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Teacher pacts portend school budget woes

BY PAUL PINKHAM Staff Writer

Potential budget woes facing the Pampa Independent School District in the upcoming school year were driven home to Pampa teachers earlier this month when they received their 1986-87 con-

The contracts contained the statement: "Local supplement to be set by the board of trustees prior to 1986-87 budget adoption." The statement applies to teachers and administrators, according to Assistant Supt. Tommy Cathey.

But the failure of the school to set a definite amount of salary supplement to the state base pay rate is not the only indication of trouble on the horizon. Figures from Pritchard and Abbott Inc. prepared for the Gray County Appraisal District indicate the school district could lose from \$62.7 million to \$116.6 million in taxable value, thanks to a decline in oil prices and the white oil issue.

Using this year's tax rate of 71.8 cents, the anticipated drop in taxable value translates into an estimated loss of \$450,000 to \$837,000 in revenue for the school district.

And still uncomputed is how much state funding the district stands to lose from declining enrollment. School Business Manager Jerry Haralson said student enrollment has dropped by about 100 since Sept. 1.

The state pays the school district \$1,500 to \$1,600 per student,

meaning, under the current formula, the district could lose an additional \$150,000, not counting losses that could be incurred under changes in the state formulas.

Admitting that concerns have been expressed by Pampa teachers, Supt. James Trusty mailed a letter March 31 to all contracted personnel in an effort to reassure them.

The state base salary for a starting teacher is \$15,200, graduated up with experience and additional education. To that, the Pampa district adds a supplemental salary of \$2,600 for a bachelor's degree and \$2,800 for a master's degree or above.

"Please be assured it is the desire of the administration and the board of trustees to maintain or

increase the present local supplement, if possible," Trusty's letter says. "The board of trustees will be carefully studying these problems, along with all other revenue and expenditure considerations, in developing and approving the 1986-87 budget."

Haralson said the budget is normally completed in August.

Many teachers fear the district may attempt to meet its budgetary problems "out of the teachers' pockets," according to one local teacher. She said she did not find Trusty's letter reassuring and added she fears other teacher benefits, such as insurance, may be cut.

She quoted one school board member, who opposes trimming the supplement, as saying cutting the supplement would be like taxing only the teachers and administrators to meet the district's budget

Haralson and Cathey pointed to several steps the district can take, or already has taken, in attempts to mitigate the budget problems. Haralson said the administration is waiting on more concrete figures from the appraisal district and for budget requests to come in before deciding what to do.

Among the possibilities is a tax increase. To make up for the entire loss forecast by the appraisal district, Haralson said the district would have to levy an additional five to 10 cents (7.5 to 14 percent) on the current tax rate.

"Depending on how much guts the school board's got, we can adjust the tax rate up to compensate (but) that's a pretty sizeable jump," Haralson said.

One step that already has been taken is asking employees in staff meetings to try to save 10 percent off this year's capital outlay budget. Holding off on buying things the district has budgeted for in the 1985-86 school year will provide more cash carry-over for next year's budget, Cathey said.

Cathey said the 10 percent figure has been met in all but four or five accounts.

The district is also holding off on replacing personnel who have retired or moved away, Cathey said, although he added "delayed attrition" is something that has always been done, even in good years.

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Oil subsidy advocated by producer

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm says independent producers have all but abandoned the search for oil.

"The price slide of the past 90 days is not the result of supplyand-demand market economics," said the Stamford Democrat, who chairs the House Small Business Subcommittee on Energy, Environment and Safety.

"It results from punitive, monopolistic actions, designed to undercut high-cost producers, of the world's single most dominant producer," Stenholm said.

More than a dozen witnesses, mostly oilmen, testified before the U.S. House subcommittee Wednesday about the woes the industry has incurred from the plummet in crude prices.

John H. Chalmers, president of Chalmers Exploration Co. of Abilene, told the congressional panel tax incentives and government subsidies are among measures needed to help the oil industry overcome downsliding prices.

"It is absolutely necessary that something be done immediately on tax reform," said Chalmers. "Investors are reluctant to invest when they do not know what type, or if any type, of tax reform will affect their investments."

Chalmers outlined several actions to help maintain stripper or marginally producing wells and continue exploration for new pools of oil. Among the parts of his proposals were:

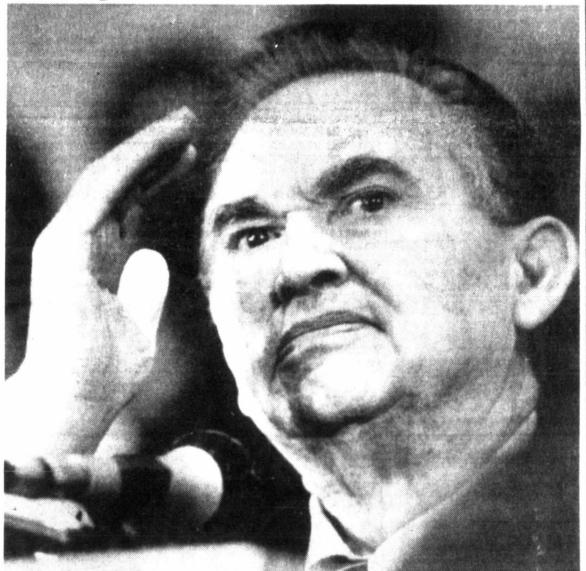
— Subsidizing marginal or stripper well production at a \$22 a barrel level. When the market price drops below that figure, the federal government would subsidize the difference and put the oil in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, Chalmers said. The oil could be sold later.

