumbled attempts to forge a unified policy on nuclear disarmament. For the first time in 60 years, there was a strong challenge from a third political force — the alliance of the Social Democratic Party and the Liberal Party.

A final flurry of opinion polls gave Mrs. Thatcher's Conservatives a commanding lead of 16 to 21 points over the opposition, with Labor and the

alliance jostling for second place. "I want as big a vote as possible," said the prime minister, who urged voters "to banish forever the dark, divisive clouds of extreme left-wing socialism."

A total of 2,579 candidates were contesting 650 seats, expanded from 635 in the last Parliament due to boundary changes.

The acrimonious four-week campaign focused on the personality of 57-year-old Mrs. Thatcher, who didn't mind being called bossy. "So what?" she commented.

Labor's strongest issue was the post-1930s unemployment peak of 3.2 million or 13.8 percent reached this year — nearly triple the 1.2 million or 5.2 percent when Mrs. Thatcher took office.

But polls showed voters were skeptical about Labor's plans to borrow heavily for a \$17 billion program to create 2 million jobs in five years.

When Labor pledged to pull Britain out of the European Common Market, Mrs. Thatcher claimed that would wipe out 2.5 million jobs.

The alliance had hoped its moderate policies

would appeal to Britain's growing middle class and transcend Tory-Labor class voting. But Liberal leader David Steel, 45, conceded to Mrs. Thatcher a day early.

"The question now is how substantial the victory will be and what controlling influence the alliance is going to have," he said.

Mrs. Thatcher defended her record of cutting inflation to a 15-year low of 4 percent and tackling Britain's outmoded, overmanned and union-dominated industry.

The party winning a majority of seats in the Commons forms the government, and its leader becomes prime minister.

When the last Parliament was dissolved, the Conservatives had 334 seats and a 35-seat majority. Labor had 239 seats, the alliance 42 and the rest were held by small or regional parties.

The 17 seats in Northern Ireland were contested by rival Protestant and Roman Catholic-supported parties, including 14 candidates for Sinn Fein, the political arm of the Irish Republican Army.

Splashy technique



Kevin Richards of Bismarck, Ill., earns His hands, face and glasses will require some pocket money recently by white some heavy duty cleaning after the job is washing fence posts on a Bismarck farm. completed. (AP Laserphoto)

Republicans get convention site preview

DALLAS (AP) — Buoyed by improving numbers on the economy as well as in political polls, Republicans are getting a preview of the convention city where they hope to renominate President Reagan in 1984.

Members of the Republican National Committee gathered Wednesday for four days of meetings that will include a tour of the Dallas Convention Center where the party will hold its 1984 National Convention.

Few of the party leaders were willing to speculate that

anyone other than President Reagan will be the GOP nominee.

The president is expected to announce his plans around Labor Day. He has said he has not yet decided whether to seek a second term but White House aides insist they are confident he will run.

As statistics have indicated gradual improvement in the economy, President Reagan's standing in political polls has been rising.

An ABC-Washington Post poll taken in mid May said 53 percent of those responding

approved of the president's job performance, compared to a low of 42 percent last January.

However, most surveys continue to show Reagan running no better than even or slightly behind the two leading Democratic presidential contenders — former Vice President Walter F. Mondale and Sen. John Glenn of Ohio.

Should Reagan decide against a second term, many party leaders fear a bitter fight between conservatives and moderates for the

presidential nomination.

The favorite would be Vice President George Bush but he would face opposition from conservatives who still recall Bush's long, losing battle against Reagan for the 1980 presidential nomination. Among the names mentioned as favorites of conservative Republicans are Rep. Jack Kemp of New York and Sens. William Armstrong of Colorado and Paul Laxalt of Nevada.

"It would be chaos," said one party official when asked what he thought would

happen if Reagan bowed out. The official responded only after assured his name would not be used.

Before any other cities could put together strong bids for the 1984 convention, Reagan said he wanted to go to Dallas and that pretty well settled the question.

The convention decision was sealed in 1982 when Republican Gov. William Clements was a strong favorite for re-election. But in November, Clements was upset by Democrat Mark White.

A major factor in Clements' defeat was a large turnout of Hispanics who voted heavily Democratic.

The Democratic National Convention will be held in July 1984, in San Francisco.

KISS is no-no, Beach Boys 'fine'

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — An El Paso concert mogul, who has banned hard rock groups from playing in his theatre because the crowds were too "obnoxious," says the flamboyant group KISS is a no-no, but that the Beach Boys are fine.

"We're not going to pull a James Watt," Civic Center booking manager Walter Erdmann said of the controversial Interior Secretary.

Erdmann made the remark Wednesday after announcing that hard rock groups would be banned from playing in the 2,450-seat El Paso Civic Center theatre.

Watt created a furor last month when he attempted to ban the Beach Boys from playing at the Washington Monument because their music purportedly attracted an undesirable element of concert-goers. Watt later recanted.

Jim Donnelly, acting director of the Civic Center, said hard-rock fans attending hard rock concerts in El Paso have become "too obnoxious" for his liking, so he had no choice but to ban such groups from playing in the theatre.

Donnelly's decision came after The Clash concert on May 25 in which about 12 youngsters caused an estimated \$2,500 damage to the theatre and its restrooms.

Donnelly said he had had enough of concert-goers burning cigarette holes in seats and tearing up grills and doors in the theatre. Erdmann also criticized "groupies" for vandalizing the men's bathrooms.

"I have (to protect) the dignity of the theatre itself," Donnelly said.

The theatre, normally reserved for more sedate shows, has held hard rock concerts since 1981 for Joan Jett, UFO, the Adam Ant group and The Clash.

Theatre manager Cleatus Davis said the damage following The Clash concert exceeded the "normal wear and tear" of past shows.

The 9-year-old facility will host most music groups and

related shows, but from now on, will evaluate all rock groups to determine whether they will be allowed to perform there. The Clash concert-goers simply were too "destructive (and) spaced-out," Donnelly said.

Erdmann concurred. "We wish the teen-age groupies would treat (the theatre) as if it was their own home," he said "But about 1 percent of the total — some machos and some followers — caused this (decision)."

Property insurance premiums decreased

AUSTIN (AP) — Property insurance buyers will get an average 3.8 percent break on their rates next year, the State Board of Insurance has decided.

The board heard two hours of testimony Wednesday then with only a 10-minute consultation voted 3-0 to accept recommendations made earlier by its staff.

The new rates, estimated to be worth \$42 million to insurance buyers, are effective Oct. 1.

The staff recommendation call for a statewide decrease of 3.8 percent.

Spokesmen for the insurance industry asked for an increase of 13.58 percent over current rates.

Gaylon Daniel, board staff actuary, said there has been an improvement in insured

losses in most classes of property insurance the past year and there have been no big hurricane losses since 1971.

J.M. Eddins, speaker for the Texas Insurance Advisory Association, urged adoption of the industry recommendations saying claims filed the past year and continuing inflation make it appear "a 13.5 increase is much more realistic than a 3.8 reduction for rates that will cover losses occurring as late as September of 1983."

The adopted property insurance rates call for a statewide average decrease of 5.9 percent for homeowners insurance; 7.1 percent in farm and ranch owners insurance; 16.2 percent in fire coverage for businesses; and 5.5 percent in extended

coverage — a separate policy that pays for damage not caused by fire.

The staff recommended statewide average increases of 10.2 percent for tenant homeowners insurance and 14.4 percent for fire coverage alone on dwellings.

The industry recommendations were for an increase of 12.9 percent statewide for homeowners insurance; 19 percent increase for tenant homeowners; 18.1 percent increase for farm and ranch owners; 10.3 percent increase for fire insurance alone on dwellings and 16 percent increase on statewide extended coverage.

Last year the State Board of Insurance accepted the staff recommendations and cut property rates 16.3

percent statewide.

Examples of the staff recommendations for homeowners insurance decreases on a brick veneer house valued at \$50,000 for a one-year policy showed:

Ablene down 1.7 percent; Amabillo down 1.7; Austin down 5.8; Corpus Christi down 7.5; Dallas down 5.8; El Paso down 6.5; Fort Worth down 5.8; Houston down 7.5; Lubbock down 1.7; Midland down 1.7; San Angelo down 1.7; Waco down 5.8 and Wichita Falls down 1.7.

For tenant homeowners in apartments and condominiums example rates included Abilene up 26.6 percent; Corpus Christi up 27.5 percent; Dallas up 19.1 percent; Houston, up 22.1 percent; and Lubbock, up 22 percent.

The adopted rates, by territories, included:

Sea coast territory (first two layers of counties along the coast), homeowners down 7.4 percent; tenant homeowners up 14.6; farm and ranch owners down 8.3; fire up 1 percent, extended coverage down 16.2.

North, Northwest territory (Panhandle and Northwest Texas from Winkler to Clay Counties); homeowners down 1.4 percent.

New Mexico man denies murdering priest

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A New Mexico man claims he was in a drunken and drugged stupor when Albuquerque police say he called them to confess to the 1981 murder of a West Texas priest.

James Harry Reyos, 27, of Chama, N.M., took the stand Wednesday in his trial for the killing of the Rev. Patrick Ryan of Denver City.

Reyos claimed that Ryan forced him into a homosexual act the day before the Catholic priest was murdered Dec. 21 in Odessa. But Reyos produced cash receipts to prove he was in Roswell, N.M. the night Ryan was killed.

The priest's body was found nude, bound and beaten Dec. 22.

Reyos, 27, of Chama, N.M., took the stand for three hours Wednesday and described the priest, who he said had picked him up hitchhiking about two weeks before the murder and loaned him some money, as "kind and considerate."

But Reyos said he met Ryan in the church rectory Dec. 20 and was forced into the homosexual act.

"He came up to me, grabbed me by the shirt collar, pulled me toward him and had me perform oral sex on him," Reyos said.

Reyos said he escaped the house, and was "disgusted by the incident," but returned the next day and asked for a

ride to Hobbs, N.M., to get his impounded pickup truck.

A pathologist has testified that Ryan was "mildly intoxicated" before he was killed and that he "probably was a frequent user of alcohol."

Reyos was arrested last November in Albuquerque after police said he telephoned them and admitted to the murder. A tape recording of the alleged confession was played for the jury, but Reyos said he was so disoriented by drugs and alcohol he was using that he did not remember talking to authorities before his arrest.

"I knew he had been murdered, but I didn't know any of the facts."

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Leading the mediocre tide

The report on the National Commission on Excellence in Education describes the "tide of mediocrity" that has engulfed our public schools, but it made no mention of an interesting parallel. Mediocrity moved in with the rising tide of influence by the National Education Association on the teaching profession and public education.

Gilbert T. Sewall, former education editor of Newsweek, writes in the spring issue of The Journal of the Institute for Socioeconomic Studies about the transformation that occurred in the NEA during the 1960s and 1970s. Those were the same years that saw the public schools fall from grace.

Two decades ago, Sewall writes, the NEA was "a relatively quiet confederation of professional educators." It has since evolved into "an aggressive public employees union" given to espousing divisive political stands on issues far afield from education, such as disarmament, abortion and gun control. It abandons its opposition to strikes, and won major improvements in salaries and job security for teachers.

The NEA annual budget grew to \$250 million, much of it going into lobbying and campaign contributions to sympathetic candidates, among them Jimmy Carter. Its crowning achievement was the creation of a Cabinet-level Department of Education during the Carter administration, implying an expanding federal role in education.

The NEA consistently demanded more money for education but steadfastly refused to acknowledge that there was a need for better performance and accountability by the people spending it. While the rival American Federation of Teachers was registering alarm about declines in test scores, the NEA greeted this bad news with "deafening silence," says Sewall. Indeed, its response was to challenge the standardized testing used to measure aptitude and achievement.

Another diagnosis of the problem comes from the 20th Century Fund, which says in a recent report that teacher unions have been protecting poor teachers from public scrutiny. Moreover, says the fund, paying teachers according to a standardized scale not connected with classroom performance is encouraging professional mediocrity, and is one reason why talented teachers and quitting to find more rewarding work.

Typically, the response of the NEA to the recent report of the national commission was to declare that it would take "additional billions of dollars and a big boost from the federal government" to turn things around in the public schools.

It would be unfair to saddle the NEA with responsibility for the complexity of problems that have overtaken American education in the past 20 years. Nevertheless, it is fair to ask whether the NEA is part of the problem or is going to be part of the solution. Sewall's critique should prompt the rank- and -file of the NEA to question whether the leadership of their organization has been taking it in the direction they want to go.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, June 9th, the 160th day of 1983. There are 205 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: On June 9, 1973 - ten years ago - "Secretariat" became horse racing's first Triple Crown winner in 25 years, winning the Belmont Stakes in New York by an amazing 31½ lengths.

On this date:

In 68 A.D., the Roman emperor Nero committed suicide.

In 1940, Norway's army surrendered to Nazi Germany in World War II.

In 1964, the former head of the Congo's secessionist Katanga Province, Moïse Tshombe, was named premier of the Congo.

And, in 1967, Gamal Abdel Nasser resigned as President of Egypt after his country was defeated in a war with Israel.

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It seems we're in for some more brainwashing

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

NEW YORK (NEA) - Unless I seriously misinterpret the signals, we are in for a long season of liberal brainwashing on a relatively new theme. It isn't really new; in one form or another the general idea has been around ever since the Soviet Union was founded 65 years ago, serving as a standard ingredient in liberalism's successive disastrous recipes for coping with that dangerous state. Its latest formulation, however, represents one of the most forthright liberal attempts in decades to peddle the proposition that the Soviet Union is "not all bad" - and, implicitly, that on a balanced view the West, and in particular the U.S., is just about as bad as the Soviet Union.

When the apologists for German aggression tried roughly the same argument on behalf of their favorite, it was promptly parodied by critics as "Let's not be beastly to the Hun." There was, in fact, good reason to be beastly to the Hun, and we are indebted to that realization for the fact that the West and its allies today are still rightly called "the free world."

A whiff of that same take - a Russian - to - lunch attitude appeared, in theological guise, in the very first drafts of the Catholic bishops' statement on nuclear war. There we were warned in just about so many words that communist leaders are human beings, too, and that we must avoid regarding

them as some sort of monsters. If that strikes you as too mild and unobjectionable a statement to be gainsaid, try transposing it into the Nazi key and see if you still like the tune: How far do you suppose the bishops would have gotten if they had tried to tell their countrymen that Adolph Hitler and his colleagues were human beings, too, and not to be regarded as monsters? Yet the Soviet hierarchy since 1917 has committed far more wanton murders than even the Nazis did.

The latest variation on the new theme was elaborated in a recent public address by George Kennan, a long - retired Foreign Service officer who has parlayed a knack for riding his surfboard along the crests of fashionable opinion into an entire new career as a sort of all - purpose eminence grise. Stephen Rosenfeld reported the speech in a column in the Washington Post recently, presenting the old coot as a rare and precious piece of porcelain, "a driven, concentrated man of an increasingly spectral appearance whose contributions ... entitle him to be heard out on the subject of relations with Russia."

Even Rosenfeld acknowledges the "emotion and imbalance" of much that Kennan said, but he apparently agrees with Kennan's contention that the belief of many analysts of Soviet behavior, that there is "no language they could be expected to understand, other than that of

intimidation by superior military force," is "grotesquely overdrawn."

