



Congress cool to tax reform appeal



'Second American Revolution' proclaimed

Legislators put revision plan on back burner

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's appeal for tax simplification, the only new initiative in a State of the Union litany of revived first-term proposals, is drawing hesitant support from a Congress preoccupied with deficit-reduction.

In the first congressional address of his second term, Reagan Wednesday night proclaimed a "Second American Revolution" that would include "historic reform" of the nation's tax code.

Reagan indicated that his proposal would be a modification of a flat-rate plan advanced by the Treasury Department, but that it would allow homeowners to continue deducting home mortgage interest payments. It should not be "a tax increase in disguise," the president said in his nationally broadcast address.

Many House and Senate members suggested that tax revision would have to be put on a back burner while Congress wrestles with ways to reduce deficits soaring above \$200 billion.

"I prefer one at a time," said Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, R-Kan., suggesting that deficit-reduction had the highest priority. However, he said Reagan could probably win approval for the tax plan if he "gets behind it" in a major lobbying effort.

Reagan did not endorse the Treasury Department plan as such, but said he was directing newly sworn-in Treasury Secretary James T. Baker to begin working with congressional sponsors of a flat-rate tax plan so "together we can pass, this year, a tax bill for fairness, simplicity and growth."

He said his plan would lower tax rates "as low as possible by removing many tax preference" and would propose a top rate "of no more than 35 percent."

The president's fourth State of the Union speech restated such familiar Reagan themes as smaller government and family values, and he gave lawmakers a pitch for major elements of his new

budget — with its call for a \$30 billion increase in defense spending and \$39 billion in domestic spending cuts.

"Tonight was a night of eloquent generalities. Tomorrow he must begin to inform people as to the sometimes difficult realities of the Reagan revolution," said House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass.

Although Republican congressional leaders have been near unanimous in their criticism of the high level of defense spending in Reagan's budget proposal, the president told Congress: "We must not relax our efforts to restore military strength... Spending for defense is investing in things that are priceless: peace and freedom."

Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., chairman of the House Armed Service Committee, pronounced the speech: "good show biz, that's all."

On the domestic side, Reagan called for an end to government

support of Amtrak, the nation's rail passenger corporation.

But the president emphasized that his deficit-cutting proposals would leave intact programs designed for "the elderly, needy, disabled and unemployed."

"Growth of our major health care programs, Medicare and Medicaid, will be slowed, but protections for the elderly and needy will be preserved."

Reagan made no specific mention of Social Security, even though a vow to leave benefits alone was a major campaign theme.

The president also reiterated his support for a long list of proposals of his first term that never made it through Congress: school prayer and anti-abortion legislation; merit pay for teachers, a crime-control package, and approval of the MX missile.

Reagan turned 74 Wednesday, and his audience stood at the conclusion of his speech to belt out a chorus of "Happy Birthday."



'We must not relax our military efforts'

Phillips tries to raise the stakes in takeover

NEW YORK (AP) — Phillips Petroleum Co. today rejected an \$8.9 billion takeover bid from New York financier Carl Icahn, sweetened the terms of its own proposed restructuring and erected new defenses against hostile takeovers.

Earlier, the large oil company launched a court fight in an attempt to block Icahn's unsolicited bid.

Phillips also said today that while it is not trying to smoke out a better offer and does not believe conditions in oil markets are right for getting the best price for the company, it currently would not oppose any offer worth at least \$9.585 billion, or \$62 a share in cash for all shareholders.

Icahn has offered \$55 a share, evenly divided between cash and securities.

Phillips' lawsuit Wednesday came at Icahn's deadline for a response. Earlier, he had said he would take his offer directly to shareholders if turned down by Phillips' board.

In an attempt to block Icahn from beginning that offer, soliciting shareholder support or voting his own shares, Phillips sued Icahn and his business in U.S. District Court in Tulsa, Okla., alleging violations of securities law.

It alleged that Icahn failed to file required proxy statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with his takeover bid and in connection with his opposition to Phillips' plans for a massive corporate restructuring. The suit also alleged Icahn made "numerous false and misleading statements in connection with that solicitation."

Late Wednesday, U.S. District Judge H. Dale Cook issued a temporary order to block Icahn from taking legal action in the dispute in any other court. He also scheduled a hearing for Tuesday.

"I haven't as yet seen any papers, so I obviously can't comment about the lawsuit," Icahn said in New York. "While I, of course, intend to comply with the law, I will not be deterred and intend to press forward."

Icahn owns 7.5 million shares, or 4.85 percent of Phillips' outstanding stock.

Prior to the court action, Phillips stock slipped 50 cents Wednesday to \$49.75 a share in consolidated trading, with nearly 2.9 million shares changing hands on the New York Stock Exchange.

Icahn is opposed to a Phillips' plan, submitted to its shareholders for approval at a meeting set for Feb. 22, that calls for the repurchase of 38 percent of the company's stock for securities with a face value of \$60 a share. In addition, an employee stock plan would increase its ownership of Phillips to a controlling interest in the company.

Phillips originally promised that if the deal was approved, it would spend up to \$1 billion to buy its own stock in the open market if the price of a share dropped below \$50. It also promised to sell about \$2 billion worth of in assets.

Today, Phillips said it would amend its offer so that instead of buying its stock back in the open market, it would offer \$50 a share for 20 million shares of its stock, a \$1 billion transaction, if the recapitalization plan is approved.

It also said it would offer shareholders a dividend of one share of a new class of preferred stock with a face value of \$3.32 for each remaining common share after the restructuring is approved. Each new share of common stock under the restructuring would be equivalent to 62 share of stock prior to the change.

Icahn made his bid as an alternative to the original recapitalization proposal, which he has called "grossly inadequate."

He had asked that the shareholders' meeting be postponed so that stock owners would have a chance to choose between Phillips' plan and his offer.

Phillips' management agreed to seek shareholder approval of the restructuring as part of the settlement it reached in late December to end a takeover bid by a group led by T. Boone Pickens Jr., the chairman of Mesa Petroleum Co.

In an attempt to ward off new assaults, Phillips' board said it would, on Feb. 18, issue shareholders a conditional right to exchange each share of common stock for a one-year note redeemable at \$62 a share and bearing 15 percent in interest. That option would expire if the restructuring is approved and only would be exercised if a suitor acquired at least 30 percent of Phillips stock.

A hostile suitor could only avert the expense of redeeming those shareholder rights by making a cash offer equal to or better than the terms of the rights, Phillips said.

Value of building permits continues to lag behind '84

By LARRY HOLLIS
Staff Writer

Valuation of buildings issued permits by the city's Department of Building Inspection continued to fall behind last year's figures, according to a report issued by Steve Vaughn, head of the Code Enforcement Department.

The city issued 12 building permits in January with a total valuation of \$287,263.50, only about half of the \$575,706 valuation for 13 buildings issued permits in January, 1984.

Valuation for the fiscal year to date, which began in October, is \$2,658,619.50, slightly more than a million dollars under the \$3,680,195 valuation recorded at this time in the same fiscal year 1983-1984 period.

Despite the lower figures for this fiscal year, more permits have been issued. Department personnel have approved 108 permits for this

fiscal year period compared to 62 for the previous fiscal period, Vaughn reported.

The department collected \$822.50 in fees for building permits last month, compared to \$1,385.25 for the previous January. Total fees collected since October are \$6,435.25, in the previous fiscal period, the city gathered \$6,150.25 in fees.

Buildings issued permits last month included three single family dwellings, valuation of \$198,963.50, five mobile homes, \$77,300, three alterations or additions to dwellings, \$11,000, and one driveway approach, no value listed, Vaughn said.

In December the city had issued 16 building permits with a valuation of \$405,217.

Department personnel issued seven electrical permits last month, collecting fees of \$78.02. The totals are down from both

December and from the previous January.

In December the city issued 18 electrical permits, with fees of \$389.67. In January, 1984, thirteen permits were issued for \$3,357.88 in fees.

For the fiscal year to date, the city has issued 73 electrical permits, gaining fees of \$1,638.26. In the previous fiscal period, the city had issued 50 permits but collected \$4,081.75 in fees.

Twenty-five plumbing permits were issued last month, with fees of \$251.92 collected. In December 27 permits had been issued for \$471.87 in fees. Last January the city issued 30 plumbing permits and collected fees of \$3,609.68.

For the current fiscal period, department personnel have issued 137 plumbing permits, collecting fees of \$2,057.74. In the previous

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Senate (sort of) approves drinking age bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate has voted to make young Texans wait an extra two years to take a legal drink, but the new 21-year-old limit may never become law even if the Legislature enacts it.

The bill raising the drinking age from 19 to 21, effective Sept. 1, 1986, was sent to the House on voice vote Wednesday over protests that it would reinstate Prohibition for young adults.

Sen. Bill Sarpalius' measure had two avowed purposes — to save lives by reducing traffic accidents and to avoid the loss of \$107 million in federal highway funds.

Sen. Kent Caperton told Sarpalius in Senate debate, "If we pass your bill, once again Texas is going to have a young-adult Prohibition. It's Prohibition, exclamation point, for young adults."

Federal law would reduce the amount of highway funds for Texas in 1987-88 if Texas fails to raise the drinking age to 21. That federal law, which applies to all states, is being challenged in court by South Dakota.

Raising the drinking age, however, would cost Texas \$49.4 million in state tax revenue over two years and \$9.3 million in local tax revenue. Also, \$6.5 million would be needed to hire additional personnel to enforce the lower drinking age, according to the Legislative Budget Board.

Four years ago, Texas raised its drinking age from 18 to 19, and Sarpalius, D-Canyon, said the new bill has identical provisions in that a person under 21 could sell alcoholic beverages but could not buy or consume such beverages.

The measure was passed only after the Senate approved an amendment, 16-13, that Sarpalius said would "take out the heart, liver and spleen of this bill."

The amendment by Sen. Chet Edwards, D-Duncanville, has these basic provisions as reflected in Senate debate and an impromptu news conference by Edwards:

— If the federal law should be held unconstitutional by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals or the U.S. Supreme Court before the effective date of the state law in 1986, the drinking age would remain at 19. This means the law may never become effective in Texas.

— If the state law goes into effect and the federal courts later rule the federal law unconstitutional, the state law raising the drinking age would expire at the end of the next regular legislative session, or about the end of May 1987. This assumes that the 1987 Legislature does not re-enact the law.

— If the state law goes into effect and the federal law is upheld by the courts, the drinking age in Texas would revert to 19 when the federal sanctions on highway funds expire. Unless the federal law is changed, those sanctions would end Sept. 30, 1988.

Sarpalius acknowledged that his statistics "did not jibe" with those circulated by the Texas Student

Lobby, but he said after the drinking age was raised to 19, the death rate among 18-year-olds in Texas dropped 19.4 percent. He said that law and anti-drunk driving laws passed in 1983 probably have saved 874 lives in Texas.

"The real issue here is not money," Sarpalius said. "The real issue is saving lives."

Edwards said "if saving lives is the sole criterion" for the bill, Sarpalius should support an absolute ban on handguns, which have killed 223,000 people since the mid-1960s, and a ban on cigarette smoking, which kills 350,000 people a year.

"You cannot isolate this issue for only political purposes," said Edwards.

Caperton, D-Bryan, said, "We're kneeling under to a clear case of (federal) blackmail. I don't think you can call it anything else. Before we give into blackmail, we should challenge the federal government."

DAILY RECORD

services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News.

obituaries

ESTELLE R. ROACH

Services for Estelle R. Roach, 84, are pending at Carmichael - Whatley Funeral Home. Mrs. Roach died Wednesday night at Pampa Nursing Center.

Born March 1, 1890, in Wichita County, she moved to Wheeler County in a covered wagon in 1903. She moved to Pampa in 1980 from Shamrock. She married Hubert N. Roach in 1911 in Heald County. He died in 1955. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Shamrock.

Survivors include two daughters, Nell Jensen of Littlefield, and Vivian Mann of Pampa; one son, Leonard Roach of Annandale, Va.; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son.

police report

Officers of the Pampa Police Department responded to 39 calls in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Alma Wade, 613 Hazel, reported she was assaulted at her residence.

Dale M. Johnson, 317 N. Starkweather, reported a burglary of his residence in which his car also was stolen.

Kentucky Fried Chicken, 1501 N. Hobart, reported criminal mischief at the restaurant. Lil' Speedy Mart, 225 W. Brown, reported theft.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, February 6

Oscar Grant, age unavailable, of Borger, in connection with a charge of public intoxication. Grant was released on a court summons.

Louis Edwin Christian, 56, 529 S. Ballard, in connection with a charge of public intoxication.

Donald Ray Coil, 22, Rt. 2, was held in the city jail on a request by the county sheriff and in connection with an unspecified charge. Coil was returned to the county.

Daniel Bryan Jefferies, 20, Rt. 1, in connection with a warrant charging theft.

A 13-year-old male juvenile was detained in connection with an investigation of burglary.

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LaDonna Kaye Alderson, 28, 313 N. Warren, in connection with a charge of public intoxication.

John Calvin Alderson, 28, 313 N. Warren, in connection with charges of driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain a single lane and failure to show proof of liability insurance.

stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler - Evans of Pampa: Wheat 3.27, Milo 4.45, Corn 5.20.

The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation: Ky Cent Life 40%, Serico 6%, Southland Financial 29%.

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa: Beatrice Foods 28 1/2, Cabot 32 1/2.

fire report

The Pampa fire department reported two fire runs in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

8:43 a.m., smoke scare at the C.R. Anthony's store at 118 N. Cuyler. Caused by a light ballast.

8:12 p.m., smoke scare at M.K. Brown auditorium. No damage.

hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions

Brenda Autrey, Canadian
Loyal Bird, Pampa
Rick Mitchel, Canadian
Iva McCullough, Pampa

McLean
Cleo Wylie, Pampa
Lillian Heffington, Amarillo
Cohen Gallegly, White Deer

Clinton Henry, Pampa
Juanita Pond, Pampa
Stella Cohen, Pampa
Jack Prater, Pampa
Robbie Sparks, Pampa
Laura Skaggs, White Deer

Zella Story, Pampa
Fonza Brooks, Pampa
Paul Searl, Pampa
Matthew Carleton, Pampa

Mary Lou Simpson, Pampa
Lacey Willis, Pampa
Bessie McVey, Canyon
Carlene Rowe, Panhandle

Dismissals
Don Atchley, Panhandle
Jeremy Savage, Canadian

Kathleen Tinney and infant, Lefors
Tammy Childress, Pampa

Betty Dunbar, Pampa
Eda Edmondson, Pampa

Patricia Gardner, Pampa
Kenneth Kirby, Pampa
Eric Lemons, Pampa
Thelma Malone, Pampa
Charles Nelson, Pampa
Rene Rossi and infant, Pampa

Andres Vazquez, Pampa
Joy Windfield, Pampa
Brenda Zedlitz, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions

Ed Haynes, Shamrock
Shirley Anderson, Mayfield, Okla.
Gloria Salyer, Wheeler
Patricia King, Shamrock

Martha Frances, Shamrock
Robert Huntoon, Houston.

Jim Stewart, Lubbock
Hugh Johnston, Atlanta
David Cook, McLean
Tom Montgomery, Shamrock

Shawn Swenon, Ruidoso, N.M.
James Twila, DuBois, Penn.

