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## Panhandle Field hearing date still not set

From staff and wire reports

AUSTIN — The Railroad Commission has concluded a prehearing conference on whether to consolidate 13 Panhandle oil and gas fields into a single field, but no date has been set for the full hearing.

Hearing examiner Don Walker also left pending a decision on whether to allow parties with "unique situations," such as school districts and counties, to become involved in the hearing.

Brian Schaible, RRC information specialist, said the presiding examiners had taken under advisement suggestions by all the attorneys for the parties on how much time would be needed to prepare for the hearing.

Originally scheduled to get underway this spring, the hearing could be delayed until spring of 1987.

Schaible said the examiners and attorneys, in a "long, drawn-out" session Wednesday afternoon, discussed what kind of documents would be re-

quired of the different parties to provide to others for incorporation into the hearing testimony.

He said there was a consensus that "a lot of documents" would be needed for sharing among the parties.

But exactly how much time would be needed formed much of the discussion period Wednesday, Schaible said.

Several expert witnesses for producers said they could have their evidence and studies ready within six weeks to six months. Others, however, argued they would need a longer period of time, with at least one producer saying he would need a year.

Schaible noted that attorneys for several of the smaller Panhandle producers stressed a need to hold the hearing early because of uncertainty over present field rules.

Walker indicated the three-member panel would attempt to have a schedule of hearing dates prepared by the end of the week. The dates could be announced sometime Friday, Schaible said.

The panel Tuesday denied a plea for abatement by Phillips Petroleum Co. and others to delay the hearing until all underlying issues had been resolved.

The case involves a staff review indicating a number of oil and gas wells in the 10-county fields area have been commingling hydrocarbon production from the top of the Panhandle Lime to the bottom of the Granite Wash formation.

The staff suggested changes in production practices over the years since the 1930s may have resulted in disturbances in the original separate and distinct accumulations of oil and gas in the underground formations. Such changes may have caused the oil and gas deposits to be in such a contact or "communication" that the fields now form a common reservoir, the staff review suggestion.

The hearings, which may take place in Austin and other places, including Amarillo, were called by the RRC to allow parties to present data, evi-

dence and arguments on whether the fields should be considered a common reservoir.

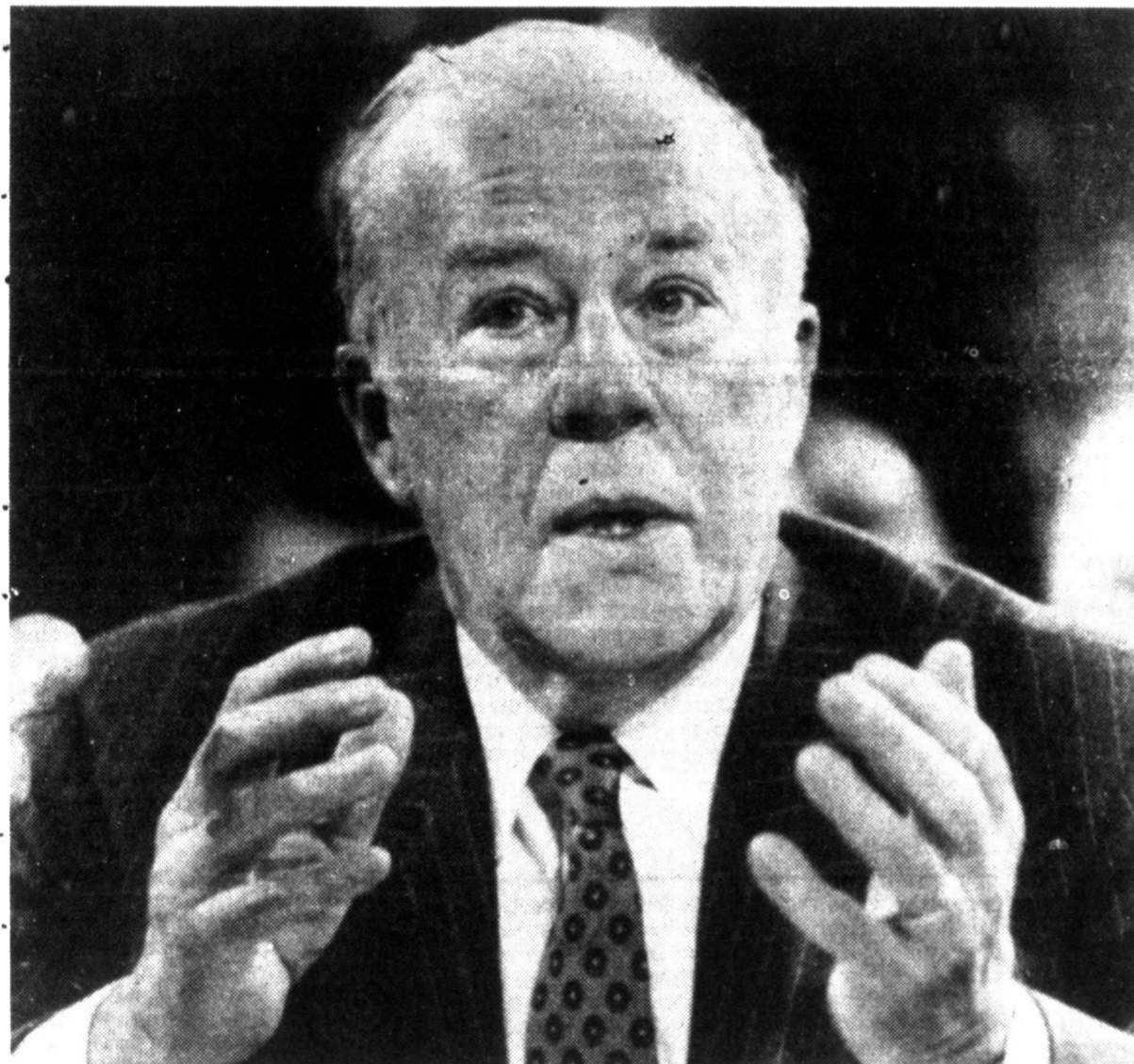
If the commission rules that a common reservoir status now exists, then the commission will consider proposals for the establishment of new field rules.

The 13 fields concerned in the hearing are located in Gray, Carson, Wheeler, Hutchinson, Collingsworth, Moore, Potter, Oldham, Sherman and Hartley counties.

In a related matter, another commission spokesman said the RRC has stated it would not reconsider its "white oil" 1985 order to retest oil wells in the Panhandle Field that use refrigeration, or LTX, units to make the oil-gas ratio of one barrel of oil per 100,000 cubic feet of gas.

White oil is a water-white liquid produced by chilling vapors to as low as 20 degrees below zero.

Whether such production is legal for well classification purposes is on appeal to the 3rd Court of Appeals here.



SHULTZ...puts Democracy over bases

## Philippines' aid cut move gains strength

WASHINGTON (AP) — With anger still building over the Philippine election, a plan to curb American aid to the government of President Ferdinand Marcos won key converts while the Reagan administration said it prized democracy more than two strategic U.S. military bases in that country.

"We have a big stake there," Secretary of State George P. Shultz told the Senate Budget Committee Wednesday, referring to Clark Air Base and Subic Bay in the Philippines, the largest American bases outside the United States.

But he added: "We have a stake in freedom. We have a stake in democracy. Let's put that first, over and above the bases."

The desire to punish Marcos quickly was reflected in the Senate's overwhelming approval Wednesday of a resolution declaring the presidential election results were "marked by such widespread fraud that they cannot be considered a fair reflection of the will of the people of the Philippines." The vote was 85-9. The administration urged cau-

tion on a more substantive proposal to curb American aid, which amounts to \$245 million for fiscal 1986. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger warned that cutting off military aid could play into the hands of communist insurgents.

At the same time, it was known that the White House hopes special envoy Philip C. Habib will find some way in which Marcos and his challenger, Corazon Aquino, can share power. Habib, who was sent to Manila by President Reagan, has been silent about his talks there and is not expected to return home before the weekend.

But on Capitol Hill, momentum was building behind a proposal by Rep. Stephen J. Solarz, D-N.Y., to put most aid funds into an escrow account until Marcos was replaced by another government. The Marcos-controlled National Assembly declared Marcos the victor over Mrs. Aquino, although she also has declared victory.

Solarz, chairman of the House subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, said Wednesday he had reached "a kind of agreement in principle" with the chair-

men of the House and Senate foreign affairs committees to place in escrow this year's unspent U.S. security assistance and \$197.7 million requested for fiscal 1987.

Solarz said under the agreement with Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., and Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the funds would be released with "the establishment of a legitimate government in the Philippines that has the confidence of the Filipino people."

Lugar said in testimony before Solarz' committee Wednesday that "perhaps placing U.S. military aid in an escrow account would be an appropriate action." He also said the Marcos government is "not fit to run the Philippine economy" and urged that economic aid be channeled through groups independent of the government.

Lugar, who was co-leader of Reagan's election observers, said, "The result was incredible" and was based on a completely fabricated vote tabulation.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., declined to back an immediate cutoff of U.S. aid. "I would like at least to wait until Mr. Habib gets back," Dole said.

## Wheeler mayor's race to highlight city elections in area

BY CATHY SPAULDING  
Staff Writer

A race for mayor has developed in Wheeler while voters in Lefors and Miami face a whole new slate of candidates now that filing for area city offices has ended.

Mobeetie, meanwhile, has another shortage of candidates as two people filed for the three open council seats.

Filing for the April 5 municipal elections ended at 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Incumbent Wheeler mayor Louis Stas, the editor of the Wheeler Times newspaper, is facing a re-election challenge by Wanda Sue Herd, co-owner of Maxey's Steakhouse on south Highway 83.

Two incumbent Wheeler city council members, David Cross of Cross Car Center and Joe Montgomery of General Telephone are facing re-election challenges from two Arkla employees,

Don Rose and Robert Jones.

In Lefors, Mayor R.B. White is stepping down, as are incumbents Walter Elliott and Betty Hannon. J.W. Franks, a self-employed dirt contractor, is seeking the mayor's post while oil field pumper Ron Turpen, oil field gang pusher Daniel Gilbert and homemaker Kim Holden are vying for the two other seats.

In Miami, four people are seeking the three seats being vacated by incumbents Monette Jenkins, Ron Fields and Chris Gill. Gill was appointed to the council last year to fill an unexpired term. Those seeking council seats are National Gas Pipeline worker Wayne Bright, who spearheaded an effort to get an ambulance service for Miami last year, self-employed boot and saddle store owner Bruce Topper, Kerr McGee employee M.J. Allison and Consolidated Utilities employee Larry Mayo. Consolidated Utilities supplies gas and water for the city of Miami.

Mobeetie voters face another shortage of candidates. In 1984, only one person, store owner Don Moore, filed for the three council seats up for votes. This year only two people, Moore and self-employed oil man Jim Watson, are vying for the three positions. Incumbents Wade Hathaway and Greg Estes both announced that they would not seek another term.

"We usually have a number of write-in candidates," Mobeetie city secretary Wilber Beck. "So, we're going to have to wait and see."

In McLean, the three incumbents, Dr. Harold Fabian, Wheeler Cattle Co. employee June Suggs and homemaker Martha Jo Bailey are facing re-election challenges by banker Brian Pohlmeier and Richard D. (Rick) Jones.

Skellytown incumbents Edna Chaney and Bill Stephenson are stepping down while the third incumbent, retiree Mel McBroom is involved in a six-way race between Vance Griffith of Northern

Natural Gas, oilfield pumper Ralph Tice, retiree F.M. Daniels, Bob Lawrence of Texaco and mechanic Bob Swearingin.

Incumbent Mayor R.W. Standefer, a retired White Deer-Skellytown school superintendent, is facing re-election unopposed as are incumbents Raymond Blodgett, a farmer-rancher, and White Deer High School counselor Dwight Huffman.

In Canadian, incumbent council member George Arrington is stepping down, leaving the incumbents, rancher Ben Mathers and pharmacist Lonnie Donaldson, to face challenges from oil company salesman Roger Wainwright and pumper Lee Hendershot.

In Groom, incumbents Jerry Gaines, a Carson County deputy sheriff, and businessman Bill Homer are facing challenges from Groom High School teacher Carlton Turaville, feedlot owner John Ashley and meat inspector Jimmy Britten. Incumbent Susan Brown is stepping down.

But TCLU not quitting

## Court won't hear McIlhany case

BY PAUL PINKHAM  
Staff Writer

Although the U.S. Supreme Court has denied a Miami woman's request to hear her case against a local district judge, the director of the Texas Civil Liberties Union said he has not given up her fight.

On Jan. 27, the Supreme Court declined to hear the case involv-

ing 31st District Judge Grainger McIlhany and Doris Adams, the woman he sent to jail for writing him a critical letter. But TCLU Director James Harrington said he will continue to fight, claiming he was misled when the Texas Commission on Judicial Standards told him they had adequately taken care of the problem.

"We were given to understand

that he (McIlhany) was not going to run again for election," Harrington said.

McIlhany, who was first elected in 1966, has filed for another four-year term. He faces no opposition in either the primary or general elections this year.

Harrington said he sent a letter to the Judicial Conduct Commission on Tuesday, explaining that

he believed McIlhany would not run again as part of a disciplinary action.

"I wonder what led him to believe that," Judicial Conduct Commission Chairman Robert Flowers said.

Flowers said that, by law, he cannot speak about a particular case with which the commission

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## Last-quarter GNP slump fails to dampen optimism

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy slumped to a sluggish growth of just 1.2 percent during the final three months of 1985 as a soaring trade deficit continued to batter American industry, the government reported today.

The sharp downward revision in fourth-quarter growth had been expected, given the fact that America's trade deficit soared in the final quarter. However, analysts said it did not change their belief that the economy has rebounded sharply in recent weeks.

The new-found optimism stems from the fact that oil prices have fallen sharply over the past month, dropping from \$25 per barrel down to \$15 per barrel.



# DAILY RECORD

## services tomorrow

**HARMAN, Ed** - 10:30 a.m., First Baptist Church, Skellytown.  
**DOSS, Lula Maude** - 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, White Deer.  
**LUSTER, Robert Lee** - 11 a.m., White Deer Cemetery, White Deer.  
**MORROW, Minnie Edna** - 10 a.m., Church of Christ, Groom.

## obituaries

**LUCILLE TANNER**  
 Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors for Lucille Tanner, 68, who died Wednesday night.

Mrs. Tanner was born Sept. 15, 1917, at Charlie, Texas. She moved to Pampa in 1980 from Denton. She married Herb Tanner on July 20, 1957, at Clovis, N.M. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; two sons, Gene Paul Devers, Greenville, and James Devers of Alaska; two brothers, Weldon Bullard and Leon Bullard, both of Pampa; a sister, Dorothy Plumlee, Amarillo; a stepson, Jerry Tanner, Kansas City, Mo.; two stepdaughters, Sharon Schwartz, Independence, Mo., and Vickie Lynn, Clinton, Mo.; four grandchildren and 12 step-grandchildren.

**BEULAH MAY COLLINGSWORTH YORK**  
 Graveside services for Beulah May Collingsworth York, 82, will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Oakwood Cemetery at Jacksboro. Officiating will be Bud Hales of Colleyville, former minister of the Jacksboro Church of Christ. She will be buried beside her husband, Wallace Andrew York, who died in 1969.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. York died Wednesday at her home. She was born May 8, 1903, at Lela, Oklahoma Territory, to John B. and Mary E. Harrison Collingsworth. She graduated from the Noel, Mo., High School in 1925. She married Wallace Andrew York on June 6, 1926, at Noel, Mo. They moved to Pampa in 1926 and then returned to Missouri. They moved back to Pampa in 1929 to stay. They lived for several years near Lefors. They owned and operated the Eagle Radiator Shop until their retirement.

Mrs. York was a member of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ and was a past noble grand of the Rebekah Lodge and a past president of the Business and Professional Women's Club and the Altrusa Club.

Survivors include a daughter, Zittella Jean (Mrs. Derrel B.) Hogsett, Pampa; a brother, John Wayne Collingsworth, Sulphur Springs, Ark.; a sister, Jayne Clinton, Salem, Ore.; three grandchildren, Nancy Burton, Arlington, Cynthia La-Jean Price, Pampa, and Donald Lee Hogsett, Fort Worth; six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

**MINNIE EDNA MORROW**  
 GROOM - Services for Minnie Edna Morrow, 89, of Alvin, mother of two Groom residents, will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the Groom Church of Christ with Alfred White, minister, officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mrs. Morrow died at 3:16 p.m. Tuesday in Alvin.

She was born July 26, 1896, at Loveland, Colo. She moved to Alvin on Nov. 4, 1982, from Pasco, Wash. She was a Church of Christ member.

Survivors include three daughters, Peggy Ham, Groom; Winnie Flanagan, Fort Worth, and Vera Jo Nabours, Alvin; two sons, Marvin Morrow, Groom, and Raymond Morrow, Pasco, Wash.; 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to favorites charities.

**ED HARMAN**  
 Services for Ed Harman, 73, will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Skellytown First Baptist Church. Officiating will be Rev. David Johnson, pastor, and Rev. Jim Fox, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church in Pampa.

Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Harman died Wednesday at Coronado Community Hospital.

Born Feb. 29, 1912, at Coweta, Okla., he moved from Haskell, Okla., to Skellytown in 1937 and to Pampa in 1971. He married Lucille Allen on Dec. 30, 1937, at Coweta. He was a Skelly Oil Co. employee for 34 years from 1937 to 1971. He was a member of Skellytown First Baptist Church, where he served as a song leader. He was a former member of the Skellytown Lions Club and served on the White Deer Independent School District board of trustees for a number of years.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a daughter, Nan Goad, Pampa; a son, Allen Harman, Ransom Canyon; a sister, Laura Oliver, Sand Springs, Okla.; a brother, Alfred Harman, Tulsa, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

**ROBERT LEE LUSTER**  
 Graveside services for Robert Lee Luster, 60, will be at 11 a.m. Friday in White Deer Cemetery with Rev. Harold Abney, pastor of the White Deer First Baptist Church, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Luster died Tuesday at the Veteran's Administration Hospital at Amarillo.

Survivors include three daughters, a son, a brother and three grandchildren.

**LULA MAUDE DOSS**  
 Services for Lula Maude Doss, 66, of Phoenix, Ariz., a former longtime Groom resident, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the White Deer First Baptist Church with Rev. Harold Abney, pastor, officiating.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Doss died Sunday in Phoenix.