Kennan's alternative view of the Soviet Union, however, borders on musical comedy. He sees it as bedeviled by "a high general sense of insecurity," (the bane of all illegitimate regimes, professor), "a positively neurotic passion for secrecy" (nothing neurotic about it - they have a lot to be secretive about), "a marked sensitivity to conditions in border regions" (border regions like Cuba and Nicaragua?) "and a tendency to overdo in the cultivation of armed force." "I particularly enjoyed the prissiness of that last phrase: 'a tendency to overdo in the cultivation of armed force.'" Genghis Khan and Hitler suffered from that same tendency.

To analysts like Kennan, President Reagan's calm description of the Soviet Union, in Orlando recently, as "the focus of evil in the modern world," no doubt sounds like the raving of a lunatic bent on war. But the distance between the Kennans and the Reagans of the world is greater even than the Kennans suspect, and paradoxically it offers hope that they are incapable of perceiving. To Kennan's desiccated, chancery - bound mind, such language can only be bellicose propaganda, a fit prelude to the onset of war. If he and his kind would truly study the Christian concept of evil instead of dismissing it contemptuously, they would discover that evil is endemic in our fallen race; that to resist it is our solemn obligation; and that there is nothing implausible, or even uncommon, about its having its focus in a particular national state at a given hour in history. We are fortunate beyond words to have a president who recognizes this situation, and knows exactly how to respond to it.

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Paying twice for more nothing

By FRANK N. WILNER

Robbing St. Petersburg to pay St. Paul may be appealing to the residents of St. Paul - but it is appalling to the residents of St. Petersburg.

Take, for example, the appropriation of funds from general taxpayers to build and maintain locks, dams and navigation channels for the benefit of for - profit commercial barge operators. The benefits accrue to large corporations owning these firms and a handful of grain and coal shippers, fortuitously located near inland waterways.

General taxpayers, who provide the funds for these barge subsidies, are later called upon to bail out faltering railroads unable to compete with their subsidized competitors. In the immortal words of Pogo, "We gets to pay twice for nothing."

A similar problem exists because of public subsidies to operators of heavy combination trucks - the 18 - wheelers which pummel the nation's pavement but whose operators, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation, pay but a fraction of those pavement damage costs. Operators of automobiles and pick - up trucks - and even general taxpayers - wind up paying to repair our highways as for - profit motor carriers reap the benefit. Again, the railroads - which themselves build, maintain and pay property taxes on their privately owned rail rights - of - way - suffer a competitive disadvantage.

President Reagan once remarked, "One of the more satisfying things in life is to park your car in a metered space where there is still some time left on the other fellow's nickel." "But," added the President, "it is bad economics. Sooner or later, the free time on the parking meter runs out."

Indeed, Congress for years has allowed operators of barges and heavy trucks to operate on someone else's nickel - and the size of the current budget deficits suddenly is forcing policy makers to question the wisdom of providing subsidies to healthy, for - profit corporations.

Our inland navigation locks are congested because they appear to be "free goods." Annually, according to figures compiled by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, almost \$1 billion is appropriated out of the Treasury to improve inland waterways for commercial barge operators - and still more appropriations are being demanded. Though Congress imposed a partial user charge on commercial barge operators in 1980, the federal government recovers less than ten percent of the costs of providing these for - profit carriers with an improved right - of - way. The other ninety percent comes out of the pockets of America's taxpayers.

Subsidies to motor carriers similarly distort transportation decisions, encouraging excessive, non - economical use of highways by heavy trucks because they also appear to be "free goods." According to The Road Information Program (TRIP), a non - profit research

organization, sixty - three percent of the nation's paved road network is "in sub - standard condition and in need of repaving and rebuilding." The culprit, of course, is the heavy combination truck whose 80,000 - pound loadings cause roads to deteriorate far in advance of their normal life spans.

Freight which might move at a lower total cost via railroads moves instead of subsidized barges and trucks because their freight rates do not reflect the full costs of the service. The difference between what barge and truck operators charge shippers and the actual costs of the service is reflected in the tax bills of all Americans.

When Supreme Court Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. observed in 1904, that "taxes are what we pay for civilized society," it is doubtful that he had in mind rights - of - way for the waterway and highway modes.

It is axiomatic that if the expected benefits from any navigation or highway project exceed the costs of the project, the beneficiaries should be willing to pay those costs in full. Since such projects are not funded by Congress unless the benefits do exceed the costs, it is absurd for beneficiaries to claim that equitable user charges would wipe out those benefits.

Nobel laureate Milton Friedman argues that even though subsidies come about as a result of "good people trying to do good with other people's money, you never spend anybody else's money as carefully as you spend your own."

The inequity of subsidies to barge and heavy truck operators significantly contributed to the almost total collapse of the freight railroad system in the Northeast and two major midwest railroad bankruptcies. Federal loans are then requested to "prop - up" a number of railroads.

But the solution is not equalization and the perpetuation of unnecessary subsidies. To restore efficiency to our freight transportation modes and to reduce the federal deficit we must end all subsidies to all competing freight transportation modes. Full recovery user charges must be legislated on barge and heavy truck operators. Even with the recent increase in federal highway user charges, the 80,000 - pound rigs still will pay less than their allocated cost responsibility, says the DOT. And barges continue to pay only about ten percent of their cost responsibility.

It is not enough to accept the pleadings of corporate executives who maintain they already pay "high" user fees and cannot afford increases lest they pass them on to the consumer. After all, the consumer is also a taxpayer who is already footing the bill. By assessing users of public works projects the costs of the benefits derived, consumers will be able to make more rational purchasing decisions and taxpayers will no longer be "stuck" supporting pork barrel projects. When users face the full costs of the benefits they demand, they will demand only what is needed and what is economical. In the process, waste will be eliminated and the nation's total transportation bill will not be reduced. And that's good for both consumers and taxpayers.

Screening new products



Visitors at Chicago's Summer Consumer Electronics Show, which ended Wednesday, try out Panasonic's newest home computer hardware and program software. (AP Laserphoto)

Court orders full trial

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that a florist is entitled to a full trial on his suit that the phone company cost him money by incorrectly listing his number in the Yellow Pages. Richard White, doing business as Hewlett-White in Hidalgo County, said after the incorrect listing by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Inc., he lost money. His business records for 1974 through 1980 showed that 1978, the year of the incorrect listing, was the only year with a decline in gross receipts. An accountant projected his loss of gross receipts at \$40,000 for 1978. The Supreme Court said, however, "we have determined that the case should have been submitted to the jury."

Buried in sand, man survives

LOVELAND, Colo. (AP) — A truckdriver and a foreman at the Valley Block Co. jury-rigged an air hose to save the life of a worker buried in a sand pit, authorities said. When Richard Rom, 25, fell into the 20-foot-deep pit Wednesday, his foreman and a truckdriver grabbed a water hose, put it in Rom's mouth and cut the other end free, authorities said. Although Rom was trapped in the sand pit for about six hours, he was able to breathe, said Mike Vogl, a spokesman at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, where the injured man was later taken by helicopter. "They even used the hose to locate him in the wet sand," Vogl said. Rom was in good condition at the hospital, but was being examined for possible broken bones, Vogl said.

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Three hanged despite worldwide appeals

PRETORIA, South Africa (AP) — Three black-nationalist guerrillas were hanged Thursday morning for taking part in attacks to overthrow the white-minority South African government, authorities said. Prime Minister P.W. Botha's government ignored worldwide appeals to reprieve the three men, who were convicted of killings that occurred during the attacks.

Coenie de Swart, spokesman for the Department of Prisons, said the men were hanged at Pretoria Central Prison, the first insurgents to be executed in four years.

Earlier, the government's Executive Council met to consider an appeal for clemency. The Council, which consists of Cabinet ministers and the president, said only

that a final decision had been reached, but a well-placed Council source said it meant the hangings would take place.

State television also said the Council had rejected appeals to block the hangings, just a week ahead of the anniversary of the 1976 Soweto race riots and despite appeals from groups around the world.

The U.N. Security Council, the 10-nation European Economic Community and foreign politicians had joined numerous anti-apartheid groups in asking South Africa to spare the three.

Sentenced to die were Simon Mogerane, 23, Jerry Mosololi, 25, and Marcus Motaung, 27, all members of the banned African National Congress, known as the ANC. Motaung's lawyer filed a last-minute appeal for

clemency before the Pretoria Supreme Court. But Judge D.J. Curlewis rejected the application. Mogerane, Mosololi and Motaung were convicted of murder and high treason after a series of attacks on police stations and economic facilities between 1979 and 1981 in which four black policemen were killed.

They admitted at their trial that they took part in the attacks, but argued they should be treated as prisoners of war on grounds the ANC is battling to overthrow white-minority rule.

The voteless, segregated 21 million blacks in South Africa outnumber whites four to one. Executing Mogerane, Mosololi and Motaung virtually guarantees increased racial friction in South Africa because many blacks view the men as heroes in the struggle for majority rule.

The ANC, the largest black-rights group trying to end white-minority rule, considers itself at war with the Pretoria government. Its bloodiest strike to date came May 20 when a car bomb killed 19 people and wounded more than 200 on a crowded Pretoria street outside air force headquarters.

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Corn is off to poor start

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Late planting and slow growth characterize much of the corn crop in the Midwest, but don't bet on low yields this fall, experts say.

"July weather makes our corn crop as much as May weather — often more," said Emerson Nafziger, a University of Illinois agronomist. "It's not time to panic."

Still, grain traders who see muddy fields and tiny plants in the first week of June are likely to expect lower production and bid up prices, said Michael Hinebaugh, senior analyst at ContiCommodity Services Inc. in Chicago.

"If everyone is talking about the crop being off to a horrible start, it will have an impact on the market," said Hinebaugh. "They're used to seeing corn a foot high now." Instead, a lot of corn is only a few inches tall; some plants are turning yellow; some seed is germinating slowly; other seed has not been planted at all.

In Iowa, the nation's No. 1 corn-producing state, farmers are back on schedule with planting — 92 percent is done — but emergence has been slow, said Gail Hanneman of the Iowa Crop Reporting Service.

"That's the main problem," he said. "We need some warm days to get it to come up."

The situation is similar in Nebraska, where 94 percent of the corn has been planted. But a third of it was planted just last week, and germination has been slow. Farmers remain behind schedule in Ohio with only 65 percent of the corn planted, in Indiana with 70 percent and in Illinois with 86 percent.

"Right now, it is starting to get pretty critical," said Terry King of the Ohio Crop Reporting Service. "Farmers get a day or two in their fields, then it rains. It's in and out all the time. They've had only nine days suitable for work in the last four weeks."

Farmers like to plant the most productive varieties of corn early in May. That makes it likely the plants will reach the critical pollination period before it gets too hot and dry, and will mature before the first freeze.

Normally, the later corn is planted, the lower the potential yield. "It's a cold, damp year and we've got about half of our

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Kids learn three R's in four days

DAYS CREEK, Ore. (AP) — The last bell rings at 4 o'clock and kids come tumbling out of classrooms, eager to be free for the weekend.

As lockers bang shut and chatter fades out the front door, one teacher sighs, "Thank God it's Thursday."

Thursday? For the 250 students and 16 teachers in this southwestern Oregon farming community, Thursday marks the end of the school week in an experimental program that packs the three R's into four days.

Started last fall to save money on heating, lighting and busing, the four-day school week appeals to teachers who enjoy long weekends and parents who say their children are more enthusiastic about school.

"We're still on a trial basis," said Bob Brown, chairman of the Days Creek school board. "But we haven't had one complaint to the board against it. Basically, we figure everyone must be satisfied."

The four-day school week is gaining acceptance in rural school districts, as administrators search for ways to cut budgets without cutting staff.

Scattered districts in 13 states now operate on an abbreviated week, with the largest number in Colorado, said Paul Bauman, policy analyst for the Denver-based Education Commission of the States. In at least two other states, legislation has been introduced to permit four-day school weeks, he said.

Nationwide, the four-day week is limited to rural school districts, where many students spend their days off helping on the family ranch or farm, Bauman said.

The grandfather of the four-day week is the 400-student Cimarron, N.M., school district, where a Tuesday-through-Friday schedule has been in effect for 10 years. Superintendent Joe Pompeo says that community would fire him if he switched back to a five-day week.

In Oregon, Days Creek and Prospect, about 45 miles northeast of Medford, are winding up a one-year trial program approved by state school Superintendent Verne Duncan. Both districts want to keep the schedule and officials in Rogue River say they are considering a four-day week next fall.

Fewer classroom days doesn't mean less time in school, however.

In Days Creek, students go to school an extra 50 minutes Monday through Thursday.

Acid spill forces evacuation

NELSONVILLE, Ohio (AP) — A tanker truck began leaking more than 1,500 gallons of sulfuric acid in downtown Nelsonville on Wednesday, and authorities ordered up to 3,000 people to evacuate their homes, officials said.

There were no injuries reported, but about a half dozen firefighters were treated for heat exhaustion.

The truck began leaking sulfuric acid during the afternoon and officials evacuated about a quarter-mile area, but later narrowed the evacuation area to about three blocks in this southeastern Ohio town of about 5,500 people.

The situation worsened early Thursday as the fire department tried to transfer acid remaining on the crippled truck to another tanker, said Fire Chief Denny Knight.

"When we opened up the

top hatch, it started to leak more than before. We were afraid the tank might completely rupture. We had to block the back wheels. We had a vapor cloud over the east end about 300 yards across," he said.

An order to evacuate a wider area went out and Knight said, "If everybody left that was supposed to, there are about 2,000 to 3,000 people evacuated."

The bottom of the truck had sagged and the back wheels were off the ground. The truck was stranded on Ohio 33, the main route between Columbus and nearby Athens, about 65 miles from Columbus.

Jury writes final chapter in the bizarre tale of murder-by-arsenic

ANNISTON, Ala. (AP) — A "cunning" housewife was convicted of killing her husband and poisoning her daughter with arsenic for the insurance money, ending a bizarre saga in which she set up a new life in New Hampshire, then faked her death in Texas.

Audrey Marie Hilley, 50, had been a fugitive for more than three years, remarrying and establishing a comfortable life in New England before her capture.

She was convicted Wednesday of murder and ateaeb murder by a 10-man, two-woman jury that deliberated just 2 1/2 hours. Her nine-day trial in Calhoun County circuit court drew hundreds of curious spectators who either knew Mrs. Hilley or members of her family.

The murder charge carries an automatic life prison term. Circuit Judge Sam Monk set a sentencing hearing today on the attempted murder charge, which carries a maximum 20-year prison sentence.

"We feel like it's probably the final chapter in a long saga that probably should be ended at this time," said Assistant District Attorney Joe Hubbard, who helped prosecute the case.

Hubbard had described Mrs. Hilley as a clever woman who would kill for financial gain from the insurance policies on her husband, Frank, and her daughter, Carol, that named her as beneficiary.

"You're not dealing with the average housewife," Hubbard said. "You are dealing with a cold, calculating, cunning killer." Defense attorney Wilford Lane said he planned to appeal.

Carol Hilley, age 19 when she was diagnosed as suffering from arsenic poisoning, showed no emotion when the jury foreman announced the verdicts against her mother, but later asked to see her.