Rose Krauf, St. Louis
Caroline Ehrey, St. Louis

Becky Menefield, Shamrock

Dismissals
Josephine Pike, Shamrock
Karla Kirkland, McLean

minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported seven minor accidents in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, February 6

7:23 a.m. — A 1982 Chevrolet, driven by Stephan Tipton of Amarillo, struck a telephone pole on U.S. 60 and spun several times before stopping at 1300 W. Wilks. No injuries were reported, and no citations were listed.

7:39 a.m. — A 1980 Pontiac, driven by Eduardo Rodriguez, 533 Lefors, slid through a stop intersection at Sloan and Kentucky, spun west onto Kentucky, jumped a curb, then struck a tree. Rodriguez was cited for unsafe speed for conditions.

8 a.m. — A 1975 Chevrolet, driven by Melissa Moreno, 1016 Huff Rd., collided with a 1975 Chevrolet, driven by Sherry Hahn, 1165 Neel Rd., at 1100 S. Hobart. Moreno was cited for failure to show proof of liability insurance.

10:50 a.m. — An unknown motorist spun out near Craven and Cuyler and into the path of a 1982 Ford, driven by Robert Thomas, 1708 Dogwood. Thomas swerved to miss the out-of-control motorist, then struck a legally-parked 1982 Ford pickup at 400 S. Cuyler. The unknown motorist left the scene. No citations were issued.

11:50 a.m. — A 1977 Honda, driven by Sheila Burton, Box 74, collided with a 1981 Chevrolet, driven by Johnnie Love, 615 N. Somerville, at 600 N. Somerville. Burton was cited for following too closely.

11:57 a.m. — A 1976 Pontiac, driven by Roy McDaniels, 1220 E. Francis, collided with a 1968 Volkswagen, driven by David Martin, 2236 Dogwood, at 800 N. Duncan. No citations were issued.

12:14 p.m. — A 1978 Oldsmobile, driven by Robert Irvins, 2232 Charles, collided with a 1980 Chevrolet, driven by Timothy Hutto, 1812 Lea, at 900 N. Frost. No citations were issued.

Polish officers convicted, but death penalty rejected

TORUN, Poland (AP) — A panel of judges today convicted four secret police officers in connection with the murder of a pro-Solidarity Roman Catholic priest and sentenced them to prison terms of 14 to 25 years.

The five judges rejected the prosecution's demand for the death penalty against Capt. Grzegorz Piotrowski, accused of being the ringleader in the kidnap-murder of the Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko. Piotrowski, 33, was sentenced to 25 years in prison, the most severe sentence in Poland next to death.

Piotrowski's superior, Col. Adam Pietruszka, 47, was found guilty of aiding and abetting the killing last October and given a 25-year sentence. Lt. Leszek Pekala, 32, was sentenced to 15 years in prison and Lt. Waldemar Chmielewski, 29, was given 14 years in prison for participation in the murder.

During the trial the two lieutenants had testified that Piotrowski led them in the kidnapping and killing of Popieluszko.

Piotrowski and Pietruszka also will be denied all civil rights 10 years after they get out of prison, meaning they will lose military rank and honors, the right to vote and to hold office.

As the verdicts were announced,

tears rolled down Piotrowski's face and he lowered his head in his arms, drying his eyes with a handkerchief. Pekala sobbed openly and Chmielewski trembled, much of his body hidden from view behind the defendants' dock.

Pietruszka, who had maintained his innocence throughout the trial, was expressionless.

Observers in the 100-seat courtroom stood as the verdicts were announced.

Police vans blocked streets leading to the snow-covered courthouse in the old quarter of this northern Polish city. Security was even tighter than any time during the unprecedented six-week trial.

The chief government prosecutor, Leszek Pietrasinski, had demanded the death penalty for Piotrowski, whom he accused of kidnapping and murdering Popieluszko with "ruthlessness and cruelty." He had asked for 25-year jail terms for the three other officers.

The killing of Popieluszko, which was condemned by dissidents and Communist government leaders alike, led to a shake-up in the Interior Ministry which controls the nation's security apparatus.

Torun residents placed lit candles around a floral cross on the ground outside a church near the

courthouse today. An altar with a portrait of Popieluszko with a sash bearing the words "martyred for faith, truth and love" written on it was set up inside another nearby church.

Possible sentences for the defendants ranged from eight years in prison to death by hanging.

The trial was unprecedented in its prosecution of top officers of the Interior Ministry, which is usually above reproach in the Soviet bloc.

Police authorities issued 10 passes to Western correspondents to attend the trial but barred The Associated Press. Reporters in the courtroom provided the AP with their notes. The AP has protested its exclusion from the trial.

The slaying of Popieluszko shocked the predominantly Roman Catholic population. He had drawn crowds to his Warsaw church with his ringing sermons in defense of the Solidarity trade union, which was suppressed in a martial law crackdown in December 1981.

He was kidnapped on a highway near Torun, in northern Poland, on the night of Oct. 19. Eleven days later, his body, bound and gagged, was pulled out of a reservoir of the Vistula River. Popieluszko was abducted as he was being driven by his chauffeur, who escaped.

Lenders, lawmakers claim farm credit plan inadequate

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Lenders and lawmakers denounced the government's latest farm credit plan as inadequate, but Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad says he's been assured more help is on the way from a "bottomless pit" of federal money.

Agriculture Secretary John Block, announcing the plan Wednesday in Washington, said at least \$650 million would be made available for farm loan guarantees and that the government would ease regulatory pressure on rural banks.

The aid package is in response to pleas from farmers who are squeezed between high interest rates and declining prices for their crops and land, which often is used as collateral for loans.

The plan calls for bankers to "write down" or reduce enough of a farmer's loan principal or interest to bring payments within reach, in return for federal loan guarantees on part of the remaining loan.

As farm foreclosures mount and farmers stage mass protests, pressure has mounted for

legislative relief. Thomas Olson, president of the Lisco State Bank in Nebraska and chairman of the Independent Bankers Association's committee on farm banks, predicts 5 percent to 8 percent of farmers in Nebraska will fail this year, regardless of federal help.

Although farmers were hoping for some \$3 billion in assistance, Block said of the \$650 million, "We think it will satisfy the need." He also said more people would be hired to speed government paperwork in time for planting and loan payment deadlines in the coming months.

"I doubt that's enough to totally do the job," said Don Hopwood of Petersburg, Ill., past president of the Illinois Bankers Association agriculture credit committee. "It's a help, it's a step in the right

direction." Hopwood, senior vice president of the First National Bank of Petersburg, said his bank would be willing to write down some interest costs, but not principal.

"It's totally inadequate," said Democratic Iowa House Speaker Don Avenson. "Basically, they have abandoned 10 percent to 15 percent of the farmers in the Midwest."

"I would have felt much better about it if they had expanded the loan authority," said Leo Wagner of the Iowa Farm Bureau.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, called it "spitting in the ocean" because no more money was made available.

But Branstad was more sanguine about the package's prospects.

Building

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fiscal period, 132 permits were issued for fees of \$6,245.20. Miscellaneous fees and fines last month were \$804.

Thirty-six electrical inspections were made last month, down from the 48 in December but nearly

Democratic leaders claim they're listening to people

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic leaders who heard President Reagan's view of the state of the union say they are now listening to the American people as they work to rebuild their party following its defeat in 1984.

Aiming directly at the millions of voters who are moving toward the GOP, the Democratic Party crafted its nationally televised response to Reagan's speech Wednesday night as an admission of problems and a promise of a

stronger party in the future.

"As a political party which has suffered a serious defeat, we Democrats recognize that we must earn anew the political respect of mainstream Americans," party chairman Paul Kirk said in a statement issued with the broadcast.

In the 30-minute program shown on CBS and NBC right after Reagan's speech, the Democrats promised to change.

"Tonight is the first opportunity

for our Democratic Party to speak to America since the defeat of 1984," said Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, the narrator of the show that cost the party \$100,000 to produce.

"This is a party that knows it has to change, a party that wants to reach out to all Americans, Democrats, Republicans and independents," he said. "Perhaps we have lagged behind in recent years. But we're on the move."

Rep. Tony Coelho, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee that produced the show, outlined the purpose of the program this way:

"We hope it will be clear after seeing tonight's program that Democrats heard what the voters were saying in November and also that we are listening to their concerns today — both about our party's future and our nation's future," he told a news conference.

The show focused on four discussion groups the party held around the country in the past few weeks, moderated by various elected party officials. The conversations ranged from taxes to Social Security and national defense, with the Democratic show highlighting the ideas the party has had in critical areas.

On tax reform, for example, Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri said Democrats "originated the answer over three years ago" with a bill sponsored by him and Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J.

Shortage of blood doesn't materialize

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is no widespread shortage of blood despite the public's fear of contracting AIDS through transfusions, says a new report on the nation's blood supply by the congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

"AIDS has shaken the public's confidence in blood supplies far beyond its actual risk to blood recipients," the report says, "yet no widespread shortages have resulted, and both donors and blood collection organizations have generally responded to the challenge."

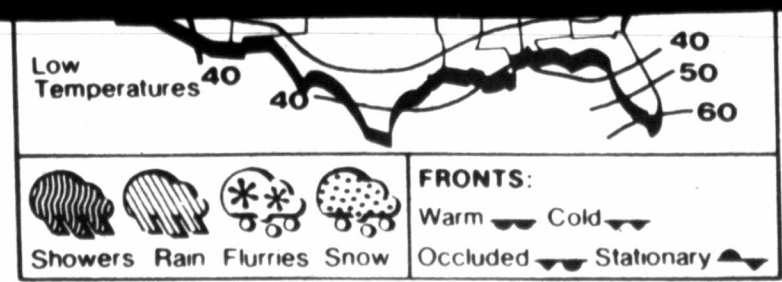
The report was released Wednesday by Rep. John Dingell,

D-Mich., chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which requested it.

The study cautioned, however, that "it remains to be seen if AIDS will have a long-lasting effect on blood resources."

Lawrence Miike of the Office of Technology Assessment told a press briefing on the report that about 1 percent of AIDS cases have been connected to transfusions, or about 100 cases over the last several years. There are between 10 million and 12 million transfusions a year, he said.

AIDS is a deadly, incurable disease that strikes mainly homosexuals.



WEST TEXAS: Clear tonight, sunny and warmer most sections Friday. Lows tonight 22 to 30s Big Bend. Highs Friday 49 to 63 south and low 70s Big Bend valleys. South Texas: Partly cloudy through Friday. Warmer Friday. Lows tonight 30s and 40s. Highs Friday 50 and 60s.

EXTENDED FORECAST Saturday through Monday NORTH TEXAS: No precipitation. Turning colder Monday. Highs mid 50s to low 60s Saturday and Sunday cooling to the low 40s to low 50s Monday. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s Saturday and Sunday cooling to the low 20s to low 30s Monday.

SOUTH TEXAS: A chance of showers Monday east and along the coast. Lows Saturday in the mid 30s north to the low 50s extreme south. Highs Saturday and Sunday the 60s north to the 70s south. Lows Sunday and Monday in the 40s north to the 50s south. Highs Monday in the upper 50s to lower 60s except in the low and mid 70s extreme south.

WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy Saturday through Monday. A chance of rain concho valley Monday. Colder Monday. Lows 20s and 30s, highs 40s and 50s.

BORDER STATES Oklahoma: Clear to partly cloudy through Friday with a slow warming trend. Lows tonight in the mid teens east to lower 20s west. Highs Friday ranging from near 40 east to near 50 in the Panhandle.

New Mexico: Mostly fair skies with a gradual warming trend statewide through Friday. Breezy over most of the state Friday afternoon. Lows tonight 5 below to 15 above zero mountains with teens and 20s elsewhere. Highs Friday mid 30s to near 50 mountains and northwest with upper 40s to near 60 lower elevations east and south.

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Appeals court throws out beer sales law

AUSTIN (AP) — The state law barring the sale of beer to drunken customers is unconstitutional because it could prohibit beer sales to either the "soused or the sober," according to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

In a 6-3 decision, the court on Wednesday struck down the law as vague and ripe for abuse by the police.

The ruling came in an appeal filed by a Houston man fined \$200 for selling beer to a drunken patron. David Leon Cotton's appeal complained that an "overzealous police officer can determine that anyone shows 'evidence of intoxication' and can use the proscription as a subterfuge for the arrest" of Alcoholic Beverage Commission license-holders and their employees.

The appeals court agreed. The law makes it illegal to sell beer to "a person showing evidence of intoxication." That could include almost anyone, according to the appeals court.

"Slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, a staggering gait or simple drowsiness are each individually 'evidence of intoxication,' but common experience teaches us that each may be demonstrated by the intoxicated or the abstemious, the soured or the sober," Judge Chuck Miller said in the majority opinion.

Miller agreed there is doubt in the law as written. "A statute which forbids or requires the doing of an act in terms so vague that men of common intelligence must necessarily guess at its meaning

and differ as to its application violates the first essential of due process of law," said Miller.

An Alcoholic Beverage Commission spokesman said the ruling could force the agency to take another look at its definitions of intoxicated.

"The commission and all law enforcement agencies have for years been following the typical standard (for determining who's drunk) — the slurred speech, the staggering gait..." said Joe Darnall, executive assistant to the ABC administrator.

"We would have to take a look at where we stand on intoxication in light of this ruling," he said.

Miller's opinion said the current law might make it illegal to sell a beer to customers with alcohol on their breath.

"Our inability to answer these questions, except with a guess, demonstrates clearly that the law is unconstitutionally vague," he said. "As currently enacted, a retail dealer licensee must simply guess at the standard of criminal responsibility."

In a concurring opinion, Judge Marvin Teague urged lawmakers to quickly amend the law, which he said "unquestionably is needed to protect some of our citizens."

"Without question, to uphold such a statute as we have here would permit an overzealous member of law enforcement to unlawfully invade the privacy of some of our citizens," said Teague.

Presiding Judge John Onion, in a dissent, said the law is not vague because it can be interpreted through "common usage and understanding."

Mattox 'ready' to stand trial

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General Jim Mattox, having lost a bid to get the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals to review his commercial bribery indictment, is anxious for his trial to proceed, an aide says.

Mattox is accused of threatening to use his public office to stifle the bond business of a Houston law firm.

Mattox spokeswoman Elna Christopher said Wednesday the appeals court ruling would disappoint the attorney general, but that he wants to get on with the trial that is scheduled to begin Monday in state district court.

"The general will be disappointed. But the situation is, he's ready to go to trial. He wants this whole thing to be aired, and he has no doubt that he will be vindicated," Ms. Christopher said. State District Judge Mace

Thurman and the 3rd Court of Appeals earlier denied Mattox's request to throw out the indictment, which the attorney general had contended was inaccurate and unconstitutionally vague.

Without writing a majority opinion, the Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday let the indictment stand. One of the appellate judges said he would have favored a review of the indictment if the law allowed.

Judge Marvin Teague said it is imprudent to allow the trial to proceed before determining if the indictment is proper.

"This is judicial economy at its worst," Teague said in his opinion, the only one written in the case.

Teague noted that voters in 1980 turned down a constitutional amendment that would have allowed pretrial appeals of

challenges to indictments, such as that filed by Mattox.

"But for what the majority of the voters of this state did on Nov. 4, 1980... I would not hesitate for one moment to vote to grant (Mattox's) petition for discretionary review," said Teague.

Mattox was accused in September 1983 of threatening to block state-required approval of public bonds submitted by the Houston law firm of Fulbright & Jaworski.