Survivors include a son, her mother, two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

## hospital

**CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions**  
 Altemio Alfaro, Pampa  
 William Burdett, Pampa  
 Eldon Clark, Pampa  
 Stella Everett, Pampa  
 D.L. Frump, Pampa  
 Pearl Hulsey, Pampa  
 Hershel Malone, White Deer  
 Freda Martin, Pampa  
 Tammie Parker, Pampa  
 Linda Poling, Pampa  
 Sharon Price, Pampa  
 Deidra Pryor, Pampa  
 Joshua Sawdey, Wheeler  
 Marie Wood, Pampa

**Births**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Crawford, Pampa, a boy

**Dismissals**  
 Sharmayne Stribling and infant, Miami  
 Elizabeth Wright, Pampa

**SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions**  
 Etta Farmer, Quail  
 Zona O'Daniel, Shamrock  
 E s m e r e l d a Andaderdi, Hedley  
 Alice Traeger, Wheeler

**Dismissals**  
 Hazel Perkins, Shamrock  
 Gloria Salyer, Wheeler  
 Willie B. Tate, Shamrock

## police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19**  
 A burglary was reported at 733 N. Zimmers. A subject wanted by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles in Austin was reported. Edgile Brown, Route 2, Box 74, reported theft of a spare tire and rim from a pickup truck at 1200 S. Sumner.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 20**  
 Sherrie Lynn Tibbets, 520 N. Russell, reported criminal mischief at the address; telephone lines were cut.

A driving while intoxicated suspect was reported at the intersection of Texas and Russell. Joseph Blake Beyer, 919 E. Francis, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at the intersection of Cuyler and Tuke; a window was broken and a shotgun taken.

**Arrests**  
**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19**  
 Kevin Wayne Young, 25, 1041 Varnon, was arrested at the address on a charge of parole violation.  
 Roy Madrid Soto, 18, 318 Hazel, was arrested at the address on outstanding warrants. Soto was released on a bondsman's bond.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 20**  
 Juan Rodriguez, 40, 423 N. Crest, was arrested at 500 Russell on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

## minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19**  
 A 1975 Oldsmobile, driven by Florence E. Bruton, 1536 Williston collided with a parked 1983 Chevrolet, registered to Sharon Evans, and a parked 1977 Ford, registered to Johnnie Simmons, 728 Sloan, in the 300 block of West Foster. No injuries were reported. Bruton was cited for reckless damage to a motor vehicle and failure to leave information at the scene of an accident.

A 1986 Ford, driven by Christopher Scott Porter, 1520 Hamilton, and a 1984 Jeep, driven by Macrice Williams Cross, 1821 N. Dwight, collided at the intersection of Dwight and Decatur. No injuries were reported. Porter was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

A 1981 Oldsmobile, driven by Mark David Nuttall, 2307 Fir, collided with a parked trailer, belonging to Mark G. Watkins, 1706 Evergreen, in the 1700 block of Evergreen. No injuries were reported. Nuttall was given a written warning for improper backing.

## stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa	Wheat	2.90	up 1/4
Milo	3.85	dn 1/4	
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation	Amoco	5 1/2	up 1/4
Beatrice Foods	4 1/2	dn 1/4	
Cabot	24 1/4	up 1/4	
Celanese	19 1/4	up 1/4	
DIA	1 1/4	up 1/4	
Halliburton	22 1/4	dn 1/4	
HCA	36 1/4	dn 1/4	
Ingersoll-Rand	67 1/4	dn 1/4	
InterNorth	41 1/4	NC	
Kerr-McGee	26 1/4	up 1/4	
Mobil	27 1/4	dn 1/4	
Penney's	59 1/4	NC	
Phillips	10	up 1/4	
PNA	21 1/4	up 1/4	
SJ	29 1/4	up 1/4	
SPS	27 1/4	dn 1/4	
Tenneco	37 1/4	NC	
Texasco	38 1/4	dn 1/4	
Zales	34 1/4	dn 1/4	
London Gold	339.25		
Silver	5.93		

## fire report

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

**Wednesday, Feb. 19**  
 12:06 p.m. grease fire at McDonalds, 2206 N. Hobart. Caused in a deep fat fryer.  
 3:40 p.m. 60 acre grass fire three miles north of Lefors on highway 273.

## Emergency numbers

Energas	665-5770
SPS	669-7432
Water	665-3881

# Oil prices rebound after dropping below \$15 mark

NEW YORK (AP) — Technical factors and expectations of increased demand for heating oil have helped draw oil prices back above \$15 a barrel on futures markets, even though the overall trend remains down, analysts say.

The rebound on Wednesday followed a Tuesday plunge that had left the major U.S. grade of crude below \$15 a barrel for the first time in about seven years.

Also on Wednesday, Kuwait's oil minister was quoted as warning that prices could slide as low as \$5 a barrel if members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and non-OPEC producers did not agree on production controls to strengthen prices.

Contracts for March delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude, closed on the New York Mercantile Exchange at \$15.12 a barrel, up 35 cents from Tuesday's \$14.77 close.

Among refined products, March contracts of home-heating oil rose 1.35 cents and unleaded gasoline was up less than a half cent.

Oil sold in the spot and futures markets represent about 25 percent of the total domestic market, but prices under long-term contracts have been following the downward trend that has seen prices drop by about half since autumn. Contract prices now

range between \$15 and \$21 a barrel.

Futures prices strengthened Wednesday as speculators bought oil to cover "short" contracts, said John Azarow, an analyst with the securities firm Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc. In a short sale, an investor sells borrowed oil in the hope that its price will fall before payment is due.

Analyst Peter Beutel, of Rudolf Wolff Futures Inc., said traders were anticipating weekly national figures on refinery inventories scheduled for release by the American Petroleum Institute after the market's close.

This led to "a combination of short-covering and a little bit of refinery interest," he said. "People were looking for lower refinery runs or for runs to stay at currently reduced levels. A feeling that there might be a drawdown in distillate (heating oil) stocks helped support the market."

Despite the gains Wednesday, however, Azarow said he still saw "a continuing downtrend."

"I think there's just a lot of crude around," he said.

Tuesday's price for West Texas Intermediate was the lowest since the New York Mercantile Exchange began trading that grade in 1983, and industry analysts said it was the lowest price paid for any oil on the open market since early 1979, before the Iranian revolution disrupted

world supplies.

On Wednesday, Citgo Petroleum Corp., Shell Oil Co. and Unocal Corp. announced cuts ranging between \$1 and \$2 in the prices they would pay for various grades of crude. These included West Texas Intermediate, for which Citgo said it would pay \$15, Shell said it would pay \$21.60 and Unocal said it would pay \$18.50.

Petroleum prices have dropped sharply since OPEC's December announcement that it would stop trying to support prices by restricting production in favor of pursuing a "fair share" of the world market.

In Manama, Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, the Kuwaiti oil minister, said a plunge to \$5 a barrel could occur if OPEC and non-OPEC oil producers "continued to defend only individual interests."

Asked if he still held to his pessimistic assessment that these prices would drop to as low as \$10 a barrel, Ali commented "I was not being pessimistic. But if the situation does not change, the prices could drop to even \$5 a barrel."

He confirmed that the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries was planning an emergency session March 15 or 16 in Geneva to develop a combined OPEC position in the face of the "deteriorating" world oil market situation.

# McIlhany case

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is involved, unless the commission files formal procedures. He declined to say whether the commission is considering any formal action concerning McIlhany at this time.

Adams, a 52-year-old part-time waitress and mother of six, wrote McIlhany two letters in May and June of 1983, complaining about what she called unfair treatment of three of her sons by Roberts County law enforcement authorities. McIlhany wrote back saying he regretted Adams' siblings "have not seen fit to reform to society."

Later that month, Adams scribbled comments on the back of the judge's note and sent it back to him, saying: "The law stinks and stinks bad. The only way you can win with the law anymore is if you can buy your way out and it's done every day. You know I can't pay so you stick my boys good."

In October, 1983, McIlhany ordered Adams to appear in the Roberts County courtroom and accused her of accusing him of taking bribes. She was found in contempt of court and sent to jail after denying that she meant to accuse the judge of wrongdoing. McIlhany later said Adams was not entitled to an attorney because the contempt hearing was

a "civil matter."

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson of Amarillo, in dismissing a \$400,000 lawsuit filed on behalf of Adams by the TCLU said judges are "absolutely immune from liability" with regard to judicial acts, even though, she said, McIlhany violated the woman's civil rights.

Harrington then appealed to the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, which upheld Robinson's decision. The appeal to the Supreme Court was filed in November, 1985.

Harrington said he is dis-

appointed but not surprised by the Supreme Court's refusal to hear the case. He said the TCLU realized it was facing an uphill battle because McIlhany is a judge, but added he still considers McIlhany's actions "outrageous."

"It's a shame that the judges want to protect themselves as much as they do," he said, adding that such actions do not give the appearance that due process is being served.

Neither McIlhany nor his attorney, Bill Wiers of Pampa, could be reached for comment.

# Ex-astronaut new shuttle director

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former astronaut Richard H. Truly was named today as new director of the battered space shuttle program, taking over as a presidential commission widens its probe into the Challenger accident that killed seven crew members.

The appointment was made at a news conference by acting NASA administrator William Graham, who said that Truly's duties would include directing the space agency's own internal probe into the Jan. 28 shuttle disaster.

Truly said that was a challenge he welcomed, and said, "We have overcome very difficult times before."

Truly, a naval rear admiral who had a 14-year career as an astronaut, flew on the second shuttle flight in 1981 and the eighth flight — aboard Challenger — in 1983. "Welcome back, Dick," Graham said in announcing Truly's new duties.

Graham announcement came as a presidential commission is demanding all "documents, memoranda or personal notes" of NASA and industry officials who engaged in a hotly debated decision to launch Challenger despite misgivings about cold weather.

An executive of the company that makes the space shuttle booster rockets said its managers initially opposed a cold weather liftoff but withdrew their objections the night before Challenger's ill-fated launch, despite the reservations of at least one engineer. Thomas Russell, an executive in Morton Thiokol's Chicago headquarters, said Wednesday that new, last-minute information persuaded top company managers to approve the launch. He declined to reveal exactly what prompted the company to withdraw its original objections.

# City briefs

**DANCE TO** the music of Country Comfort, Saturday, February 22nd. Members and guests. Moose Lodge. Adv.

**LADIE'S OF Fashion Beauty Shop.** Pat Winkleblack is back welcoming old and new customers. 669-9834. Adv.

**CALF FRIES,** Thursday night, at 7 p.m. Moose Lodge. Adv.

**COME SEE** the Country Folklore Collection and Wild Flowers and Herb Collection at Las Pampas Galleries. Adv.

**LANCER CLUB** Pool Tournament tonight, 8 p.m. Adv.

**JERRY AND Beverly Woodruff,** whose home was demolished by fire February 11th will be honored with a replacement kitchen shower Saturday February 22 from 2 until 5 at the Children's World Day Care Center 500 N. Ballard. New or good used kitchen items are greatly needed.

**GARAGE SALE:** 2740 Beech. Friday only. 9 to 5. Adv.

**PAMPA SHRINE** Club Covered Dish Meeting, Friday, 7 p.m. at the Sportsman Club.

# Weather focus

## LOCAL FORECAST

Mostly cloudy and cold with the highs near 50. Lows near 35. Northeasterly winds at 10-15 mph.

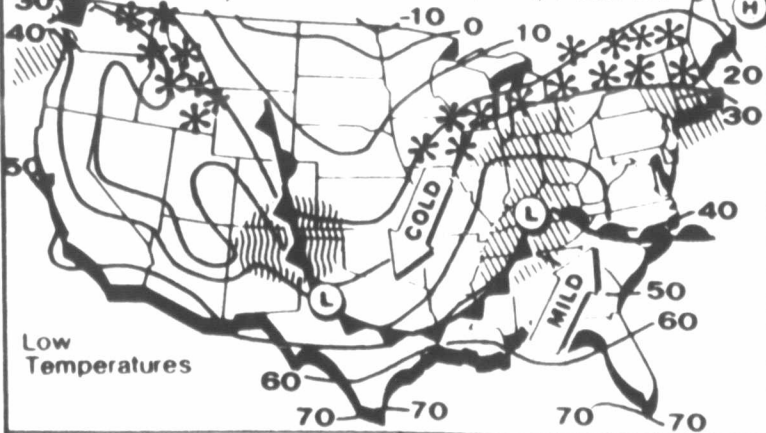
## REGIONAL FORECASTS

**NORTH TEXAS:** Mostly fair and turning much colder remainder of area tonight. Lows 26 northwest, 35 central and 39 east. Partly cloudy and cool Friday with highs 45 northwest to 56 east.

**SOUTH TEXAS:** Turning mostly cloudy and colder northwest tonight and elsewhere Friday. A slight chance of showers north and east Friday. Lows tonight lower 40s northwest to the upper 60s south. Highs Friday 50s northwest to the 80s south.

**WEST TEXAS:** Partly cloudy through Friday. Increasing cloudiness and cooler tonight. Partly cloudy far west and cloudy elsewhere Friday. Lows tonight mid 30s north to the mid 40s south. Highs Friday near 50 north to around 70 south.

## The Forecast for 7 a.m. EST, Fri., Feb. 21



**FRONTS**  
 Warm — Cold  
 Occluded — Stationary

**BORDER STATES**  
**OKLAHOMA:** Mostly cloudy and cold tonight. Partly cloudy east, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or snow west Friday. Low tonight mid teens northwest to mid 30s southeast. High Friday 30s northwest to mid 40s southeast.

**NEW MEXICO:** A few showers northwest this evening. Cooler Friday. Lows tonight will be from 15 to 30 in the north to between 30 and 45 across the southern lowlands. Highs Friday will range from 45 to 55 in the northeast to the 60s and lower 70s in the southwest.

# Iraq denies downing Iranian jetliner

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran said today an Iraqi jet fighter shot down an Iranian passenger plane on a domestic flight between Tehran and Ahvaz. The plane carried at least 46 people and all were believed killed, an Iranian official said.

The official Iraqi News Agency quoted an Iraqi military spokes-

man in Baghdad as denying the Iranian claim. The agency, monitored in Cyprus, quoted the spokesman as saying Iranian "reports in this respect are sheer lies," and adding that Iraqi air attacks were confined to military targets along the war front and in southern Iran.

Iran's ambassador to the Un-

ited Nations, Rajaie Khorassani, said in New York he believed there were 46 passengers aboard the downed plane in addition to the crew. There was no reason to believe anyone survived, he said.

The ambassador said the plane crashed 11 miles from Ahvaz, and wreckage fell in a nearby village.



# TEXAS / REGIONAL

## Japanese bank

# Despite oil prices, Texas is still a good buy

DALLAS (AP)—The dropping price of oil should be viewed as "a period of transition" for the Texas economy and not a sign of an end to the state's prosperity, a Japanese bank's study of the state says.

The Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, Ltd. prepared a study of the investment climate in Texas as part of a series of assessments of high-growth cities in 35 states, said Takashi Hoshino, manager of the industrial research division of LTCB.

"It would be a mistake to conclude that the prosperity of Texas has come to an end with the falling oil prices and the decline of the real estate market," the study says.

"It would be more appropriate to look at the present time as a period of transition in which the state's drive to diversify its industrial structure is crystallizing."

Unveiled at a press conference Wednesday, the study notes growth in electronics; communications and new-generation computers in Dallas and Austin; biomedical engineering in San Antonio and Houston; aerospace industries in Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston; and robotics and new industrial materials in Fort Worth, Odessa and Midland.

Hoshino said his bank will publish 5,000 copies of the Texas study and circulate it among top Japanese executives in an effort to dispel "stereotyped perceptions" about Texas.

"I find the Dallas area one of the brightest and promising high-tech spots in the United States," Hoshino said.

Despite layoffs of almost 10,000 last year in the Dallas-Fort Worth high-tech segment, Hoshino said many of those out of business will start new

companies. The bank study says there are more than 800 high-tech businesses in the Dallas area employing 125,000.

The situation in Houston, he said, "is a little bit tougher," with 17 percent of the people employed working in oil-related businesses.

But he said Houston has a "very promising" technology base from its space-related and medical industries.

Unlike the majority of Japanese banks, which located in recent years in Houston, Tokyo-based LTCB, which didn't open a representative bank office in Texas until 1984, chose Dallas. It is one of four Japanese banks in Dallas, while 11 have offices in Houston.

Besides Dallas and Houston, the bank study focused on three other Texas cities on which it reported the following:

— Austin has had fast employment growth in research and development, employing 6,000 in that sector, and is home to 300 high-tech companies. Increasing immigration to the area has meant high-quality, low-cost labor.

— San Antonio, which was first a center of tourism, services and retail, is considered one of the top 20 premier high-tech locations in the country, and its electronics business increased seven-fold over the past five years.

— Fort Worth, once a distribution center for cattle and cereals, in recent years has added the industries of defense, aviation and space, with General Dynamics employing 17,000. Also, plans are in the works to build a robotics institute, with Fort Worth appearing to get a big headstart over other cities.

## Republicans to have debate, Democrats are a question

AUSTIN (AP)—A televised debate among the Republican candidates for governor has been scheduled in April, the Texas League of Women Voters says. But plans for a Democratic debate remain up in the air.

League official Modelle Brudner said Wednesday the GOP debate would be held April 14 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

But the league remains unable to schedule a debate for the six Democratic candidates, she said, adding that time is running out to set up such a session before the May 3 primary election.

All three GOP candidates — former Gov. Bill Clements, U.S.

Rep. Tom Loeffler and former congressman Kent Hance — are scheduled to participate, Ms. Brudner said.

"They were all willing to debate. We had a little problem finding a date, but it's set now," she said in a telephone interview from Houston.

Ms. Brudner said the debate will be televised by KHOU-TV. Broadcast coverage of the debate will be offered to television and radio stations statewide, and a Spanish translation will be provided, she said.

Ms. Brudner said the league is continuing to work with the six Democratic candidates, includ-

ing incumbent Gov. Mark White.

"But if we don't get something settled in the next week or so, I'm afraid we'll have to drop it," she said.

The problem, she said, is "a date for Gov. White. We have not been able to come to any date at this point."

In the past, White said he would be willing to debate his Democratic opponents, but two of those opponents said Wednesday that White is ducking them.

Mark McKinnon, White's campaign press secretary, said White remains willing to debate but that the governor's campaign staff wants the five other candidates to contact them about arranging a forum.

"We have encouraged all our primary opponents' campaign personnel to contact our people," McKinnon said.

Dallas businessman Andrew Briscoe, second cousin of former Gov. Dolph Briscoe, said he told the League of Women Voters he is willing to debate any time. White is the hangup, he said.

"He appears to be hedging on his promise to debate any opponent," Briscoe said.

"We've been in contact with the league, trying to finalize a debate. Modelle (Brudner) says the chances of having a debate if Mark White won't participate are slim."

Briscoe said he also contacted White's campaign staff, as they requested.

"We've tried desperately, three or four times, but have yet to hear anything from White's staff. I think they want it all to go away," Briscoe said.

McKinney lawyer A. Don Crowder also said he had contacted White's campaign staff, to no avail.

"They've never made contact with me — not once," Crowder said Wednesday. "Briscoe called me, and he was fed up, too."

Crowder said he is willing to debate "any time, any place, any form, any format."



GUARD IN TRAINING — Members of the Arkansas National Guard "Spirit of the Tiger" infantry battalion participate in a mock exercise in the tropical forest plains of Honduras about a dozen miles from Nicaragua. (AP Laserphoto)

## Former principal says he never proposed marriage

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP)—A former junior high school principal accused of killing a football coach says he never seriously proposed marriage to the school secretary, the woman prosecutors claim both men wanted to marry.

Hurley Fontenot, 48, former principal of Hull-Daisetta Woodson Junior High School, is charged with murder in the April 12 slaying of coach Billy Mac Fleming, 36.