Prosecutors accused Mrs. Hilley of slipping doses of arsenic to her husband, resulting in his death in 1975. Carol fell ill in the spring of 1979 and suffered from nausea, vomiting and paralysis in her arms and legs. She was diagnosed that September and recovered after months of physical therapy.

Mrs. Hilley, arrested after her daughter's diagnosis, fled a Birmingham motel in late 1979. She was captured Jan. 12, 1983, in Brattleboro, Vt. She was indicted for

murder after her disappearance. A second autopsy on the body of Hilley, who doctors thought died of hepatitis, showed large concentrations of arsenic.

Mrs. Hilley collected about \$31,000 following her

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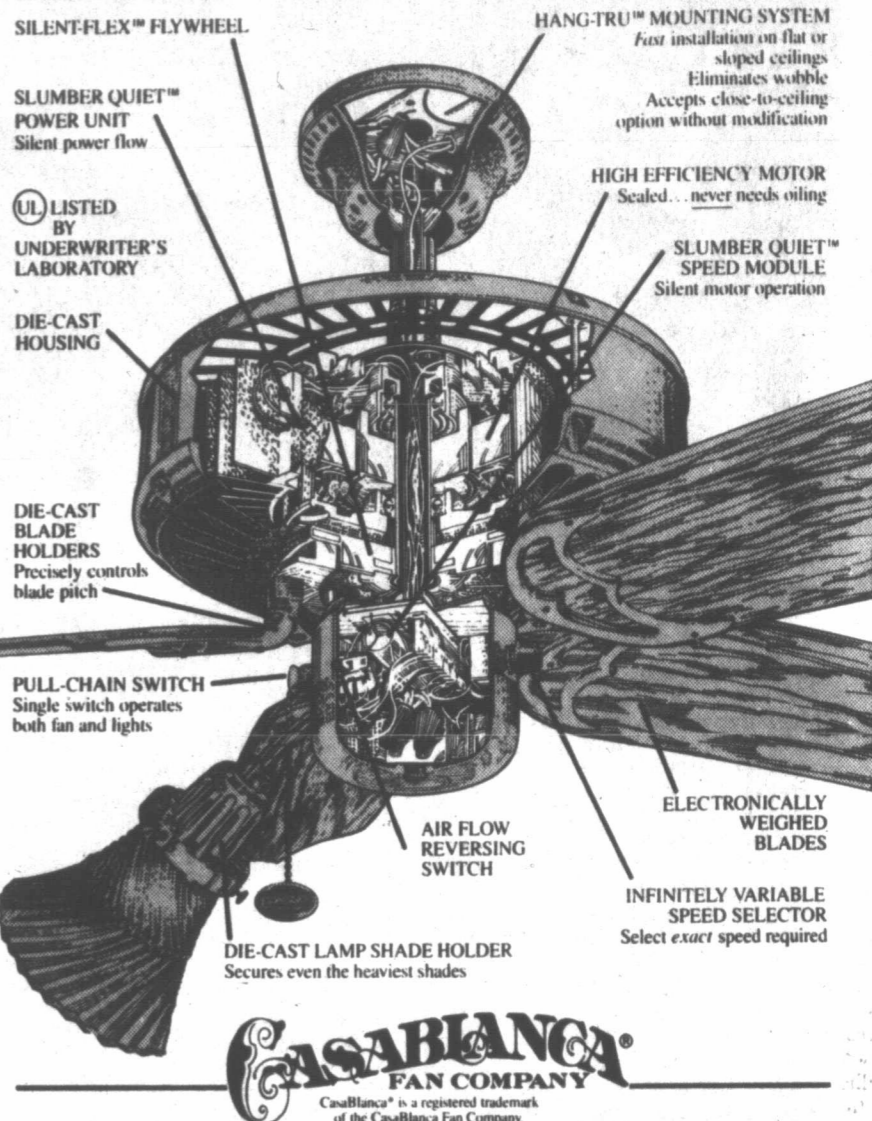
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Priests called 'demons' after rejecting miracle

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP) — Angry believers denounced a panel of priests as "a bunch of devils" after the clergymen ruled that a "weeping" Madonna in a rural Roman Catholic church is probably a hoax, not a miracle.

One woman, LaVerne Pitta, burst into tears when the findings were announced Wednesday by the Diocese of Stockton.

Manuel Pitta protested that "these investigators are not investigators. They are a bunch of devils. How can they do this?"

And Antonio Usuna, whose wife says she was cured of asthma after praying to the statue of the Virgin Mary, dismissed the diocesan report, saying, "I believe in it (the statue)."

Reports that the 60-pound statue sheds real tears and

can move as far as 30 feet from its niche in Mater Ecclesias Mission Church in Thornton began circulating two years ago.

Church attendance has tripled since then, with as many as 600 people visiting each week.

Last year, the diocese named a commission to study the reports. In announcing the panel's findings, Bishop Roger M. Mahony said the events connected with the statue "do not meet the criteria for an authenticated appearance of Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ."

The statue may have been

moved by someone, and the tears may have been applied, he said.

"No one has ever reported actually seeing the 'tears' flow from the eyes of the statue," he said. "Rather, it was reported that at a given time, liquid was on the face of the statue."

Mahony said one witness reported touching the liquid, which was oily and sticky, and "certainly not the texture or consistency of human tears."

Miracles validated by the Roman Catholic Church, he said, always have been accompanied by a clear,

important message. But in this case, "there is no report of any clear and important message in the context of Christ's work of salvation," he said.

Mater Ecclesias is an outpost of St. Anne's Catholic Church in Lodi. It should be kept "as a parish mission rather than a shrine," said the Rev. Harmon Skillin, pastor of St. Anne's.

"We will discourage pilgrimages to the church by, among other things, reserving the major area of the church for local people at Sunday morning Mass," he said.

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Education is hot political topic

By JAMES GERSTENZANG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan didn't need any special courses to discover that education is becoming a hot topic for politicians. He is one of those who is turning up the heat.

Education is on the periphery of the social issues that have caused him trouble in his first 2½ years in office.

With the report of his National Commission on Excellence in Education, Reagan has been off and running as the debate about education in the United States has picked up.

Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale is making education a key point in his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination, and "and all the rest of the candidates are running around talking about education," said a Republican strategist.

Reagan, in a tacit acknowledgement of organized labor's support for Democrats, has been free to take a position quickly denounced by a leading teachers' organization.

Reagan has made at least three speeches on education in the past month. Today, he is scheduled to take part in a forum in Hopkins, Minn., as his education commission takes to the road.

Michael K. Deaver, the president's deputy chief of staff, said that education was a "natural" issue for Reagan — one on which he ran for governor of California in 1966 and one "he's very comfortable with."

"He's on the right side of the issue as far as the public is concerned," Deaver said. "Back to basics and good schools are natural Reagan issues."

The president has taken to telling audiences that "there haven't been cutbacks in funding for public education."

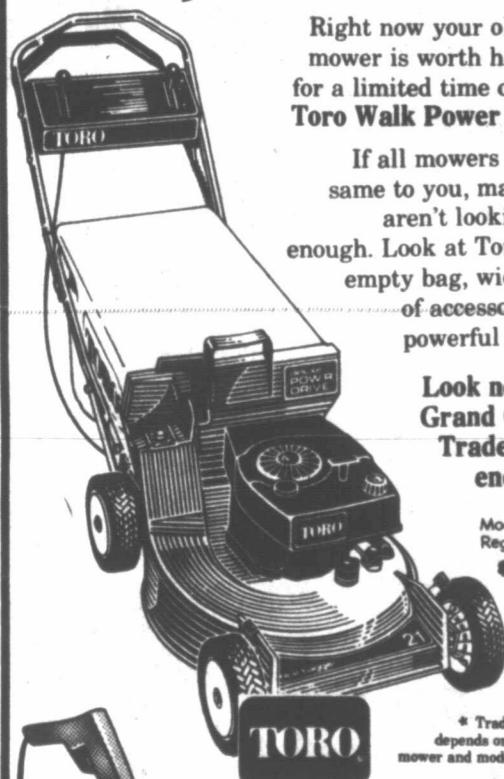
Visiting with high school valedictorians last month, he said the total spent on education this year will be \$116.9 billion, a 7 percent increase over the past year.

But that \$116.9 billion included funds from all sources, including federal, state and local governments. The president's budget would cut federal education spending in fiscal 1984 to \$13.5 billion, from \$14.4 billion in 1983 and \$14.3 billion in 1982.

In endorsing one of the recommendations of the commission, the president has taken on the National Education Association, the largest union of American schoolteachers.

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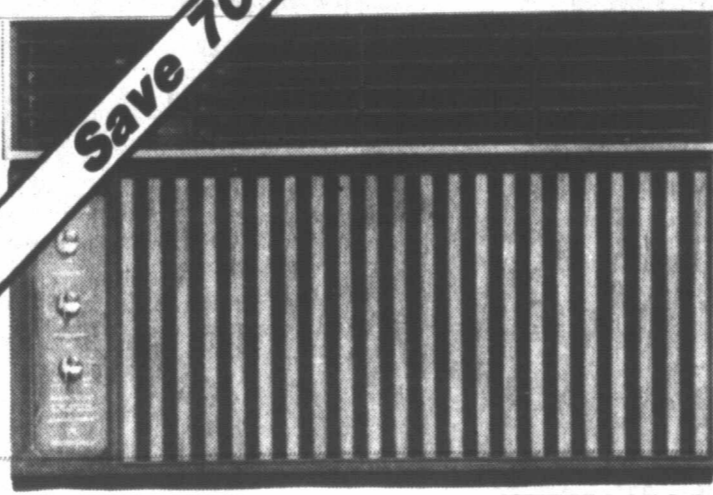


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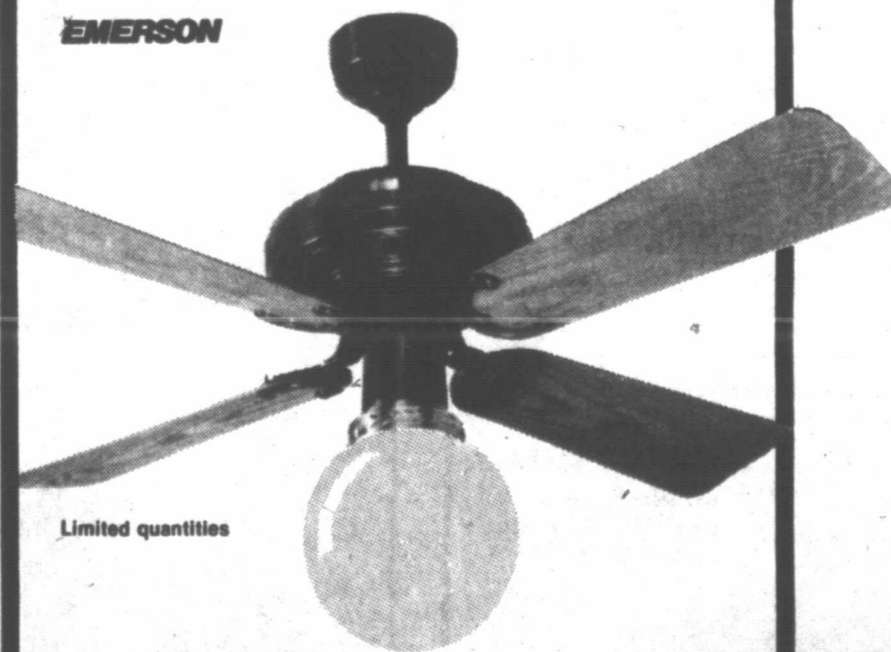


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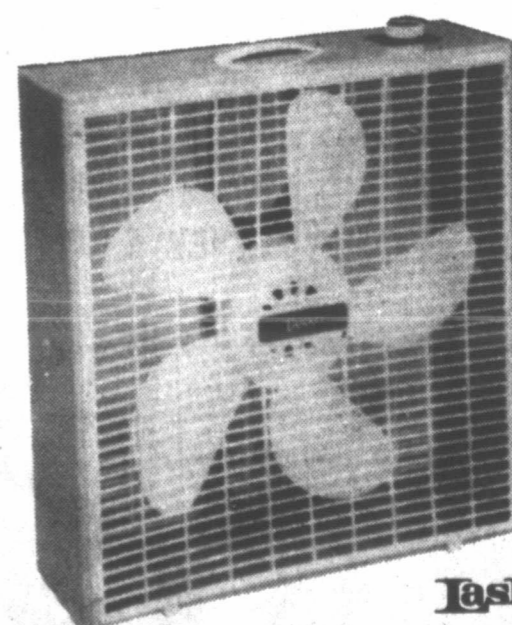
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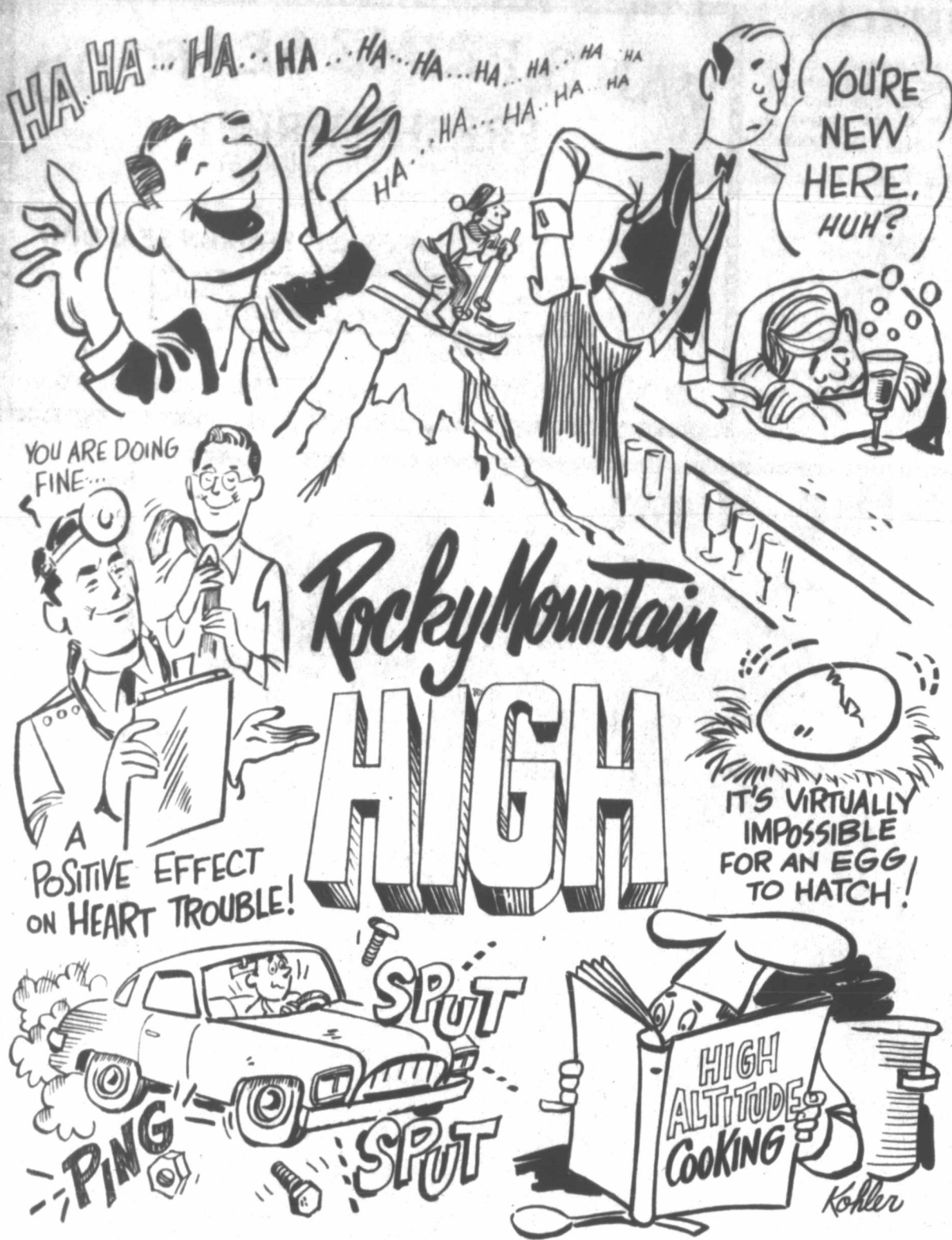


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A natural high in the Rockies

By JENNIFER PARMELEE
Associated Press Writer
LEADVILLE, Colo. (AP)

Up here, in the nation's highest incorporated city, cakes rise startlingly fast, chickens have trouble laying eggs and cars often sputter to a halt in the clean but thin air.