The indictment alleges that the threat was made by telephone to a member of the law firm in an attempt to keep the firm from trying to question Mattox's sister, Dallas lawyer Janice Mattox, in another case.

Mattox's defense lawyer, Roy Minton, this week said he expects the trial to go on as scheduled.



SHOOTING AFTERMATH—Grayson County officials look over the scene near Sherman Wednesday where Thomas Francis Wood Jr. of Roanoke was shot to death by Grayson County sheriff's deputies. The shootout in a culvert

beside Texas Highway 82 topped a 15-mile chase during which Wood fired at officers with a machine gun and threw at least seven plastic explosive packages out of the van. (AP Laserphoto)

Wicker execution delayed

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — A Texas prison inmate who claims he was convicted and sentenced to death on unreliable testimony from a hypnotized witness has been spared from execution a second time.

U.S. District Judge Hugh Gibson granted a stay of execution Wednesday for Chester Lee Wicker, 36, who was scheduled to

die by a poison injection before dawn Monday.

Gibson also ordered an April 9 hearing to examine arguments on whether Wicker should be given a new trial.

Wicker was convicted of capital murder in the April 4, 1980, slaying of Suzanne Knuth, 23, a student and librarian at Lamar University.

Wicker told police he pulled Mrs.

Knuth into his car at a Beaumont shopping center and took her to Bolivar Peninsula, where he attempted to rape her. He then dug a hole in the beach and buried her.

Autopsy results indicated the woman was alive when she was buried.

Attorney Charlotte Harris of Houston, who is representing Wicker, said her client is challenging the legality and reliability of information from an eyewitness whose recollections changed while hypnotized. The woman had seen Mrs. Knuth abducted.

"Before the hypnosis she gave a description of what she saw, including describing the victim as an overweight woman and a few other inaccuracies," Ms. Harris said.

Ms. Harris said she does not expect to raise any new issues when arguing at the April hearing that her client's life be spared.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals on Monday voted 7-2 against granting a stay.

Suspect blown off the road

SHERMAN, Texas (AP) — An order to "blow him off the road" ended a 100-mph chase in Grayson County as law enforcement officers opened fire on a man racing down Texas Highway 82 tossing out packages of explosives and shooting a submachine gun.

Thomas Francis Wood Jr., 40, was pronounced dead at a site four miles east of here about 45 minutes after officials spotted his van, believed to be stolen, and gave chase about 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Wood reportedly hurled plastic explosives at pursuing officers, but none of them exploded, Grayson County Sheriff Jack Driscoll said the man also was armed with a submachine gun which he fired at pursuing officers.

"We gave him every opportunity to stop, and we didn't even return

fire when he threw those devices. But when he opened on my men, I ordered them to open on him," said Driscoll.

The van was spotted at a Denison residence that was under surveillance by law enforcement officers after an anonymous caller told police the man had a quantity of explosives, narcotics and a machine gun, the Denison Herald reported. When Wood left the house, officers followed. When he realized he was being followed, he hit speeds of 105 mph, the newspaper reported.

About 45 minutes after the chase involving some 12 law enforcement vehicles started, Driscoll gave the order to "blow him off the road," the newspaper said.

Justice of the Peace Tom Richardson pronounced Wood dead

at the scene, but the body was not removed immediately because of the explosives. Officers later removed his clothing and found no explosives on the body.

At one point, officers blocked the exits off Highway 82 and commandeered an 18-wheel truck to pull across the highway as a blockade. The van was stopped before it reached the blockade, however.

A female passenger in the man's van, identified as Theresa Weiler, 25, was also injured and taken to a local hospital, deputies said.

Driscoll said officers recovered about 32 pounds of an explosive identified as Tovex. He said authorities have not been able to find any of the approximately 20 sausage-shaped containers of explosives

Off beat
By
Larry Hollis

Reverse sexism bastions

This coming weekend will see the annual Miss Top o' Texas Beauty Pageant.

Oh, excuse me. I mean, the Miss Top o' Texas Scholarship Pageant.

Such pageants used to stress the "beauty" in their titles. But with the sexist overtones attached to beauty pageants in recent years, the "beauty" has been taken out in favor of the namer "scholarship."

After all, we know that such events were not held just so we men could gaze at the parade of gorgeous women passing by on the stage or on our television screens, with enlarged closeups.

Instead, the pageants now stress the scholarships awarded to the talented young beauties. They've become an adjunct to educational advancement, with the young women having the opportunity to gain tads of scholarship money from the local to state to national levels of the competition.

In the past, press releases on the pageants mentioned the scholarship awards - if they were mentioned at all - in the concluding paragraph. Now the awards are highlighted near the beginning of the releases, with the publicity materials showing how these poor unfortunates now have the opportunity to attend the colleges of their choices with the wads of money awarded the winners.

Now that's all fine and dandy with me, though I would prefer scholarship money be awarded on intelligence and not on good looks and the ability to toss a flaming baton around the stage or to throw one's voice to some wooden dummy.

But I think the pageants have become a bastion of reverse sexism. How come there are no Mr. Top o' Texas pageants?

Not every good looking guy with an athletic build can win a four-year athletic scholarship. Let's face it, some guys just feel they have better things to do than chase some dirty pigskin bag through the air.

Is that any reason why they should be penalized in the scholarship games of chance?

And while some guys may have reasonably high intelligence - certainly at least as much as the young women who enter the pageants - too often they will lose out on merit scholarships to some wimp with a computer strapped to his back.

Shouldn't such young men - those between the computer and the pigskin levels - have the opportunity to prance across the stage and exhibit their talents just like young women?

Surely our society has become too advanced to allow such discrimination to continue unchecked.

I say it's time for the Mr. Top o' Texas Scholarship Pageant to assert its place.

It can all be done with dignity. The men could wear a tuxedo in place of an evening gown, model casual sportswear and even stroll before the judges in their modest one-piece bathing suits. (Of course, requiring them to wear cowboy hats and boots with the swim trunks would be going too far, even though this is the Texas Panhandle.)

And I'm sure the young men have talented skills to show off, though anyone attempting to present a Heavy Metal guitar solo should be disqualified.

Of course, they would have to sign a moral standards clause. We wouldn't want to see anyone having posed for Playgirl facing the shame of Vanessa Williams.

Hollis is a staff writer for The Pampa News.

Man recounts torture with battery acid

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — Testimony is expected to continue today in the trial of a couple charged with attempted murder in the 1983 torture of a Tye, Texas, man.

William Miles Hegwood Jr. told a jury here Wednesday that he was bound crucifixion-style to a crude cross, then tortured with battery acid for more than 10 hours by Bernard Winslow, 33, and his wife Kathleen, 22.

Hegwood said the couple later covered him with a heavy object and left him for dead, but after drifting in and out of consciousness for several hours, he was rescued.

The Winslows, who now live in Abilene, were arrested the same day, May 14, 1983, near Pecos, and later freed on \$25,000 bond each.

Color photographs entered into evidence showed Hegwood had burns over most of his body, including his genitals and face. The pictures showed his eyes were swollen shut, and he was covered with black and blue bruises.

Hegwood, testifying on the opening day of the trial, told the jury he owed Winslow for a pickup truck engine that he had damaged.

He said Winslow warned him he had "better be running" if he didn't pay up, but said he was unsuspecting when a friend invited him to a shed behind a Tye home to look at a motorcycle.

As soon as he entered the shed, Hegwood said, he was hit and knocked to the floor, then was kicked by both of the Winslows until he was nearly unconscious. Hegwood said he didn't know what happened to the friend once the violence started.

Hegwood said Winslow then bound him, using duct tape to secure his arms to a long-handled shovel which was placed horizontally across his back. His ankles were tied and bound to a broom which was placed across his body vertically and secured to the shovel handle to form a crude cross.

Then the battery acid torture

began, he said. "Bernie told Kit to hand him that jug of acid," then it was slowly poured over different parts of his body, he said.

Hegwood said the acid at first felt cool, but later the acid burns turned painful. He told the jury he screamed when the acid got in his eyes.

Hegwood said his shoulder-length hair was cut and his head was shaved with a razor blade before acid was poured on his head.

"When I got to the hospital, I didn't have anything up there but holes," Hegwood said pointing to his head.

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Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

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William Murchison

Kennedy plays politics

Freedom House, in New York, issued the other day its annual report on - what else? - freedom. Of which Freedom House doesn't find that much in the world, albeit things are better than a year ago.

House, "a national organization dedicated to strengthening democratic institutions," is no New Right - Falwellian think tank, it should quickly be pointed out.

Trustees are almost entirely sober-minded, liberty-loving, old-style Democrats, such as Max Kampleman, named last week to be U.S. representative in the "Star Wars" talks; Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D. - N.Y.); the philosopher Sidney Hook; Morton Kondracke of the "New Republic"; social pulse-taker Ben Wattenberg; and black labor leader Bayard Rustin. Eleanor Roosevelt was one honorary "chair."

Freedom House rates the world's nations according to political rights and civil liberties: The United States being at one end of the spectrum, the Soviet Union at the other. No surprises here. Always, in Freedom House reports, what is most interesting comes in between. That is because of sometimes contrary impressions left by news coverage.

A regnant impression right now is of the shame and iniquity of South Africa, as evidenced by the continuing demonstrations at South African consulates and the appeals for U.S. companies to cease doing business with the South Africans. Sen. Ted Kennedy (D. - Mass.) visits the country and professes himself appalled.

Where, in view of this, does South Africa wind up on the scale of freedom? At the bottom? Actually, no. Freedom House rates South Africa as "partly free" - in the same league with countries like Burundi, the Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Iran, and Tanzania, when it comes to civil liberties; on a par, for political rights, with Taiwan, Grenada, Jordan, Nicaragua, and Uruguay.

In one department or the other South Africa outdoes the likes of Angola, Syria, Ethiopia, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Haiti, and Burma, not to mention the U.S.S.R.

Discussing South Africa specifically, Freedom House says: "A new order is beginning to take shape. Apartheid is no longer a viable option for the future. Human rights and democracy as operative values require equitable African participation in politics."

Freedom House cites "the growth of African trade unions that have waged partially successful strikes; the abolition of job reservations (jobs reserved on the basis of color); the reduction in race discrimination; the improvement of living standards of Africans; the development of African township government; and the toleration of African opposition movements, such as the United Democratic Front."

"Most important is the recognition by whites in the Republic that the new constitutional order (which extends rights to Asians and Coloureds) constitutes the beginning of change, not its culmination."

Meanwhile what else is going on in Africa? "The violent repression of a coup attempt in Cameroon was accompanied by the arrest of journalists and the even greater reduction of freedom of expression. Consolidation of power in Kenya had led to expulsions and exulsions from the single party, and a requirement that all civil servants be members of the party. Military rule became more institutionalized in the Central African Republic, and the independence and expression of former political figures were even further curtailed." Let's see; Sen. Kennedy last spoke out about the Central African Republic - when?

Now the point here is not that the curtain should drop upon discussions of South Africa's torment. Apartheid is blasphemous, as charged: not that America's once-segregated glass house affords room for stone-throwers.

The point is, doesn't it make less sense for Ted Kennedy to roam around South Africa, dispensing oburgations and advice, than for him to drop in on Afghanistan, or Angola, or Zaire, or Pakistan, or even the Soviet Union - all countries rated "not free"?

Except that - excuse me - countries like Angola and the Soviet Union don't let U.S. senators roam around demonstrating how unfree they are. And anyway the voters most inclined to bash South Africa don't seem eager to bash the Soviets.

Sen. Kennedy isn't philosophically consistent or anything so basic as that. What he is, is, oh, so very alive to political possibilities.

Opinion

Still another rule that's not needed

The Federal Trade Commission is taking a second look at the value of a regulation requiring supermarkets to have on hand an ample supply of any product the store advertises. The FTC is asking for public reaction to what we'll call its "anti-rain check" rule; we suggest dropping it as soon as possible.

The rule was written to appease a vocal group of consumers who complained that they were inconvenienced because supermarkets occasionally ran out of advertised items. Many stores issue rain checks, allowing the customers to purchase the item at the advertised price when more supplies arrived; some did not.

What has this rule given us since it took effect in 1971. Just what thousands of well-intentioned but misguided bureaucratic rules and regulations have given us—greater costs for, at best, limited benefits.

When the FTC decided it could solve the consumers' problem by writing a rule, it apparently didn't stop to think about the problems the rule would cause in the stores—increased record-keeping, reporting; in short, greater costs.

The grocery stores, like businesses everywhere, weren't about to simply absorb the increased costs—they passed them on in the form of higher food prices.

In fact, the FTC itself estimates the rule causes shoppers to pay an additional \$200 million a year. For this, they get benefits that the FTC estimates at \$125 million, at best.

Spending \$200 million to gain \$125 million is not a very bright proposition in anybody's book except, apparently, the government's.

The FTC can't even point to an abundant supply of violations. Since 1971, the agency has issued only 10 legal complaints, the last in 1978.

Could it be that most grocery stores, operating in their own perceived best interests, do their best to keep adequate supplies on hand but, being human, sometimes miscalculate—and have always done so and are likely to do so, rule or no rule. We think so.

The FTC has provided its own best case for dropping the rule. We'd suggest it do so immediately.

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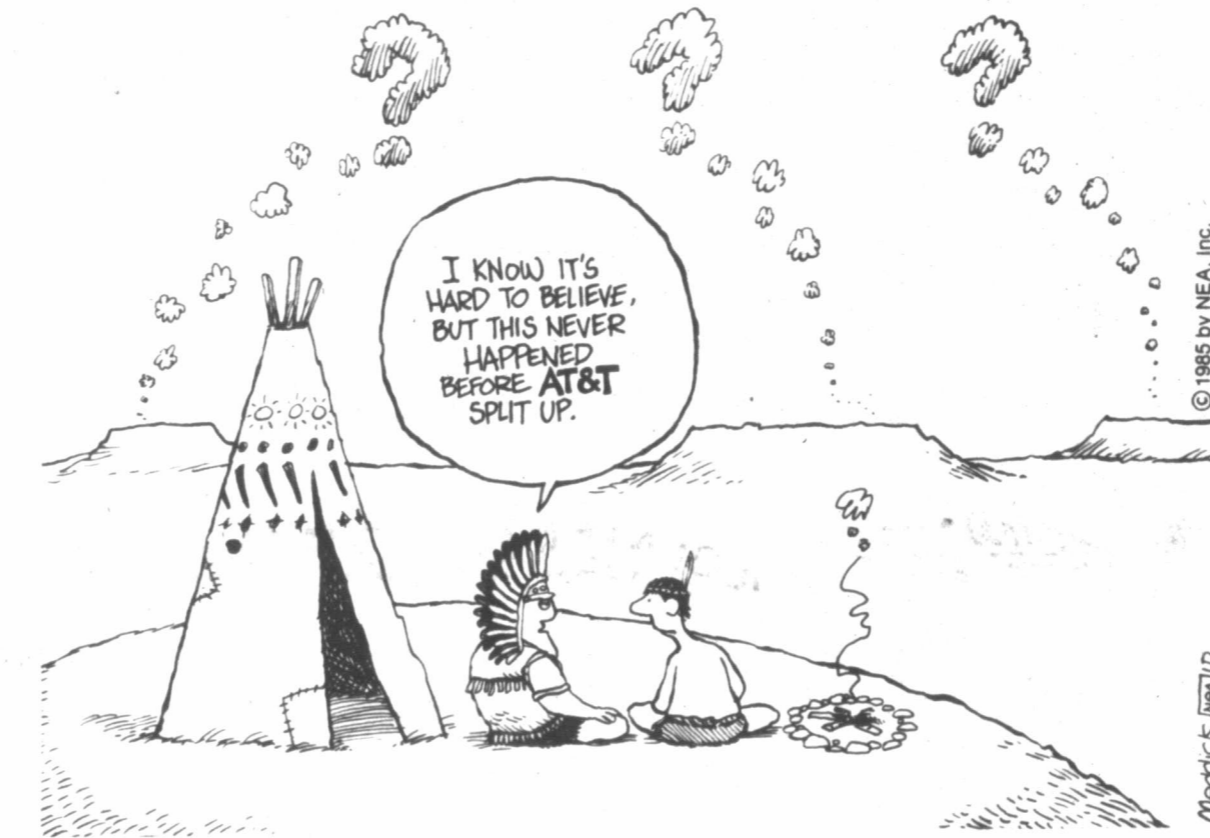
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Berry's World



"Say, aren't you the SKI INSTRUCTOR I met at the lodge last night?"