Fleming's body was dumped near an isolated logging road in East Texas and found 10 days later.

Prosecutors contend that Fleming and Fontenot were rivals for the affections of Laura Nugent, 36, a teacher's aide and the school secretary. Fleming and Mrs. Nugent had planned to marry last summer.

But Fontenot testified Wednesday that he and Mrs. Nugent "occasionally dated" but he never seriously offered her a wedding ring.

Prosecutors were expected to cross examine Fontenot today — the former principal's third day on the witness stand.

Fontenot told jurors he gave Fleming a ride to the school fieldhouse on the day he was last seen alive. It was the first time Fontenot has publicly explained his last meeting with the coach and the alibi he gave to investigators.

As he was getting ready to leave the school on April 12 to drive to Houston, Fontenot said, Fleming stopped him and asked for permission to leave school early. The coach said he had to go to the bank and had an appointment with the school's athletic director, according to Fontenot.

Fontenot said he gave his approval and then gave Fleming

a ride to the fieldhouse, where the coach's pickup truck was parked.

"I saw Bill walking swiftly toward the fieldhouse door," Fontenot said. "That was the last time I saw Bill Fleming."

Fontenot said he left the school grounds about 3 p.m., drove to a gasoline station and then stopped at a post office before making the 65-mile trip to Houston's Hobby Airport, where he was to meet his daughter, Vanessa.

The defendant said he had planned for nearly two weeks to help his daughter with her income tax return and was going to surprise her by moving some furniture back to her home in Austin for her.

But when he arrived at the airport, his daughter was not there, he said.

"This happened more than once," Fontenot said. "She is a sweet daughter who doesn't pay much attention to details."

Thinking he might have gone to the wrong airport, Fontenot said he drove across Houston to Intercontinental Airport. He said he checked at the terminal, but she was not there either.

Fontenot said he telephoned his daughter from the airport and she told him she planned to stay in Austin for the weekend.

"We talked about the income tax return. She said she would mail it," he said. "I told her to get a form for an extension and mail it before the deadline."

Fontenot said he left the airport, stopped to get gasoline and then drove to a horse-racing

track in Louisiana where he arrived about 8:30 p.m., shortly before the fourth race.

Fontenot said he made several bets before leaving the track about two hours later. He said he drove to his sister's house in Daisetta and spent the night.

Two days later, Fontenot said, he dropped by the school to pick up some tax forms and noticed Fleming's truck parked near the school's fieldhouse.

"It didn't seem significant at the time," he said.

Fontenot said when he returned to school on Monday, April 15, he learned that Fleming had failed to show up for work. He said he called Mrs. Nugent.

"I figured if anybody knew where Bill was, Laura would. But she said 'No, I don't and I am worried,'" he said.

About a week later, he said, he learned Fleming's body had been found southwest of Livingston. He said on the following day, April 23, deputies called and said they wanted to talk to him.

Fontenot said he cooperated with investigators and never tried to hide the fact he had dated Mrs. Nugent.

The next day, he said, he drove to Houston with a Texas Ranger, who he said interrogated him and accused him of killing the coach.

"He said, 'You killed him, you may as well confess now.' I said I didn't kill anybody," he said.

Fontenot said the investigator cursed at him several times, using racial slurs.



**Off beat**  
By  
**Larry Hollis**

## Not always a tangled web

I had just lain down on the couch, settling down for a rare Saturday morning of nothing to do but read a book, when there was a knock on the door.

I got up and opened the door. There on the porch, peering through the screen door, was a friend of mine, a hang-eyed, sad-dog look in his eye.

"C'mon in," I said.

He walked in and sat on the couch, no words spoken, just looking sad.

"Oh, no, it's going to be one of those days," I thought to myself.

"Well, what's the matter?" I asked anyway.

He sighed, looked at the floor, glanced up at me, sighed again.

"I just saw my wife this morning," he said.

"Don't you see her every morning?"

"Yeah. But this morning I actually saw her."

"I'd always thought you were a bit blind," I said, sitting down in a chair.

"You mean to tell me you finally recovered your sight?"

"It's not a funny matter, Hollis," he said, a sad glare in his eyes.

"Sorry. But what do you mean, you saw your wife this morning?"

"We had a problem arise at the shop, so I had to work late. I didn't get home until just at sunrise this morning. I went into the house quietly, undressed and started to get into bed. But I still woke my wife. And that's when it happened. I saw my wife."

He sighed and reclined back in the couch.

"I had never seen my wife without makeup before. It was like waking up to find a stranger had replaced my wife during the night."

"You're kidding?" I said. "You've been married — what? — three, four years now. And this is the first time you've seen your — uh, natural wife?"

"Yeah. She's always kept on her makeup, eye shadow, mascara, whatever else she uses on her face, when we've gone to bed. I guess she only takes it off after I leave for work. Or when she showers, and she never comes out of the bathroom until it's all back on. And her hair is always fixed up. It was almost like living with Mrs. Cleaver."

"But I guess last night she thought she would be up and fixed up before I got home from work."

"So?" I inquired. "How does she look?"

"Oh, okay," he said. "Actually, I guess she's still kind of cute. But just not the same. It's like she's another woman."

"So what's the problem?"

"I feel like I've been deceived. It's like that book of famous Hollywood stars I saw at the bookstore. Take away Morgan Fairchild's makeup and no one would even look at her twice on the streets."

"Did you marry her just for her looks, then?" I asked.

"Of course not. She's warm, funny, caring, bright — just full of good qualities. But . . . I don't know. It's just like I had never seen the real her until this morning."

"And you've shown her the real you?"

"Certainly! I don't wear makeup. And I don't hide in the bathroom for 45 minutes after I shower."

"But there's other things about you. What about those jeans and boots and western-cut shirts you wear? You've never been near a horse, much less ridden one. And she's never seen you without your moustache; you haven't shaved it off since you met her, have you? And what about all those creams you use to keep away the acne, huh? And those gray hairs you clip off in your sideburns?"

He sat silently for awhile.

"I never thought about it like that," he said. "I guess even we men keep up appearances. It's just a matter of degree, I guess. And men might be even worse."

"In what way?"

"Too many of us wear our 'makeup' on the inside. It's only after we get married that we finally reveal those flaws we've kept hidden. Like a propensity to belch at the table, or a tendency to dribble beer down our chins. Or scratching where it itches. Or demanding a hot meal every supper. And even worse."

He got up.

"Well, I'll see you later. I'm heading home to my wife — my beautiful wife. If I'm lucky, she's still in the shower. And I need one, too."

Hollis is a staff writer for The Pampa News.

## DPS investigating unaccounted fines

COTULLA, Texas (AP)—The Department of Public Safety said it is trying to determine what happened to fines paid in LaSalle County for about 1,500 traffic tickets.

DPS Trooper Rudy Rodriguez said he is attempting to trace revenues from the hundreds of tickets issued in an 18-month period from the middle of 1983 until the end of 1984, the Laredo News reported.

Subpoenas are being obtained for LaSalle County deposit slips during the period, Rodriguez said.

Several people provided proof of payment for the tickets but no records or payment receipts were recorded, LaSalle County Sheriff Darwin Avant said.

The tickets were filed in the court of former Justice of the Peace Pilar Martinez Jr., the News reported.

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# VIEWPOINTS

## Oil import fee would be bad

BY RICHARD LESHER

WASHINGTON - In the Middle Ages, the scientific community, if you could call it that, was obsessed with converting plentiful substances into gold. We know this "science" called alchemy is no more than Rumpelstiltskinian fantasy. But a gang in Washington has mastered what you might call "reverse economic alchemy."

If you could come up with one development providing the greatest benefit to the most Americans, near the top of your list would be falling oil prices. And lo and behold, what should appear but an oil glut - and just such a price drop.

Before the latest round is over, gasoline prices could drop as much as 25 cents a gallon. Falling energy costs mean we can sustain both lower inflation and strong economic growth for some time to come. Every \$5 drop in the price of a barrel of oil translates into a 1 percent increase in the gross national product.

Great, right? But get your celebrating in now. If the reverse alchemists in Congress and the administration have their way, the oil price drop and its economic benefits could go the way

of zoot suits and the Model T.

As Congress began to tear its collective hair out over Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit limitations, someone (actually, several someones) got the clever idea that if we taxed imported oil, we'd raise lots of revenue and avoid the need for spending cuts that get constituents all hot and bothered.

Such a tax, proponents argued, would protect independent domestic producers, hurt badly by the price drop. Since such a tax would only return prices to where they were, it wouldn't hurt a bit.

Usually, I hear that last phrase in the doctor's office - just before I get it right in the arm (or someplace even more tender). I don't believe it - and you'd better not either.

Because the reverse economic alchemists have found a perfect way to turn this golden economic opportunity into a disaster. A \$5 oil import fee would have reduced 1985 growth by a hefty 1 percent, costing thousands of jobs.

It would add back to inflation, just when a falling dollar is already putting pressure on prices. Higher manufacturing costs and indexing would spread the price boost throughout the economy.

And an import fee would actually increase deficits. Say what? You heard me. Lower economic growth means higher government outlays - and fewer revenues. That same \$5 fee would have hiked the deficit by \$15 billion. Such a result is predicted by forecasters both in and out of government.

What about protecting domestic producers? First of all, the tiny boost independent producers would get is too little and too late. But why shield that group at the expense of agriculture, chemicals, plastics, fertilizers, transportation and tourism - just to name a few industries that benefit from lower prices? What's more, the intended beneficiaries don't want the help. The Independent Producers Association of America says that an oil import fee would be "counterproductive to the national interest."

Finally, the oil import tax is bad politics for many reasons - not the least of which is that it is a regressive tax, one that comes down harder on the poor.

In the old days, practitioners of this kind of black art might have been burned at the stake. Today we're more civilized: we elect them to office - where they burn us.

Lesher is president of the United States Chamber of Commerce.



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### Opinion

## Who should right government wrongs?

Our first instinct was to applaud the recent U.S. Court of Appeals decision to reinstate a \$24 billion lawsuit brought on behalf of the 120,000 Japanese-Americans interned in camps during WWII.

The internment, without moral or rational justification - though widely popular at the time - displayed the awful power of even the freest of governments to trample individual rights in the name of mass hysteria. Why shouldn't those who suffered receive some retribution - albeit years after the fact - from their tormentors?

But there is a troubling question: who should pay? If the suit is successful it would result in a substantial judgment against the federal government - a judgment that would be paid by taxpayers, not all of whom supported the government's shameful action against the Japanese-Americans.

These taxpayers were powerless to change the government's internment plan at the time, and many were not even a gleam in their parents' eyes back then. Taxes, like internment, come at the point of a gun. Never mind flowery phrases about "voluntary payments" or, in the case of internment, "national security"; words are cheap. The actions of government are not.

The lower court in 1984 dismissed the lawsuit, arguing that it was barred by the six-year statute of limitations on lawsuits against the government. The appeals court, however, overturned the decision, ruling that the government improperly concealed evidence that the internment was not a military necessity. In 1981 activists were contemplating claims of \$25,000 per family - a total of \$3 billion. The \$24 billion suit, however, claims roughly \$200,000 for each of the 120,000 internees, even though only half that number are alive today.

While there are rational ways to approximate the actual losses suffered by the internees, there is no rational way to determine the value of lost opportunity or even suffering. Especially when the claims are being pressed, not by those interned, but by their survivors. Those figures, reflected in the \$24 billion total, are arbitrary at best.

Perhaps the survivors deserve more than a simple apology for the atrocities committed by government in the name of freedom. The most appropriate suit, of course, would be against those actual individuals who approved and carried out the internment. Working for the government should not shield people from personal responsibility and liability for their actions. Any monetary award should be restricted only to those interned and only for actual losses, plus interest.

A horrible action was committed, but it cannot be made right by forcing taxpayers, many of whom were not even born until after WWII, to staisfy everyone's retroactive sense of righteousness.

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Lewis Grizzard

## Pork Chop and Catfish

Some weeks ago I mentioned the sadness that had fallen over my house.

My nephew Phil had been staying with me, and his dog, a boxer named Sampson, and my dog, Catfish, the black Lab, had become best of friends.

One day Catfish and Sampson left to terrorize the neighborhood. Only Catfish returned.

Sampson still hasn't come back, and we have given up hope he ever will. Catfish simply wasn't the same after his best pal disappeared.

He moped. He whined. He wouldn't eat. He missed Sampson, I am certain.

I have no idea where the new dog came from, but one day, this dog showed up at my house. He was wearing no collar.

He is a small, white dog. He looks like something you might find in the lint catcher.

He hung around one day, and then another, and then another, and then I allowed him into the house with Catfish and I fed him.

I think I have a new dog. I think Catfish has a new best friend.

"Two dogs," a friend was saying, "are really easier to handle than one. They don't get lonesome if there are two of them, and they don't demand so much attention."

I think my friend was right. Catfish has stopped whining and he has started eating again.

The new dog is well-mannered. He was a little afraid of me at first. He acted as if someone had been hard on him.

But he's much more comfortable now. Catfish sleeps on one couch. The new dog sleeps on the other. They both bark each morning at six so I will let them outside.

They both track up the carpet. They both look at me with those eyes while I'm eating. They both drink water out of the toilet. They both need a bath, and I will get to that as soon as I can.

The big problem has been what to name the new dog. I don't know why I named Catfish, Catfish. It just seemed to fit.

Names I have given dogs always just seemed to fit. I had Plato, a basset. I had Barney, another basset.

When I was a kid, I had a dog named Edna who always ran after cars. One day, she caught one.

I had a white ball of fur named Snowball, and a bird dog named Smokey. I once had a dog named Paulette. I named the dog after my girlfriend. She was not nearly as impressed as I had hoped.

About my new dog: "He looks like a Fuzzy-Wuzzy," a friend who saw the new dog said.

He does, and he doesn't. He looks like to have enough mixed breed about him to be a Fuzzy-Wuzzy, but that implies a poodle, and the dog is definitely not that. He is much too calm and collected to be a poodle.

I thought of LeRoy. Then, I thought, why not add some class and spell it, LeRoi, but a name like that is for poodles, too.

I finally came up with Pork Chop. Again, it just seemed to fit. And I like the way Pork Chop and Catfish go together. Sounds like a couple of guys you'd have fun with at a tractor-pull.

Sorry if I've overdone this, but when it comes to dogs, I just can't help being poetic.

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William Rusher

## A media smear job on Marcos

I hold no brief for Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, but I must say the performance of the American media since Marcos (under U.S. prodding) called late last year for a snap election to validate his mandate has turned my stomach.

It is a spectacular example of the kind of smear job they would love to pull off in the United States, if only they dared.

Marcos's opponents picked as their presidential candidate Corazon Aquino, the widow of a Marcos rival whose 1983 assassination Marcos is breezily assumed to have engineered (although it has been, and was obviously bound to be, a source of almost measureless political tribulation to Marcos). Mrs. Aquino has not the slightest qualification to serve as chief executive of the Philippine Republic, and her campaign was a hilarious series of goofs, gaffes and hastily cor-

rected blunders that any normally vigilant reporter would have crucified her for perpetrating. Instead, the American journalists in the Philippines adopted her cause as their own.

Unfortunately, they quickly realized that the Widow Aquino was by no means sure to beat Marcos, who is still widely popular in his country, so the U.S. media prepared to withdraw their second line of defense: The election would be "riddled with fraud."

Meanwhile, back in Washington, the journalistic support troops were doing what they could. Rep. Stephen Solarz, D-N.Y., hastily put together a lavishly covered Congressional hearing into "whether" Marcos and his wife had sluiced billions of U.S. aid dollars into New York real estate. Somebody else fished out of the Pentagon files and leaked to the press a memorandum 40 (I kid you not) years old, casting doubt on Marcos's war record as a guerrilla

fighter against the Japanese.

Then came Election Day, Feb. 7 - closely monitored by all sorts of Filipino and foreign observers, including a U.S. delegation headed by Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind. There were, of course, plenty of instances of fraud, as there always are in Philippine elections (and even, I have been told, in Indiana elections), but at this writing the vote count is incomplete and the outcome unknown. Within 24 hours of the closing of the polls, however, the indications were that the result was likely to be reasonably close. Mrs. Aquino promptly claimed victory, and threatened to send her supporters into the streets if she was denied the fruits of her triumph. Marcos, more reasonably, suggested waiting till the count was over.

The U.S. media positively outdid themselves in reporting cases of fraud by Marcos backers. One network actu-

ally found and filmed an alleged Marcos supporter quite openly paying cash for Marcos votes. The New York Times reported that 30 official vote-counters, purportedly disillusioned at Marcos's alleged frauds, quit their jobs and piously went to "a church" - neglecting to mention that the Aquino forces had forehandedly scheduled a press conference there, to display their living trophies.

Nowhere in the entire Philippine archipelago (about 7,100 islands) did the U.S. media find, or at least report, a single instance of misconduct by the Aquino forces.

Now the media have begun referring to Marcos routinely as a "dictator" - the prescribed epithet for those marked for journalistic execution, however absurd it may be in the case of Marcos. Luckily for Moscow, Gorbachev is still "the Soviet leader."

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# Senate approves genocide treaty - after 37 years

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate has finally approved a treaty that makes genocide an international crime, more than 37 years after the pact was signed by President Harry Truman.

The 83-11 vote Wednesday made the United States the 97th nation to ratify the pact first drafted by the United Nations in reaction to the Holocaust, when millions of Jews were slaughtered by the Nazis.

The pact was signed by Truman on Dec. 11, 1948. But ratification had been delayed chiefly because of opposition by Senate conservatives, who argued that it would infringe on U.S. sovereign rights and could lead to charges against the United States for America's handling of blacks or its actions in the Vietnam War.

The ratification vote was a victory for Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., who had taken the floor daily since Jan. 11, 1967, to urge Senate ratification of the treaty. Proxmire, who made more than 3,000 speeches over the 19-

year period, said after the vote, "I'm absolutely elated."

He said it was the support of President Reagan that "broke the logjam." Reagan urged late in 1984 that the treaty be approved and appealed again late last year for Senate action.

The treaty makes it a crime to systematically kill or injure members of national, racial, ethnic or religious groups and provides that the World Court shall hear alleged violations.

But the Senate approval includes a provision that says the United States can refuse to accept the World Court jurisdiction, an addition Proxmire termed "a real flaw."

The World Court is not a criminal tribunal and thus could not mete out sanctions. The court would have to rely on the U.N. Security Council for sanctions, and the United States, as one of the five permanent members of the Council, could veto any actions.

In recent years, conservatives had opposed ratification because they said the pact should include a prohibition against "political genocide," which they defined as the persecution of people for political beliefs.

Sen. Steven Symms, R-Idaho, lost 62-31 Wednesday when he tried to add political genocide to the list of crimes.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., said Symms' proposal would be "truly a killer amendment" because it would require the entire

treaty to be rewritten and approved again by all nations.

But the Senate, after rejecting Symms' amendment, followed treaty ratification by giving 93-1 approval to a resolution directing Reagan to seek to reopen negotiations on the treaty and add political genocide to the list.