Humans, too, are affected by the altitude. Visitors to this town at 10,500 feet find themselves breathing faster — and thinking slower.

For the same reason — the fact that the flow of oxygen to the brain decreases at higher altitudes — one or two stiff drinks at these heights can put a newcomer under the table.

"The adage is that a three-martini person at sea level is a two-martini person in Denver (one mile high) and a one-martini person at Leadville," says Dr. Robert Grover, who has studied the effect of altitude on humans for years at the University of Colorado Health Sciences in Denver.

Any experienced skier or mountain climber can describe the difficulties of working or thinking where the mountains soar to meet the sky. But researchers like Grover have gone beyond the obvious.

One recent CU study here, for instance, indicated that women living in Leadville would be likely to deliver a baby about a pound lighter than its sea-level counterpart.

There are unexpected benefits too.

Although performing any sort of work up here is more exhausting because there is less oxygen to breathe — initially working the heart more — studies show that living in mountain towns actually decreases the likelihood of heart attacks.

The CU cardiopulmonary laboratory has become the unofficial brain center for high-altitude research, attracting specialists in the field from all over the world.

This is hardly surprising: More than half of Colorado lies above a mile high and "natural laboratories" like Leadville are easily accessible.

Researchers have studied everything from the relatively simple "mountain sickness" to more complex afflictions such as pulmonary edema to still mysterious phenomena like the "natural high."

People react to altitude in different ways. About half of all people traveling to 7,000 feet from sea level will experience vague discomfort such as light-headedness, nausea and insomnia, he says.

A climber at 14,000 feet will experience some form of mountain sickness in about

nine cases out of 10. Reeves adds, with severe symptoms such as hemorrhaging from the eyes and fainting spells becoming more common.

higher than the mountains of most other countries, with an average elevation of 16,000 feet.

is its apparently positive effect on heart troubles.

One key is habit, although even that has its limits: Houston says there are no known permanently inhabited villages in this world above 17,500 feet.

After a few weeks at altitude, the amount of blood pumped by the heart is cut by up to 20 percent, while the number of blood vessels increases. This relieves stress on the heart, "which may be how altitude protects people from heart attacks," Grover says.

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Becoming informed during summer

By HUGH A. MULLIGAN
AP Special Correspondent

RIDGEFIELD, Conn. (AP) — A B-52-sized bumblebee droning at the screen door, a cluster of mosquito-bite welts rising on my wrist, the frenzied freedom cries of urchins escaping from the schoolbus like suddenly released hostages all signify that summer at last has made it.

In these days when kids going off to college must prove they are literate at computers but not necessarily in the mother tongue, it is probably easier to find a real life Tom Sawyer, anxious for a summer job, than a vacationing scholar who has actually read the Mark Twain classic.

Which brings us, class, to the subject of today's lecture: the annual Mulligan's Stew summer reading list.

Mulligan's Stew summer reading is designed to exercise the brain.

What the brain can accomplish when pushed to the utmost edge of endurance, like a circus weight lifter adding another set of railroad wheels, is hauntingly described in "The Oak and the Calf," a memoir of what it means to be a writer in the Soviet Union by Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

Nicholas Gage's "Eleni" is a searing self-portrait of the author, a skilled investigative reporter, seeking revenge against the communist guerrillas who executed his mother in a mountain village in Greece in 1948 when she tried to protect her children from being conscripted in the rebel army or being exiled to communist countries for re-education.

Since Dame Agatha's death, critics and publishers of mystery novels have been touting various claimants to her macabre crown: P. D. James, Emma Lathen, Catherine Aird, Mignon Eberhart. I enjoy all these, but my own choice would be Margaret Erskine and her deceptively lazy Inspector Septimus Finch of Scotland Yard. She murders people in the old-fashioned way: in graveyards, creaky hotels and creepy mansions. Those engaged in the summer carnage of swatting flies and applying a dose of arsenic to Japanese beetles will enjoy author Erskine's "No. 9 Belmont Square," "The Family at Tammerton" or any of a half dozen other pleasing homicidal tales that deftly combine the gothic with the whodunit.

Readers might profit by spending a few summer afternoons with "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," the James Hilton classic of the joys of yesteryear's dedicated pedagogy, when the jokes were

in Latin and the little bleeders didn't yell for a lawyer when kept after class.

Our choice for a classic is "A Woman of the Pharisees," by the long neglected French novelist and moralist Francois Mauriac, who actually is easy to read in translation. No novelist today in any language explores the human heart with his penetrating, unsparring scalpel strokes of wisdom and poetic sensitivity.

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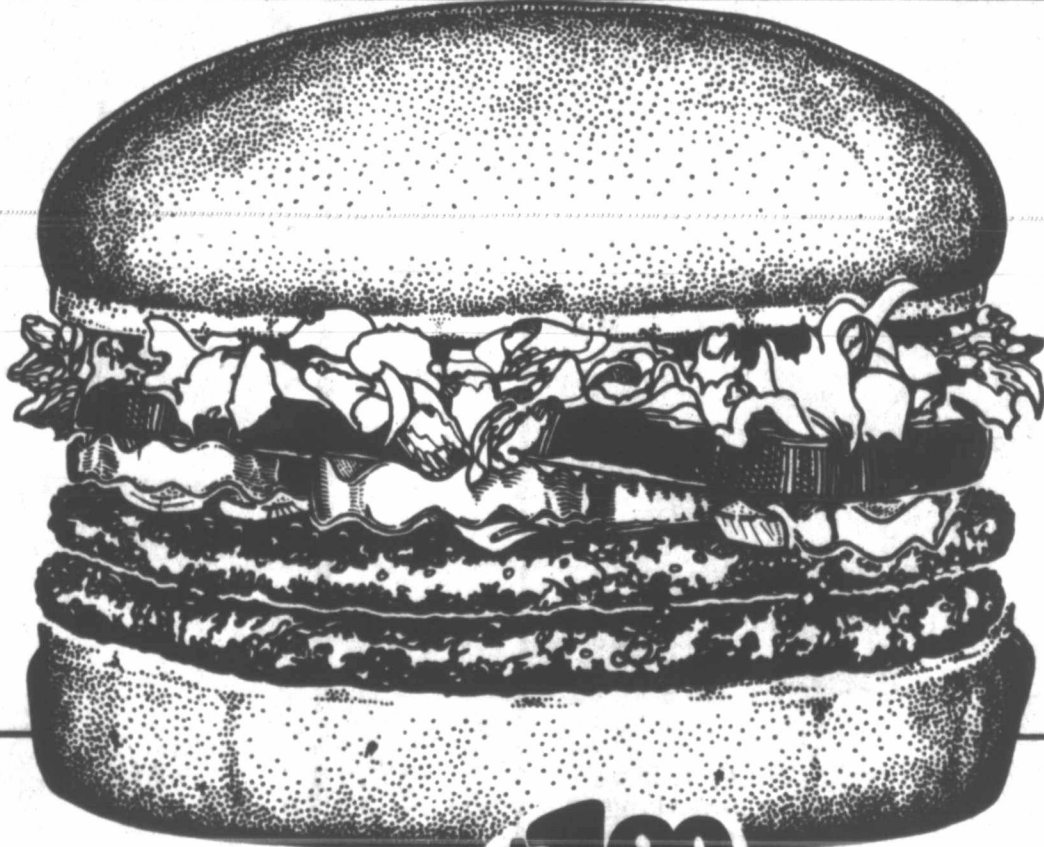
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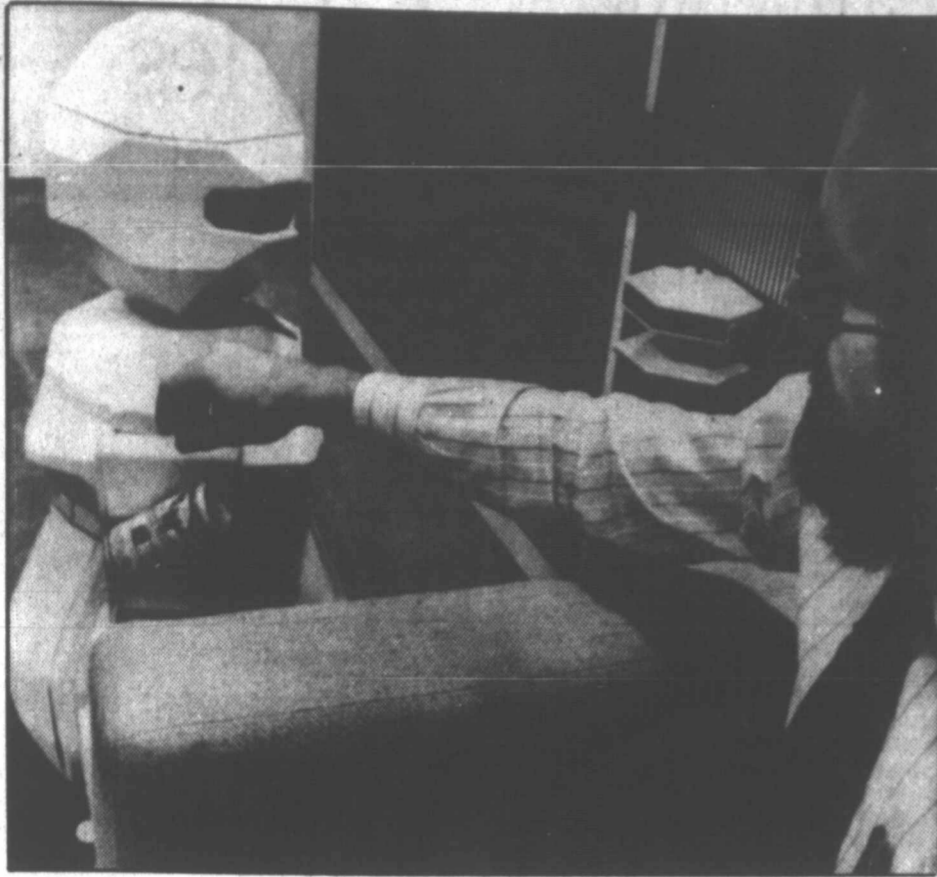
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San Antonians don't mind long commute

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San Antonio, Texas (AP) — It's not quite the Dust Bowl rush of the 1920s, but steadily, San Antonians are heading for the hills. San Antonio certified public accountant Bernie Bernsen wears boots to his office and has learned the difference between Wichita, Choctaw and Mohawk pecans. His wife, O.A., says she has really seen the stars for the first time. Chris, their teen-age daughter, sometimes slips into the Alsatian accent of her rural neighbors. She even raised a hog this year for the livestock show. The Bernsens retreated to Rio Medina at the foot of the Texas Hill Country six years ago, selling their northwest San Antonio home next to a large car lot. They are part of an exodus of San Antonio families casting off the shackles of city life and heading for the rural quietude and magical tranquility of the Hill Country. And expatriates such as the Bernsen family are keeping their workday ties to San Antonio — they commute daily to jobs in the city. If you ask any of them, they'll say they wouldn't trade their 50-mile, twice-a-day drives for a new

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Wild game thrives in Scrappin' Valley

By SHARON ATKINS
Beaumont Enterprise

SCRAPPIN' VALLEY, Texas (AP) — Deer and antelope roam the Temple - EasTex exotic game preserve nestled in an 11,000-acre wildlife research area on Texas 87, 14 miles north of Burkeville.

Exotic game such as Asian and European deer and American elk were introduced into the area about 15 years ago, and through wildlife management, they have adapted to the East Texas terrain.

The timber and wildlife research area, called the Scrappin' Valley Conference Center, also features an impressive lodge used by guests and members of the staff of all the divisions of Time Inc., the parent company of Temple - EasTex.

Wild turkeys mix with exotic and domestic deer and wild horses and burros on some of the most beautiful land in deep East Texas.

Dallas Chandler, an East Texas native, has lived in a house on the grounds and acted as caretaker for 11 years. Chandler knows the quirks of all the animals, and he has developed a respect for them.

The actual management of the wildlife is done by Darryl Stanley, manager of all wildlife owned by Temple-EasTex. Stanley says whitetail are the most prevalent deer at Scrappin' Valley. The last survey showed a population of about 40 whitetails, or one deer to every 25 acres.

A trek into the woods is needed to glimpse the elusive American elk. The elk were brought in from the Wyoming mountains about 12 years ago and are thriving now in the river bottoms.

The elk resemble a medium-size cow and sport big racks of antlers.

The European axis deer are popular with guests and are daring enough to stand and watch as people approach for a look. The exotic axis is a reddish color with white spots on the rump.

The fallow deer, an Asian breed, also thrive with the axis deer.

The sika deer is imported from Japan and Formosa. Smaller than the whitetail, they are black or silver - gray. Although the sika - co - exist with other deer, Stanley says, they have not produced well and only number about four or five.

The most elusive game is the East Indian nilgai, an exotic antelope known for its speed and antlers.

"In the four years I've been here, I've seen the five nilgai about four times. They look like a cross between a horse, a mule and deer," Stanley says.

The animals eat from automated feeders controlled by timers. Located in the woods, the feeders drop from perch in a tree and release the feed on schedule.

Several years ago Temple-EasTex joined a program to adopt wild horses off federal land in Wyoming.

Stanley says the government was giving the horses away because they were overgrazing federal lands. Later, burros were adopted through a similar program to bring them from the Grand Canyon area, where they were overpopulating.

Now, about 35 horses and six burros graze in the southern area of the acreage.

Temple-EasTex works with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in a program to adapt an Eastern strain of the wild turkey into East Texas, an experiment Stanley says has been effective.

"What we're trying to do with this wildlife program is to show what can be accomplished if it is managed," he says. "We want to stress that timber production and harvesting can be compatible with wildlife."

Only once has Temple-EasTex opened the woods to hunters. That was when the whitetail deer began overpopulating and a few were killed to control the herd. There is no hunting of exotic game.

Several colleges use the preserve for graduate studies, and Stephen F. Austin University students work with Temple-EasTex officials in a special deer management program.