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Legacy

In this feature we excerpt material that has appeared on Freedom Newspapers editorial pages in previous years, whether from the editorials or the column written for many years by Freedom founder R.C. Holles.

In combination, taxation and inflation boost prices. High prices reduce the number of things we can buy. Our potential standard of living drops to less than it could be. This spells poverty.

And to war against poverty, government increases taxation and increases the number of dollars in circulation, thus adding to the inflationary spiral.

These simple facts are things government men don't believe.

But just as the Russians discovered that a planned economy did not produce prosperity and end poverty, so will our bureaucrats discover that good intentions are not enough to change the results of their meddling.



Lewis Grizzard

Avoid jail and stay dry

A local high school student has honored me by selecting yours truly as the subject for her term paper.

She sent me a nice letter informing me of this and said she just had one question to ask me.

"What," she inquired, "is your philosophy of life?"

Nobody had ever asked me that before. People have inquired about my life, of course, but usually they wanted to know such things as "How did you make such a mess of it?" or "Have you been a jerk all your life, or is this something that came on you just recently?"

The answer to the first question is, "I worked hard at it," and the answer to the second question is, "As far as I know, I've had this condition since birth."

But back to the high school student and her term paper.

I frankly don't have any neat little package with my philosophy of life wrapped up inside it. All I've really tried to do these first 38 years is stay out of jail and keep dry.

I suppose I have learned a thing or two here and

there, however, and rather than attempt to offer any sort of learned, inspiring personal philosophy, I thought it might be more helpful to the student simply to pass along a few observations I have come to view as truth during my stay here on the planet.

For what they are worth:

Most of the things your mother tells you, you can take to the bank. Disregard the part about eating liver to live longer, however. It's not worth it.

Many of the people who will tell you they love you won't really mean it. Especially if you just met them three hours earlier in a bar.

Life isn't fair. That's what makes it so interesting.

Money doesn't grow on trees, and if it did, somebody else probably would own the trees.

The greatest benefit to be gained from going to college is you learn to get up in the morning without somebody making you.

Dogs love unconditionally, and that is rare.

If you miss a party here or there, it's no big deal. If you try to make them all, you will develop an extreme dislike for mornings.

Never order anything in a restaurant that you can't pronounce.

Smoking is a curse.

Going to church on Sunday morning, even if you don't have the foggiest notion of what the preacher is talking about, will make you feel better no matter what you did on Saturday night.

The best things in life really aren't free. Ask any poor person.

Traveling loses a great deal of its glamour the first time you are stuck in an airport overnight or room service forgets your breakfast order and - or your wake-up call.

Never buy anything from a man who jingles his change.

Sleep is precious.

Your very best friend is the person who will ask no questions and send the money if you call him or her and say you are in jail in Billings, Mont., and you must have a hundred bucks by morning.

Don't sweat the small stuff.

It's all small stuff.

If you can't flow, flee.

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The California style of 'Bird-watching'

By Robert Walters

LOS ANGELES (NEA) — A group of conservative politicians in suburban Orange County recently formed the California Bird Watchers Society — but they have no interest whatever in searching for white-winged cross-bills or yellow-throated warblers.

The only ornithological species in their aviary is Chief Justice Rose Elizabeth Bird of the California Supreme Court, whose continued tenure on the state's highest tribunal rapidly is emerging as an emotional political issue here.

Indeed, she is well on her way to replacing State Rep. Tom Hayden, a radical political organizer in earlier years, as the public figure arch-conservatives love to hate.

Although California, like a number of other states, has a provision in its constitution requiring that judges secure the electorate's approval, no

justice of the Supreme Court here has ever been voted out of office.

If Chief Justice Bird is removed from her judicial post by popular vote next year, that action could have the same impact throughout the nation as have California's precedent-setting plebiscites in earlier years.

After being appointed to fill a vacancy in 1977, Chief Justice Bird first faced the state's voters in 1978. At that time, she was confirmed by the smallest majority in the state's history — 51.7 percent.

In the ensuing years, she has been the target of no fewer than five separate recall campaigns, although none succeeded in obtaining the minimum number of petition signatures required to gain a place on the statewide ballot.

Next year, however, her name will automatically be on that ballot to give voters an opportunity to decide whether to retain her for a new 12-

year term. Almost two years before that November 1986 election, the bitter political struggle over her tenure is well underway.

Bill Roberts, a veteran California campaign strategist who has served as a senior political adviser to both Gov. George Deukmejian and President Reagan, is director of a dump-Bird organization which has launched its campaign with a statewide mailing of "Bye, Bye Birdie" postcards.

The Orange County Bird Watchers are led by Rep. William E. Dannemeyer, R-Calif., who is seeking visibility for his nascent Senate campaign. Howard Jarvis and Paul Gann, authors of the 1979 tax-cutting Proposition 13, have dispatched their own anti-Bird fund-raising letter.

On three separate occasions during the past year, the Supreme Court in general and its chief justice in particular angered conservatives by declaring that ballot propositions they sup-

ported were unconstitutional.

By far the most important issue for Chief Justice Bird's opponents, however, is her leadership of the Supreme Court in "repeatedly overturning criminal convictions in cases where defendants claim they have been denied their constitutional rights.

In addition, the court's critics note that California now has more than 140 convicted criminals awaiting execution, but none has been sent to the gas chamber during Chief Justice Bird's tenure because of her opposition to death sentences.

Some politicians in both parties (reportedly including Republican Deukmejian) believe the campaign against Chief Justice Bird and her colleagues will be so strident and vituperative that it could backfire and produce a sympathy vote for the jurists.

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Dear Abby

Youth can't hide from
Maine's concealment law

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I'm a 17-year-old senior in a Christian high school and my problem is this: Recently I was stopped in a department store for shoplifting, but I didn't steal anything. Here's the whole story, OK?

I went into that store to buy some cassette tapes when I saw a rack of sunglasses. I tried some on, found a pair I liked, and for some stupid reason I stuck it in my pocket. (Oh, maybe I should mention that I had been caught stealing in that store before, but was let off.)

Well, I found the tapes I wanted, and while paying for them, I kept thinking about all the trouble I got into with my family when I was caught shoplifting, and I thought to myself, "I don't want to go through that again," so I headed for the sunglasses rack to put the sunglasses back when I was stopped by a security guard. He asked if I was going to pay for the sunglasses I had in my pocket. I told him no, I was putting them back.

Well, he took me into his office and asked me a lot of questions, then he told me they had me on "concealment." I asked why I was in trouble when I hadn't left the store with anything I didn't pay for, and he said that under Maine law, concealment was the same as stealing.

Now I'm in big trouble with my family and my school administrator, too. I don't think this is fair. I didn't steal anything.

How do you feel about this law, Abby? I think a person should have to leave the store in order to be caught for stealing.

INNOCENT IN MAINE

DEAR INNOCENT: How I "feel" about a law makes no difference. And regardless of whether or not the law is "fair," you broke it. And maybe I should mention that because you had been caught stealing in that store before but were let off, you may have a tough time trying to prove that you had no intentions of stealing the sunglasses. However, if "concealment" is

the same as stealing in Maine, you are in a lot of trouble, my friend.

DEAR ABBY: You said, "Sex therapy is in—faking it is out." I wholeheartedly agree; that's why I'm writing. I faked satisfaction for 25 years, then I went to a counselor who said, "Most women are happy just satisfying their husbands."

Now what?

NOT HAPPY ENOUGH

DEAR NOT HAPPY: Tell your "counselor" that you differ from "most women"—and you will not be happy until you get the same kind of satisfaction a sexually satisfied man enjoys.

DEAR ABBY: The born-again Moravian Baptist lady (signed "Curious in Dayton") asks what "low church" means to an Episcopalian. Let me assure her that it has nothing to do with how tall the building is.

Actually the difference between high church and low church is the degree of pomp and ceremony in the ritual. The more formal the service, the "higher" the church. High churches use holy water, prayer bells and a lot of fancy trappings. Low churches are more laid back, and their rituals are as plain and unpretentious as any Baptist service.

However, please tell the Baptist lady that if her country club friends regard "low church" as inferior to high church, and Baptists as "worse," she should look elsewhere for lunch, and friends.

NOT AFFILIATED IN DAYTON

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PMS student body elects class leaders

Students at Pampa Middle School recently elected student leaders for the second semester.

Jason Garren was elected mayor, with his running mate Jimmy Massick selected as vice mayor in a close election.

Other teams running for the positions were Dax Hudson - William Simpson and Suzette Snider - Wendy Wilson.

Garren and Massick will preside over the Student Council, made up of homeroom presidents from each room in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

All students who run for office must meet qualifications for leadership contained in the school's constitution. All officers serve only one semester.

Eighth grade homeroom presidents for the second semester include Dustin Miller, Brandon

McDonald, Ricky Sewell, Tammy Kelley, Alana Snapp, Michelle Hess, Suzette Snider, Brad Hinkle, Robert Perez, Wendy Fritz, Shale McCawley, Cam Moore, Michael Bradshaw and Crystal Pollis.

Elected as seventh grade homeroom presidents were Tommy Winkleblack, Laura Gilbert, Andi Duncan, Jason Becker, Kelley Harris, Kelly Whitson, Daphne Cates, Mark Wood, Dori Kidwell, Paul Brown, Mike Cagle, Belinda Valenzuela, Tyson Paronto and Sean Watson.

Sixth grade homeroom presidents are Jesse Pyle, Matt Hawkins, Guy Savage, Alicia Parrish, Steve Sanders, Shannon Simmons, Anthony Gilreath, Matt Elliff, Bryan Fisher, Redonn Elkins, Jeremy Farmer, Charlynn Noble, Tyson Beck and Heather Voyles.



AT THE REINS - Presiding over the Pampa Middle School Student Council for the second semester are Jimmy Massick, standing, vice mayor, and Jason Garren, mayor. The two young men will conduct Student Council business with homeroom presidents from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. (Staff photo by Cathy Spaulding)

Joygerms are catching

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — One kind of virus — the "Joygerm" — is welcome during the grim winters of upstate New York. Now its creator wants to spread joygerm fever around the world.

Syracuse native Joan White, organizer of Joygerms Unlimited, recently sponsored a "National Joygerm Day" — "a day when our goal is to smile, hug, grin and win over at least one gruff and grumpy grouch."

Her aim, she says, is simple: to make people realize that a change of attitude is tonic for the spirits. Joygerm members do not ignore the ills and problems of life; they rise above them.

"This not just for children, it's not some kind of Pollyanna trip through the tulips," she said. "Our concept is to face life despite all its problems. We have to accept and assume responsibility for the way we feel."

The ideas may come off as ephemeral and the results immaterial, but hundreds have found a source of strength in "Joygerm Joan's" communicable spirit of optimism.

The organization stages visits to invalid wards, nursing homes and children's hospitals, distributing smiles, words of encouragement and homemade cookies from the "Joygerm Junkies" of Henninger High School.

"These kids get high on happiness," Miss White said. In turn, she draws inspiration from the courage of those who triumph over handicaps.

She hopes to establish a citadel of good will in this businesslike metropolis, which some wags have labeled "The City That Never Smiles" and where her first Joygerm Jubilee parade in July 1982 drew a small contingent of self-proclaimed "Killjoys" carrying signs expressing sentiments such as "Go Home — You're Fat" and "I Hate You."

Miss White, a native Syracusan, dealt with the protesters by inviting them to join in if they

needed self-expression. The group finally disbanded.

Dr. Bruce D. Carter, a psychology professor at Syracuse University, said he wasn't sure Miss White and her ideas would do any good but added, "It certainly can't hurt."

Miss White's concept of spreading joy by example has its merits, he said.

"I think what she's doing is something that lots of people should do. Any time you give somebody a smile or a kind word, you may help them out a bit. Anything to promote good feeling is wonderful; there are enough bad feelings in the world today," Carter added.

Miss White claims 7,800 members for her "No dues, just do" organization, which began on Jan. 8, 1981, with an enrollment of one.

On that day, Miss White, 50, who runs a public relations firm from her home here, noticed a newspaper article about a West Coast company which offered to "worry" for others in exchange for a \$10 fee.

Jan. 8 also happened to be her late mother's birthday, and Miss White said she felt drawn to the article again and again.

"I really feel she was up there jumping on the clouds, sliding down a rainbow, and saying, 'Come on, kid. Do it.' Finally I sat down and dashed off a letter to the Post-Standard (newspaper) about the organization I thought was needed to counter their (the worriers') kind of thinking," she said.

In the next few months, Joygerm Joan picked up a logo — a rotund head with a cowl and an aspirin-shaped nose — a mascot, new friends and a head of steam. She began responding to requests for membership in the club, which offered its fellowship without charge in exchange for a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Artists advised to learn how to use their material safely

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Artists are in daily contact with chemicals but they are among the least informed as to their proper use, according to chemist Allen Denio of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

"Artists often studiously avoid any knowledge of chemistry," he told a meeting of the American Chemical Society here recently. "Yet painters work with organic solvents. Fiber workers use dyes and acids, and potters may be exposed to glazes that contain the metals lead, cadmium, and nickel."

For the sake of their own health, artists need to become more aware that many materials they use can have harmful effects, if used

improperly, Denio says. He adds that though this is especially important for professional artists, who tend to experiment with chemicals to achieve unusual effects, it is also important for amateurs.

"A good example of amateurs being at higher risk is in the area of pottery," he explains. "Most home potters use lead glazes because safer glazes require higher temperatures not easily achieved with home kilns."

"This can not only put them in danger," he adds. "It can also be a danger to the community if they sell items like lead-glazed coffee cups. Coffee can pull the lead out of the glaze and poison the person who's drinking it."

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Beauty Briefs

By Florence De Santis

New fashion wigs

Wigs are back in fashion, notes the Wig Information Service. These creations often are designed not to be like real hair.

Avant-garde designers such as Stephen Sprouse, Michael Vollbracht and Wayne Clark dress their fans in bold color from head to toe, including wigs dyed to match the neon red, orange, yellow and purple colors of their clothes.

Most women, says the WIS, are fol-

lowing the new wig fashion by using them to change hair styles or their natural color to another.

Short Hair

Short hair is in — fluffy on top, swept back on the sides to blend in with the boy-cropped back hair.