Through the years, all presidents except Dwight Eisenhower supported ratification of the treaty and it had made it to the Senate floor five times. But opponents always blocked a vote.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said Wednesday that "this treaty has enormous symbolic value as a worldwide statement of outrage and condemnation over very real horrors."

The long fight over the treaty had not been because "there is any question that genocide should be an international offense," Dole noted.

"Rather, the debate over the years has mainly centered on legal ambiguities in the language of the treaty, perceived by critics as infringing upon the sovereignty over the United States and the supremacy of the Constitution," he said.



**PARTY MEETING** — Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, left, meets members of his cabinet and ruling party in a night-long caucus on possible moves to deal with the opposition's call for boycotts and civil disobedience. Marcos has threatened to use his full powers to deal with the situation. (AP Laserphoto)

## Mrs. Aquino meets with foreign ambassadors

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Corazon Aquino met today with diplomats from more than a dozen European nations and Japan, and told them she was determined to assume the presidency of the Philippines at the "earliest possible time."

She also rejected suggestions that the bitterly contested Feb. 7 election won by President Ferdinand E. Marcos be annulled and another called, saying there was more at stake than the "petulance of a spoiled and aging dictator who tried to cheat ... and failed."

The opposition leader accuses Marcos, who has governed the Philippines for 20 years, of rigging the polls and robbing her of

the presidency. The election has been widely criticized here and abroad as fraudulent.

In a statement issued after her meetings with the diplomats, Mrs. Aquino said that to annul the election would be "to forget how much toil, sweat, tears and blood was involved in giving and attempting to protect the overwhelming vote I received at the polls."

Representatives from nine of the 12 European Economic Community members met with Mrs. Aquino for 45 minutes and discussed the "state of world opinion" regarding the National Assembly's proclamation Saturday that Marcos won the election, the statement said.

Mrs. Aquino then received the ambassadors of Austria, Norway, Switzerland, Finland and Sweden, and met separately with Japanese Ambassador Kiyoshi Sumiya.

"Mrs. Aquino reiterated her determination to vindicate the people's verdict and assume the presidency at the earliest possible time," during the meetings, said the statement.

A Common Market diplomat told reporters it seemed "more and more clear" that none of the member countries will send representatives to Marcos' inauguration Feb. 25.

None has sent Marcos the usual congratulatory message, and the diplomat, who spoke on condition

of anonymity, said that was because under the circumstances, "We don't deem it appropriate." The Soviet Union sent Marcos a congratulatory message Wednesday.

Meanwhile, in a telephone interview, Local Governments Minister Jose Rono today accused the U.S. Senate of acting prematurely by passing a resolution questioning Marcos' reelection.

The Senate resolution, passed by a vote of 85-9 Wednesday, said the Philippine elections were "marked by such widespread fraud that they cannot be considered a fair reflection of the will of the people of the Philippines."

## Prince Charles to cut world's largest cake

HOUSTON (AP) — Britain's Prince Charles headed for Austin today to help celebrate Texas' Sesquicentennial bash after busy days of touring in the state's two largest cities — Dallas and Houston.

Prince Charles was asked to host a ceremony on the Capitol steps that included a 21-gun salute and a flyover by the Texas Air National Guard. Late this afternoon, the prince is to cut the world's largest birthday cake — 90,000 pounds and measuring 80 feet by 110 feet.

It took about 32 hours to bake the cake, with 20,000 three-pound layers and large enough to feed 300,000, and 24 hours to assemble it. Each slice was priced at \$1.50, or \$150 for a sheet, with proceeds earmarked for restoration of the Texas Capitol.

Duncan Hines, which is sponsoring the cake, provided 31,026 boxes of yellow cake mix. The concoction required 93,108 eggs, 10,346 cups of vegetable oil, 38,795 cups of water, and 30,000 pounds of icing.

The prince, traveling without Princess Diana and their two sons, on Wednesday toured the Shell Oil Co. refinery in Deer Park, the San Jacinto Monument and a retirement home in Highlands named after his favorite uncle, Lord Louis Mountbatten.

About 300 people, many with cameras and American and British flags, withstood record-breaking temperatures in the upper 80s for several hours, waiting for the prince to arrive at the Mountbatten House, about 30 miles east of Houston.

The prince visited for about 30 minutes with Hazel Reilly, an 82-year-old resident at the home.

"He was very nice. I think he was handsome," Mrs. Reilly said. "He was just a nice young man."

Mrs. Reilly, who forgot to ask for an autograph for her grand-

daughter, said she didn't buy a new dress for the occasion, but did get her hair done.

"This is the most exciting thing that's happened in a long time," she said.

Earlier Wednesday, Shell President John Bookout took the prince up an elevator to a 300-foot tower to get an overall view of the refinery and visited an automated control room where the industrial solvent phenol acetone is produced.

The prince met with about a dozen employees in the control room, inquiring about their duties and even asked one if working night shifts ever created problems at home with his wife.

"I explained that it didn't cause any problems," Al Castaneda, 32, said.

Charles had tacos — pronounced "take-oz" by a British press aide — for lunch with about 25 Shell workers. Corrected by reporters, aide Andrew Burns laughed and said, "Oh, is that how you say it!"

The prince, next in line for the British throne, then boarded the motor vessel "Sam Houston," going along the Houston Ship Channel toward the battlefield at San Jacinto where Texas forces under Sam Houston defeated the Mexican army in 1836 to win independence.

The battlefield, about 20 miles east of Houston, now is marked by a monument that is a virtual duplicate of the Washington Monument.

"I've learned a little bit about San Jacinto and oil refineries," Prince Charles said. "But not being a chemist, it's all very confusing."

The prince, saying he found it interesting, toured a museum at the base of the 570-foot monument, then rode an elevator to an observation tower at the top.

More than 500 people waited outside the monument to catch a

glimpse of the prince.

"If it's as hot as this in the winter, what is it like in the summer?" the prince asked.

Several of the people carried signs of welcome. Two or three signs were critical of the prince's visit.

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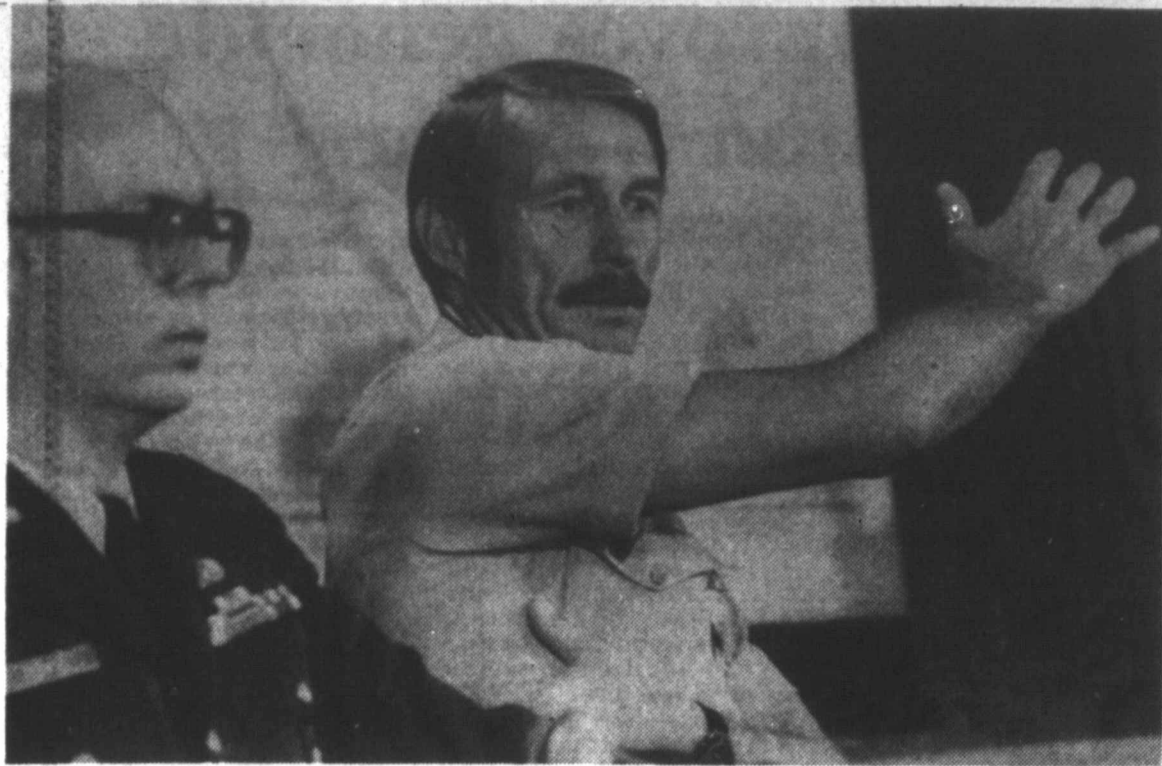
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**SALVAGE OPERATIONS DISCUSSED** — U.S. Navy Capt. Charles Bartholomew, supervisor of salvage operation for the U.S. Navy, right, gestures as he describes techniques and equipment being used to complete salvage operations in Space Shuttle 51-L accident. Air Force Col. Edward O'Connor,

left, director of search and recovery operations, told a press briefing at Kennedy Space Center Wednesday that they have identified portions of debris found in 1,200 feet of water to be that of the right solid rocket booster from the Space Shuttle. (AP Laserphoto)

## Former astronaut Truly to head space shuttle program

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former-astronaut Richard Truly is in line to take over the battered space shuttle program, sources close to the program say, moving in as a presidential commission widens its probe into the Challenger accident that killed seven crew members in the nation's worst space tragedy.

The sources, speaking Wednesday only on condition of anonymity, said Truly's appointment would be made official today by William Graham, acting administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Truly flew on the second shuttle flight in 1981 and the eighth flight — aboard the Challenger — in 1983.

The appointment comes as a

presidential commission is demanding all "documents, memoranda or personal notes" of NASA and industry officials who engaged in a hotly debated decision to launch Challenger despite misgivings about cold weather.

Commission chairman William P. Rogers announced the demand for the documents Wednesday as other panel members said they were alarmed by NASA's handling of certain flight safety issues in the hours before launch — especially the right rocket booster that is a suspected cause of the accident.

One commission member said he found the process that led to the decision to launch the Challenger "horrifying."

Speaking on the condition he

not be identified, the commission member said there was information that the launch team would normally have that was "not given to them. ... That's the shocker, that they did not have the information you would normally expect them to have."

Rogers said in his statement that three senior NASA officials never were told of strenuous objections raised by some engineers working for Morton Thiokol, the firm that makes the shuttle's twin rocket boosters.

Similarly, one source also said the panel was "surprised" to find out that top space agency officials never knew of unusually low temperature readings of around 7 to 9 degrees Fahrenheit on the surface of the rocket booster.

### Officials say

## All opinions are evaluated prior to launch decision

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Before a space shuttle is launched, NASA goes through a pyramid-shaped decision process that starts with reviews on the bottom "where even the smallest voice is heard" and ends at the top among the space agency's top management.

In theory, the decision is made only after engineering objections at each level are evaluated and laid to rest, or approved and pushed on up the pyramid. By the time top management meets, they should be considering only relevant issues.

But a presidential commission studying the Challenger disaster suggested that the decision process was "flawed." Commission chairman William Rodgers declined to describe more precisely the flaw, but NASA officials said the process, in theory, is the same one used throughout all of the successful American manned spaceflight programs.

The difference now, said Don Puddy, a Johnson Space Center executive, is that the shuttle system is much more complex than any before it and no one knows all of the details of each engineering system.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has divided management authority for components of the shuttle between three different, widely-separated centers.

Rocket engines, propulsion systems and the external fuel tank are the responsibility of the Marshall Spaceflight Center in Huntsville, Ala. The Johnson Space Center near Houston is in charge of the orbiter, flight control operations and astronaut training. The general shuttle management office is also at JSC.

The Kennedy Space Center in Florida is in charge of processing the shuttle parts — the tank, the solid rockets and the orbiter — to prepare them for launch. KSC is in charge of the actual launch,

with JSC taking over when the craft clears the launch tower.

Each center reports directly to the office of manned spaceflight at NASA headquarters in Washington where Jesse W. Moore is the chief. Moore, in turn, reports to the administrator of NASA.

Shuttle responsibilities for the centers started when the craft was first being designed. Marshall supervised the development of the solid rocket boosters, including the design, testing and manufacture. JSC did the same for the orbiter.

Both centers worked with the contractors who did the actual manufacture, and both centers were responsible for assuring that the work was done as planned.

Once the hardware was completed, it was shipped to the Kennedy Space Center for launch. Both Marshall and JSC, however, continued to be responsible for their portions of the shuttle system, and both centers, along with their contractors, maintain engineering offices at the Kennedy center.

NASA managers from all the centers draw up a list of rules called "Launch Commit Criteria." The managers must be satisfied that each item on the list is followed or the launch preparations can be stopped.

As launch day approached, a series of low-level review meetings are held at the centers and at the offices of the contractors.

Major contractors meet to evaluate the specific hardware that will be flown.

Reviews of those meetings are passed to managers at the responsible NASA centers. NASA experts on the systems discuss each problem and at that point, said an engineer, "even the smallest voice is heard." Any problem that could pose a violation of the launch criteria is evaluated.

"As we go through each system, a poll is taken," said Puddy.

"If we see something that is a violation of the launch criteria, then we will flag it."

Reviews of these meetings are passed up the pyramid to the center directors who pass on the status of the systems.

From there, the evaluations are passed up to the office of the shuttle program manager, Arnold D. Aldrich, at the Johnson Space Center. Aldrich then holds a meeting which involves center directors, managers of each major system and the representatives of the contractors.

If all issues are resolved, then about 10 days before a planned launch, there is a level 1 launch readiness review. This meeting includes Moore, his deputies, Aldrich, the center directors, and the managers of the various systems within the shuttle. Contractors also are present.

If a "go" is given for launch, then preparations continue toward a countdown.

In the final three days, the decision-making is shifted to the Kennedy Space Center where Moore assembles all of the managers who participate in level one decisions.

A meeting is held the day before launch with the top management discussing any issues involved with the spaceflight. This can involve the weather, the crew health or any of the thousands of shuttle mechanical systems. The conference is on a closed circuit with flight teams listening in from Marshall and JSC.

In the final hours, the management team shifts to the launch control center and each manager is "on the loop," a system that provides instant communication. Again, teams at Marshall, JSC and at KSC are listening in.

"There is a large network of people who are pulled together to make sure that any issue that comes up during a countdown on a flight...can be handled in real time," said Moore.

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# Musical Hip-O-Grams send weighty musical message

By TERRY GOODRICH  
Austin American-Statesman

SMITHVILLE, Texas (AP) — First, there was the Strip-O-Gram — a stripper delivering a telegram. But when you care enough to send the very most, call Hip-O-Gram, say two in-excess-of-portly women who deliver musical telegrams.

Meet Bonnie Ford, height 5 feet, who says only that she weighs "more than 200" pounds; and Marlene Oppenheim, who stands 5-foot-1½ and says that she weighs more than 300 pounds.

The cushiony women, who are both divorced mothers in their mid-40s, advertise their service with business cards that depict a hippo dressed in a tutu.

"We worked up the act ourselves and are quite unique," Ms. Ford said. "Other than certain talents, we have a certain size nobody can top."

Among those talents is Ms. Ford's accordion-playing. Both women have pleasant singing voices.

Ms. Oppenheim totes the tape recorder and plays fairy godmother, sporting a pink gown and a tiara.

She's in charge of putting the recipient at ease. That's accomplished by "telling them to put their hands around my waist as far as they can go — and usually, it's not too far," she says.

She listens to the individual's wish list, says a poem or two and then introduces Ms. Ford, the one who strips — within limits. Ms. Ford peels down to a red heart bra with gold tassels and a sashed swimsuit bottom.

That's when Ms. Ford breaks into song, original words set to the tune of "Hey, Look Me Over." It details how the telegram recipient left her standing at the altar and how the janitor forced her to clean up the church herself after the wedding didn't materialize.

If a customer doesn't want a strip-tease, the women abide by those wishes.

What they do not do is think of themselves as a freak show — or as an act to appeal to kinkier leanings. Neither woman drinks or smokes, and they avoid compromising situations.

"Some people are into fat — like the five men who suggested a hot tub — but most of them don't have that problem," Ms. Oppenheim said. "A lot of 'em are worried that we're really gonna strip."

It may seem odd that the women willingly subject themselves to situations in which they might face ridicule. Do they feel exploited? "No, not as long as we're making money," says Ms. Ford.

"You do have times when you get depressed (about weight)," Ms. Oppenheim admitted. "But you have a positive self-image, and you can deal with whatever people say. I went into a hospital program, a research hospital, for six months. And I've tried Weight Watchers and TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) and have got to around 200. But I'd get on these plateaus."

"Finally, I decided, 'I'll just eat three nutritious meals a day, and the hell with it.' Not everybody likes to look at fat people, but I live with it," she said.

"You just have to project yourself more, and once people get to know you, they like you whether or not you're fat."

Ms. Ford tells a similar story. "Once, I lost nearly 100 pounds and weighed about 160 — but I wasn't well at all," she said.

"People would say, 'You look terrific.' But I didn't feel terrific. I was eating only 500 or 600 calories a day, and I got very sick. I talked to a nutritionist who said, 'You'd better eat.'"

The women live in Smithville and have been offering their act through Three-Ring Service for about a year in the Austin area. Ms. Ford is a lab technician when she's not quasi-stripping, and Ms. Oppenheim has done office work and phone sales.

They met in St. Louis, Mo., where both were members of Overeaters Anonymous and a self-help group they started called Positive Self-Image. They began doing their act in 1983, after accompanying a friend to an audition for a "bag lady" act.

"We just went along for moral support," Ms. Oppenheim said. The agency that booked their friend was looking for a "fat act," but "they were talking about doing all these sick fat jokes. It was nauseating."