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Dear Abby

Battered woman's mental scars have yet to heal

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I can't get the letter from "Worried Mother" out of my mind. His 19-year-old daughter, "Judy," popped seeing her boyfriend because he had slapped her a few occasions, but she went back with him. Her father then barred him from their home, and asked you if he had done the right thing. (You said he had not.) How I wish I had read that in your column when I was 13. I was in similar circumstances at that age (I am now 55), and I can tell you that when my parents barred my boyfriend from our home, it drove us (him and me) closer together.

You were also correct when you said slapping eventually turns into beating. It happened to me. The more he abused me, the less my family thought of me, and the less I thought of myself, until I was convinced that I wasn't good enough for any man. (I felt lucky he would have me, no matter how he abused me.) Thank God I finally got the strength to break up the relationship.

I am now happily married to a wonderful, non-violent man, but it will take years to overcome the humiliation and degradation of having been battered and abused.

OVER IT IN OREGON

DEAR OVER IT: There is not sufficient space to print all the letters I received in response to the one from "Worried Mother."

This one says it all:

DEAR ABBY: I stupidly married not one, but two men who "slapped" me before we were married. Your advice was excellent, but I would like to add this:

Judy should visit the local spouse abuse center. One visit will convince her that a slap soon becomes a punch, and then an outright brutal beating. Unfortunately, it rarely stops there. The abuser soon learns that he can hurt a woman even more by extending the abuse to her children. Any individual who lays a hand to another in violence has no respect for either that person or himself.

Please advise Judy to run as fast as she can from this fanatic. It will not get better — only worse.

BEEN THERE IN COCOA, FLA.

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DEAR ABBY: There are three children in our family (all boys). We want to ask you if you think it is rougher being the youngest, oldest or middle child?

DOUG IN DURHAM, N.C.

DEAR DOUG: As I've said before, if you ask the eldest, he'll say, "The eldest, because you're expected to set a good example for the younger ones. And if a fight breaks out, I get blamed because I'm the oldest and should know better."

Ask the middle child, and he'll say, "Being the middle child is the hardest because you get none of the advantages of being the youngest or the oldest."

Ask the youngest child, and he'll tell you that being the youngest is hardest because "your parents try to keep you 'a baby' as long as possible, and you're the one who has to wear all the hand-me-downs."

In other words, it all depends where you're coming from.

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DEAR ABBY: This is for "Johnny on the Spot," whose ladyfriend is never on time for a date. I have a solution to this problem, and it's been working like a charm for years. My husband has never been on time for anything, so when we have to be someplace at 7 p.m., I tell him we have to be there at 6 p.m.

This way we are only 15 minutes late, but it sure beats an hour!

SNEAKY IN NEW YORK

The beauty of exercise is beauty

"Beauty is only skin deep."

The old adage is certainly true in one sense: The skin is just the surface — the beginning — of a person's beauty. Much more important is what lies beneath, a person's personality, values, interests — all that makes up a human being. Beauty fades with time; personality endures.

In another, more literal sense, however, the skin is a barometer of the health of a person, and beautiful skin often indicates not only external care of the skin, but internal care of the body as well. A woman can spend hundreds of dollars on lotions, creams and cosmetics for the skin and look absolutely stunning. A woman can also exercise and take care of her heart with aerobic exercise and her muscles with weight training and look just as stunning — without cosmetics.

Vera Brown, Fit's beauty editor, stresses fitness as the best path to evoking every woman's natural beauty. "To exercise, to perspire is to cleanse the skin naturally," Vera says.

Has anyone ever mentioned to you after your exercise class or your run that your skin looks lovely? If so, they had good reason. Exercise stimulates the blood flow to all parts of the body, including the skin, where the effects are most readily apparent. The blood circulating to the skin carries oxygen and nutrients to the cells and rids them of waste. The result is a healthier-looking epidermis. This beauty is, indeed, skin deep.

The best way to take care of both one's skin and body is a to get in shape. It is the most efficient method because by simply exercising three times a week, a woman strengthens her

heart, tones up her muscles, increases blood flow, and, as much research indicates,

outer thighs, and sit-ups give you a perfect vantage point to observe the slight

trends still persist, but women feel freer to design their own 'looks.' Hair is being worn shorter, in simpler, less fussy styles, a boon for the active woman who doesn't have time to set her hair after every run.

Exercise clothing comes in so many different styles, colors and fabrics that boredom with outfits is next to impossible. You can wear a new leotard-and-tights combination almost every day of the week. Cosmetics today are more subdued; earth tones — taupe, violet, brown — add drama without camouflaging the natural appearance. Women don't want to become somebody else, but merely call attention to their own natural attributes.

All of these trends point to a central issue: The ideal of beauty has changed. Women see themselves in a new light, not as emulators of perfection but as designers making the most of the resources at hand. Beauty today is more a reflection of overall fitness, not just superficial beauty. A fit, trim body is fast becoming the goal of many women.

And what could be healthier — or more beautiful?



even prolongs her life.

Exercise is also the quickest path to beauty, a kind of beauty that goes beyond the surface. Applying cosmetics attends only to the face; the overall health of the body is ignored. Exercise benefits the entire body, and the glow in the face is a mere reflection of the glow of health — and the glow of beauty.

Even after the first exercise class or the first 10-minute run, you become more conscious of your body, which, in itself, is a big step toward fitness. You begin to "act fit," more aware of your posture, you may carry yourself more erect, hold your stomach in, stand with your shoulders back and push your hips forward. Especially after isolated exercises like sit-ups or leg raises for separate muscle groups of the body, you become more conscious of your body's appearance.

For once, you may feel a sense of power over your body; it doesn't spread in places you don't want it to. Leg raises make you confront the saddle bags on the

bulge of sagging stomach muscles.

This greater awareness of your body's dimensions and appearance leads naturally to a heightened awareness of your own beauty. Before, when you gazed at yourself in the mirror, you may have wondered how the bulges could ever be translated into smooth lines and svelte contours. Now, after treating your body to a little exercise, you see a new silhouette that's really quite attractive.

OK, so you don't have the world's most perfect body — who does? But you do have potential to make your body the absolute best it can be — with a little work. The idea is to work with your own body, within its strengths and limitations, to see what possibilities are yet untapped.

The whole society seems to be geared toward fitness and exercise today. Modern styles in hair, clothes and cosmetics make it easy for women to join the exercise movement. Women are becoming more assertive in choosing styles that express their fad. General fashion

Good Samaritan helps 69 families

Almost 70 families were helped by Good Samaritan Christian Services of the 80 families who applied in May, according to the organization's monthly report.

Of those, 54 were aided with food, 39 with clothing, 13 with utilities and a small number each with rent, transportation, lodging and medical care. The families helped totaled 242 persons.

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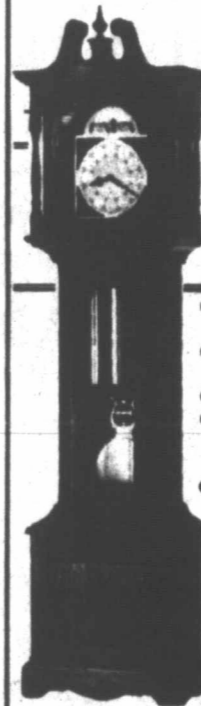
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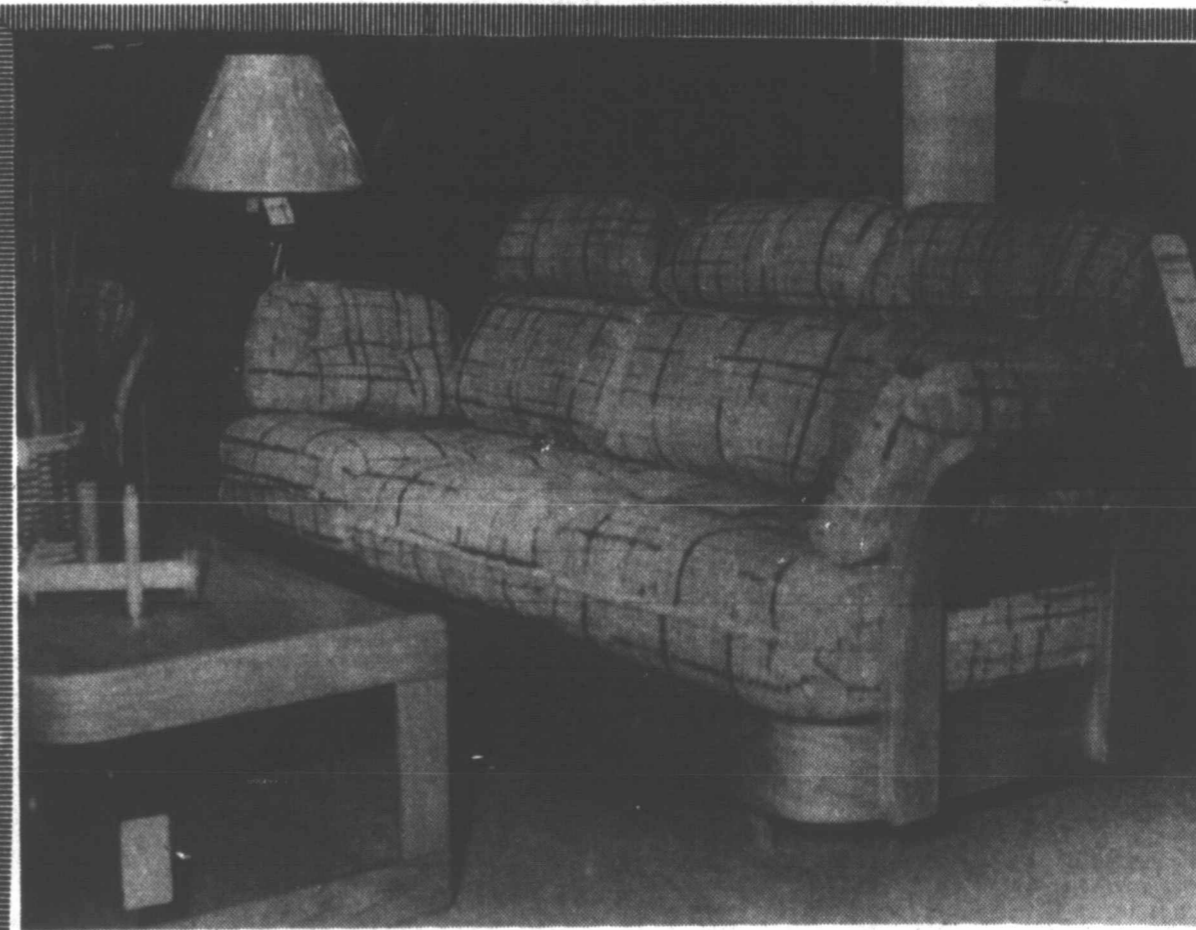
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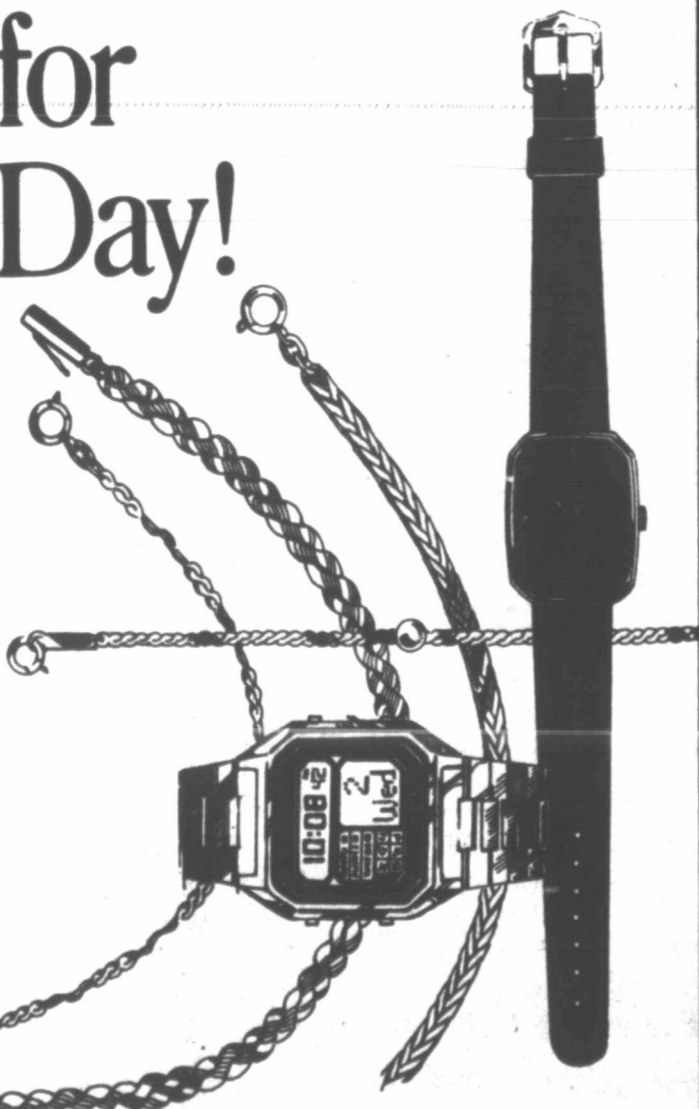
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Qiana for summer nights

NEW YORK (NEA) — Coin dots for a glamorously draped evening gown? Stripes in sequins? They may not sound like summer, but they are among the lighthearted ways designers are serving up dressy fashions with a touch of cool ease and references to casual clothes.

Some designers take the simplest way, as Ralph Lauren does in an unadorned, V-neck skimmer dress of pink linen to which you add your own ideas of jewelry. Others go for clouds of ruffles, such as Arnold Scaasi's strapless tulle gown. Strapless styles, besides being current again, are cool to wear.

The coin dot look, in black on supple white Qiana by Rosewood fabrics, won a Tommy Award for Harry Acton of Party Formals when he turned it into a gown fitted with soft draping, with a deep hem flounce

gathered to sweep out at back. He self-ruffled one shoulder and one side of the skirt up to the hip, where a black and a white rose accented the draping.

Qiana is the summer choice of a number of designers, for its drapability and cool feel. Acton's Qiana is thin taffeta, but Luis Estevez does an empire-styled strapless in soft Qiana jersey, bisected in black and white, with a big matching shawl. Robert David Morton drapes a strapless wrap sheath in black Qiana jersey, with a rhinestone-sparkled spray of white lace flowers.

Red plays against cool white in Bill Blass' paper taffeta gown with the full skirt in big-bowed ribbon stripes. The all-red linen bodice is cut like a vest, matching the jacket. Scaasi uses a strapless red lace

bodice above a blue hipband and graceful long black taffeta skirt.

Glitter turns summer-light, as designers try beading and sequins in newly casual effects. Bill Blass does the beaded sweater in scoop-neck, loose pullovers. Calvin Klein's strapless, bra-shaped bodice is striped in black and white sequins, as is the peplum rippling over the black satin ankle-length skirt. Such ideas are obviously trial runs for next fall.

In evening dresses meant only for summer, navy and white looks crisp. Adele Simpson bells the skirt of her navy taffeta dress with a white band under the hem, another under the top of the long-torso fitted bodice, and wide white shoulder straps. Mary McFadden uses polyester for one of her famous all-crystal pleated gowns, with the one-shoulder

white half marked off by a saw-tooth edged navy bodice.