To style the new look, Clairol is introducing a Kindness Hairsetter for Shorter Hair, with 19 small and medium rollers, heated inside, to get the bouncy crown curls required.

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Hair Styling Brush. Both aids also will keep your short hair style perky between shampoo-and-set sessions.

Balance lip shape

When the lower lip is naturally much fuller than the upper, balance them by with deft touches using a lip pencil and soft tones of lipstick.

Use pencil to outline lower lip just inside the natural edge, then fill in with rose or coral lipstick. Use no pencil on upper lip, but shape with the lipstick, going a trifle outside the natural edge.



CHRISTY ROCHELLE LANCASTER of Stratford is one of 10 contestants in the 1985 Miss Top O' Texas Pageant set for Feb. 9. The 18 year old daughter of Roger Lancaster and Mr. and Mrs. Max Keenan is a high school senior who plans to graduate in the upper 10 percent of her high school class, attend college, play college basketball, study psychology and later become a therapist. She also wants to do some modeling. She is to perform a melody of blues on a clarinet.



MISTY NEEF of Pampa is to compete for the title of Miss Top O' Texas in the scholarship pageant at M.K. Brown Auditorium on Feb. 9. A senior at West Texas State University, Canyon, she plans to earn a masters degree in home economics and to pursue a career in a home economics-related field. She is the 22 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Neef. She is to perform a vocal talent.

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THE CHIEF'S CARD—President Reagan admires a birthday card presented by members of Congress at the conclusion of his State of the Union speech Wednesday night on Capitol Hill. Wednesday was Reagan's 74th birthday. (AP Laserphoto)

Riding the Goetz wave

NEW YORK (AP) — There is no Goetzland, where passengers in subway bumper cars take potshots at each other. There are no Goetz fanzines, reporting Bernhard Goetz's favorite foods or television shows.

But the tale of the man who has admitted shooting four youths in a subway car is being exploited. Goetz T-shirts sport comic slogans; a rock video uses the Goetz case as a storyline; nearly a million copies of an instant book tell Goetz's story, days after his indictment on weapons possession charges.

On Wednesday, Goetz, 37, pleaded innocent to illegal weapons charges and had his bail reduced from \$50,000 to \$5,000. A grand jury had refused to return an indictment on charges of attempted murder.

Goetz is not reaping any profits from this activity. "There have been proposals for movies, magazine articles, books. But there have been no negotiations; Mr. Goetz wants no part of it," said his lawyer, Joseph Kerner.

But everybody, it seems, wants a piece of Goetz. Little One Books of Toronto got the jump with a 128-page book, "Bernhard Goetz: Vigilante or Victim?" The book, which reached the stands this week, goes for \$3.95.

Alvin Frost, a 38-year-old advertising copywriter, took a pile of synopses of news reports into a hotel room and emerged with a finished book 10 days later and six hours after Goetz's indictment on Jan. 25.

Frost said the book hasn't sensationalized the case. "We

didn't have Goetz eating a baby while holding onto the American flag while riding the subway, if you know what I mean," he said.

However, publisher Bill Katz said, "This is not 'War and Peace.' It's a nice, easy, readable thing for people to read on the subways."

Little One Books is an improbable publisher for such a volume, said Frost. It normally publishes books for children, most of them of a religious nature, but, "Everyone surrenders now and then to the desire to make a little money."

The subject lends itself to other media. An independent group associated with Manhattan's Center for the Media Arts has produced a video entitled "The Subway Vigilante," depicting an encounter between a gunman and four punks.

"He's the subway vigilante, he's tired of being had. Don't bother with him brother, he'll get you if you're bad. Don't come across like a tough guy, though he looks so calm and quiet. He'll pull his .38 out and serve you bullets if you try it," goes the song.

"It's your basic hit-it-while-it's-a-hot-topic song," said center spokesman Jeff Abraham. "It will probably fizzle out in a month."

T-shirts based on the Goetz case continue to appear.

Conscious Decision, a Greenwich Village T-shirt store, does not stock Goetz T-shirts. A store employee who would not give his name explained why.

"We're not that sick," he said. "We're very healthy and concerned."

Inmate is fatally stabbed

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — An inmate stabbed more than 30 times has become the fourth prisoner killed this year in violence within the Texas prison system, the nation's second largest, officials say.

Eulogio Garcia, serving 27 years for a Harris County conviction of burglary of a habitation with intent to commit theft, was stabbed Wednesday morning at the Darrington Unit in Brazoria County, Texas Department of

Corrections spokesman Phil Guthrie said.

Garcia, 24, was stabbed during a recreation period in the unit's administrative segregation yard, Guthrie said.

About eight other inmates and a guard were in the yard when the stabbing occurred, the spokesman said.

"We believe an officer may have been in a position to see who did it," Guthrie said. "He may have seen the whole thing."

Legislators tackle state's water crisis

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas legislators tackled the state's water crisis as a House committee unanimously endorsed an \$800 million statewide water program scheduled for debate on the House floor.

Shortly after Wednesday's endorsement, a Senate committee heard about 20 witnesses on a \$1 billion water package but put off a decision until next Wednesday, the day after the House debate.

"Maybe we will have the House bill over here next Wednesday," said Sen. Tati Santiesteban, D-El Paso, chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee. The committee still has to contend with 32 proposed amendments before sending it for a Senate debate.

"It's a comprehensive plan that has a little bit in it for every area of the state," said Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland, chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee. "We haven't heard of any substantial opposition ... I think that most people realize there needs to be a water plan, and I think we'll see a plan passed this session of the Legislature."

"There is no more vitally important issues before this Legislature," said Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, co-sponsor of the Senate water package with Santiesteban.

The two water programs are the outgrowth of coordinated efforts by

Gov. Mark White, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and Speaker Gib Lewis, plus extensive work by the House and Senate committees.

Not everyone is happy over the legislators' efforts.

"This insane bill would create a super hierarchy of bureaucrats," said Paul Peters, a Gonzales County farmer before the Senate committee.

Rodney Reagan of Uvalde suggested to senators the state's money would be better spent by increasing rainfall through

weather modification.

The House Natural Resources Committee voted 9-0 to send a water bill and companion constitutional amendment to the House floor. The plan would establish a bond program to raise funds for a variety of water development and conservation projects. The constitutional amendment portion of the package would be placed before voters in November.

The House plan calls for \$200 million in water supply projects,

\$200 million for sewage treatment projects, \$200 million for buying and developing sites for reservoir projects and \$200 million for flood control projects.

The measure also includes a \$250 million bond insurance program to help cities or agencies that want to get better credit ratings for their water projects.

The Senate package, which also entails a water bill and companion constitutional amendment, calls for \$200 million in bonds for hardship water supply loans, \$200 million for hardship water quality loans, and \$400 million for state participation in water and waste water projects. A pending amendment calls for \$200 million in bonds for flood control, which is not in the House bill.

"I feel strongly the Senate must consider the flood control amendment in order to have a viable vote statewide on the constitution change," Montford said.

The Senate constitutional amendment would allocate \$5 million for a pilot program which, if successful, could lead to \$200 million in water conservation bonds for agriculture two years from now.

Craddick said the House package, was put together not just by this committee but over a two-year period. Probably every group could think of some way they'd like to change it.

Compromise is offered in the second mortgage battle

AUSTIN (AP) — A state lawmaker says a bill he has introduced in the Legislature would be a compromise for forces fighting over whether to repeal the state law that prohibits second mortgages on homes.

"My bill is not a repeal of the Homestead Law; nor is it a second mortgage bill," Rep. Bill Hammond, R-Dallas, said Wednesday.

Hammond's bill, which he calls the "real value access mortgage plan," would allow a homeowner to obtain a new first mortgage in excess of existing debt, provided the owner used part of the loan to

pay off what is owed on the house.

Texas is the only state which prohibits homeowners from borrowing money against the paid equity in a home for purposes other than home improvements or taxes on the house.

"With this new first mortgage on the home, the owner could pay it out and have money left for sending his children to college or to invest in a small business," Hammond said.

Hammond said those seeking REVAMP loan would have to meet the same qualifications as those applying for a first mortgage to purchase a home.

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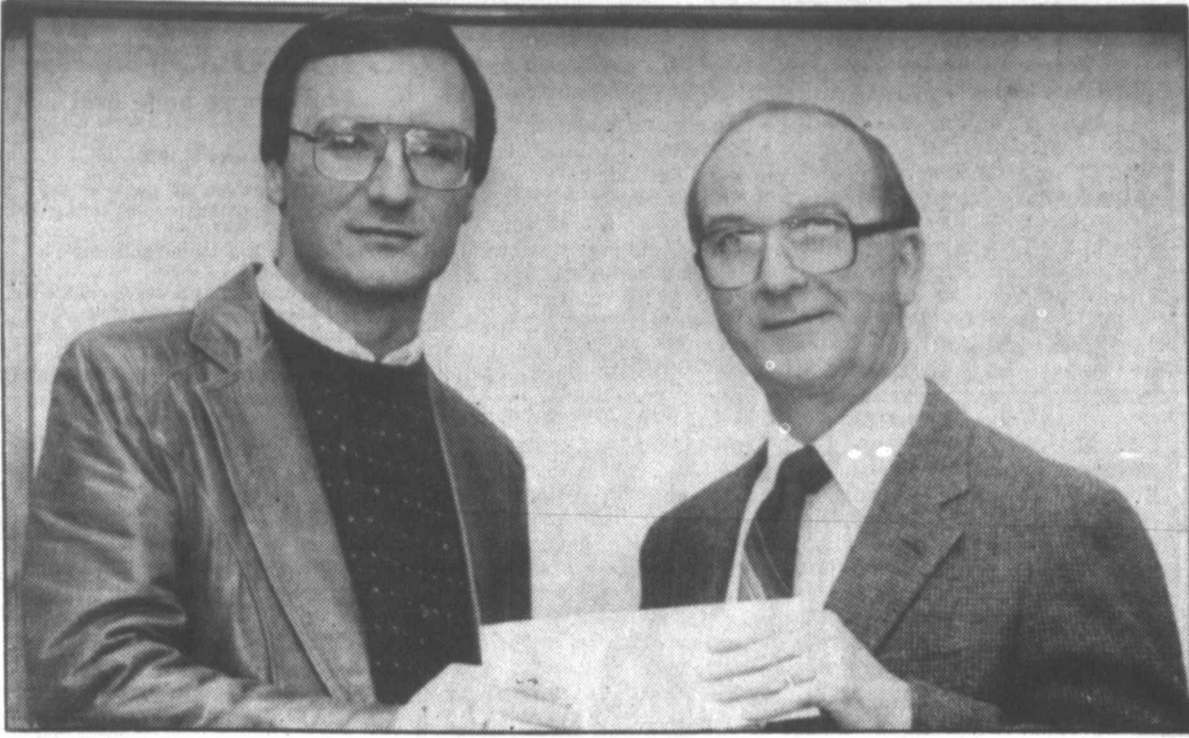
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CIVIC DONATION - Lee Waters, left, president-elect of the Pampa Rotary Club, presents a check to Jim Ward, a director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., as a donation to the community building fund drive. The Foundation is seeking to raise \$350,000 for the construction and maintenance of

a community building which would offer meeting places for clubs and organizations, wedding and anniversary receptions, seminars and other similar events. The building also would house the Chamber of Commerce offices and provide office space for various non-profit organizations. (Staff photo)

Dairy farmers pocket \$537 million to cut milk output

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — Dairy farmers who signed up in the government's "diversion" program to reduce milk production have collected about \$537 million so far, according to a new tabulation by the Agriculture Department.

The payments are for cutting back on milk production during the first nine months of the 15-month program, which began on Jan. 1, 1984 and will continue through March.

A number of farm groups have urged the program be continued, and legislation has been introduced in Congress to extend it. The administration, however, has been cool to the idea and wants the entire federal dairy program overhauled and scaled back.

Officials said Wednesday the payments so far include \$140.5 million paid to 27,891 dairy farmers for the first quarter of 1984, \$194.5 million to 29,974 in the second, and \$201.7 million to 31,277 in the third.

In all, the payments — measured by government checks actually paid, cashed and processed through December — represent about 90 percent of the total payments USDA expects to make for milk reductions in the first nine months of the program.

Wisconsin, the largest dairy state, led the payment list in the first nine months with \$64.4 million paid to 6,161 producers. California got \$52 million paid to 625 producers, while Minnesota collected \$43.9 million paid to 4,839.

The program was authorized by Congress in 1983 to help reduce the U.S. dairy surplus. Farmers who signed contracts get payments for cutting back milk production 5 percent to 30 percent. The payments are at the rate of \$10 for every 100 pounds of milk they keep off the market.

As part of the congressional action, federal milk price supports were reduced, with further cuts authorized this year if production is not brought into line.

The department's Commodity Credit Corp. supports the farm price of milk by buying and storing surplus butter, cheese and non-fat dry milk.

Purchases by CCC dropped are expected to drop sharply to about 7.3 billion pounds of milk equivalent in the fiscal year that began last Oct. 1 from 10.4 billion pounds in 1983-84 and 16.6 billion pounds in 1982-83. But the report said the decline "has resulted more from increased commercial use (of milk) and increased farm use than from a drop in production."

The preliminary list of payments by state for the first nine months of the program, cumulatively, and their number of recipients, included:

Alabama, 161 payments and a total of \$4,559,000; Arizona, 38 and \$5,630,000; Arkansas, 430 and \$6,833,000; California, 625 and \$51,970,000; Colorado, 196 and \$6,175,000; Connecticut, 107 and \$2,189,000; Delaware, 19 and \$321,000; Florida, 166 and

\$19,754,000; Georgia, 341 and \$10,577,000.

Idaho, 549 and \$12,166,000; Illinois, 1,064 and \$12,558,000; Indiana, 768 and \$9,166,000; Iowa, 2,352 and \$22,022,000; Kansas, 870 and \$10,983,000; Kentucky, 1,568 and \$17,476,000; Louisiana, 296 and \$6,053,000; Maine, 102 and \$1,701,000; Maryland, 195 and \$3,455,000; Massachusetts, 132 and \$2,150,000.

Michigan, 1,179 and \$16,280,000; Minnesota, 4,839 and \$43,909,000; Mississippi, 334 and \$6,230,000; Missouri, 1,674 and \$22,388,000; Montana, 44 and \$930,000; Nebraska, 944 and \$9,985,000; Nevada, 7 and \$1,042,000; New Hampshire, 56 and \$1,039,000; New Jersey, 60 and \$1,316,000.

New Mexico, 33 and \$2,475,000; New York, 1,402 and \$22,201,000; North Carolina, 211 and \$5,060,000; North Dakota, 467 and \$4,398,000; Ohio, 1,202 and \$14,834,000; Oklahoma, 480 and \$8,286,000; Oregon, 168 and \$4,822,000; Pennsylvania, 1,157 and \$15,274,000; Rhode Island, 5 and \$84,000.

South Carolina, 77 and \$2,250,000; South Dakota, 1,086 and \$10,617,000; Tennessee, 834 and \$14,097,000; Texas, 795 and \$26,125,000; Utah, 281 and \$6,692,000; Vermont, 426 and \$6,793,000; Virginia, 406 and \$7,456,000; Washington, 224 and \$9,735,000; West Virginia, 104 and \$1,415,000; Wisconsin, 6,161 and \$64,442,000; and Wyoming, 51 and \$862,000.