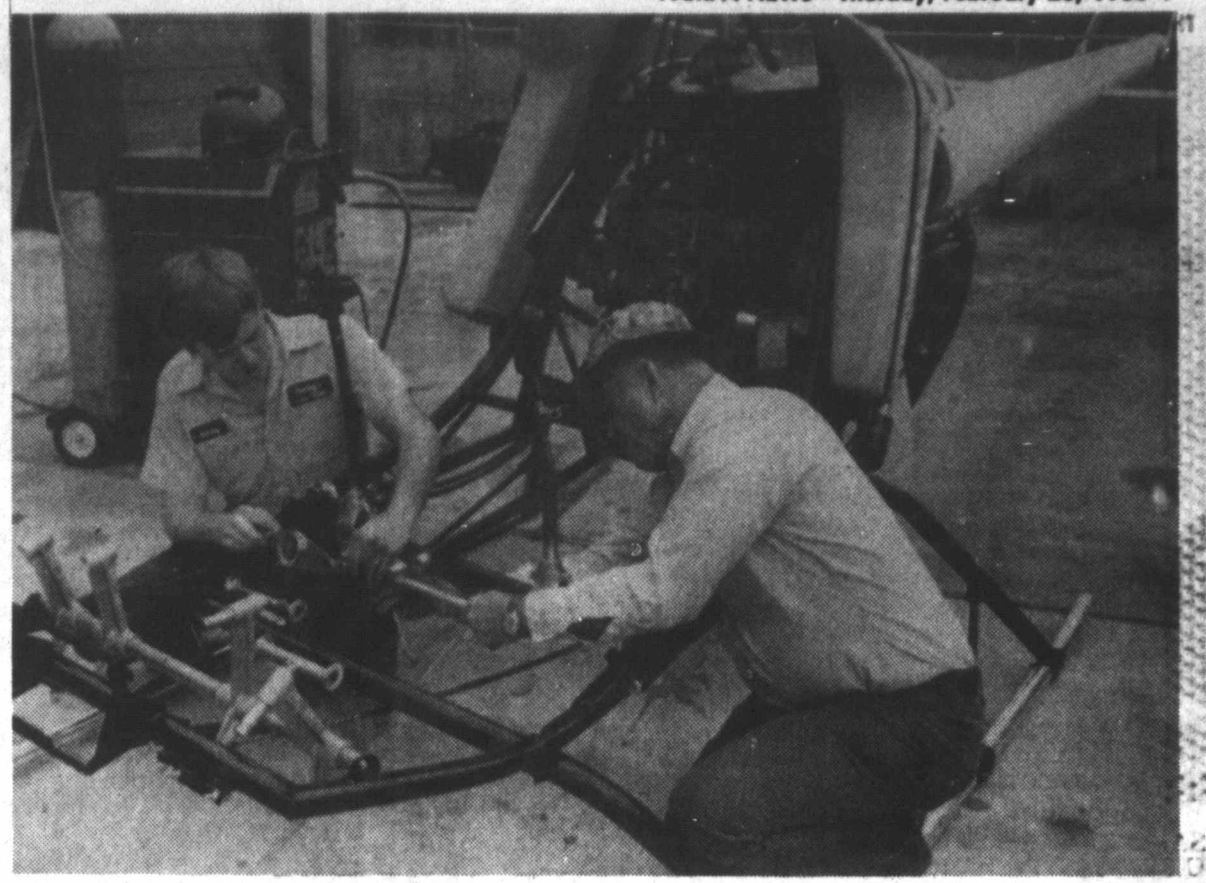
Instead, they came up with the fairy godmother-accordion player-stripper act, which ranges from 10 to 15 minutes. Cost ranges from \$60 to \$150, depending on how far they must travel.

They have been the recipients occasionally, of jeers and "piggy calls," Ms. Ford said.

Generally, though, the audience is more genteel.

In fact, "Some people are very concerned about hurting our feelings by laughing," Ms. Oppenheim said.

"We try to break that down with our act," she said. "We try to get people to laugh with us rather than at us — to see we're not stupid, that we can be creative and that it's fun to be around us. We try to put a lot of love in our act."



CHOPPER KIT — Stanley Shipper, left, assembles his helicopter with the help of Gil Hodges. The Beaumont men are putting together the kit which cost about \$32,000 which includes flight training. (AP Laser-photo)

## Man builds helicopter from kit

By JERRY LYNAS  
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — When Stanley Shipper starts flying his helicopter around the Beaumont skies, he'll feel confidence in the craft. He's building it himself, from a kit.

Shipper is getting help from his father-in-law, Gil Owens, who retired from Mobil Chemical Co. two years ago.

Shipper, 27, has the mechanical skill needed for the project. He operates Stanley's Car Clinic and specializes in repairing foreign cars. He completed a two-year course at Lamar University in diesel mechanics, machine shop and welding.

The helicopter will seat two, cruise at between 90 and 100 miles an hour and stay in the air for about two hours on its 20-gallon gasoline supply.

Shipper bought the kit for about \$32,000. The price includes the necessary training it takes to fly the craft.

Shipper, who has been flying light planes for a few years, decided to try his hand at helicopter building and flying.

"I've been flying for a while

and decided I would like to build an airplane," he says. "But they are pretty big, and you have to keep them at the airport all the time. The helicopter I can keep here at my business."

"It's more of a challenge and more unique to fly a helicopter. I just like to be different and like a bigger challenge."

The helicopter will be licensed as an experimental craft, although the kits have been in production for some time, Shipper says.

Shipper bought the kit from Rotor Way in Chandler, Ariz., after flying out there for a first-hand look at one in operation.

When the kit arrived here in November, it came in 32 boxes, "some of them big boxes," he says. He expects to finish construction this month.

The helicopter is powered by a four-cylinder, water-cooled, 155-horsepower gasoline engine, which applies its power to the main and tail rotors through a series of belt drives.

The main rotor has a free-wheeling clutch which allows it to keep spinning if the motor should stop. This allows the pilot to land the craft with the blade "auto-rotating."

Shipper will go back to the factory and spend a week learning to hover above ground and learn how to mount, balance and adjust the craft's blades. Then he will return home and practice hovering his own helicopter, spending as many as 20 hours practicing.

When he feels he has acquired the necessary skill, he will return to the factory and train in flying and emergency procedures, including landing a copter without the motor turning the blades.

On returning home, he will take his own helicopter up for hours of practice and then return to the factory for a check ride with a Federal Aviation Administration inspector and final certification as a pilot.

He says his wife, Deann, wants to learn to fly the helicopter and may accompany him.

## Bergen offers view of history

By PRUDENCE HELLER  
Associated Press Writer

BERGEN, Norway (AP) — Most visitors to Bergen, the fjord capital of Norway, will arrive by train from Oslo or by plane from other points.

But those who manage to arrive by boat, on the ferry from Newcastle in England, for instance, will be doing what the Vikings did, and the merchants of the Hanseatic League who followed them. Bergen has for centuries been what it is now, a bustling place. Some of the merchants' houses still stand on the waterfront, or Bryggen.

Bergen is nestled at the foot of mountains and clammers up their sides. Tourists riding the funicular for the view mingle with commuters from homes on the slopes.

Many of the hotels of Bergen are right on the waterfront, within walking distance of most of the things a visitor wants to see and do, and of trains, boats and buses. The public market is here, famed for its fresh fish and bright with flowers, vegetables and fruit. It offers a variety of knickknacks and some interesting jewelry.

Also on the waterfront is a castle which includes King Haakon's Hall, dating from the 13th century, and the Rosenkrantz Tower, originally erected about 1270 as a small, fortified residence for King Magnus the Lawmender. It

was remodeled in the 16th century as the "modern" castle of Erik Rosenkrantz, a governor, and is considered one of the most imposing Renaissance buildings in Norway.

During World War II, a German ship with 200 tons of dynamite exploded in the harbor area, severely damaging the tower. But it has been restored, and the interiors returned to their 16th-century "modernity."

Hard by the castle is the Bryggens Museum containing artifacts found when extensive excavation was done right on the spot. It shows what medieval life was like in Bergen and western Norway.

Not far from the waterfront is a park with wide green lawns, a lake with an impressive fountain, and museums, a concert hall and other institutions around it.

Bergen is the starting point for excursions lasting hours to days — to the fjords, composer Edvard Grieg's home, or the island of Lysoen, where the 19th-century violin virtuoso Ole Bull lived.

It's also the starting point for the one-day "Norway in a Nutshell" do-it-yourself trip on public transportation. A train crosses farmlands and climbs into the mountains to Myrdal, where the traveler changes trains for a trip that is a railroad buff's delight — on the Flam Line.

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Callers to DIAL 976 service will be billed a sponsor established charge per call. It is expected that the net revenue effect of this new service will have a positive impact on company revenues.

The Commission has assigned this matter to Docket 6689. A hearing on the merits of this docket shall be held on Friday, May 16, 1986 at 10 a.m. in the Commission offices at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard in Austin, Texas.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission within two weeks from the date of this publication, but, in any event, no later than March 17, 1986.

A request to intervene, participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

## Aviso Público

De conformidad con una orden de la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas, Southwestern Bell Telephone por medio del presente aviso anuncia que el 6 de Enero de 1986 la compañía registró una tarifa para introducir un nuevo servicio denominado SERVICIO DE TRANSMISION DE INFORMACION — Marque el 976.

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La Comisión ha registrado este asunto bajo el Expediente 6689. Se llevará a cabo una audiencia para discutir los méritos de este expediente a las 10 de la mañana, el viernes 16 de Mayo de 1986 en las oficinas de la Comisión, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard en Austin, Texas.

Toda persona que desee intervenir o participar en el presente proceso debe notificar a la Comisión dentro de dos semanas de la fecha de esta publicación, pero en todo caso no después del 17 de Marzo de 1986.

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**READING METHOD** — Dr. Maryjane Cable, right, instructs staff members from the Lufkin and Nacogdoches Adult Learning Center and the East Texas Co-op Preogram

in Rusk in teaching reading to adult illiterates. Cable just finished a book, "The Reading Handbook," that uses the newspaper as one of the instructional tools.

## East Texas educator develops program to teach illiterate adults

By KELLI CASTLEBERRY  
Lufkin Daily News

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — For illiterate adults being taught to read by Dr. Maryjane Cable, "See Tip Run" could mean that Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill had changed his mind and is seeking re-election to the House of Representatives.

Shunning juvenile "This is a fish"-type material usually used to teach reading, Mrs. Cable reads with her students in the newspaper after each lesson.

In her new method being used at the Lufkin Adult Learning Center, student and teacher alternate pronouncing words printed in the paper, the student reading those he has mastered with the instructor filling in as needed.

"That is what is totally unique as far as I know," Mrs. Cable said. "Most of the programs will train an adult to read only in the materials that are available at that center. But if you look around at what the readers are reading, they are reading newspapers, magazines, and books."

A 320-page guide, "The Reading Handbook," compiled by Mrs. Cable last year, contains 100 lessons that begin with simple words such as "I," "a," and "an" and progresses to difficult but practical vocabulary, according to Mrs. Cable, such as "socioeconomic," "polyunsaturated," "radioactivity," and "electroencephalograph."

"The words that I chose were words I felt like would be useful to know."

Mrs. Cable said there is yet another characteristic that distinguishes her technique from others.

"I teach the reading of a letter according to mouth position and sound production. It eliminates a lot of problems."

Take the word "sat," for example. Mrs. Cable begins by instructing the student to place his

tongue behind his teeth and make a hissing noise by blowing air through them. Next, she describes how to make a throaty, short "a" sound and finishes by demonstrating a "t," produced by flipping the tongue off the palate behind the teeth.

"Now say it like a word," she prompts the student, and praises him if the word is correctly pronounced.

"All the way along the line the student is encouraged and complimented," Mrs. Cable said. "It is essential."

Bob Quillin, director of the center, called Mrs. Cable's work with his students a "godsend."

"I was jumping up and down on the telephone," he said about Mrs. Cable's offer to employ her method at the learning center, begun last December. "We are just getting started with it but this is going to make a significant impact on our being able to reach the people that need help so desperately."

Having had experience in teaching adult illiterates himself, Quillin said they are difficult to reach.

"Their self-image and their expectations are low," he said. Both he and Mrs. Cable agreed that their satisfaction comes when the student undergoes a personality change and begins to gain confidence in himself.

"It really is a kind of high, I guess you would say," Quillin said. "Most of the teachers are here for the feeling of seeing the students blossom."

Mrs. Cable said it took about a year to complete "The Reading Handbook," written after a study of adult illiteracy and available teaching materials revealed no "how-to" books were available to teach reading to this growing population.

"I kept thinking in the back of my mind that I wanted to write a book that would explain everything. I thought, 'Somebody

ought to tell them how to figure out the perceived reading needs of an adult.'"

"It tells how to prepare yourself for teaching, how to locate the student, how to interview them, and address the student's needs," she said.

"Each person is going to be on their own reading level," she said. "Everybody has their own strengths and weaknesses and you have to break it down to what that particular person needs."

Mrs. Cable backs her method with years of research and reading instruction to elementary, junior and senior high school students as well as adults.

During a stint as a reading specialist at West Springfield High School in Fairfax, Va., in 1972, Mrs. Cable found, through tests administered by English teachers, that 625 of the school's 2,403 enrollment could be classified as functionally illiterate.

Taking them out of English classes required for graduation, she worked out an arrangement where the students could receive reading instruction and substitute it for the English requirement.

"By taking those students out of their classes, the teachers were able to teach English while I was working with the other kids on how to read sentences and paragraphs."

Mrs. Cable holds a doctorate in education from George Washington University and began teaching school in Lufkin at Melear Elementary in 1952. She has also taught in Fort Worth, and Indianapolis as well as Fairfax before she and her husband moved back to Lufkin last fall.

She said she is thinking about having "The Reading Handbook" published if it proves successful in actual use. "I don't want to publish it before I see some assurance that it is appropriate," she said.

## Popular Mexican border saloon has romantic history

By DORALISA PILARTE  
Associated Press Writer

JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — The Kentucky Club, a longtime favorite border saloon, is nowhere near the Lexington stables, and the only horsy set to hang out here was one led by Pancho Villa.

Or so the story goes. "Pancho Villa liked the ladies and he drank a lot of coffee, but he never went to saloons," said Ignacio Esparza, who is writing a history of this border city. "He didn't smoke or drink, not even beer."

But the story, fed to tourists who have been making the obligatory stop at this famous border cantina for decades, is a plausible one.

The dimly lit saloon on Avenida Juarez, a few blocks from one of the bridges over the Rio Grande leading into El Paso, Texas, lends itself to romantic flights of fancy.

It's easy to picture a mustachioed Villa riding into town in a cloud of dust, strolling past the frosted glass double doors of The Kentucky Club and ordering a shot of tequila before his next ambush of the federales.

But although Villa, who was himself ambushed and killed in 1923, never graced The Kentucky Club, other famous people have, said bar owner Francisco "Pancho" Montes, 72. Among them were movie stars John Wayne, who would drop in whenever he was passing through, and Gilbert

Roland, a Juarez native whose lengthy film career started with silent movies.

Another notable regular was Clark Gable, said Montes. Gable, a captain during World War II stationed at Fort Bliss on the outskirts of El Paso, would come to the bar and sip Scotch with Hollywood friends.

Montes bought the saloon from an Armenian in 1933 and named it Sloppy Joe's, after a bar by the same name in Havana, Cuba, which he had visited.

"But after the war, Sloppy Joe's sounded too rough, so I changed it to The Kentucky Club," Montes said.

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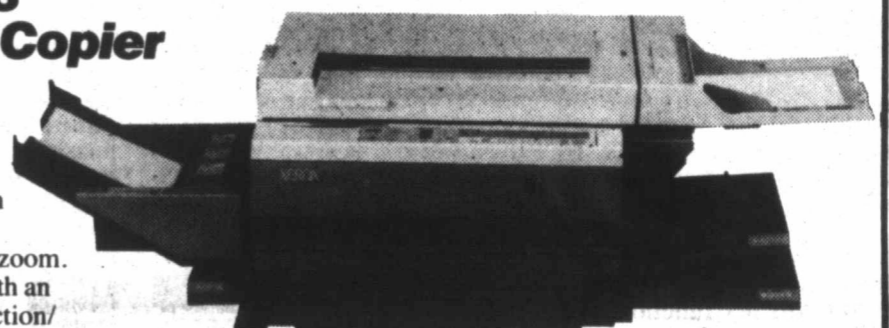
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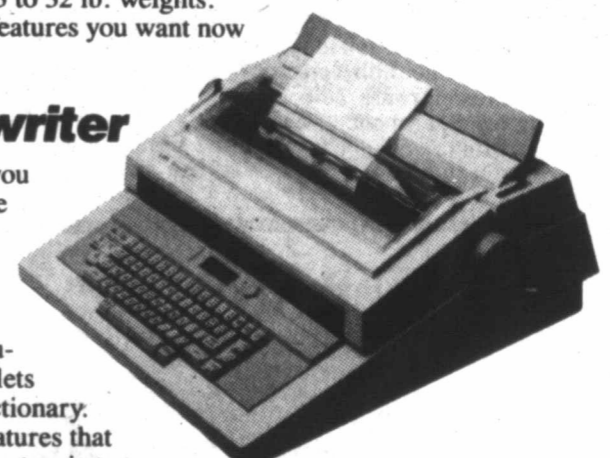
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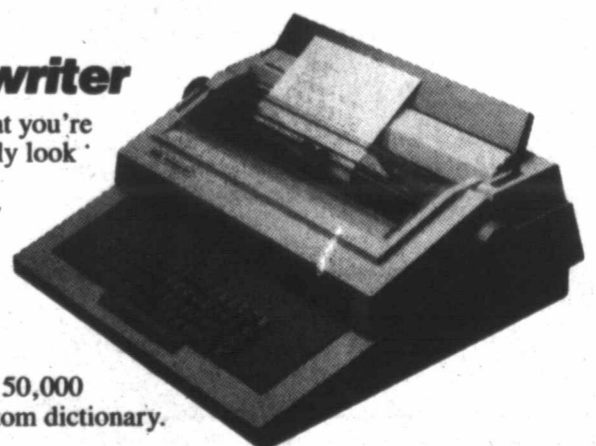
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## Company tells union of possible layoffs

PORTNECHES, Texas (AP) — Officials of B.F. Goodrich say that, as a precaution, they told union representatives that the company's Gulf Coast plant here faces possible layoffs because of a downturn in demand.

The company could cut part of its labor force by the middle of this year, Goodrich spokesman Bob Straface said.

Company officials have notified Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union Local 4-228 of the possible layoffs.

A contract agreement between OCAW Local 4-228 and Goodrich management calls for the company to give the union a 60-day notice when layoffs are possible.

Goodrich officials said they employ about 220 OCAW members and another 110 machinists, pipefitters, painters, carpenters and electricians at the plant.

Straface said contracts with the craft unions do not contain a provision for layoff notification. He said Goodrich currently has no plans to lay off non-union, salaried workers.

The company, in early 1985, gave similar notice to Local 4-228 and then laid off 33 workers in May. The company said job cuts were needed because of lack of business.

Economists said in recent reports that demand for synthetic rubber — used extensively in the automotive, agriculture, industrial and household sectors — is increasing.

A study released by the International Institute of Synthetic Rubber Producers Inc. said worldwide consumption of the product increased 3 percent in 1985.

Institute economists also said synthetic rubber consumption by 1990 was expected to rise 15 percent. According to the study, the sharpest increases in synthetic

rubber consumption will occur in Asia and Latin America, while North America and Europe will post modest growth.

About 55 percent of the synthetic rubber produced is used for tires. Saul Ludwig, an analyst with Roulston & Co. Inc. in Cleveland, Ohio, said demand for tires

should increase, but said domestic producers are suffering from import competition.

The existing two-year contract between Goodrich and OCAW Local 4-228 expires April 8. But Straface said the company did not give layoff notification to force concessions from the union.

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# Retarded gain more experience with new developments

By KIT FRIEDEN  
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Shirley Jennings, profoundly retarded, her body shrunken and jerked by spastic motion, gazed up in wonder at the simple scenes of home being played on the television monitor.

On a home movie, she watched her sister showing off a new car, heard her brother-in-law making jokes about "Mama's housekeeping" and saw her mother getting ready to give the dogs a bath.

She recognized the people, and with sounds that were barely intelligible, she called them by name and laughed with delight.