Traditional summer fabrics, such as lace and net, return this season in new ways. Betty Grisham does a loose jacket in mint green net, applied in white collagelike shapes, for her mint green silk camisole and skirt. Joan Wieseneck for Sara Mique uses lace-edged net for handkerchief-point overskirt and capelet collar in point d'esprit net on her soft, crinkle crepe dress that stops mid-calf.

Oscar de la Renta's romantic white silk jacquard gown has a bodice overlay of black chantilly lace, with double-lace hemband. Geoffrey Beene mixes black and white lace in his short evening dress in order to show off black lace hosiery.

Flatter legs with shorts

NEW YORK (NEA) — Summer shorts come in many lengths and widths for the good reason that not all styles flatter all legs. What looks great on long, thin legs doesn't always suit shorter, curvier legs. There's also the important matter of the knee, which designers consider a most difficult area to flatter.

The Pendleton Miss Sophisticates collection includes both cuffed minishorts and just-above-the-knee gently flared shorts. The minis aren't advisable if thighs are heavy. The knee shorts will accentuate that area, so the knees had better be pretty to take that length. Thin legs may look best in narrow-cut Bermuda or

Jamaica length shorts while the flare of Esprit full-cut mimicolotte, in bright pastel stripes, will slenderize the curvier leg. Designers provide interest to carry the eye away from the legs. A blouson jacket or big top will help diminish emphasis on the leg area.



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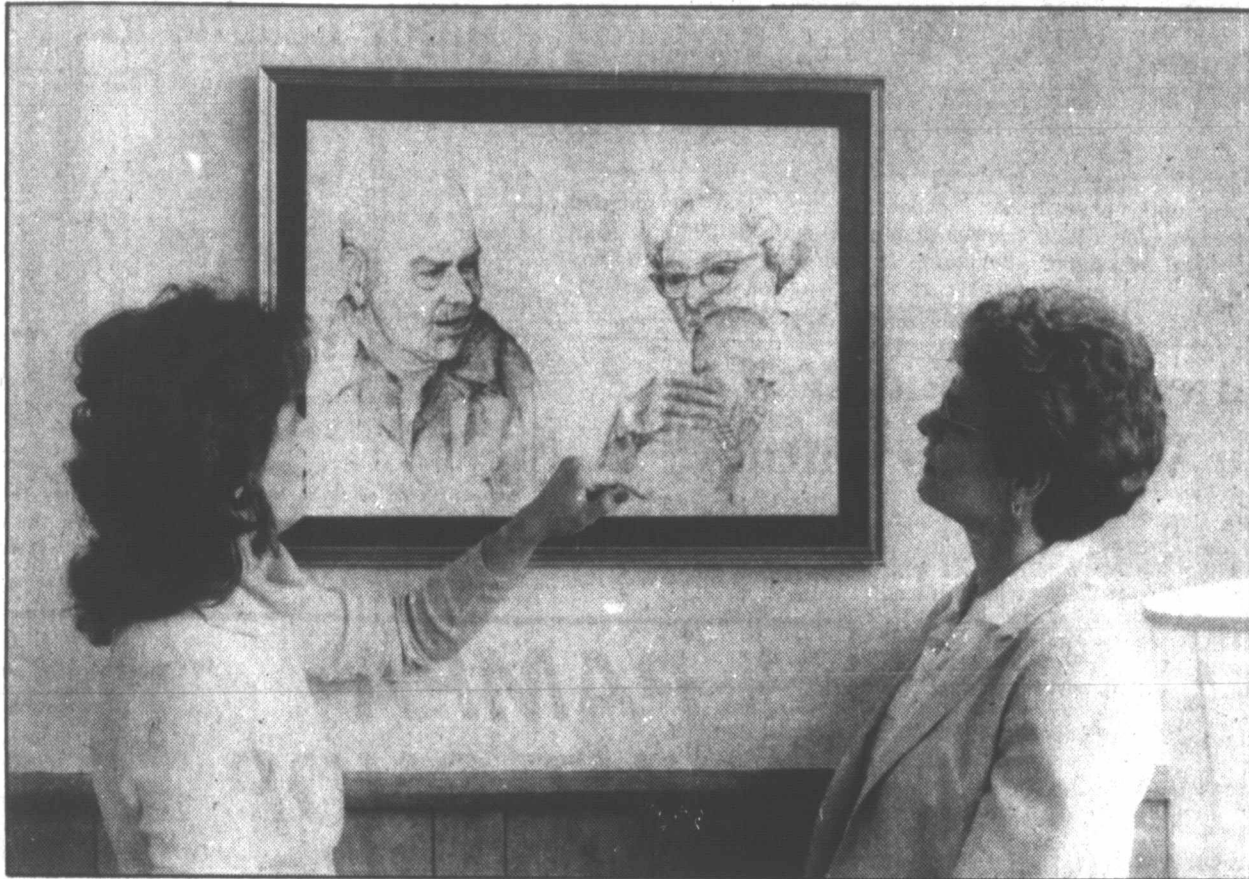
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Heidi Rapstine, left, and Pat Kindle, select pictures to display at the Pampa Fine Arts Association's paintings and sculpture exhibit at Citizens Bank and Trust Co., June 11 and 12. The show, sponsored by the bank, is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, in the bank foyer. (Staff photo by Bruce Lee Smith)



Local cub scouts attend summer camp

As many as 125 Cub Scouts are expected to attend the annual Kiowa District Cub Scout Day Camp June 8-11 at Camp M. K. Brown between Wheeler and Miami, scouting officials say.

Cub scouts will be divided into "nations." — Cherokee, Apache, Hopi, Comanche, Sioux and Navajos — of about 20 boys each led by one adult and one boy scout.

Each day they will attempt to win awards in archery, rifle (BB guns), field sports, nature, totem pole building, water games and crafts. They then go home each evening.

Saturday, June 11, is to be a special day. The boys are to arrive at 2 p.m. that afternoon, learn a song or skit to perform at the campfire that evening. They will compete in races, tug-a-war

and other games. Parents are expected to attend the annual Kiowa District Cub Scout Day Camp June 8-11 at Camp M. K. Brown between Wheeler and Miami, scouting officials say. In addition, members of the Order of the Arrow are expected to perform Indian dances. Weekly awards and appreciation awards are to be presented.

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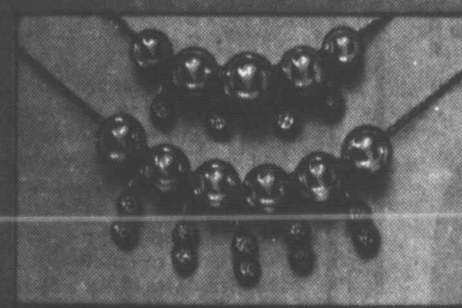
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Sports Scene

Out of Reach

Texas meet Tide tonight

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The eyes of Texas will be on Alabama and college baseball's leading hitter tonight when the two square off for the first time in 61 years for a finals bid in the 37th annual College World Series.

Top-ranked Texas, 63-14, will be eyeing the Tide's David Magadan, who has already set two CWS hitting records and boasts a .538 batting average. Magadan, a junior from Tampa, Fla., entered the series at .523 and is now batting .535 after going five-for-five and setting a single game consecutive hits record against Arizona State.

In Alabama's 6-5 victory over Michigan Tuesday night, Magadan, a second round choice of the New York Mets in the major league free agent draft, went three-for-four and had his CWS record hitting streak stopped at eight with a seventh-inning fly out.

Texas has beaten James Madison, 12-0, and Oklahoma State in 11 innings, 6-5, to remain unbeaten in this double-elimination event. No. 6-ranked Alabama beat Arizona State in 11 innings, 6-5, and Michigan, 6-5, to go 2-0 in tournament play.

Alabama, 45-9, entered the CWS with a .340 batting average, the highest of any team here, with seven hitters above .300. But Tide batters will face a Longhorn bullpen that is filled with winners.

Roger Clemens, who boosted his record to 13-5 with a victory over Oklahoma State, was a first-round draft choice by the Boston Red Sox. Junior righthander Calvin Schiraldi also went in the first round to the New York Mets. Shortstop Mike Brumley was taken in the second round by the Red Sox.

Texas Coach Cliff Gustafson hasn't decided on a starter for the contest, but he has an arsenal of pitchers to use. Besides Clemens and Schiraldi, Kirk Killingsworth, 11-3, earned his team-leading eighth save over Oklahoma State. Mike Capel, who has a 3.07 ERA, is 12-1 and has a save. Steve Labay, who was drafted in the eighth round, is 7-2 with a 2.42 ERA.

The Longhorns are expected to start either Schiraldi or Labay. Dean Hayes, 11-2, will pitch for the Crimson Tide.

Alabama and Texas met for a total of seven times in 1899 and 1922. The Longhorns have won six of those baseball games.

"Texas is an awesome team," said Alabama Coach Barry Shollenberger. "I picked Texas to win this series before we found out we were coming here. That's all changed now and we'll be in there swinging."

Magadan, who has 21 hits in 33 trips for a .636 average in three postseason tournaments, batted .389 as a freshman and set a Southeastern Conference record for hitting in 27 consecutive games.



Third baseman Vance Law (upper photo) Sox' second baseman Tony Bernazard (lower photo) misses a ball hit by Juan Beniquez. It just wasn't the White Sox night as the Angels won, 7-4. (AP Laserphoto)

Pampa softball standings

With a month to go in the Women's Open Softball League, unbeaten Marcum Motors has been unchallenged so far in the run-production department.

Marcum, coached by Jo Karbo, blitzed J.T. Richardson, 33-1, and Curtis Well Service, 17-2, to extend its league-leading record to 8-0.

League standings through June 2 are as follows:

- Women's Open League**
1. Marcum Motors 8-0; 2. Dunlap Industrial 7-2; 3. Malone Oilfield Supply 6-2; 4. T-Shirts Plus 5-3; 5. Syd Blue 5-4; 6. J.T. Richardson 2-5; 7. B & L Tank Trucks 2-6; 8. B & L Tank Trucks 2-6; 9. Curtis Well Service 1-7; Norris Well Service 0-7.

- Last Week's Scores**
- T-Shirts Plus 14, B & L Tank Trucks 12; Marcum Motors 33, J.T. Richardson 1; Dunlap Industrial 14, Syd Blue 6; Syd Blue 14, Malone Oilfield Supply 3; Curtis Well Service 14, Norris Well Service 10; Marcum Motors 17, Curtis Well Service 2; Dunlap Industrial 15, B & L Tank Trucks 0.

- Men's Open League**
- Division One**
(Division games listed first)
- Holtman 5-1, 7-1; Panhandle Meter Service 5-1, 6-2; TLC Mobile Homes 4-2, 6-2; Pampa C & C 3-2, 4-3; Max's 2-3, 3-4; Atlas Van Lines 2-4, 3-5; J-Bobs 1-5, 2-6; Marcum Motors 1-5, 2-6.

- Division Two**
(Division games listed first)
- Mick's 5-1, 7-1; Best Western 5-2, 6-3; Floyd's Auto
- Division Three**
(Division games listed first)
1. St. Matthews 5-0; 2. Lamar A's 4-0; 3. First Presbyterian 4-2; 4. Hobart Baptist 2-2; 5. St. Vincents-Men 2-3; 6. (tie) Central Baptist and First Assembly 0-5-0.

- Division Three**
(Division games listed first)
- New Yorkers 5-1, 7-1; Oilers 4-1, 6-1; Vance Hall-KGRO 4-2, 6-2; Coronado Inn 3-2, 4-3; Halliburton Services 2-3, 4-3; Miami Roustabouts 2-5, 3-6; Cowan Construction 1-4, 2-5; Superior Supply 1-4, 2-5.

- Division Four**
(Division games listed first)
- B & L Tank Trucks 4-0, 6-0; Clifton Equipment 5-1, 7-3; Cabot Pampa Plant 4-1, 5-3; J.T. Richardson B 2-3, 2-5; Pupco 2-3, 2-5; Pampa Lawnmowers 1-5, 1-7; Coney 0-5, 0-8.

- Division One**
(Division games listed first)
1. Church of Christ Two 3-0, 5-0; 2. (tie) Calvary Assembly 2-1, 3-2, and Lamar New Life 2-1, 2-3; 4. St. Vincents Youth 1-1, 2-2; 5. First Baptist Blue 0-3, 1-4; 6. First United Methodist 0-2, 2-2.

- Division Three**
(District record listed first)
1. (tie) First Baptist Orange 3-0, 3-2, and First Christian 3-0, 4-1; 3. Church of Christ One 3-1, 4-2; 4. Calvary Baptist 0-2; 5. (tie) First Assembly Men 0-3, 2-3; Lamar Eagles 0-3, 1-4.

- Last Week's Scores**
- Lamar A's 21, Central Baptist 4; Church of Christ One 18, First Assembly Men 3.

- Women's Church League**
1. First Baptist 6-0; 2. Church of Christ Two 3-0; 3. Church of Christ One 3-2; 4. First United Methodist 3-3; 5. First Christian 2-3; 6. Hiland Christian 2-4; 7. Calvary Assembly 1-4; 8. Lamar Blue 0-6.

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Pampa golfers continue to advance in West Texas tourney

Four Pampa golfers continued to win in the quarterfinals of the 48th annual Women's West Texas Golf Tournament Wednesday at the Amarillo Country Club.

Nita Hill defeated Norma Dawson, 4-2, in first-flight action.

Fran Wilson defeated Lucy Locke of Lubbock, 4-3, and Mackey Scott downed Janet McPahl of Lubbock, 3-2, in the third flight. Miss Scott is president of the Ladies' Golf Association in Pampa.

Joan Terrell won over Jimmie Bevers of Lubbock, 2-up, in the seventh flight. The semifinals will be held today with the finals on Friday.

In the championship flight, Linnie Schneider lost to Paducah's Paula Weddle, 1-up after 20 holes.

LaVonna Dalton lost to Beverly Wallace of Amarillo, 6-5, in the second flight and Alma Lamberson was defeated by Peggy Bussey of San Angelo, 3-2, in the fourth flight.

Dot Allen was defeated by Bernice Norton of Farwell, 2-1, in the consolation bracket of the eighth flight. Wheeler's Mona Jennings,

a high school Class 1A state medalist this year, lost to Amarillo's Martha Badgett, 4-3, in the consolation round of the championship flight.

Miss Jennings is one of three golfers in the championship flight. Lisa Franklin of Snyder and Kelly Mobley of Midland, the 1983 Region 1-5A medalist are the others.

Miss Franklin lost to Amarillo's Nichole Underwood, 4-3, in Wednesday's consolation bracket, and Miss Mobley was defeated by Linda Jones of Del Rio, 1-up (20) in yesterday's winner's bracket. Amarillo's Juanita Jones, who won medalist honors Monday, is favored to win her first WWT crown.

Panhandle's Norma O'Neal defeated Jo Terry of

Shamrock, 1-up, in the consolation bracket of the second round.

Rangers blank Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — The American League baseball season is already turning out to be a long one for Rene Lachemann.

His Seattle Mariners suffered their eighth shutout of the year Wednesday — and their second in two nights — as the Texas Rangers blanked the Mariners, 1-0, behind the pitching of Mike Smithson and Odell Jones.

Seattle was shut out just six times in the entire 1982 season, but a .232 team batting average is making the Mariners easy pickings for their American League counterparts this year.