The state of the economy

By JOHN CUNIFF
AP Business Analyst
NEW YORK (AP) — The federal government, said President Reagan in his annual economic report to Congress, "has only a few important economic responsibilities."

It was hardly the type of statement that would have been made by Presidents Carter, Ford, Nixon, Johnson, Kennedy, Eisenhower, Truman or Roosevelt, but coming from Reagan it seemed to have a triumphant pitch.

The reason, perhaps, is that Reagan's hands-off economic policies have coincided with a track record that includes, among other things, a return to productivity, the suppression of inflation and the creation of millions of new jobs.

Reagan's philosophy is precisely opposite to the ideology of involvement, which in one form or another has been advocated to some degree by almost all presidents and presidential candidates for more than half a century.

While the few roles that government does play in the economy should not be treated lightly, the president suggests, "additional federal intervention is

more often a part of the problem than a part of the solution."

And yet, in one of the most profound ironies of any administration, the potential exists for the federal government to intrude mightily into the private sector and trample on the creative energies the president admires.

The plot involves the huge federal budget deficits, which seem to defy the surgical skills of the White House, Congress, department heads, academics and, of course, recipients of federal aid in its various forms.

So far, according to the economic consensus, the deficits haven't hurt as much as they can. But the consensus also states that the day of reckoning is approaching, and that it might even occur this year.

The problem is that budget deficits must be financed out of the same capital pool that supports consumer spending, business expansion, and other enterprises of the private sector on which Reagan depends so much.

And if the past is a criteria, the federal government can be like an elephant in the watering hole during the dry season. The elephant gets served first; all other borrowers left waiting in line.

With the pool inadequate to

service all callers, interest rates could shoot higher, as they have done in the past. There is no limit on what Uncle Sam will pay to finance his debt, a freedom denied to households and businesses.

The plot, if played out, would leave the private sector parched for funds and with no other course but postponement or abandonment of plans, with a resultant shrinkage of its share of the total economy.

So far, the direct conflict has been avoided, in part because corporations have been able to generate funds from profits, thereby escaping the need to dip into the credit pool. As a result, interest rates have dropped.

Everyone knows, however, that rates could rise just as easily, a lesson that was demonstrated as recently as three years ago.

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- 5 Electromotive unit
- 9 Breed of dog
- 12 Wild goat
- 13 Freshwater porpoise
- 14 Royal Scottish Academy (abbr.)
- 15 Distributing apparatus
- 17 Noun suffix
- 18 Compound
- 19 Vivid
- 21 Cargo
- 23 Drunkard
- 24 Place
- 27 Reducing program
- 29 River in Europe
- 32 — Twist
- 34 Fit for food
- 36 Simple sugar
- 37 Streamlet
- 38 Way out
- 39 Small amount
- 41 Noun suffix
- 42 Coin of Bulgaria
- 44 Biblical king
- 46 Heat scale
- 49 Shoe parts
- 53 Actress Lupino
- 54 Religious denomination
- 56 — bene
- 57 Soak fiax
- 58 Biblical king
- 59 Long times
- 60 Chemical suffix
- 61 Strike out
- 62 Springs

DOWN

- 2 Japanese sashes
- 3 In case
- 4 Drive out
- 5 Wine (Fr.)
- 6 Kick type
- 7 Legal claim
- 8 Small pastries
- 9 Publishable
- 10 Puts to work
- 11 Railroad station (Fr.)
- 16 Wears away
- 20 Dye compound
- 22 Ventilated
- 24 Prod sharply
- 25 Furze genus
- 26 Tickle
- 28 Abraham's father
- 30 Beverages
- 31 Network
- 33 Casts ballot
- 35 French author
- 40 Scalawag
- 43 Clamped
- 45 Territories
- 46 Glossy fabric
- 47 Biblical garden
- 48 River in the Congo
- 50 Knitting stitch
- 51 Volcano in Italy
- 52 Talk back (sl.)
- 55 Article

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This coming year you will put a lot more energy and imagination into satisfying your personal ambition. These extra efforts will be the ingredients that will bring you success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Everyone is entitled to his opinion. Keep this in mind today and don't overreact when friends express viewpoints contrary to yours. Major changes are in store for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Move cautiously today in your business dealings. Mistakes made at this time could have lingering negative effects.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Make it a point today not to associate with anyone who doesn't understand the values of teamwork. The wrong allies could cause complications.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Neglected, distasteful chores that you've shoved aside are about to catch up with you. Begin today to rid yourself of these tasks or they may overwhelm you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not let yourself get involved today with groups or cliques including individuals with whom you feel uncomfortable. Stick close to true pals.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It will prove wise today not to let outsiders become too involved in your family's personal affairs. Confine your discussions to members of your household.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you may feel tempted to level a few choice unkind comments at a certain individual who bugs you. However, it's best to leave them unspoken.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be extremely cautious and prudent today in your financial affairs. Don't let anyone talk you into buying something you can't afford at this time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Someone you are closely associated with is not satisfied with the way the relationship is going. Do all that you can today to establish harmony.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Others may make your day more difficult for you than necessary. You might have to take steps to cover up their ineptness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be extremely tactful and tender today when dealing with a touchy friend. Think before speaking so you do not wound his sensitivities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your peers will have unfavorable things to say about you today if you try to take too much credit for something others played a big role in accomplishing.

MARVIN

I DON'T CARE WHAT ANYBODY SAYS...

MILK JUST TASTES BETTER FROM A BOTTLE...

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HATS ARE VERY IN THESE DAYS.

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ALLEY OOP

IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS THOSE ROUND THINGS WERE GUARDING WHATEVER'S IN THE CAVE!

THEN THE STONE WALL BEING BUILT AROUND THE ENTRANCE MUST BE FOR PROTECTION!

THAT'S MY GUESS! AN' THAT'S WHY I FIGURE IF A COUPLE OF US MADE A BEELINE FOR THE MOUTH OF THE CAVE...

...THAT SPHERE MIGHT DROP DOWN AN' COME AFTER US! AN' WHEN IT DOES, I'M GONNA SCOOP IT RIGHT OUTTA THE AIR WITH THIS! I...

HOLY MACKEREL! THE GROUND'S SHAKING!!

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"Could I just wait in the car?"

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WHAT WENT THROUGH YOUR MIND WHEN YOU SAW IT FOR THE FIRST TIME?

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MY NEXT WEEK'S DENTAL APPOINTMENT.

By Bob Thaves

THE BORN LOSER

...AND WHEN IS YOUR BIRTHDAY?

SEPTEMBER 24. OF WHICH YEAR?

EVERY YEAR!

By Art Sanson

GARFIELD

GOOD EVENING, LADIES AND GERMS!

SPLUT! SPLUT! SPLUT!

THANK YOU FOR THAT GENEROUS ROUND OF SPLUTS!

By Jim Davis

PEANUTS

HERE'S THE WORLD FAMOUS SURGEON OUT FOR HIS MORNING JOG...

IT'S RAINING AND THE WIND IS BLOWING...

WHAT AM I DOING OUT HERE?

I COULD BE IN A NICE WARM OPERATING ROOM!

By Charles M. Schultz

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

Who's on Fifth? Fast food outlets, followed by anxiety

By ROBERT BARR
Associated Press Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — The roast beef sandwiches have pushed up Fifth Avenue, three blocks away from Saks. Six blocks — can you believe it? — from Cartier. How long before breakfast at Tiffany's is an Egg McMuffin?

For the chic retailers of midtown Fifth Avenue, the orange and red sign of the Roy Rogers restaurant was about as welcome as fleas when it arrived three months ago. Genteel cries of alarm were heard at City Hall, where the possibility of banning food on the avenue is being examined.

"If one comes, you sort of grit your teeth. But when you see the second, and the third, and the fourth, you become very much concerned," said Michael B. Grosso, executive vice president of the Fifth Avenue Association.

Many New Yorkers, said architect Robert A.M. Stern, are "culturally, socially and architecturally" offended by such changes.

Kent Barwick, president of the Municipal Arts Society, complained that the quicky food

outlets "depend on loud, garish, inappropriate signage. It creates an area of chaos out of one of the great ceremonial streets in the world."

At the Riese Organization, which holds the Roy Rogers franchise, Murray Riese said no one has complained to him, except what he's heard from two reporters.

"If somebody was to come to me, who was in power, and could demonstrate there was a proper cause for concern ... I'm sure that we would be cooperative," he said.

Roy Rogers was the last straw for Grosso, who had fretted as McDonald's moved in across from the Empire State Building at 34th Street. Burger King staked out a spot on 37th and Godfather's Pizza — another Riese project — popped up across from the New York Public Library at 42nd Street.

At 46th Street, Roy Rogers is within sight of the avenue's charge-card heaven: Saks, Gucci, Cartier, Aquascutum, Steuben, Tiffany, Bergdorf-Goodman, Bonwit-Teller.

The Fifth Avenue Association has petitioned the Department of City Planning to ban all street-level

food sales between 32nd and 59th streets. The issue is "very sensitive," said Lauren F. Otis, deputy director of the Manhattan office.

"It's a very active use that many people feel is attractive," he said.

One problem is that the city can't ban just fast food — the law makes no distinction between four-star and four-stool restaurants.

Riese doubted that he has started a stampede of franchisers.

"I have a lot of confidence that they are not part of a group of lemmings about to commit suicide," he said. "None of us wants to saturate the neighborhood with restaurants."

"If they don't prosper, we don't prosper," Riese said of the big stores up the street. "It would be silly for us to want to hurt them."

Time was when Fifth Avenue was a gracious residential avenue, home to the Vanderbilts and their peers. A few of those houses survive as stores, such as Cartier.

There were yips of protest when Benjamin Altman opened his palatial department store at 34th Street in 1906, and scores of splendid houses were wrecked to

make way for other stores.

Once in, the merchants defended the status quo. The Fifth Avenue Association has fought to keep out bootblacks, banks, airline ticket offices and sidewalk hawkers. Garish shops dealing in cameras, electronics, rugs, luggage and ivory elephants, many of them perpetually "going out of business" to attract tourists, remain a sore spot.

On Fifth Avenue, tone is everything.

"Well, of course we have concern about who's on Fifth Avenue," said Paul Leblang, senior vice president and director of marketing for Saks Fifth Avenue.

"If you change the character of the buildings and stores and the way they look, it would no longer have as nice an image as it now has."

Even Saks is not what it was, said Stern, author of "New York 1900," an account of the fashionable building boom in the city before 1915. He remembers a quieter, more elegant store in his youth.

"Everyone who walked Fifth Avenue expected to see the swells there, and they dressed up to the occasion; they dressed to the architectural mood," said Stern. Now, he said, "How can you care when one part of it is a Roy Rogers?"

"I don't think the customer who walks into one feels that he has demeaned himself," Riese said.

"You wouldn't believe during the Christmas season how many mink coats we had in this place."

Of his detractors, Riese said: "I don't know what they think; I'm ready to listen. But that gives me the right to tell Saks and Bergdorf-Goodman what I think of their signs."

And what's that?
"I like 'em."

Concrete dome home a conversation piece

ZABCIKVILLE, Texas (AP) — In this small German-Czech town best known for its sausage house and the Ocker Brethren Church, the Huber home has become the new topic of conversation.

Some folks, on first seeing the mushroom-shaped dwelling, thought it was an unidentified flying object.

The late Jerome Green, who ran Green's Sausage House just across the highway, got a kick out of telling people it was the start of a nuclear plant.

But to Walter and Lillian Huber, it's home.

The Hubers live in a concrete dome home a few miles east of Temple off Texas Highway 53. They say the house, built by their son Paul, is the first of its kind in the state.

And after five months in the house, the elder Huber says, "I don't want to live in anything but a dome."

The dome is an insulated concrete shell which the younger Huber says is fire proof, termite proof, rot proof and provides "superior protection" from earthquakes and tornadoes.

"They're so strong, you can't demolish them," he said. "Because of the curve slope, air — a tornado — just goes right over it. I'd rather be here than any place else in a tornado."

But the real beauty of the concrete home, says Huber, is its ability to maintain a constant temperature with little help from heat or air conditioning.

"Concrete — just like the earth — is always going to be the same temperature, year round," Huber said.

One of the most fascinating things about the structure is the way it's built. A foundation is laid and an air form — fiberglass, reinforced vinyl — is inflated with tons of air pressure, like a balloon, Huber said.

A four-inch-thick coat of polyurethane is sprayed on the inside of the airform and fiber-reinforced concrete is sprayed inside the polyurethane. Once the concrete is cured, the air form is peeled off, Huber said, leaving the concrete shell.

The polyurethane on the outside of the structure is a fairly new concept in housing insulation, Huber said. "I don't think the Lord goofed when he put fur on the outside of the bear," he said.

A quarter-inch thick cement-type coat is sprayed on the outside of the polyurethane to protect it from fire, since urathane is flammable, he said.

The concept of a dome home is not original, Huber said. Air forms were first used by the military in 1949 for temporary shelters. A man in California built structures by pouring concrete on the outside of the air forms, Huber said. And in the 1950s, some builders pounded dirt into a dome, poured concrete over it and dug the dirt out, Huber said.

"Volumewise, the circle is the best way to go," Huber said. "A dome takes a third less surface area, so that's 33 percent less in building materials."

The Hubers purposely built their dome home on a visible plot of land off the highway to attract attention — and, hopefully, business. Attention it has gotten.

Curious passersby frequently stop to ask questions and request a tour, said the elder Huber, a semiretired preacher. The Hubers love showing off their son's handiwork, but sometimes the traffic gets to be too much, he said.

"Since the general public wants to see, we'll have the general public in — at \$5 a person," he said. The Hubers hope eventually to build a stone gate in front of the house and offer tours, for a price.

The younger Huber, 31, became interested in dome homes through a friend of his father, Leonard Pense in Oklahoma, and built several with him in Oklahoma.

Huber, who lives in Temple, has formed the Omega Dome Co. and

so far, his parents' house is the only dome he has built in Texas.

The cost of building a dome house is comparable to a conventional new home, Huber said. "To do the whole package (exterior and interior), it's about the same as a conventional home — \$40 to \$50 a square foot," Huber said.

"Quite a few people are looking

for something cheap, like geodesic dome kits," he said. "Eventually we hope to be able to lower the cost, but these are extremely high quality. This is something that's going to be around hundreds and thousands of years. Concrete gets stronger as it gets older."

The savings, says Huber, are in the energy costs. He claims a dome home uses one-fourth to one-fifth

the energy that a conventional house needs.

For example, his parents' home uses about two-and-a-half tons of air conditioning to cool 5,000 square feet. A conventional house that size would need a 10- or 12-ton air conditioner, he said.

"If there's anything more efficient, I'd love to see it," he said.