But the greatest joy for Miss Jennings was not just watching scenes of her family at their rural West Texas home in Clyde.

It was the miracle of being able to select the videotape and turn it on and off at will.

For the first time in 42 years, Shirley Jennings had control over a tiny portion of her difficult, dependent life.

Miss Jennings, who resides at the Fort Worth State School, has an estimated IQ of 19, is afflicted with cerebral palsy and is bedridden by a multitude of handicaps. She can speak only a few words, and they are barely understandable.

But two years of research has created a voice-activated computer system that enables her — and ultimately other retarded people with minimal verbal skills — to turn on simple appliances like a radio, a TV monitor, an electric fan and a massage pad.

That's only the beginning of what researchers say is still a very rudimentary project that will become more sophisticated in the coming months.

"Hopefully, in six months or so we will have a really sophisticated, Cadillac version of Shirley's (computer system)," said Dr. Carrie Brown, a special education teacher turned researcher.

Brown is assistant director of the bioengineering project at the Association for Retarded Citizens of the United States, based in nearby Arlington, which adapted the computer system for Miss Jennings.

Over the past two years, the ARC hired Brown and another expert to develop affordable devices to aid the retarded.

"I've learned there are people like Shirley who are locked inside a body that will not function," said Brown, who has become a friend of Miss Jennings during the grueling months of developing the voice-activated system.

Communication between the 42-year-old handicapped woman and this modern-day Anne Sullivan is subtle, but poignant.

With her expressive face, her eyes and body movement, Miss Jennings is able to "talk" in her own way to Carrie Brown, who seems to comprehend a great deal.

But despite Miss Jennings' personality, the difficulties abound.

"There were times with Shirley when I was just ready to throw in the towel and say this will not work. It was grueling. I never thought it was any defect on her part. It was the primitive system we were using," Brown said.

"We actually did not think it would work because she's so limited. When it did work, it was beyond our expectations."

There are many ways to express joy.

The day Miss Jennings was successful with the voice computer, she shrieked and laughed with delight.

Carrie Brown and her assistants wept.

"We were all so excited for Shirley," Brown said.

By uttering the word "four," Miss Jennings had turned on a videotape of cartoons.

## Warm weather brings snakes out for visit

KILLEEN, Texas (AP) — The record-breaking temperatures across Texas that are luring out gardeners, joggers and sunbathers also are bringing out another form of sun-worshipper — snakes.

Nine diamondback rattlesnakes greeted Phyllis Mitchell near a barn where she was going to get some gardening tools over the weekend.

Brought out of hibernation by the unusually warm weather on Sunday, the snakes ranged in length from one foot to more than four feet.

"They were all in an area of about five feet, just kind of curled around," Mrs. Mitchell said Monday. "I had seen one of the bigger snakes last year, so I imagine they had been out here for quite a while."

Her neighbor, Pedro Vasquez, killed the snakes.

"He told me the rifle was too powerful for the job, but I didn't care about that," Mrs. Mitchell said. "I just wanted them killed."

Two shots eliminated four snakes right away, and the others were killed in short order.

"We felt if we could get the system to work for someone like Shirley, it would really open doors for other people not as handicapped," said Brown.

In the beginning, the challenge was to find specific sounds that Miss Jennings could make on a consistent basis.

The researchers used a voice activation system developed by Denton-based Scott Instruments.

"The people at Scott Instruments thought we were just nuts" to attempt such a feat with a person who could barely talk, Brown said.

After months of groundwork, Brown and her associates began

working with Miss Jennings for two and three sessions a day over a six-week period.

She would run through her repertoire of sounds over a head-fitted microphone connected to an Apple II computer via Scott's voice-activated system.

It often was discouraging. "She would be so exhausted, as would we," Brown said.

Through trial and error, the researchers determined there were five sounds Miss Jennings could repeat somewhat consistently as words of her own.

Each of the sounds was then programmed to operate one of the appliances.

A word sounding like "four" was used to turn on a cartoon film; "move" was used to turn on a vibrating massage pad; "ray" was used for the radio; "bee" was used to activate the home movie, and "off" was used in all cases to turn off the appliances.

"We have created a language in this system, because these words are basically meaningless," Brown said.

Again, through trial and error, Miss Jennings determined which sounds were linked to certain devices and began making decisions about which appliances she wanted to operate.

Brown said her pupil is able to

get the system to work in about 50 percent of her vocalization efforts, while it is generally 98 percent accurate with normal speech patterns.

Miss Jennings prefers the videotape of her family, choosing to use it most often, followed by the massage pad and radio, with the cartoon series being the least favorite. An electric fan and toy train are being added to the list.

In a report to the Fort Worth State School about the test project, the ARC bioengineering team wrote that before the Jennings study, it was not known whether someone with profound mental retardation and severe

physical handicaps could learn to use such technology and make decisions about its use.

"There are little groups here and there, garage-tinkers" who are developing various devices to aid the handicapped, Brown said. "But people generally assume it can't help mentally retarded people."

ARC officials say their project proves that philosophy wrong and shows that the retarded can benefit from technology "which allows them to begin to exercise the basic fundamental rights of freedom of choice and expression."



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  - 13 Ghost
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  - 16 Timber tree
  - 17 Virtuous
  - 19 Scottish beret
  - 20 Spool
  - 22 Gun on engine
  - 23 Sand hill (Brit.)
  - 24 Normandy invasion day (comp. wd.)
  - 26 Harsh
  - 28 16, Roman
  - 30 Man's nickname
  - 31 Snake-like fish
  - 32 Heavenly body
  - 33 Annoy
  - 36 Magnitude
  - 39 Mother's sister
  - 40 Heat unit (abbr.)
  - 42 Hissing sound
  - 44 Brother (abbr.)
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  - 47 Mao tung
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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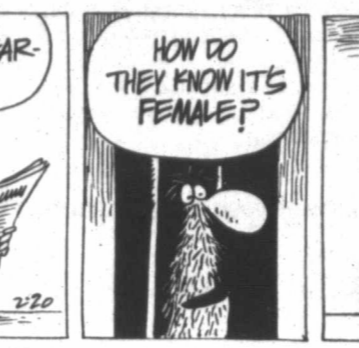
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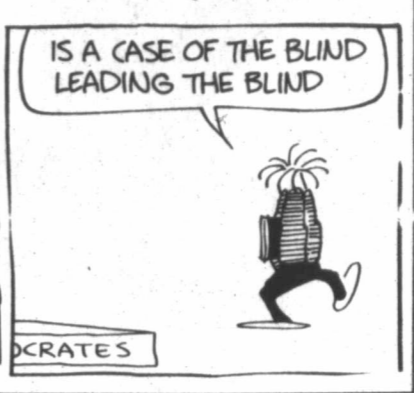
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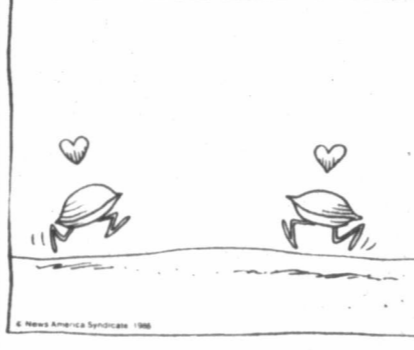
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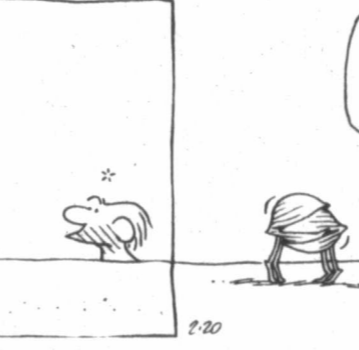
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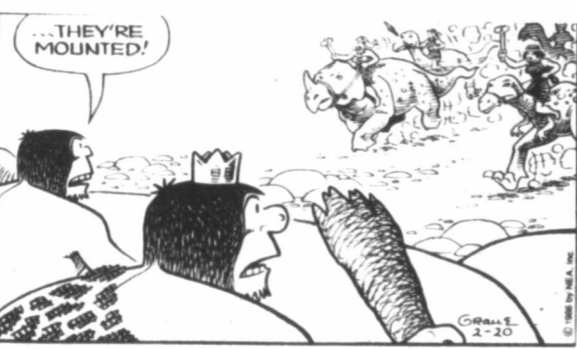
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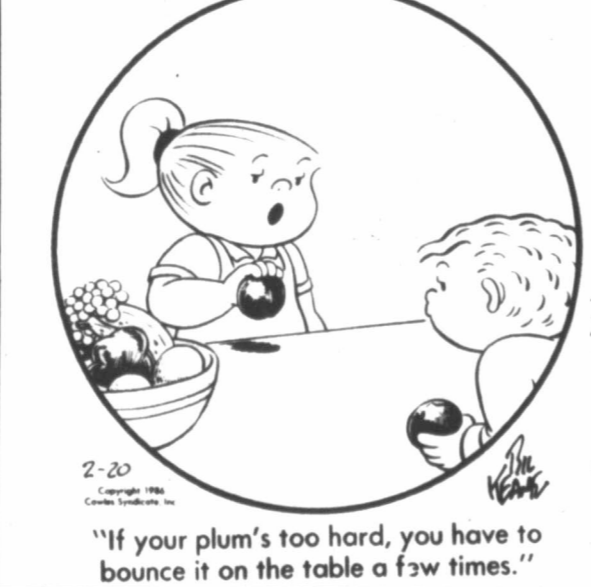
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## Astro-Graph

by bernice hede osol  
Feb. 21, 1986

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** There's a glow and charm about you today that members of the opposite sex find appealing. If you've been hoping to catch the eye of someone special, you'll do so now. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You have an instinct for gauging the desires and needs of others today. This can be an enormous advantage if you are dealing with the public.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Your restlessness won't be appeased today unless you have a busy schedule that keeps you constantly on the go. Get out and buzz around a bit.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Focus your efforts today on things that could add security and stability to your life. This is a good time to firm up your foundation.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** It's best not to delegate important assignments to others today. If you want something done right, you'd be wise to do it yourself.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** People you're involved with today will appreciate you more if you don't try to upstage them. Stay in the background and let others take the bows.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** If there is someone you've met recently who you would like to know better, don't wait for him to contact you. Make the overtures yourself.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your influence over your peers is considerable today. Fortunately, you'll conduct yourself in a commendable manner that will enhance your prestige and popularity.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Mentally you'll be very receptive today, so try to devote some time to expanding your storehouse of knowledge. Read a good book.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Commercial conditions look favorable for you today. When conducting business, hold out for a good deal, but don't take advantage of the other guy.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Listen to the input and suggestions of others today, but don't disregard your own judgment if you have to make an important decision.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Being industrious and productive will prove to be far more fun today than goofing off, although you might not think so when you first look at the tasks ahead of you.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Mock trial enlightens rape crisis volunteers

By DEE DEE LARAMORE  
Lifestyles Editor

When the trial ended Saturday, jurors and observers were left unsure whether John Smith had actually raped Jane Doe, or whether Jane Doe had made up the story in order to get her estranged husband back. But, no matter what the jury may have thought, the defendant walked away a free man and Jane Doe was left laughing with her friends — the matter never to be resolved.

Despite the unusual ending to the rape trial of John Smith in the 223rd District Court room last Saturday, the earlier portions of the trial ran quite close to the real thing. Yes, it was a mock trial set up to help train rape crisis volunteers for the Tralee Crisis Center for Women Inc.

Assistant District Attorney David Hamilton played the prosecuting attorney, local attorney John Warner represented the defendant and local attorney David Martindale acted as the district judge. Jane Doe, the rape victim, was convincingly portrayed by Jo Potter while Pampa Police Officer Danny Lance played the defendant's role.

This is the scenario: Jane Doe, 39, recently separated from her husband, mother of two teen-age daughters, works as a secretary for a local insurance agency. John Smith, 27, is an assistant vice president and customer relations representative for an insurance firm in Oklahoma City. He has come into Pampa on a Friday shortly before Christmas. He and Doe are passing acquaintances since he visits the Pampa insurance office every month or so.

Now Doe says, in her testimony that on this Friday, Smith apparently overhears a conversation between Doe and her friend making plans to go to a bar in Amarillo later that evening. As planned, Doe meets her friend at the bar, they talk about the holidays, their troubles and drink a couple of drinks. Then Doe's friend leaves. Smith comes up to Doe and engages in conversation, but Doe soon leaves also.

Driving home, Doe has a flat tire outside of White Deer. Two motorists pass her by, but the third stops. It's Smith who offers her a ride back into town. On the way in, he pulls over across the railroad tracks in order to relieve himself. However, after he gets out of the car, he walks over to the passenger side of the car where Doe is sitting, opens the door, bends her back across the bench seat of the car and rapes her. She is hit in the rib cage, choked and slapped during the attack, Doe says.

Afterwards, Smith threatens her not to tell anyone, then leaves her at a convenience store on the edge of the city limits. Doe calls the police who take her to the police station. A rape crisis volunteer arrives after being called. Doe refuses to go to the hospital for an examination because "I didn't want anyone else touching and poking at me!" Several days later, at the request of the rape crisis volunteer, Doe goes back to the police station so that pictures of bruises on her ribs, around her throat, and on her leg, could be taken.

Smith, however, comes up with an entirely different story: First, Warner portrays his client as a family man, in love with his wife, father of two small children, active in the church youth program. According to Smith, the insurance company had already investigated the entire affair and exonerated him of any blame.

Smith said he had arranged to meet a client at the Amarillo bar and met Doe there by chance. Doe, he said, asked him to dance a slow dance, and while they were dancing she "embarrassed" him by sliding her hand down his back to his buttocks. Also during this encounter, Doe told Smith about her marital problems and asked him what she could do to get a job in the main office in Oklahoma City. He told her he did not have any authority when it came to hiring, but that he would get the name and address of someone who did for her.

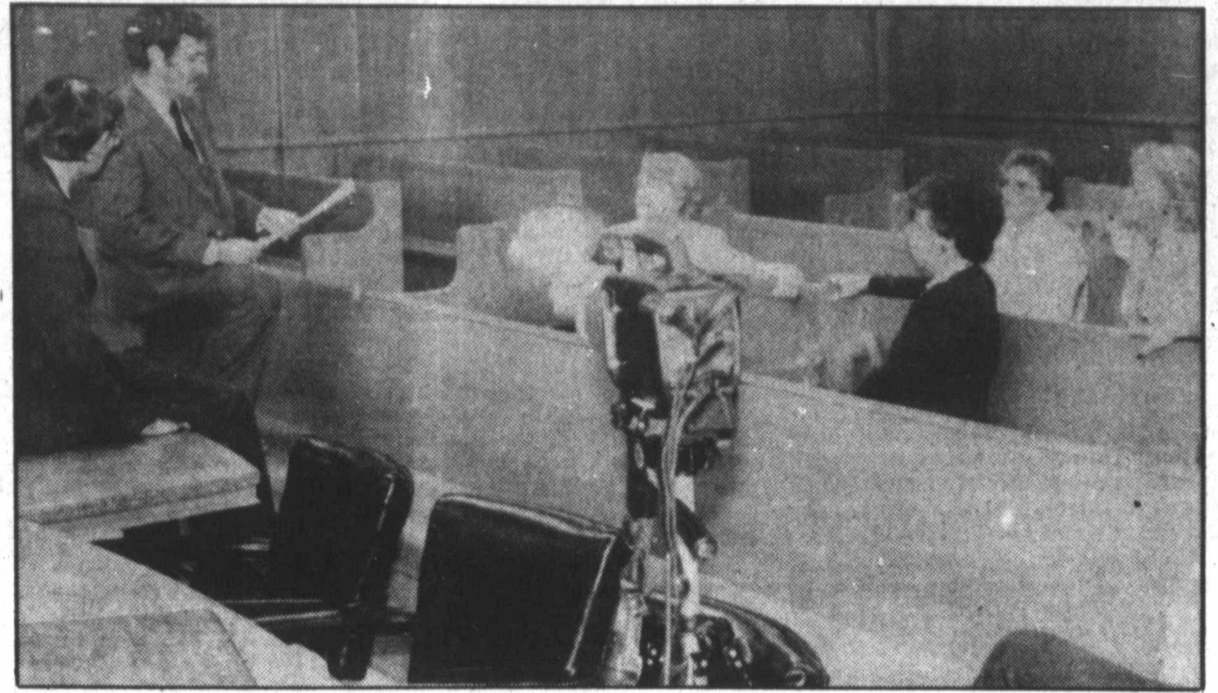
Later that evening, while Smith was returning to his motel in Pampa, he saw a car stopped on the side of the road. It turned out to be Doe with a flat tire. Since Doe did not have a lug wrench and his did not fit her car, he offered to take her back to Pampa, although he was "a little uncomfortable" since she had "made advances" to him earlier at the bar.

On the drive to Pampa, Smith said Doe took off her seat belt and edged as close to his side of the car as the console gear shift and brake lever allowed. Then she placed her hand on his leg and asked him if he thought she was attractive. Doe asked Smith to pull the car over, and asked him to put in a good word for her, hinting at what she would do for him if he did. Smith told her that he wasn't "that kind" of person. And he took her home.

As Hamilton succinctly put it following the testimony of Smith and Doe, "Somebody has told a whopper!" Each lawyer attempted to point out discrepancies in the other witness's testimony for the jury's benefit. The prosecution

wanted to know why, if the defendant was such a church-goer, his minister did not testify and why, if the insurance company had investigated the rape allegations, their investigator did not testify as to his findings and why he never contacted the Pampa police or the district attorney's office in the course of the investigation. And, Hamilton wanted to know where was Smith's client who was also at the bar that night.

Warner wanted to know why part of the evidence, a photo of Doe's bruised ribcage, had been tampered with. The bottom part



COURTROOM SCENE—Assistant District Attorney David Hamilton, second from left, reviews a mock rape trial with volunteers for Tralee Crisis Center for Women, Inc., assisted by Pampa attorney John Warner, far left. The mock trial was conducted in the District Courtroom here Saturday in order to give rape crisis volunteers an idea of what a rape trial is like, and what the special needs they could provide for a rape victim testifying in such a trial. (Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

had been cut off. He also tried to get Smith to admit that she had fabricated the rape in order to win sympathy from her estranged husband and propositioned Smith in order to get a job in Oklahoma City.

Although the rape trial wasn't real, it was a no-holds-barred ordeal for the participants. Explicit sexual language was used and many innuendos as to the witnesses' characters were made, even the character of the investigating police officer.

But in truth, that is how rape trials are and this one was held as

close to reality as possible so that the rape crisis volunteers would be aware of what they would be up against, if they attended such a trial as an advocate for a rape victim.

Following the trial, the volunteers and trial participants joined in a question-and-answer period to help clear up misconceptions and bring out points that were not covered in the trial.

The second part of the rape crisis volunteer training is scheduled for 9 a.m., Saturday, at Coronado Community Hospital's private dining room.

## Prize-winning play to open on Feb. 28

A grave, yet somehow hilarious, deep-South tale of three young sisters escaping the past to seize the future will unfold when the Amarillo Little Theatre (ALT) presents "Crimes of the Heart," opening Feb. 28 at the Amarillo Little Theatre.