"We just have to score some more runs," said the Seattle manager. "That's all there is to it, gentlemen. You can't pitch any better than Matt Young did tonight."

Young fell to 7-4 for the season, but his ERA also dropped to 2.14 as he gave up only one earned run in nine innings.

While he got little help from his teammates, it was his own seventh-inning wild pitch with the bases loaded that allowed Larry Parrish to score the game's only run.

Parrish, Bill Stein and Pete O'Brien opened the inning with consecutive singles to load the bases. Young almost worked himself out of the jam, striking out the next two hitters, but he uncorked a wild pitch with Bucky Dent at the plate and Parrish hustled home.

It was the second straight outstanding pitching performance for the Rangers, who got a three-hit shutout from Rick Honeycutt in the series opener.

This time it was Smithson, 4-4, with Jones getting the final out, who got the praise from Manager Doug Rader.

"We're trying to get going full-throttle forward," said Rader, "and it takes good pitching to do it. Tonight was a big step for Smithson individually as well as for us as a team."

Major League glance

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Montreal	17	23	.424	Toronto	20	24	.452
Philadelphia	13	23	.358	Boston	19	25	.432
Chicago	13	25	.342	Detroit	18	25	.417
Pittsburgh	11	27	.289	New York	18	28	.391
New York	7	29	.238	Chicago	16	30	.347
Los Angeles	26	17	.605	Minnesota	14	26	.347
Atlanta	25	19	.568	Seattle	13	28	.317
San Francisco	20	26	.435	California	13	24	.349
San Diego	20	26	.435	Kansas City	12	26	.310
Houston	18	27	.400	Oakland	12	27	.305
Cincinnati	12	28	.290	Texas	12	28	.300
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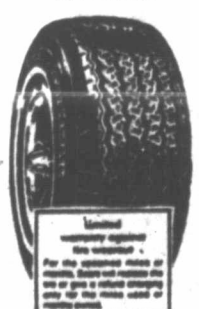
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 - 5 Inclined walkway
 - 9 Housing agency (abbr.)
 - 12 Glasses
 - 13 High cards
 - 14 Long fish
 - 15 Baseball team number
 - 16 Tamest
 - 18 Insecticide
 - 19 Balsam tree
 - 20 Likewise
 - 21 Mocked or mimicked
 - 23 Fleet post office (abbr.)
 - 25 Class
 - 27 Rower
 - 31 Make muddy
 - 32 Capital of Italy
 - 33 Greek letter
 - 34 Noun suffix
 - 35 Tear down
 - 36 Opera prince
 - 37 Thematic
 - 39 Express
 - 40 Center of target
- DOWN**
- 1 Winter Ayn — office (abbr.)
 - 2 Tart
 - 3 Acumen
 - 4 Compass point
 - 5 Not flexible
 - 6 Maple genus
 - 7 Maies
 - 8 Time zone (abbr.)
 - 9 Sense
 - 10 Nazi Rudolf
 - 11 Choir voice
 - 17 Thailand's neighbor
 - 19 Marsh
 - 22 Country of Eur.
 - 23 Reputation
 - 24 Before (prefix)
 - 25 Difficult journey
 - 26 First-rate (comp. wd.)
 - 27 Exude
 - 28 Cheerleader's tool
 - 29 Egyptian deity
 - 30 Spy employed by police
 - 32 Appraise
 - 35 Cowboy Rogers
 - 36 Christian symbol
 - 38 In good order
 - 39 Small flap
 - 41 Musical composition
 - 42 Invitation response (abbr.)
 - 43 Got off
 - 44 Midwest area
 - 45 College group
 - 47 Villain in "Othello"
 - 48 Maw
 - 50 Three (prefix)
 - 51 Long time
 - 52 Lip

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be hopeful regarding your prospects for the future. If your attitude is positive it will enhance your ability to make the right moves.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) New ambitions are likely to be awakened in you at this time. You may now realize that what you thought was beyond your reach, isn't.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You could be extremely fortunate at this time in projects or ven-

tures which require imaginative measures. Do not restrict your thinking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your financial prospects are very encouraging. Be alert for new ways to add to your resources through a second source.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Fresh opportunities to promote greater harmony in important relationships may begin to present themselves as of today. Watch for the signals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your possibilities for advancement or increased earnings where your work or career is concerned are beginning to fall into place. Stay on-track.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Do things as you think best today, especially if you are organizing a new enterprise. Under your guidance, you can make it come out as you envision.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't put off any longer making those changes which you feel will benefit your family. Your good intentions will produce good results.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is the time to press forward with new plans or projects which you feel can better your position in life. Act, as well as think.

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'Crazy water' is town's hope

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press Writer

MINERAL WELLS, Texas — Behind the orange and blue labels of bottles containing bitter, brackish water lies the birthright of this North Central Texas community and the hope for its rejuvenation.

The water, which once bubbled up through several hundred wells into bathhouses and hotels, propelled the city in the 1900s into a resort and a health sanatorium.

Early settlers, who swore it could cure mental disease, called it "crazy water" after an insane woman drank from a well. Visitors to the wells and baths later ranged from actresses to the sick and crippled looking for miracles.

Most of the wells have been capped, and the city's biggest hotel, which attracted thousands to its baths with the slogan "where America drinks its way to health," lies vacant. But several entrepreneurs want to resurrect the city's dream.

A Phoenix real estate developer is studying whether the 14-story Baker Hotel downtown can be reopened. Nearby, a 33-year-old man has bought the city's only producing mineral water well and wants to market it regionally.

"Naturally, you'd like to retain some of the charm of the past," said Mineral Wells Mayor Ellis White. "The past is not gone. But it takes new interest, desire, enthusiasm and money for progress. So that's the way I see it — I see retaining part of the past."

Ellis, 72, said one of his goals before retirement was to see the 54-year-old Baker Hotel reopen. Vacant since 1972, it was built by developer T.B. Baker as part of his Texas chain that included the Baker Hotel in Dallas.

"I think it will reopen," Ellis said. The entire second floor of the decaying hotel contains a bath department designed for guests, and a Fort Worth real estate developer said one plan considered by its present owner would include a version of the old health spas.

They once attracted guests like Mary Pickford, Helen Keller, D.W. Griffith, Will Rogers, Gen. John J. Pershing and Marlene Dietrich to "the South's greatest health resort."

Bill Gabriel, liaison for hotel owner M. Seth Horne of Phoenix, said five different architects have examined the hotel since last July.

"All believe that it can be brought back to life," he told members of the Palo Pinto County Historical Society.

A spokesman for Horne said his real estate development company, James Stewart Co., has asked consultants from Dallas, Fort Worth, Albuquerque and Seattle to look at the hotel.

"We have plans in our minds, but we don't even have anything down on paper," said Steve Halbert, assistant to the president. "Nothing has been formalized yet."

One architectural study reported that restoring the hotel would require \$15.5 million to \$18 million.

Halbert said his company has not yet decided to go ahead with hotel redevelopment.

"The owner is investigating the renovation of the hotel," said Halbert. "That is a true statement. We are trying, but we have not made a decision to renovate it, just as we have not made a decision against reopening it."

Residents of this community of about 14,500 have been disappointed before when plans to reopen the hotel fell through.

A deadline set in November 1981 by Horne passed before a Bedford real estate developer could raise funds for the hotel's acquisition and renovation. Vernon Hulme had received an option to purchase the property.

Hulme wanted to renovate the structure as a multipurpose facility, including a hotel, condominiums and an office and commercial center.

In 1979, Horne had announced plans to develop a retirement home in the Baker. Another downtown structure, the Crazy Water Hotel, is now a retirement center with about 150 residents, said spokesman Peggy Ocamb.

Another plan to reopen the Baker Hotel, its red-carpeted Brazos Club and ballrooms failed in 1975.

Some of the building's red brick exterior was remodeled in 1977. And there have been four other renovation and reopening announcements, but none actually materialized.

Rain now seeps through a damaged tile roof into a 12th-floor ballroom, warping the dance floor where guests once danced to the tunes of show bands from Dallas and Fort Worth. Pigeons roost outside broken windows, and the only human resident is a night watchman.

Gabriel, in a tour through the 450-room hotel, said architects had been experimenting with different plastering techniques on its 30 acres of wall space.

"Only 40 percent of the space is rentable," he said, explaining that other service-related facilities are housed in the hotel.

They include a complete plumbing shop, a steam-driven generator capable of powering the hotel in an emergency and Baker's private quarters on the 7th and 11th floors.

The hotel, when it opened at a cost of \$1 million, was only the second in the world with a swimming pool, Gabriel said.

"They don't make buildings like this anymore," he said, pointing to an upper-floor window. "The hardwood window frames are set in metal casings."

The rooms have valet doors with a built-in compartment in which guests could hang dirty suits and dresses for pickup, cleaning and return.

The hotel's basement contain a central vacuuming system and water chilling equipment.

The 7 1/2 acres of floor space are adorned with crystal chandeliers, ornate wood trim and brass fixtures.

Its bath department has marble basins and stainless steel steam cabinets. The prices for baths, massages and other treatments are still visible on a sign at a reception area, amid peeling paint and stained tiles.

"You soaked and then went into the steam cabinets," said businesswoman Agnes Campbell, recalling the days when her parents owned a bakery in the hotel. "Then you received a massage, they rubbed you down with wintergreen, and it really felt nice."

She said a mineral water treatment consisted of 21 baths. Mrs. Campbell recalled that most physicians in the city had offices in the hotel, and their prescriptions would often include mineral baths.

"People would come here crippled with arthritis and rheumatism, and it did help," said Mrs. Campbell, sitting in her small gift shop in the shadow of the Baker.

She said that the resort status of the city began waning in the 1930s.

"It just happened before people were aware of it," she said. "It started to fade out during World War II. During the Depression, people did not travel here as much."

John Winters, Palo Pinto County tax assessor-collector, said bathhouses once lined Oak Street.

Massages there used to "rub the beer and cigarettes out of people who came there," he said. "I remember we used to dance on the roof of the hotel every Saturday night," he said.

He said reopening the hotel probably would boost the city's economy.

"We tend to tie an upswing here all around the Baker," he said. "Probably, the reopening of the Baker alone would not generate a lot more interest, but it would help."

The hotel has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places, White said. That would allow its owner tax advantages if the hotel is restored.

The Economic Recovery Act of 1981 allows owners of such landmarks to claim tax writeoffs for a five-year period for renovation work done to restore the structure to its original, or better, condition.

In 1982, the city council voted to designate the structure a "blighted area", clearing the way for industrial or commercial development bonds for its renovation through the Texas Industrial Commission.

"If we could just bring some of that back," said Mrs. Campbell. "I know we are living in a different age. But that would help rejuvenate this town."

"We need to get some concerned citizens together and save the Baker if nothing else works," said Eric Spears, whose family owns a sewing machine outlet in Mineral Wells. "We just need to get our pennies together for it."

The new owner of the Famous Mineral Water Co. said the hotel's renovation would help his own plans.

Fred Slater said he will expand distribution of the metal-heavy water and restore his wellhouse and another building. The well has been producing since 1904.

Jury acquits officer

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — A jury has acquitted a rookie police officer charged with voluntary manslaughter in the New Year's Day shooting death of a drunken driving suspect.

The Lufkin officer, Rodney Neil Vorndam, 27, cried when the verdict was read Wednesday. He had been suspended without pay since his indictment Jan. 5 in the death of Glennis Ray Page, 25, of Nacogdoches.

Prosecutors claimed Vorndam shot Page once in the back with his 357-magnum service revolver, even though the officer's partner, Mike Darby, was shouting, "Don't shoot him!"

Vorndam testified that he

thought Darby had yelled, "Shoot him!" Vorndam said he had lost his glasses in a struggle with Page and was unable to tell whether the suspect was running away or charging him. Vorndam's vision is 20-400.

Angelina County District Attorney Gerald Goodwin refused to comment after the verdict.

A pathologist, Dr. Raul Gutierrez of Lufkin, had testified that Page had a blood-alcohol content of .16 when he died. A person with a blood-alcohol content of at least .1 is considered legally drunk.

Vorndam and Darby had stopped Page's car in Lufkin when the struggle ensued and Page was killed.

Twin valedictorians



Sheryl, left, and Carol Tooker have doubly impressed their peers and teachers. The 17-year-old identical twins, who are among 3,100 seniors graduating from Eugene, Ore. - area area high schools, will leave Lowell High School today as co-valedictorians of their class. Each earned a perfect 4.0 grade-point average. (AP Laserphoto)

Hispanics renew criticisms of Texas college desegregation plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group representing Mexican Americans has renewed its criticisms of a plan Texas submitted to desegregate its public colleges and universities.

And the renewed criticism comes at a time when a Department of Education spokeswoman said the decision on whether to accept the plan is close.

The Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund released a copy of its objections Wednesday to a set of revisions in the original plan submitted by Texas.

MALDEF urged the department to quickly reject the Texas plan as inadequate and "delay no longer in signaling to the state of Texas that only full educational opportunity is acceptable."

MALDEF said the revisions "do not substantively address" its objections to the original plan. It also contended that, in some cases, the changes "have actually weakened the commitment of the state of Texas (to desegregation) rather than strengthened it."

MALDEF and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund have filed suit in federal court seeking to force Texas to eliminate all traces of segregation in its public college and university system.

In March, U.S. District Court Judge John H. Pratt, who is hearing the suit, ordered the department to begin enforcement proceedings to desegregate the Texas system unless the state submitted an acceptable desegregation plan by May 9.

Texas submitted its plan on that date then later submitted a series of amendments. But the department has yet to decide whether it considers the plan acceptable.

The NAACP Fund has also called both the original plan and the amendments unacceptable.

The complex, 170-page plan outlines various commitments generally aimed at upgrading programs at the state's two traditionally black institutions and increasing minority enrollment at traditionally white ones.

Conferees work on compromise budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional negotiators trying to piece together a compromise budget are grappling over a plan to limit the increase in military spending to 5 percent, half of what President Reagan has requested.

Conferees from the House and Senate began their bargaining Wednesday on separate budget blueprints passed by each chamber, and were continuing today with the focus on defense.

The \$863.6 billion 1984 budget plan adopted by the Democrat-controlled House in March called for defense

spending authority of \$263.8 billion. House Democrats say this would be a 4 percent increase after inflation, but the Congressional Budget Office estimates it would be a 2.3 percent increase.

Reagan had asked in February for a 10 percent increase.

The \$849.7 billion budget adopted by the Senate last month calls for \$270.6 billion for defense, or about a 6 percent increase.

Congressional sources who insisted that they not be quoted by name said it appeared likely that the negotiators would split the difference between the House and Senate figures and settle on a 5 percent increase, or between \$267 billion and \$268 billion.

However, it was expected there would be heated discussions over the volatile defense issue before the agreement is reached.

"We've got to argue (the 4 percent limitation) very strongly," Rep. Leon

Panetta, D-Calif., said of the House position.

As the talks began Wednesday, it was clear that the negotiations would be difficult and warnings that a failure to reach agreement on an overall spending plan could imperil the nation's economic recovery.

"I think we'll have chaos if we don't have a budget resolution," said Sen. Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee. He added that "chaos will lead to abortion of the recovery."