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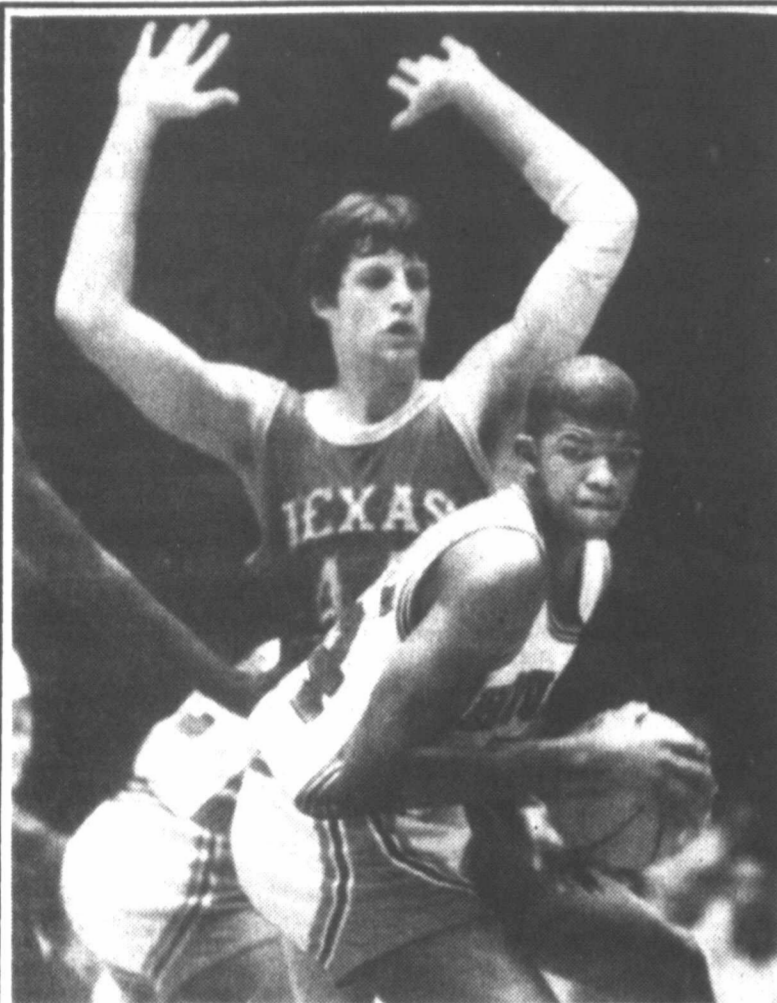






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SPORTS SCENE



Houston's Greg Anderson pulls a rebound away from Texas' Mike Wacker.

SWC roundup

Razorbacks shock Southern Methodist

By The Associated Press
Freshman Byron Irvin's faltering jump shot perked up and was good for 18 points in Arkansas' 69-66 Southwest Conference basketball victory over fourth-ranked Southern Methodist University.

In other SWC basketball action Wednesday night, Houston broke a four-game losing streak with a 94-80 victory over Texas, Texas A&M slipped past Baylor, 78-74, and Rice edged Texas Christian, 62-61.

"It's been on vacation," Sutton said of Irvin's jump shot. "He hit some big shots over their zone. At halftime, I told our team Byron was shooting so well we needed to get the ball in his hands."

Irvin had 18 points and made nine of 12 from the floor, only one of those inside. Arkansas' Charles Balentine, who had a career-high 29 points in a 63-60 overtime loss to SMU earlier, scored 17 points, including 13 in the second half.

Wednesday night's victory kept Arkansas alive in the conference race, improving the Razorbacks to a 7-3 tie with Texas A&M in the league and 16-8 overall. For

SMU, now 8-2 and 18-3, the game kept alive the Mustangs' losing streak in Barnhill Arena. The Mustangs have not beaten the Razorbacks on their turf since 1976.

"I've been dreaming for a day like this," Irvin said. "To play this well against one of the best teams in the nation is special. I guess you could say that about our whole team."

SMU Coach Dave Bliss said the game was hard-fought, and praised Irvin's performance. "And Arkansas is, of course, a great team at home," Bliss said. "I always thought that the conference race was still a race. I never counted Arkansas out. The Balentine layups and Irvin jumpers were critical."

Freshman Kenny Hutchinson calmly made two free throws with 16 seconds remaining to give Arkansas a 67-64 lead.

"When I came back in the game late, Coach Sutton told me they would foul me," said Hutchinson, who has been averaging less than 50 percent from the free-throw line. "I knew I had to hit two clutch foul shots and I was ready to hit them."

"While I was on the line, Carl Wright spit at me. The refs didn't see it, but I didn't let it bother me. I just shot the ball."

SMU's Jon Koncak then made a rebound basket with seven seconds remaining, but the Mustangs didn't foul for five seconds and then Arkansas center Joe Kleine made two free throws.

Koncak, disappointed at the loss, said, "Mama told me if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all. We're really disappointed about this one. Arkansas played a great game. We just couldn't hit the big basket at the end."

SMU led most of the first half and 31-26 at intermission, but Arkansas took the lead 38-37 in the second half on an outside shot by Irvin. The Mustangs' last lead was 56-55 with less than eight minutes remaining. Balentine put the Razorbacks ahead for good from inside and then rebounded a Kleine miss for a three-point lead.

"Charles Balentine did a great job on the boards in the second half. I gave him a do-better speech at halftime, reminding

him he had 10 rebounds in the game at Dallas," Sutton said.

Koncak, who led all scorers with 22 points, wrapped two rebound baskets around a loose-ball bucket by Balentine. Balentine's two free throws made it 63-60 with 2:51 left.

SMU's Larry Davis cut it to 65-64 with 23 seconds left when he hit one free throw, but missed the second and Irvin tied up Koncak. Kleine was fouled seven seconds later.

The game marked the return of Arkansas' Williams Mills, who was suspended from the team for three games by Sutton for disciplinary problems. The crowd of more than 9,000 gave Mills, who scored six points, a standing ovation when he hit the court.

"It feels great to be back in a Razorback uniform," Mills said. "I plan to be in one for a long time. I think my little vacation helped both me and the team in the long run. The standing ovation the crowd gave me was great. It made me feel good to have the fans welcome me back."

Pampa bowling roundup

LONE STAR WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Team Standings (thru Jan 24)

Rudy's Automotive, 53-27; Harvester Lanes, 51-29; Mayo Water Well Service, 50-30; Aggie Oil Co., 46 1/2-33 1/2; Fatheree Insurance, 44-36; Dunlap Industrial Engines, 44-36; Triangle Well Service, 43-37; Quality Concrete, 43-37; Pampa Office Supply, 41-39; Team Ten, 40 1/2-39 1/2; Hall's Sound Center, 39-39; Golden Spread Cablevision, 38-42; Rocky Mountain Tank Co., 37 1/2-42 1/2; AIA, 36 1/2-43 1/2; Mercury, 36-44; Elco Glass, 36-44; L & R Hair Design, 32-48.

High Average: 1. Rita Steddum, 175; 2. Eudell Burnett, 167; 3. Lefurn Thomas, 165.

High Handicap Series: 1. Debra Bichsel, 714; 2. Donna Nummaker, 702; 3. Jeanne Parks, 692.

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High Scratch Game: 1. Rita Steddum, 234; 2. Billie Hupp, 232; 3. Jean Wood, 231.

FRIDAY MISFITS

Team Standings (thru Jan 25)

High Average: 1. Diane Bowden, 162; 2. Barbara Sackett, 156; 3. Penny Pinley.

High Handicap Series: 1. Starla Kindle, 701; 2. Diane Bowden, 689; 3. Kas Conway, 651; High Handicap Game: 1. Diane Bowden, 285; 2. Kas Conway, 278; 3. Starla Kindle, 270; High Scratch Series: 1. Diane Bowden, 571; 2. Barbara Sackett, 534; High Scratch Game: 1. Diane Bowden, 246; 2. Barbara Sackett, 217; 3. Kas Conway, 210.

CAPROCK MEN'S LEAGUE

Team Standings (thru Jan 24)

Weaver's Construction, 10-2; B & B Solvent, 9-3; Culberson-Stowers Two, 9-3; Thompson Farm & Home, 8 1/2-3 1/2; B & L Tank Trucks, 8-4; Miller's Jewelry, 7-5; Ogden & Son, 7-5; BBG Farm & Ranch, 7-5; Dale's Automotive, 6-6; Harris Sporting Goods, 6-6; Parsley's Roofing, 5 1/2-6 1/2; Locke Cattle Company, 5-7; UPG Inc., 5-7; ANR Pipeline, 5-7; Rudy's Automotive, 3-9; Kartom, 3-9; Culberson-Stowers Team One, 3-9; J.S. Skelly, 1-11.

High Average: 1. Forrest Cole, 203; 2. Howard Musgrave, 192; 3. Ade Becker, 189.

High Handicap Series: T.J. Rodgers, 754; High Scratch Series: Howard Musgrave, 729; High Scratch Game: Forrest Cole, 300; High Handicap Game: Gary Hicks, 298.

Canadian girls keep playoff hopes alive

CANADIAN — Canadian's Lady Wildcats still have a shot at the playoffs after Tuesday night's 52-41 win over Childress.

The Lady Wildcats are 4-3 in District 1-3A and 13-9 in all games. A win this Friday night against Dalhart would put Canadian into a playoff against River Road for second place.

Perryton has first place wrapped up.

The Lady Wildcats had entered the game against Childress with three consecutive district losses.

"People were saying that we were out of it after losing to River Road, but the girls came out and proved these people were wrong," said Canadian coach Steve Zurline.

Canadian's Melinda Vanhooser, a 5-5 senior, had 20 points against Childress, while teammate Dana Johnson had 13. Between them they had 15 rebounds, six assists and six steals.

Stephanie Byard pulled down 10 rebounds for Canadian.

Shell Ingram led Childress with 19 points.

Last Saturday night, Canadian's chances for a playoff spot slipped some after a 46-43 loss to River Road. However, River Road lost a 62-59 decision to Dalhart Tuesday night to keep Canadian alive.

Against River Road, Dana Johnson led Canadian in scoring with 12 points. Lucinda Dunnam followed with 11, Melinda Vanhooser 8, Stephanie Byard 7, Lisa Pfannenstiel 3, and Tonya Vanhooser 2. Johnson, Byard and Melinda Vanhooser had 9 rebounds each as Canadian won out on the boards, 31-22.

"We just couldn't score or hit anything from the foul line," Zurline said.

Shawn Sauls led River Road with 15 points while Michelle Moon tossed in 13.

In boys' action Tuesday night, Donnie Anderson scored 21 points to lead Canadian past Childress, 59-55.

Sid Beebe chipped in 12 points. Kenneth Sims paced Childress with 20 points.

Wheeler girls move into playoffs again

The Wheeler High girls' basketball team has clinched its third consecutive playoff spot under coach Jan Newland.

The Lady Mustangs wrapped up a playoff berth Tuesday night with an easy 70-49 win over District 1-1A foe Briscoe.

With two games to go in the regular season, the Wheeler girls are 24-2 overall and a perfect 10-0 in district play.

Wheeler has a talented group of underclassmen. Marlo Hartman, a sophomore, and Dee Ann Jolly, a freshman, are both averaging around 15 points per game. Hartman and Jolly had 18 and 17 points respectively in the win

over Briscoe. "Our depth is probably our strength," said coach Newland. "I can bring in a lot of girls off the bench who can play good basketball."

Wheeler plays at Miami this Friday night.

Wheeler boys will also be going to the playoffs this season and have already clinched the district title.

The Mustangs are 10-0 in district play and are coming off a 95-27 rout of Briscoe. Paul Hartman, who has been Wheeler's top scorer for the season, pumped in 30 points. Bill Wiggins added 12.

At least in camp

White number one

DALLAS (AP) — Danny White will go into the Dallas Cowboys' training camp as the team's No. 1 quarterback, but that doesn't necessarily mean he'll keep the job next season, Coach Tom Landry says.

"The guy that finishes the season starting, goes into training camp as the starter," Landry said Wednesday. "Danny finished up the starter, and if nothing changes before camp, that's the way it will be."

Landry added, however, that "it's not any different than always and doesn't necessarily mean Danny has an edge."

Landry said he met for 30 minutes in his office Tuesday with

White, who lost his starting job to Gary Hogeboom at the beginning of the season but wound up starting six games, including the last four.

The meeting completed Landry's off-season quarterback meetings — he met with Hogeboom on Jan. 7. Landry said neither player asked for a trade.

Landry said he told White and Hogeboom he wants both to return for the 1985 season. But, unlike last year, Landry said he is determined to pick a starter and stick with him.

"They both told me they don't want to go through anything like last year," Landry told The Dallas Morning News. "All three of us are in agreement there."

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Nicklaus on the joy of golf

By Murray Olderman

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (NEA) — As it has for the last 23 years, the spectre of Jack Nicklaus hangs over the new golfing season.

He is 45 years old, and he hasn't won a major title since 1980.

In fact, he has won only two tournaments in the last four years — the 1982 Colonial and his own Memorial last May.

Yet Jack, the father of five (three of them voting age) and hardly fitting the "Golden Bear" tag that's attached to him, remains the focal point of every event he chooses to enter.

That last part, the prudent choice of tournaments, differentiates him from the game's current dominators — represented by Tom Watson, Craig Stadler and Lanny Wadkins, who are in their early or mid-30s. They still play with, in Nicklaus' words, blinders on. "I played that way," says Jack. "Arnold (Palmer) and (Ben) Hogan played that way."

With all-consuming intensity, unshakeable confidence and an aggressive, attacking style of play, the newer breed produces the winners of virtually every tournament of the 43 that comprise the PGA Tour.

Stadler and Wadkins — who tied in the opening Bob Hope Classic, with the latter winning a dramatic playoff — are typical. They don't mull over their shots. They're thinking birdie on every hole. They attack the course.

On the other hand, Nicklaus, who was never a fast player, is even more deliberate in his tempo. He cruises around a course as if he realizes the days are dwindling and he wants to relish the moments that remain for him to compete in premier company.

That is not to say his effectiveness has been dramatically impaired. In

1984, he won the grand amount of \$274,594.61, which put him a respectable 15th on the official money list. And that was in a modest total of 14 tournament appearances, in which he finished in the top 10 six times.

"I played well last year," he reflects, "except for the majors."



Jack Nicklaus

The majors — the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open and PGA — remain his abiding reason for competing, though it has been five years since his dual triumph in the Open and the PGA.

He explains his recent failures in the majors by saying, "I got my mind off golf the week before each of them.

(Nicklaus' absorption with golf architecture and other business interests has been well publicized.) I'm not going to do that this year. I'm going to concentrate on playing golf."

He still considers it feasible that he might add to his astounding record total of 19 major titles (which includes two U.S. Amateur victories).

But San Snead's record of 84 tour wins is beyond reach — Nicklaus has 69.

Jack says, "If I played 25 tournaments a year, sure, my record would be better. But you'd never see me again. I might play well in 10 or 12 events. But by the end of the year, I wouldn't even want to play the 10 or 12 I did well in.

"If I were a young kid starting out today, and my record still stood, I'd want to break it. But I never thought of major championships until they pointed it out to me when I had 10. Then it became a numbers game for me."

Even so, that is not how he sets out on his 24th tour.

"It's a fabulous game," he says, "for somebody who wants to do it for a long time, all your life. Actually, I enjoy the game more today. When I was starting out, I wasn't enjoying it. I was interested only in winning."

Without that pressure, he is a more relaxed person, though the old competitive fires haven't been completely stoked.