"Crimes of the Heart" won the Pulitzer Prize and the New York Drama Critics Award for author Beth Henley in her first playwriting effort. The play also ran successfully on Broadway.

Allen Shankles, director of

plays for ALT, called the play "warm-hearted, irreverent and brilliantly imaginative, as it teems with humanity and humor."

The story is set in a small Mississippi town where the three sisters have gathered to await news of the family patriarch, who is living out his last hours in the local hospital. Betrayed by their passions at the crossroads of their lives, the three sisters bring together a variety of troubles, which they attempt to resolve with infectious high spirits.

The cast includes Joan Gaines in the role of Lenny, the oldest sister, who is unmarried at 30 and facing diminishing marital prospects; Debbie Spiegel plays Meg, the middle sister, who quickly outgrew her small town but is back after a failed singing career on the West Coast; and Hillary Smith is Babe, the youngest sister, who is out on bail after having shot her husband in the stomach.

Benny Evans performs as Chick, the sisters' priggish cousin; Cody Duncan is Barnette, the awkward young lawyer who

tries to keep Babe out of jail while helpless not to fall in love with her; and Steve Lummus carries the part of Doc, Meg's former boyfriend, whom she left heartbroken when she set out on her singing career.

The play runs four performances: Feb. 28, March 1 and 7-8. Tickets can be purchased at the Amarillo Little Theatre box office, 2019 Civic Circle. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Call 355-9991 for reservations or additional information.



### Dear Abby

Man worries that ex-wife would kiss and never tell

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I recently split up with my wife (I will pseudo-name her "Al-ice"), who has genital herpes. A number of my male friends are interested in dating her, and I know she's interested in dating them.

If I tell them she has herpes, I may be violating her rights. If I don't, and they catch it from her, I may not only lose my friends, but face a lawsuit. Others may be facing the same dilemma, so if you print this, please withhold my identity. Call me ...

AL-ICE'S HUSBAND

DEAR HUSBAND: Be certain that your wife takes seriously her responsibility to warn those she could infect. I assume that you, too, have herpes, and are aware that a person with herpes can live quite normally with it between occasional outbreaks. But before you make any announcements to your friends, search your conscience for your motives—and don't try to pass off your anger as altruism.

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column, "Modern Mom" said that a child's bedroom should be a private, comfortable place to call his own and, unlike most mothers, she did not believe in screaming at a child to clean up his room. Then you said, "I agree. Keep the door closed and go in once a week to rake it," and added, "If there is any snacking in the room, insist that all dishes and leftovers should be taken to the kitchen before bedtime." Thanks for that, Abby, but most child psychologists advocate training children to keep neat and orderly rooms. They say parents who allow their children to live in messy rooms are abdicating their responsibilities as parents.

How do you justify your answer, Abby?

SCREAMING MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: I think the child who learns by experiencing the consequences of his actions learns faster. Example: Johnny forgets his lunch. No problem. Mother brings it to him. Susie can't find her favorite blouse. No problem. Mother searches her room and finds it under her bed wrapped in a pair of jeans.

When Mother doesn't rush in to rescue a forgetful or disorganized child, the child "remembers," and gets organized faster.

I have harvested a lot of mail

on that one. Score: readers against Abby, 110; for Abby, 39.

DEAR ABBY: A couple of years ago you were asked by a school teacher what you would say if you could give young people just one piece of advice. What was it?

ANOTHER SCHOOLTEACHER

DEAR TEACHER: It was: "If I could give young people one piece of advice, it would be, read, read, read! In reading, you will open up new worlds, real and imagined. Read for information, read for pleasure. Our libraries are filled with knowledge and joy, and it's all there—free for the taking. The person who does not read is no better off than the person who cannot read."

(Every teen-ager should know the truth about sex, drugs and how to be happy. For Abby's booklet, send your name and address clearly printed with a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents) self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)

## College plans course on small business ownership

Pampa Center of Clarendon College plans to launch its first of several owning-your-own-business courses beginning April

7. Registration for the course, "Introduction to Entrepreneurship" is now underway at Pampa Center, 900 N. Frost.

The first of the series of courses is to last eight weeks. Classes will meet Mondays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Bob Phillips is to be instructor of record, along with outside speakers sharing their own areas of expertise. A panel discussion is also planned, featuring five individuals who will share different aspects of their business experiences with the students.

This introductory course is designed to familiarize students with the world of small business,

and to analyze personal strengths and weaknesses of students as they relate to beginning their own business. Attention will also be given to the elementary concepts of planning, financing, starting and managing a new business.

## Prints to make spring splash

By Florence De Santis

After years when they were almost completely absent from the fashion scene, prints are back, splashing bold patterns and bright colors over everything from casual sportswear to cocktail clothes for spring. Even swimsuits take to the new themes.

Florals still come up strong, re-launched by the Missoni's famous cabbage rose knits of a few seasons ago. They're popping up on dresses, pants and even casual clothes, such as as dolman tunic T-shirts at Westside. Jim Heilman scatters cabbage roses over his wrap-skirt yellow sundress.

Two-piece dressing often calls for a knit top with full skirt. Irene Wal-lender makes the skirt of pink cab-

bage-rose print black cotton, then applies a motif from the skirt on her black cotton knit T-top.

When floral prints aren't roses, they're in spaced modern-art or splashy tropical designs. Eclectic spaces deep purple and red sharply defined nosegays over a dolman, full-skirted yellow shirtdress with a crushed cummerbund midriff. Jennifer Carr covers a red and royal jump-suit with a loose jacket massed in red and yellow tropical blooms — all in silk.

Some designers now simply outline the floral prints and don't fill them in solidly with color. It's a look influenced by Japanese art, and Morton Myles likes it in embossed cotton jacquard.

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# Wheeler Mustangettes test their talent in regional tourney

By DAN MURRAY  
Sports Writer

WHEELER—Now, the Wheeler Mustangettes are like an Indian guru about to take a test of his faith.

Before them is a bed of glowing, smoldering coals that must be walked. The heat is intense. The footing is treacherous. There is no other way around. It's cross or burn trying. Success means just reward. Failure leaves open wounds.

Welcome again, Wheeler, to the Class 1A Region I tournament of the state girls basketball playoffs.

The Mustangettes will take their first step on the orange coals when they battle Anton at 7 p.m. Friday in the Texan Dome on the campus of Levelland's South Plains College. The winner there will advance to the regional semifinals, to be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, against the winner of Friday's O'Donnell-Garden City game. That winner will advance

to Saturday's 7 p.m. championship game against someone from a bracket that includes Iraan, Motley County, Vega and defending state champion Nazareth. Whoever's left goes to the state championship tournament in Austin.

It's a pit of fire, to be sure. "When you get that far," Wheeler coach Jan Newland said, "everybody's got to have played good to get there. You just have to take 'em one at a time and really work at it."

Wheeler, now 27-3 and ranked seventh in the state, burned in Levelland last season, losing to Anton in the opening game. Ten of the 12 players on the Mustangettes' roster remember all too well, and they'll have their chance to change things this time.

Newland said her team might have gotten too caught up in the excitement last time around, but should handle it better with a year of experience to fall back on. Wheeler also made the trip a day

early last year, and she said that may have been a mistake. The team won't leave Wheeler until 8:30 a.m. Friday. Players were ill last season. Newland says they can't be now.

The Mustangettes won't see the same Anton team they saw in 1985. The Lady Bulldogs return just two players from the club that beat Wheeler, but one of those is 6-0 junior post Denise Hunt.

Hunt, the Lady 'Dogs leading scorer, amassed 27 points Tuesday night as Anton upset Happy 57-47 to earn its ticket to Levelland. The Lady Bulldogs shot over 60 percent from the field against the Cowgirls, including a perfect seven of seven third quarter, and Hunt led the way with 12 field goals.

"The people I talked to said Anton played so well it was unbelievable," Newland said. "They said they'd never seen Anton play that well."

The other returning player for Anton is point guard Cathy Riker,

who normally averages 20 points a game with a strong set shot, but was held to seven against Happy. Anton, the District 7-1A runner-up, covered for Riker's offense against the Cowgirls when forward Kim Buchanan scored 14 points.

Offensively, the Lady 'Dogs like to give the ball to Hunt inside and favor a 2-3 zone on defense. Newland said Anton didn't run a press against Happy, but she's already made it clear that play-offs scouting reports are suspect at best.

"They don't do anything fancy," Newland said. "They just play sound basketball."

So do the Mustangettes, who use a man-on-man defense exclusively and get most of their scoring from 6-3 junior post Marlo Hartman and 5-7 sophomore wing DeeAnn Jolly, who scored 36 points in Wheeler's 65-43 smashing of Adrian in the area playoff.

Junior Bridgett Wallace, 5-8, is the Mustangettes' rebounding

specialist and Newland considers 5-5 junior guard Tammy Baker the club's best defensive player. Freshman Tera Henderson runs the offense, while 5-7 senior Angela Presley and 5-6 sophomore Kelli Sabbe see most of the action off the bench.

Wheeler's top seven players, with the exception of Henderson, played against Anton last year.

Fouls could play a big role in the game as Anton's bench is suspect, while Wheeler must keep Hartman from drawing early fouls. She's drawn three in the first half in the Mustangettes' two playoff games.

Jolly's outside shot and ability to drive the lane will be looked for to loosen Anton's zone and give Hartman working room underneath, where she's steady and effective. Reports give Wheeler an edge in quickness, and the Mustangettes will try to take advantage of it.

If Wheeler beats Anton, it's likely O'Donnell will be next in line. The Eaglettes, champions of District 10-1A, are 24-5 and fa-

vored over Garden City. South Plains insiders say that Iraan, which plays Motley County, and Nazareth, which plays Vega, should advance to the semifinals in the top bracket. One predicted a Wheeler-Nazareth championship match. The Swiftettes, of course, have won eight state championships including last year's, and are 23-4 and ranked No. 1 in Class 1A this season.

There are too many hot coals ahead to be thinking of the Swiftettes, though. More than anything, Newland wants her Mustangettes to realize that every team is Nazareth from here on. Every game is for the state championship.

Newland said: "I told the kids, 'If you play well there's no reason you can't go to Austin.' They're excited about that, but they have to concentrate. They have to really work hard at it. They have to play well from here on out. It's one game at a time now."

It's one coal at a time.

## SPORTS SCENE

### Longhorns take SWC lead with win over Mustangs

By The Associated Press

Bob Weltlich has his first victory in four years against Dave Bliss, a fellow assistant to Bob Knight at Army and Indiana, and Weltlich's Texas Longhorns are all alone atop the Southwest Conference basketball race.

Karl Willock's free throw with 25 seconds left gave Texas a 58-57 victory Wednesday night in Austin, ending an eight-game losing streak against Southern Methodist University.

With the victory, its eighth in a row, Texas improved its record to 17-8 for the season and 12-2 in SWC play, one-half game ahead of idle Texas Christian (11-2). SMU fell to 16-8 for the season and 8-5 in league play.

Elsewhere Wednesday night, Rice's Jeff Crawford hit a 25-foot shot in the closing seconds but missed a 30-footer at the buzzer and Arkansas (12-13, 4-10) escaped with a 60-59 victory over the Owls (9-15, 2-11). The victory was only the second for the Razorbacks in seven home conference games this season.

At College Station, Texas A&M (15-10, 9-4) held Texas Tech (12-12, 6-7) to only 13 points in the first half and held off a second-half rally to defeat the Red Raiders, 71-58.

Texas and TCU battle Saturday in Fort Worth, with the winner taking the upper hand toward nailing down the top seed in the league's post-season tournament.

Willock, fouled by Scott Johnson while attempting a jumper with two seconds left on the 45-second shot clock and the game tied 57-57, missed the first of two free throws. Texas then called time out.

"The timeout really calmed me down," Willock said. "I said 'Karl, you can make the shot.' I'm a senior and I'm supposed to come through in the clutch."

After Willock made the second free throw, SMU (16-8, 8-5) ran the clock down to three seconds before Glenn Puddy missed a 12-foot shot along the left baseline.

"I didn't have any option," said Puddy, a 6-foot-8 sophomore who had 11 points and 10 rebounds. "I felt confident. I knew we had some guys underneath the boards."

They did, but Texas' John Brownlee grabbed the rebound as time expired, evoking a thunderous roar from the crowd of 8,884. Weltlich, fist clenched, leaped out on the court, his team having gained its first one-point victory of the season after losing four games by that margin.

The Mustangs tied the score

three times, the last time at 57-57 with 1:08 left on a driving eight-foot shot in the lane by point guard Butch Moore, who led them with 16 points.

But after Willock's free throw, Moore, who was able to penetrate against Texas' man-to-man defense all night, was met by a 1-3-1 zone. Instead of driving, he dumped the ball to Puddy.

"It was a good play," Moore said. "He just didn't knock it down. We do that again, he knocks it down."

Texas trailed 37-30 at halftime, but held SMU to 20 points in the second half.

SMU had broken loose for scoring streaks of 10 and eight points to take control in the first half. Kevin Lewis, who scored 12 points, hit a jumper from the top of the key, and Moore put in a layup, giving the Mustangs a 37-28 lead.

### College basketball scores

By The Associated Press

- EAST
- Bucknell 44, Lafayette 43
- Drexel 86, Delaware 85
- Fairleigh Dickinson 102, Monmouth, N.J. 81
- Howard 81, Md.-E. Shore 73
- Iona 57, Holy Cross 52
- LaSalle 73, Army 61
- Lehigh 80, Rider 77, OT
- Niagara 86, New Hampshire 78
- Northeastern 86, Siena 73
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### Pavin favored

LOS ANGELES (AP)—In only his third year on the PGA Tour, Corey Pavin has established himself as one of the very best in the game.

The 60th Los Angeles Open, with a purse of \$450,000, is scheduled to begin today at the Riviera Country Club, with Pavin, who won the Hawaiian Open last week, as one of the favorites.

Hamilton won bronze medals in both the 16 & Under Medley and Free Relay events.

### Optimist basketball roundup

The Bears and Cougars hooked up in a thriller last week in Optimist Girls' Basketball League action with the Bears winning, 14-12.

Tonya Jeffery led the Bears with six points, followed by Jennifer Topper with three, Charity DeWitt and Lisa Jeffery, two points apiece.

Kasey Bowers had six points to lead the Cougars. Joy Cambern had four points and Leanne Lindsey, two.

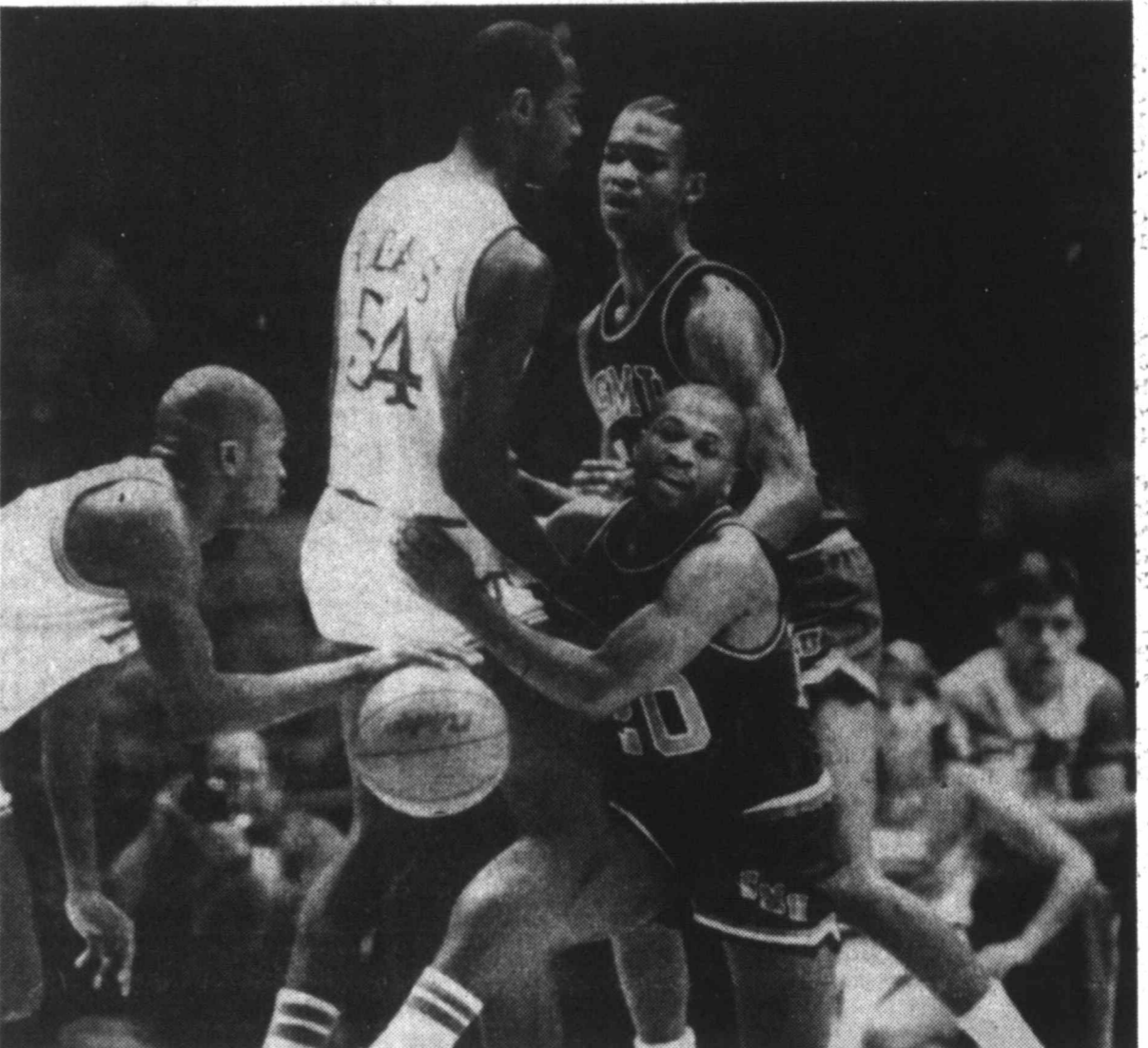
Other results are as follows: Bears 28, Longhorns 10  
B — Charity DeWitt 7, Tonya Jeffrey 7, Sharon Smith 6, Sona Solano 2; L — Candy Stanley 6, Angie Smitto 3, Heather Wheeley 1.

Cougars 23, Red Raiders 9  
C — Casey Bowers 9, Joy Cambern 8, Leanne Lindsey 5; R — Shelly Vinson 9.

Owls 29, Mustangs 18  
O — Nekesha Ryan 16, Tabitha King 8, Alana Ryan 4; M — Keri Barr 8, Bridgett Mathis 7, Merrih Horton 2.

Mustangs 18, Longhorns 4  
M — Keri Barr 8, Bridgett Mathis 6, Tiffany Soukup 4; L — Lisa Winborn 3, Heather Wheeley 1.