"We'll need all the political skills and all the ability we can muster at statesmanship" to draft a plan that can pass both houses of Congress, said Rep. James Jones, D-Okla., chairman of the House Budget Committee.

Meanwhile, the political bickering that accompanied the congressional budget process all year flared among the conferees.

Rep. Ed Bethune, R-Ark.,

Pogo takeover bid dropped

DALLAS (AP) — SEDCO Inc. and Northwest Industries Inc. have dropped their attempt to take over Pogo Producing Co., though perhaps only temporarily.

The two companies canceled their tender offer for Pogo stock after the Houston-based oil and gas producing company fought the unfriendly takeover bid by making an almost identical offering of its own stock on the open market.

SEDCO, a Dallas-based drilling company founded by former Gov. Bill Clements, owns 3.5 million Pogo shares, or 15 percent, after buying an additional 2.2 million shares for \$55 million. Northwest Industries bought 20.5 million shares for \$55 million. Northwest Industries bought only 25 percent of the company before their takeover campaign, which was dropped Wednesday with the withdrawal of their tender offer.

Pogo spent \$140 million to buy its own stock and will have to pay out \$11 million a year in dividends on preferred stock offered to friendly purchasers.

SEDCO president B. Gill Clements, son of the former governor, said his company would continue to invest in Pogo. He called the Houston company's defense against the takeover "well thought out and well executed."

reflected the view of conservative Republicans in the House who say both the House and Senate budget plans are unacceptable and that they will have enough votes to sustain Reagan's vetoes of spending and tax bills he deems excessive.

"You might get a document out of here that would pass both houses," Bethune told the other conferees, but it will be rejected "at the White House."

Panetta replied, "Anybody who thinks that the game of veto and counterveto and override is a way to replace the budget process is asking for a scenario of chaos. And chaos is not going to be able to be a foundation for economic recovery."

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Computers aid handicapped kids

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — The best communication 9-year-old Eddie of Philadelphia can manage is high-pitched squeals. But soon he'll have a computer to talk for him.

Greg, an 8th-grader in the Williamsport area, keeps a B-average without taking a single note in class — he's blind and depends on a cassette recorder. When the new school year starts, he'll be typing or speaking into a Versa Braille, which can spew notes out later in Braille.

High technology is slowly filtering into the classrooms of handicapped children in Pennsylvania, partly as the result of the state Education Department's mini-grants to special education teachers.

More than 2,500 teachers statewide submitted proposals for using computers for the handicapped; 253 were awarded a total of \$800,000 in grants recently.

For the winners, it means getting equipment they only dreamed about before.

"We had \$250 to order supplies this year," said Margaret Smith, who teaches mentally retarded students in rural McKean County. "That wouldn't buy much of a computer."

With another teacher at Eldred Township Elementary School, Mrs. Smith won a \$3,700 grant to buy a computer screen, memory and printer for their 38 mentally retarded and learning-disabled students.

"The children and we both get frustrated, but a computer never runs out of patience," Mrs. Smith said. "A computer can be programmed to make positive responses, no matter how many mistakes the student makes."

An expanded keyboard, with extra space between keys, will bring the world of computers to Sue Erb's class at the Chester Child Development Center. Her nine students have little or no use of their arms and legs because of diseases such as cerebral

palsy and muscular dystrophy.

"We have one student who types with her teeth, and another uses a head stick, and the expanded keyboard will let them use a computer because of extra space between the keys," Mrs. Erb said. The computer and special keyboard cost \$4,200.

"These students are proud of their intelligence and I want to capitalize on it. I want to use the computer to encourage their independence," she said.

A hand-held computer will allow Eddie to punch words and phrases into another unit that reproduces the word in a metallic-sounding voice. It costs \$2,100.

"If he does well with it, his parents could ask a charitable organization to buy one for Eddie," said Jacquelyn Green, his teacher at the Solis-Cohen School.

At \$7,000, the Versa Braille for Greg is one of the most expensive computers to be purchased in the mini-grant program.

Greg can talk or type into the computer, which can hold up to 400 pages of notes in a cassette. When the cassette is replayed, it feeds out paper imprinted with Braille.

"He'll be able to use it until he graduates from high school," said his teacher, Robin Brubaker.

Mrs. Smith and teacher Nancy Hefner hope their students at Eldred Elementary will be motivated and have their self esteem built up by the computer.

"They can say, 'Look, we have a computer and the other students don't,'" Mrs. Smith said. "Let's face it, there's not a whole lot our kids can do that others can't."

"When these children get out of school, they'll have computers available to them and we want them to be able to use them. It's just another way of making them productive members of society."

Electronics bring change in aerial warfare

ROME, N.Y. (AP) — With the introduction of heat-seeking missiles, computer-based rangefinders and other electronic gadgetry into aerial warfare, titles have changed as well.

There are still pilots, co-pilots, navigators and tail gunners, although no veteran of B-17 runs over Germany would

recognize the weapons.

But the bombardier is no more.

In his place in a Strategic Air Command B-52 bomber sits a radar navigator, who controls an Offensive Avionics System (OAS) which bears little resemblance to the old crosshairs of World War II but has the same purpose — to deliver a warhead as close as possible to the target.

That the warhead might contain a destructive force 15 times greater than the atomic bomb which devastated Hiroshima, Japan, is irrelevant to Capt. Joel Peterson, a radar navigator with the 416th Bombardment Wing of Griffiss Air Force Base. Confident his training has been geared to the prevention of warfare, he is convinced the United States would only use nuclear force in retaliation.

Peterson, 32, a native of Livingston, Mont., has spent the last 5½ years at Griffiss. For the past year, he has been teaching other radar navigators — a break from the routine of alert-to-standby which is a part of life for all bomber crews.

"Alert" is Air Force talk for "combat-ready." Crews on alert are restricted to the base and only occasionally leave the flight line for visits with their families; during a period of international tension, Griffiss' crews on alert would be denied even that comfort.

Veterans claim nuclear tests damaged health

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PORTSMOUTH, R.I. (AP) — Wanda Seveney is a feisty, gray-haired widow who believes the government's negligence contributed to the death of her husband, a career Navy man who participated in a series of atombomb tests off Bikini Atoll in 1946.

Mrs. Seveney went to court in an effort to prove that her husband's exposure to radiation during the tests caused him to be sick for 30 years and die of cancer. Her complaint originally was rejected by a federal judge, but a new suit is still pending.

Benedict Seveney was one of about 250,000 American servicemen exposed to radiation during the government's early experiments with nuclear weapons.

Many of the veterans claim the tests irreparably damaged their health, causing cancer and leukemia, eye problems, and genetic defects that have been passed on to their children.

The Veterans Administration has rejected all but 29 of 2,067 disability claims from veterans who said the tests caused them to be diseased in later years. Fifteen of those claims were won on appeal.

The government had been offering treatment to atomic veterans since 1980. However, treatment was limited to veterans with cancer and thyroid disorders.

The VA announced on April 6 that it would liberalize its policies to allow for treatment of "all conditions except those that are known to have been caused by other than radiation exposure."

The government steadfastly denies that the tests harmed veterans' health in other ways.

Seveney died before the VA recognized any radiation-related health problems. His widow is bitter.

In July, 1946, Seveney was a crewman on the USS Dixie, the command ship in a program called "Operation Crossroads."

Atomic bombs were dropped on Bikini twice that month, on July 1 and July 25. The government says the closest ships to the blast were 17 miles away.

However, Seveney and other veterans said some of the ships were within seven miles of the blast — close enough that the Dixie revved away at full speed to avoid a tidal wave.

Both the government and the veterans recall that the Dixie, which was equipped with a desalinization system, filled its tanks with water from the lagoon after the tests.

The crew bathed in the water, drank it, and brushed their teeth with it. When the ship returned to Honolulu two months later, the desalinization system was found to be radioactive and was replaced.

Mrs. Seveney says her husband became ill on their honeymoon in 1948. For the rest of his life he was under doctors' care for problems with his blood, intestines, stomach, colon, ileum and cardiovascular system.

Seveney's worst fear was that he suffered genetic defects that he might pass on to his offspring. He died before learning that his daughter and two grandchildren suffer from migraine headaches, vomiting and glaucoma.

Those symptoms are common to victims of radiation sickness, and are frequently found in children of atomic veterans, according to the National Association of Atomic Veterans.

That Burlington, Iowa, advocacy group, which publishes a monthly newsletter detailing veterans' medical and legal problems, says the government has been lax in its attending to the needs of the veterans.

The group has urged the government to compensate atomic veterans' children born with genetic or congenital disabilities if studies find their ill health was caused by their fathers' exposure to radiation.

Dr. D. Earl Brown, associated chief medical director of the VA, told the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee that the VA will continue to oppose that proposal.

Brown reiterated the agency's position that cancer is the only disease likely to have been caused by the radiation received by the veterans during the tests.

The NAAV estimates 250,000 veterans were exposed to radiation in the course of 235 atomic tests between 1945 and 1958. The figure includes veterans of tests in the United States and in the South Pacific, as well as the troops sent to Hiroshima and Nagasaki shortly after the cities were bombed.

The government maintains that the number is considerably smaller.

The government records center in St. Louis in 1973 destroyed many of the servicemen's records.

The only comprehensive study conducted on veterans of any of the tests, conducted by the federal Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, showed that veterans of Operation Smoky at the Nevada test site in 1957 developed more than twice the normal incidence of leukemia. The study led to the VA decision to begin treating veterans with cancer in 1980.

Legal hurdles are substantial for Wanda Seveney and others seeking compensation for damage to their a-lies that they believe was caused by radiation exposure.

Because of a U.S. Supreme Court decision known as the Feres Doctrine, the government cannot be sued by servicemen or their offspring for injuries suffered while on active duty.

The Feres Doctrine also limits disability payments to veterans who report their injuries within one year of discharge. Radiation-related health prob-face until several years after exposure.

For that reason, U.S. District Judge Bruce M. Selya threw out Mrs. Seveney's \$1 million damage suit last DKE HA.GENT IN NOT IN-forming her husband about possible radiuxers after the exposure.

Mrs. Seveney faults the VA for waiting so many years to take action on behalf of the veterans, and for failing to recognize the genetic problems that she thinks plague veterans' offspring.

Alert duty lasts seven days, and five of the base's 16 bomber crews, along with four of 14 KC-135 tankers, are on alert at all times, ready to fly in minutes to escape the blast of incoming bombs or missiles, and retaliate.

Paradoxically, aircraft on alert do not fly; only during the two-to-three-week standby period does a crew log air time.

During aerial training sorties which can last up to 12 hours, airplanes from Griffiss fly into regions as remote as Peterson's native Rocky Mountains, honing their skills in low-altitude training over a variety of terrain.

The air-launched cruise missile, which the 416th went operational with last December, has changed attack patterns along with the very airplane Peterson and his five crewmates operate in unison.

The torpedo-shaped, 20-foot-long missile is designed to be launched as far as 1,500 miles from a target, skimming the ground at 600 mph to avoid enemy radar while adjusting course through a guidance system which keeps it on a programmed path.

After firing missiles, B-52 crews must attack other targets with regular air-to-ground bombs. Hence the low-altitude training, which is calculated to help the 650-mph bomber — half as fast as Soviet interceptors — avoid radar.

Snaking a 200-ton, 185-foot-spanning airplane overland at clearances of 500 feet might seem foolhardy, but it's second nature to SAC crews.

In flight, Peterson is glued to a battery of lights, scopes and gauges. His cramped cubbyhole on the bottom deck of the two-story aircraft is bathed in eerie, red-tinged light.

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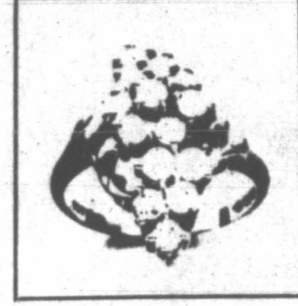


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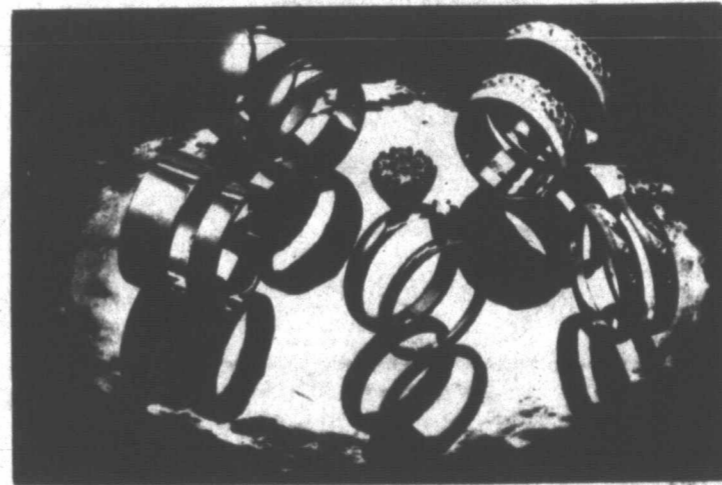
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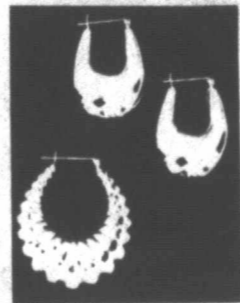
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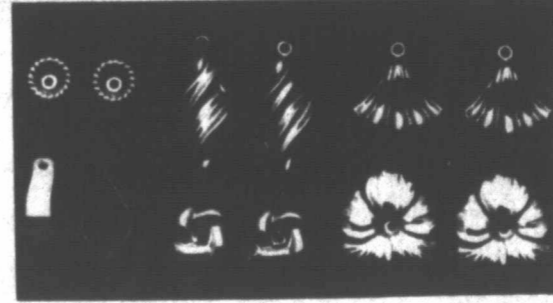
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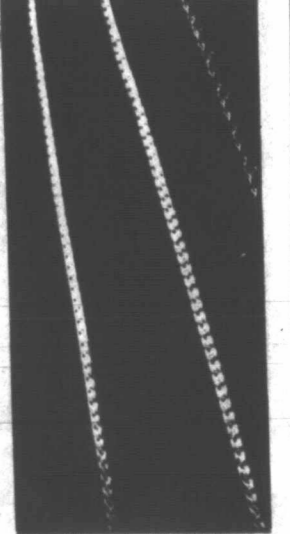
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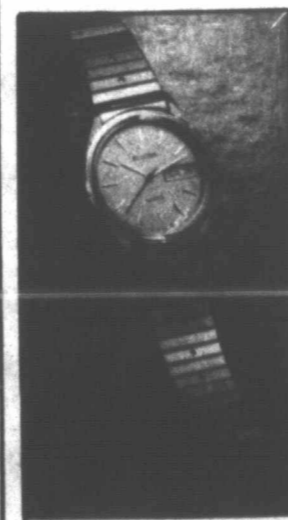
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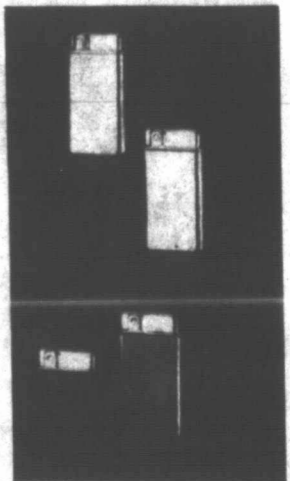
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