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SIPE SIGNS WITH BULLS— Fred Bullard, left, owner of the USFL's Jacksonville Bulls, announces the acquisition of quarterback Brian Sipe, center, formerly of the New Jersey

Generals. Also present at the Jacksonville press conference was Bulls' General Manager Larry Csonka. (AP Laserphoto)

NBA standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	41	9	.820	—
Philadelphia	39	10	.796	1 1/2
Washington	37	24	.607	14 1/2
New Jersey	24	26	.480	17
New York	18	32	.360	23

Central Division

Milwaukee	34	16	.680	—
Detroit	30	18	.625	3
Chicago	24	24	.500	9
Atlanta	20	29	.408	13 1/2
Indiana	16	33	.327	17 1/2
Cleveland	15	33	.318	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Denver	31	20	.608	—
Houston	27	21	.563	2 1/2
Dallas	27	23	.540	3 1/2
San Antonio	24	29	.450	8
Utah	22	27	.449	8
Kansas City	16	32	.333	13 1/2

Pacific Division

L.A. Lakers	35	16	.686	—
Phoenix	24	25	.490	10
Portland	21	28	.429	13
Seattle	21	30	.412	14
L.A. Clippers	20	29	.408	14
Golden State	11	37	.229	22 1/2

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia 116, Washington 111
New Jersey 108, Milwaukee 93
Boston 112, Cleveland 108
Dallas 128, Golden State 103
Denver 120, Seattle 101

Thursday's Games

Chicago at Cleveland
Detroit at Washington
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Golden State at Houston
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio
Utah at Kansas City
Indiana at Phoenix
New York at Portland

Friday's Games

No games scheduled

Saturday's Games

No games scheduled

Sunday's Game

All Star Game at Indianapolis

Transactions

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League

CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Signed Doug Corbett and Bob Kipper, pitchers, Jerry Narron, catcher, and Mark McLemore, second baseman.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Signed Bob James, relief pitcher, to a one-year contract. NEW YORK YANKEES—Reached a contract agreement with Mike Armstrong, pitcher.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Signed Ted Power, pitcher.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Signed Miguel Dilone, outfielder, to a one-year contract.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed Ozzie Virgil, catcher.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Announced they have agreed to terms with Craig Lefferts, pitcher, on a two-year contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS—Signed Charlie Criss, guard.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS—Announced that Andy MacDonald, running back coach, had resigned to accept a job with the Minnesota Vikings.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Named Joe Peardy, offensive coordinator, and Steve Crosby, assistant head coach.

DETROIT LIONS—Named Darryl Rogers head coach and director of operations.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Named John Becker, Chip Myers, Billie Mathews, Keith Rowen, and Steve Sidwell, assistant coaches.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Named Donald W. Steadman vice president, David J. Smith managing director of Arrowhead Stadium, D. Mitchell Wheeler managing director of sales and promotions, and Bob Springer managing director of public relations and community relations. Reassigned Lamar Hunt Jr. as manager of special projects.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Named Fred Hoaglin offensive line coach.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Named Lance Van Zandt defensive coordinator.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed Mark May, offensive tackle, to a series of one-year contracts.

United States Football League

NEW JERSEY GENERALS—Traded Brian Sipe, quarterback, to the Jacksonville Bulls for an undisclosed draft pick and other considerations.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

EDMONTON OILERS—Claimed Dave Lumley, right wing, from waivers.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Announced the retirement of Bruce Crowder, right wing.

COLLEGE

ARIZONA STATE—Named Rex Norris interim head football coach.

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SPECIAL GUESTS—First lady Nancy Reagan, right, and Maureen Reagan, daughter of the president, applaud Jean Nguyen, second from left, and "Mother" Clara Hale, during President Reagan's State of the Union speech Wednesday night. Reagan hailed the two guests as demonstration of the axiom "Anything is possible in

America." The 79-year-old Hale of Harlem works with infants born to heroin addicts. Nguyen arrived in the United States 10 years ago as a refugee from Vietnam and is now graduating from the West Point Military Academy. (AP Laserphoto)

Hospital funded Leland's Cuba trip

HOUSTON (AP) — U.S. Rep. Mickey Leland's 1983 trip to rescue two Texans from a Cuban prison was paid for by the Hermann Hospital estate, which is under investigation for alleged misuse of funds, a charter firm said.

Richard Schaefer, an investor in Gulf Coast Aero Inc., said he wrote a \$10,500 to a charter service providing a plane for the trip and was reimbursed by a hospital administrator.

Leland, D-Houston, made the March 1983 trip to obtain the release of a Houston woman and her boyfriend jailed on charges of drug smuggling and spying. The couple said they were arrested by Cuban officers and forced to sign confessions, although they denied the allegations.

Schaefer said in a copyright Houston Chronicle article published Wednesday that the trip was organized by Gulf Coast Aero's former president, Edward B. Hicks, organized the trip.

"Ed, through me, arranged that trip for Hermann Hospital," Schaefer said. "He said they wanted to fly a couple of politicians on a mercy mission."

Schaefer said he wondered why the hospital didn't want its involvement in the trip known, but arranged for a plane from

another charter service.

He said he wrote a \$10,500 check to the service and was repaid by the hospital through Hicks, who claimed he received the funds from former hospital administrator William F. Smith Jr.

Schaefer said he fired Hicks on Monday and arranged for an internal audit of Gulf Coast Aero's financial books.

However, Leland said he didn't ask who financed the trip.

"I just wasn't interested," Leland said. But he said Smith probably financed the trip "for humanitarian reasons."

Leland did not list any gifts or disbursements connected with the trip in his personal financial disclosure forms filed with the House of Representatives for 1983.

Assistant Harris County District Attorney Don Strickland said the trip will be investigated as part of the inquiry into alleged misuse of funds by hospital officials and employees.

"We're looking at all the travel done by employees of the estate or hospital to determine if they were authorized," Strickland said. "If they were authorized for business purposes, it's not a concern to us."

Wright staking claim to speaker's post

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Majority Leader Jim Wright, striking early in an effort to squeeze out potential rivals, is claiming commitments from more than two-thirds of the chamber's Democrats in his bid to succeed Thomas P. O'Neill as speaker in two years.

"I am extremely gratified. It will be the apex of a long career," the Texas Democrat said in an interview.

Wright, 62, a veteran of three decades in the House, was to formally announce his claim on the speakership later today.

O'Neill, currently the highest-ranking elected

Democrat in the national government, agreed that Wright had wrapped up enough support to claim the job — assuming Democrats retain control of the House in the 1986 elections.

"Clearly he has the votes. Nobody is running against him," said O'Neill, who has announced he will retire in 1986.

"There are still some I haven't been able to contact, and some haven't returned my calls, but as of now more than two-thirds of the Democratic members have committed to me," said Wright. There are 251 Democrats in the current

House.

However, some Democrats expressed skepticism over Wright's early claim to victory.

"It's very premature," said Rep. Russo, D-Ill., who is backing Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., for the job. "It's hard enough to keep a commitment around here for one hour, let alone for two years. We don't know what may happen between now and then, what the face of the Congress will be in two years."

Rostenkowski had been viewed as the leading likely challenger to Wright's bid to succeed O'Neill. However, his challenge never

materialized.

Meanwhile, two other Democrats rumored as possible contenders — Reps. Richard A. Gephardt, D-Mo., and Tony Coelho, D-Calif. — announced their support on Wednesday for Wright. Gephardt is the newly elected chairman of the House Democratic Caucus and Coelho is chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

Wright, who in recent weeks has taken over from O'Neill the main job of leading the Democratic assault on Reagan's policies, said he wasn't taking anything for

granted.

"So many things could happen. Democrats could lose the House or I could do a bad job as majority leader," Wright said.

Rep. Thomas Foley, D-Wash., now the House Democratic whip, will seek the job of majority leader that Wright will vacate. Foley aide Bill First said Wednesday.

Committee hears discipline bill testimony

AUSTIN (AP) — The public school reform bill passed last summer has made some progress and a proposed bill calling for tighter discipline rules for students will only hinder that progress, the founder of the American Institute for Learning said.

Richard Halpin, executive director and founder of the Institute, told the House Committee on Public Education on Wednesday that a proposed bill introduced by Bill Haley, D-Center, would not solve the problem of disruptive children.

Haley's bill, which was sent to a subcommittee, gives flexibility to teachers in removing disruptive students from classrooms and suspending them. School districts could suspend students for up to five days or send them to "alternative education programs."

Opponents of the bill said it will only add to the number of school dropouts.

"Texas has a 35 percent dropout rate in high schools and this proposal will only add to that rate," Halpin of Austin said. Nationally, Texas is ranked 43 in the most number of high school dropouts, he said.

Lanetta Cooper, a private attorney in Austin, said the proposed bill will discourage school officials to meet with parents of disruptive children.

Portions of the Haley bill also drew questions and opposition from committee members. Rep. Ernestine Glossbrenner, D-Alice, said allowing suspensions is frequently not a good idea because students with drug problems "could have more contact with drug traffickers."

"It puts children in the streets. I'm opposed to that," she said.

Alex Moreno, D-Edinburg, said he is "concerned that throwing these kids on the street is going to increase the burglary rate."

Rep. Gregory Luna, D-San

Antonio, said he fears school districts might overuse the power to suspend.

But John Quisenberry, president of the Texas Association of School Boards, said suspensions can be a "very effective" way to get students' and parents' attention.

Quisenberry said the education reform bill passed last summer has left educators confused about what they can do to control discipline problems in classrooms.

"Local districts are unsure about what is expected of them, so in too many instances they are taking the worst possible course — they are doing nothing. You've tied the boards' hands," Quisenberry, of Odessa, told the committee.

He said local school board members are "helpless and confused about their powers and responsibilities ... This bill gives districts a full range of discipline alternatives so that they can choose a punishment appropriate for a particular misbehavior."

Quisenberry said he likes the bill because it specifically makes drug and weapon possession grounds for expulsion.

"How can we convince our students that these are serious problems unless we treat them as serious problems?" he testified.

Teacher organizations have complained that the school reform

bill left them powerless to remove disruptive students.

"Whether it is real or only perceived there is a general concern among teachers that their ability to appropriately address discipline problems in their classrooms has been diminished," said Becky Brooks, president of the Texas State Teachers Association.

She said provisions in the Haley bill "clearly state" that teachers can send disruptive students to the principal's office.

Jeretta Thompson of Carthage, president of the Texas Classroom Teachers Association, said the bill needs a provision to protect teachers against principals who do nothing more than send the student back to the classroom.

"The problem most frequently reported by our members relating to discipline is the unwillingness of building principals to back up the disciplinary recommendations of teachers," she said. "Students quickly learn under these circumstances that their teacher is armed only with empty threats without the support of the principal."

Brooks said her association favors an appeal system allowing teachers to go to their superintendents if principals refuse to act.

Ironworker guilty in pickup shooting

AUSTIN (AP) — An ironworker was convicted of murder in the death of a man who was shot while sitting in his pickup at a street intersection after the prosecutor told jurors "he stalked him like an animal."

A state district court jury took about 90 minutes Wednesday to find Franklin Theodore "Ted" Roberts guilty of murdering J.C. Wilkerson Aug. 8, 1984.

State District Judge Jon Wisser

said jurors would begin hearing testimony today in the punishment phase of the trial.

Roberts, of Austin, testified that he shot Wilkerson in self-defense. Assistant District Attorney Ashton Cumberbatch said he was offended by Roberts' account of the shooting.

"He followed him, he stalked him like an animal, and he killed him in cold blood," Cumberbatch told the jury. "That's what the facts say."

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Westmoreland blocked report of larger enemy forces, officer says

NEW YORK (AP) — Gen. William C. Westmoreland suppressed a 1967 cable showing greater enemy strength in Vietnam because it would have been a "political bombshell" if it had reached Washington, according to a retired two-star general.

The testimony of retired Maj. Gen. Joseph A. McChristian, the highest-ranking military officer to testify on behalf of CBS, was even harsher than the remarks he made when he appeared in the documentary that sparked Westmoreland's \$120 million libel suit against the network.

And according to McChristian, an unhappy Westmoreland called him two days before the Jan. 23, 1982, documentary and chastised him for taking part.

McChristian, who served as Westmoreland's chief intelligence officer for two years, testified Wednesday that in May 1967 he showed Westmoreland a cable he was about to send to intelligence officials in Washington. The document reported communist

strength in Vietnam was much greater than had previously been believed.

"He read it, he looked up — looked at me — and said, 'If I send this cable to Washington, it will create a political bombshell,'" McChristian said. "He said, 'No, leave it with me, I want to go over it' ... The only concern he

expressed to me was a political concern."

CBS charged in "The Uncounted Enemy: A Vietnam Deception," that Westmoreland, a four-star general and commander of U.S. forces in Vietnam from 1964 to 1968, at first suppressed the cable, then ordered his staff to take a hard line with the CIA to keep the higher strength estimates from reaching Congress, the American public and President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Shippers, trucking firms sued by AG

AUSTIN (AP) — Eleven trucking and four shipping companies have been sued by Attorney General Jim Mattox for allegedly violating weight control regulations.

The trucking companies sued by Mattox on Tuesday include Delta Transportation of San Antonio; Alamo Hauler of Boerne; H.E. Spann and Co. of Mount Pleasant; Charlie Phillips Trucking of Austin; The PHI Corp. of Katy; and Phelps Trucking Co.

Westmoreland, 70, testified earlier in the 17-week-old trial that when he received McChristian's cable he demanded a briefing, after which he decided communist "self-defense" and "secret self-defense" forces were not a military threat and should be dropped from the enemy strength estimate. McChristian had proposed a sharp increase in the estimated size of those units.

McChristian testified that Westmoreland said nothing to him about wanting a briefing.

Speech gets mixed reviews

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats who heard President Reagan's State of the Union address say its lofty rhetoric ignored the realities of budget deficits and a troubled world while some Republicans welcomed the speech as a clarion call for second-term legislative battles.

"It just doesn't add up," said Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., comparing the president's pledge to preserve a safety net for the elderly and the needy with a 1986 budget proposal calling for still deeper cuts in social spending.

"Many of his proposals undercut the rosy economic picture he paints," said Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M.

"His budget contradicts that fine rhetoric," said Senate Minority Leader Robert C. Byrd Jr. of West Virginia. "Reagan talked about fairness and growth. Yet his budget is woefully deficient in fairness and largely ignores prospects for growth."

And Rep. Michael Barnes, D-Md., noted that while Reagan took time to honor a woman who saved the infant children of drug addicts in Harlem, he is proposing severe cuts in the federal

programs that benefit the low income people who live there.

"A lot of things were inconsistent with what he did in the budget," Barnes said.

But there was a steady flow of praise from most Republicans including, Sen. William Armstrong of Colorado who said, "It was a fine speech and I think it sets the right tone for this new administration and for the term ahead."

"It is evident that President Reagan is going to push and push hard for the things he believes in," said Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., the most senior Republican senator.

Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole of Kansas, who is already at odds with the administration over the size of the defense budget, said, "There were a lot of high points in the speech ... I think he challenged Congress on a number of things — taxes, the deficit."

On the only new element in the address, major revisions in the way Americans pay federal income tax rates, Dole said, if Reagan "gets behind it, it can be

done. If there is a concerted effort on tax simplification, he can probably get it done."

There was sharp criticism of Reagan from a minority of moderates in the president's own party.

"Most of us respect the sincerity and conviction with which he (Reagan) pursues his objectives," said Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore. "And he is quite correct in suggesting that we have shattered accepted notions of what is possible. But we are also about to shatter accepted notions of the impossible by attempting to save the Earth while militarizing space, eliminate nuclear weapons while producing them with abandon and assuming that we will reduce the deficit in the process."

And Sen. Lowell Weicker, R-Conn., said the speech was "a great flag waver ... You can talk about education ... except you better get ready to pay for it. ... If you're talking about compassion, I think you should provide housing for the elderly and homes for the handicapped and retarded."

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