Owls 26, Raiders 18  
O — Nekesha Ryan 11, Tabitha King 3, Alana Ryan 10,



BLOCKED OUT — Southern Methodist's Butch Moore (20) gets blocked on a pick by Texas' Raynard Davis (54) while guarding Alex Broadway. Moore was the game's high scorer with 16 points, but the Longhorns edged the Mustangs, 58-57, last night to take sole possession of first in the Southwest Conference standings. (AP Laserphoto)

### Mavericks routed by Milwaukee

DALLAS (AP)—Paul Pressey didn't see anything mystical about it. When you're on a roll, the Milwaukee Bucks forward was saying Wednesday night, you don't ask questions, you just keep on rolling.

"I wish I could explain it, but it was just one of those nights when everyone got involved," Pressey said after scoring 26 points to lead the Bucks to their sixth straight victory, a 124-107 rout of the Dallas Mavericks. "For a while there, it just seemed we did everything right."

The time came in the first five minutes of the fourth period, as Milwaukee's tight defense and deadly shooting resulted in a 21-4 run, turning a 95-85 game into a 116-89 blowout.

Dallas failed to score for nearly four minutes of that stretch, and by the time the Bucks were done, the game was out of reach.

"We couldn't stop Pressey tonight," said Dallas coach Dick Motta, whose team dropped to 29-24. "But you have to give Mil-

waukee credit. They played very well."

Despite a sloppy final seven minutes, the Bucks still shot a respectable 51.6 percent from the floor to Dallas' 45.3 percent. Milwaukee dominated the boards 54-38.

Rolando Blackman turned in 26 points for the Mavericks, but Dallas' evening was typified by leading scorer Mark Aguirre's ejection on a second technical foul with 7:12 remaining.

### Dolphins place in Amarillo meet

The Pampa Dolphins competed in the McDonald's Junior Olympics held recently in Amarillo.

It was the largest swim meet the Dolphins have competed in during the past three seasons. The Dolphins placed eighth in the 18-team meet, which was won by Midland. El Paso Aqua Posse was second, Amarillo Aquatic Club, third, and the Santa Fe Seals, fourth.

Julie Forman had the best meet of the Pampa swimmers as she improved her times in all eight events entered.

Pampa results are as follows: Renita Hill — Girls Senior B Division: 1. 100 backstroke; 2. 200 individual medley, 200 backstroke, 50 freestyle; 3. 100 breaststroke; 200 breaststroke; Girls Senior C Division: 1. 100 freestyle and 200 freestyle.

Richelle Hill — Girls Senior A Division: 2. 200 freestyle, 200 backstroke; 3. 100 freestyle, 100 backstroke, 100 breaststroke; 4. 100 butterfly, 200 individual medley; 5. 50 freestyle.

Pam Morrow — Girls 13-14 A Division: 9. 100 breaststroke; 13. 50 freestyle; 14. 100 freestyle; Girls 13-14 B Division: 1. 100 backstroke; 2. 200 backstroke; 4. 200 breaststroke; 5. 200 freestyle; 7. 200 individual medley.

Rhea Hill — Girls 11-12 A Division: 5. 100 backstroke; 6. 200 individual medley; 7. 50 backstroke; 8. 100 breaststroke; 12. 50 breaststroke; 13. 50 freestyle; Girls 11-12 B Division: 2. 500 freestyle; 4. 50 butterfly.

Katie Hamilton — Girls 10 &

Under A Division: 5. 50 backstroke; 6. 100 backstroke; 10. 50 freestyle and 50 breaststroke; Girls 10 & Under B Division: 1. 200 individual medley, 100 freestyle and 50 butterfly.

Jamie Danner Hill — Girls 10 & Under A Division: 2. 100 butterfly; 5. 200 individual medley, 50 butterfly, 100 backstroke and 100 breaststroke; 6. 50 backstroke; 7. 50 freestyle; 12. 50 breaststroke.

Julie Forman — Girls 10 & Under B Division: 1. 50 breaststroke; Girls 10 & Under C Division: 2. 50 backstroke and 50 freestyle; 3. 200 individual medley; 4. 100 breaststroke; 5. 200 freestyle; 6. 100 backstroke; 13. 100 freestyle.

Talitha Pope — Girls 10 & Under B Division: 2. 50 backstroke; Girls 10 & Under C Division: 4. 200 individual medley; 5. 100 backstroke; 6. 50 freestyle and 50 breaststroke; 8. 50 butterfly; 9. 200 freestyle; 17. 100 freestyle.

Rene Hill — Girls 10 & Under B Division: 5. 50 backstroke; Girls 10 & Under C Division: 7. 200 individual medley; 8. 200 freestyle; 10. 50 backstroke; 11. 50 butterfly; 14. 100 breaststroke; 16. 100 freestyle and 50 freestyle.

Heidi Venal — Girls 10 & Under C Division: 21. 50 freestyle; 22. 50 backstroke.

Kamron Harris — 8 & Under Girls Division: 7. 25 backstroke; 8. 25 butterfly; 9. 25 breaststroke; 10. 25 freestyle.

J.T. Hamilton — Boys 8 & Under Division: 22. 25 freestyle. Talitha Pope, Julie Forman, Jamie Danner Hill and Katie

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# Mustangs to battle Longhorns

By DAN MURRAY  
Sports Writer

**WHEELER** — It's playoffs time and Wheeler Mustangs coach Mike Newland is nervous.

He wants to hurry up and get his team's bi-district basketball playoff with Darrouzett out of the way. And, of course, he wants to have another game to play afterward. Each game could be the last from here on.

One way or the other, Newland's nervousness will end tonight as the Mustangs tangle with the Longhorns at 8:30 p.m. in Canadian in Class 1A state boys playoffs action.

"I'm always real nervous about this first playoff game," Newland said. "If you can get that first one under your belt anything can happen. You get a little confidence in yourself. If you don't, it can be over in a hurry."

Part of the reason for Newland's concern is the Mustangs' play in two post-season practice games. They lost to Booker 51-47 then beat Stratford 48-43, but Newland said the Mustangs played poorly in both outings.

"I'm a little bit concerned," he said. "We've had two flat games after season's over. That's not a real good tone to go into the playoffs with."

"Against Booker, I thought we played one of our worst games of the year. We shot 35 percent and we just played so bad the first three quarters. We were ahead by one at halftime and I couldn't believe it. I knew we were in trouble the way we were going."

The Mustangs, now 15-4, shot only 28 percent from the field while beating Stratford, and Newland said both teams looked ragged.

"You couldn't believe both of us were in the playoffs," he said.

The Mustangs have shot better in recent practices, however, and Newland said, "I think it's just a thing we're going through. I'm confident we can come out and play a good game if we'll just do it. Our kids have always been real competitive. When it comes down to time to get down and do it they always have, so I'm hoping they can again tonight."

Newland expects a tough time from Darrouzett, which is 15-10

and finished behind Booker in District 3-1A. The Longhorns have three players over 6-2 in their starting lineup, including one that's 6-5.

"We're gonna have a tough time I know," he said. "They're big. It surprises me for a school that small."

Darrouzett likes to coax teams into overshifting defensively and looks for the lob passes inside. Forward Robert Duke, 6-2, averages in double figures, as does 6-3 David Imke.

How do the Mustangs plan to defense against Darrouzett's height?

"We're going to try and sink in and help each other (on defense), Newland said. "We'll probably show 'em some zone and some man and see if we can put some different kinds of pressure on 'em. They'll exploit you if you stay in one defense. We also have to be real conscious of blocking out."

The Longhorns aren't that quick, and Newland said they don't seem to play as strongly on defense as on offense. He's seen smaller teams take the ball inside on Darrouzett.

The 'Horns usually run one of several zone defenses, meaning Wheeler will need production from the outside. Normally, that comes from senior sharpshooter

Randall Hugg, who averages 14 points a game, but...

"I have a pretty good idea they're going to try and take Randall out of our offense," Newland said. "When they do something like that there's going to be somebody open. We're going to have to recognize it, be patient and wait for the shot to open up. We've seen that quite a bit this year so it won't be anything new."

It's not as if Wheeler will be dwarfed by the Longhorns, anyway. Three of Wheeler's starters are six-foot or better — the other two are 5-11 — and 6-2 Bubba Smith averages 11 points a game as the Mustangs' sixth man.

Dale Hazel, 6-0, averages nine points an outing, while 5-11 Cody Wiggins averages eight, 6-0 Rusty Ellisor averages seven and 6-2 Robert Andis averages five. Andis and Hazel are the Mustangs' leading rebounders, averaging eight a game.

Where Wheeler could have an edge is in quickness, and Newland said the Mustangs, who like the Mustangettes advanced to regional last season, may try to get their fast break and transition game rolling.

Tonight's winner will play the Phillips-Hartley winner next Tuesday. In Canadian tonight, Newland will find out whether he had reason to be nervous or not.



Kelly Garrison, the United States Olympic Team's No. 2-ranked gymnast, will appear at Madeline Graves School of Dance and Gymnastics in Pampa Mar. 8 for a day of instructional sessions with area gymnasts. She'll work with Pampa's M.G. Flyers from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. then give an invitational session from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and also perform an exhibition. Garrison, an 18-year-old Oklahoma University freshman from Altus, Okla., is also ranked No. 1 in the United States on the balance beam.

## Pampa bowling roundup

### PETROLEUM MEN'S LEAGUE

(Standings thru Feb. 3)

2-B Ranch, 14½-5½; Flint, 14-6; Oleman-Heath, 13-7; Reeds, 11-9; C & H, 9-11; Spider Ward, 8½-11½; PNG, 8-12; R & R, 8-12; Lawn Magic, 7-13; High Rollers, 6½-13½.

High Averages: 1. Fred O'Hara, 178; 2. Don Rosenbach, 175; 3. Raleigh Rowland, 170.

### CHRISTIAN QUARTET

(Standings thru Feb. 10)

Chase Oilfield, 11½-4½; The Saints, 10½-5½; Holy Rollers, 10-6; Hobart Hero's, 8-8; Hobart Hopefuls, 7½-8½; Team Three, 7-9; Team Seven, 5½-10½; CCC & B, 4-12.

High Averages: Women — 1. Penny Pinley, 150; 2. Gwen Sutton, 144; 3. Knoxene Cotham, 143; Men — 1. Richard Shay, 173; 2. Randy Odom, 158; 3. Charles Rennie, 155.

High Handicap Series: Women — 1. Patsy Greenlee, 723; 2. Dana Phillips, 701; Men — James Austin, 714; Jesse Dykes, 708.

High Handicap Game: Women — 1. Georgia Shay, 246; 2. Wanda Watson, 241; Men — 1. Rick Davis, 258; 2. Jim Fox, 256.

High Scratch Series: Women — 1. Penny Pinley, 507; 2. Gwen Sutton, 506; Men — 1. Richard Shay, 578; 2. Leroy Hilbern, 547.

High Scratch Game: Women — 1. Linda Austin, 211; 2. Knoxene Cotham and Nancy Fox, 188; Men — 1. Kenneth Steward, 208; 2. Randy Odom, 202.

### Top O Texas Tournament Standings

(thru Feb. 17)

Team: 1. Daylanders Two, Campo, Colorado, 3,111; 2. BBG, Pampa, 3,051; 3. Warner-Horton Supply, 3,004; 4. Silverado Bowl, Borger, 2,995; 5. Left & Right, Panhandle, 2,992; 6. Daylanders, Campo, Colorado, 2,963; 7. Lucky Strikes, Pampa, 2,889; 8. Plems, 2,857; 9. Perryton Fire Ball Roller, 2,845; 10. Pampa News, 2,814.

Doubles: 1. Chuck Lutterell-Terry Sullivan, Borger, 1,316; 2. Butch Henderson-Albert Gonzales, Borger-Stinnett, 1,284; 3. Boyd Chick-Ike Chick, Campo, Colo., 1,281; 4. Dwayne McWhorter-Royse McClure, Perryton, 1,268; 5. Ronnie Haynes-Ronnie Jones, Pampa, 1,256; 6. Lawrence Chick-Dan Chick, Campo, Colo., 1,240; 7. Ron Fields-Troy Manley, Miami, 1,239; 8. Steve Hale-Butch Thompson, Miami, 1,221; 9. Gene Gee-Kelly Clark, Miami; 10. Mike Bowden-Richard Gosnick, Borger, 1,209.

Singles: 1. Ike Chick, Campo, Colo., 681; 2. Luis Hernandez, Lefors, 677; 3. Lawrence Chick, Campo, Colo., 670; 4. Howard Musgrave, Pampa, 668; 5. Ron Fields, Miami, 652; 6. Toby Flores, Borger, 644; 7. Troy Manley, Miami, 640; 8. Mike Bowden, Borger, 629; 9. Donny Nail, Pampa, 625; 10. Joe Gallett, White Deer, 625.

Scratch All-Events: 1. Donny Nail, Pampa, 1,756; 2. Toby Flores, Borger, 1,747; 3. Howard Musgrave, Pampa, 1,713; 4. Butch Henderson, Borger, 1,636; 5. Kurt Lowry, Panhandle, 1,610; 6. Benny Horton, Pampa, 1,606; 7. Leon Harris, Pampa, 1,586; 8. Albert Gonzales, Stinnett, 1,576; 9. Richard Shores, Borger, 1,547; 10. Ronnie Wallace, Borger, 1,547.

Handicap All-Events: 1. Ike Chick, Campo, Colo., 1,922; 2. Toby Flores, Borger, 1,906; 3. Lawrence Chick, Campo, Colo., 1,892; 4. Butch Henderson, Borger, 1,888; 5. Terry Sullivan, Borger, 1,863; 6. Richard Farrah, Pampa, 1,838; 7. Donny Nail, Pampa, 1,837; 8. Troy Manley,

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# Norton quits USDA after only five days as acting secretary

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top ranks at the Agriculture Department got a little thinner with the announced resignation of John R. Norton III, who has been acting secretary of agriculture since last Friday.

Norton's resignation was announced late Wednesday, effective immediately, if the White House agrees, a spokesman said. Norton was acting secretary for five days, following the departure of John R. Block after five years on the job.

No reason was given for Norton's resignation from the \$75,100-a-year post.

A spokesman, Shane Johnson, said Norton was not available for comment. Johnson said Norton's resignation would be effective immediately, "depending on whether the president" accepts it.

The new acting secretary of agriculture will be Frank W. Naylor Jr., who is now undersecretary for small community and rural development programs, Johnson said.

Richard E. Lyng, who was deputy secretary during Reagan's first term, has been named by President Reagan to be Block's successor. Lyng, a native of California, is awaiting Senate confirmation.

There had been speculation that Norton, who holds extensive farming interests in California and Arizona, would leave because he and Lyng would make the Agriculture Department top-heavy with westerners.

# Brown appeals candidacy to the Texas Supreme Court

AUSTIN (AP) — Denying Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown a place on the Republican primary ballot for attorney general would break 133 years of "unblemished" legal precedent in Texas, his lawyer told the Texas Supreme Court.

Dallas lawyer Robert Blumenthal told the court it has limited authority to reverse the action of the 1st Court of Appeals in Houston, which ruled that Brown, R-Lake Jackson, is eligible to run.

State Republican Chairman George Strake Jr. has challenged Brown's candidacy although Strake's lawyer said Wednesday Strake would "be pleased" to have Brown on the ballot.

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**SORTING THROUGH THE MESS** — Guerneville, Calif., residents are dwarfed by the mountains of debris left over from days of record flooding as they begin cleaning up Wednesday. (AP Laserphoto)

# 12,000 evacuated, but storms easing in West

By The Associated Press

Ferocious Pacific storms that sent torrents of water through scores of communities, killing at least 17 people, eased today after nine days, and many of the 12,000 flood refugees began returning to homes choked with mud and sodden debris.

Reservoirs remained full, towns and farmland flooded, and hundreds of mudslides and avalanches — more than 400 in Colorado alone — blocked highways and rail lines, forcing indefinite suspension of most Amtrak passenger service in California.

Thousands of people remained without power and states of emergency were in effect in 12 counties in California, four in Nevada and four in Utah.

"This was supposed to be an area that didn't have a flood problem, so hardly anyone around here had flood insurance, including me," said Dan Thomas, who returned Wednesday to find Gilroy, Calif., neighborhood littered with soggy furniture and belongings of the 125 families who had to flee.

Two women trapped for four days between snowslides on an Idaho highway were found alive Wednesday night, wrapped in a blanket under 5 feet of snow.

Rain with snow in the higher elevations continued to fall early today over much of northern California and Nevada, and southern Oregon, Idaho, Utah and Colorado.

Since the first in a series of storms hit Feb. 11, 24.53 inches of rain has been measured in Kentfield, north of San Francisco. The snow depth on Mammoth Mountain in east-central California was 14 1/2 feet today.

"According to our script, the worst looks like it's pretty much over," Bob Diaz of the weather service's Redwood City, Calif., bureau said Wednesday. Still, residents of mountainous northern California and parts of Idaho and Utah were warned to brace for flash floods.

In northwest Nevada, where barefoot prostitutes from the famed Mustang Ranch were among the 1,000 evacuees, the week of relentless rain turned to snow early today, easing the threat of additional flooding. Many state offices in Carson City were closed and 15 square blocks of the downtown were flooded. The surging Truckee River was blamed for rupturing a natural gas pipeline that knocked out service to more than 20,000 customers.

Floods had chased more than 11,000 northern Californians from their homes since the storms hit, said Dick Hunt of the state Office of Emergency Services. About 12,000 homes served by Pacific Gas & Electric were without power Wednesday, said company spokesman Ron Rutkowski.

In Guerneville, Calif., 70 miles north of San Francisco, the Russian River receded Wednesday to 43.5 feet from its record 49.5 feet the day before. Flooding forced

the town's 1,500 residents from their homes.

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Mudslides blocking and damaging tracks forced an indefinite suspension of Amtrak passenger service throughout California, said John Jacobsen, an Amtrak spokesman in Washington.

## Guardsman: 'The whole town just drowned'

GUERNEVILLE, Calif. (AP) — Cars and trucks bob like bathtub toys in the muddy Russian River and homes that stood 30 feet from the bank a week ago now dip awkwardly into the water.

Hundreds of acres of vineyards and orchards lie submerged in a lake that fills the surrounding farmland.

A week of relentless rain in this small town 70 miles north of San Francisco bloated the river to its highest level in 31 years here, forcing 1,500 residents from their homes.

"We used to live on Neeley Road," said 80-year-old Leonor Gray on Wednesday, smiling a little after a restless night in an overcrowded evacuation center. "Now we live on Neeley River."

Mrs. Gray was one of the refugees from the area airlifted by helicopters and taken to shelters. Their departures left their communities looking lifeless except for National Guardsmen, sheriffs' deputies, firefighters and other rescue crews slogging through the streets.

Some of her neighbors were ferried to safety in small boats. About 25 residents were plucked from the river by rescuers or dug out from mud and caved-in houses. Hundreds refused to leave, anxious to protect their homes or pets.

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The Russian River rose to a record 49.5 feet at its worst Tuesday, before receding Wednesday

to 43.5 feet. But the rain kept coming, and the threat of more flooding remained.

At dusk Wednesday, the sun peeked through rain clouds and gave a silver sheen to the wet streets. In a dry spot in the midst of flooded farmland, a boy and his father, who had chosen to stay, shot a basketball at a hoop by their home.

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