— Double tax benefits on stripper wells. "If all intangible costs connected with maintaining marginal and-or stripper wells were doubled for tax purposes, then a substantial amount of these wells could be kept producing," he said.

— Double tax benefits for exploration into new pools of oil.
"All money invested in drilling and-or completion of a wildcat prospect will be given tax credit for twice the money spent," he said. "This will be a strong incentive for speculative investors."

— Give a 150 percent tax credit for intangible costs for development wells. "All development wells, along with newly enhanced projects, will be granted one and one-half times intangible costs. This will stimulate development wells, and secondary and tertiary projects," he said.

He suggested repeal of the Windfall Profits Tax, the incremental pricing, the Fuel Use Act and all preferential tax items for minimum tax. **Bowing out**



Alabama Governor George C. Wallace signals farewell after announcing he was ending his political career after serving four terms as governor and being involved in

southern politics for 40 years. "I have climbed my last political mountain," Wallace said in announcing he would not seek re-election. (AP Laserphoto)

Known terrorist passenger on jet prior to explosion

By PHILIP DOPOULOS Associated Press Writer

A known terrorist flew on a TWA jet the same day its side was torn open by a bomb over southern Greece, killing four Americans, and is a suspect in the bombing, the Italian interior minister said today. Airport security officials in Rome identified the man as an Arab.

After meeting with Premier Bettino Craxi, Interior Minister Oscar Luigi Scalfaro told reporters, "It is certain that a suspect person, who is on file as a terrorist, got on in Cairo and got off in Athens, occupying in the airplane the exact seat where the explosion

sion occurred."
The Boeing 727 went on Wednesday to Rome from Athens, Greece, picked up 112 passengers, and headed back to Athens as TWA Flight 840, ultimately bound for Cairo, Egypt.

The bomb exploded as the jetliner, which TWA officials said was flying at about 15,000 feet, approached Athens airport, and the four victims were sucked out.

The explosion occurred on the floor of row 10 or 11 in the passenger cabin and blew seat 10F through a 9-by-3 foot hole, TWA President Richard D. Pearson said in New York.

Officials at Rome's Leonardo da Vinci Airport said the terrorist had occupied seat 10F on the Cairo-to-Athens flight, and said they suspected he had planted an

explosive aboard before disembarking in Athens.

ANSA, an Italian news agency, reported that an Arab by the name of "Mansur" or "Monsour" had been seated in the 10th row.

The airport officials said they believed the terrorist was the same man who planted a bomb in luggage aboard a Rome-bound Alitalia flight in Istanbul Dec. 29, 1983. When the man did not board the plane in Istanbul, the passengers were taken off, all the luggage was inspected and the bomb was found.

In Beirut today, Palestinian sources said a little-known group that claimed it staged the attack was associated with Abu Nidal, whose terror group was blamed by the United States for the Dec. 27 massacres at the Rome and Vienna airports in which 20 people died, including five Americans.

The sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Abu Nidal had used the little-known group's name, Arab Revolutionary Cells, in previous terrorist attacks abroad.

The anonymous caller who claimed responsibility for the TWA attack said it was in response to the clash between the U.S. 6th Fleet and Libyan forces in the disputed waters of the Gulf of Sidra last week.

Seven other people, including at least four Americans, were injured aboard the plane.

Area school races attract 57 candidates

BY CATHY SPAULDING Staff Writer

Declining oil-based revenues and increasing demands from the state are some of the challenges facing schools this year — and 57 school board candidates feel

ready to meet those challenges.

The candidates will put their hopes and promises on the line Saturday as voters choose trustees for their local school boards. Polls in all school districts will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

WHITE DEER-SKELLYTOWN

With its high percentage of area independent oil activity, the White Deer School-Skellytown school system is most affected by the oil price crunch. Three positions on the school board are open.

In Skellytown, Raymond Hanover will replace Bill Daves. Polling place is at the Skellytown School. Bruce Baine will replace Gary Gortmaker in White Deer; voters there go the the gym.

Incumbent Cinda Lafferty faces a challenge from Bill Lowe. A trustee for six years, Laffer-

ty says she has the experience and she knows of the financial problems and legislation affecting the school.

"You can say we are the most affected school in the area," the White Deer homemaker said. "It's causing a sharp decrease in revenue."

Lafferty feels the top priority should be to "keep the quality personnel we have, and cutting back on extras." One area of savings, she said, would be to delay remodeling work at the school. Celanese employee Lowe

agrees that the school must deal

with a shrinking budget.

"In a year or so, we'll have to watch our spending so we won't have to have a large tax increase just to maintain our current level," he said. "I wouldn't say anything has to be cut, we just have to watch our spending so that when we spend a dollar, it's

because we need to spend it."

"I work with kids and I feel people should be involved," he said. "I have no complaints, I just want on the board because I can do as good a job as any of them."

Community involvement and support for the local school is the key to the Lefors school board race where seven candidates seek three positions.

After serving on the board for 10 years, Arnold Story is seeking another term.

Story, an area supervisor for Texas pipeline, said he is concerned about "whether we are going to be able to give the children the education they need and to meet the state requirements."

He added that while HB 72 has done some good, "there have been hardships." Among the hardships he listed was the career ladder, and how the school would support it with a lowering tax base."

"We're going to have to tighten our belts," said incumbent Leon Goldsmith, who is also seeking

another term. "I guess nothing runs as smoothly as you'd like it to. We have a few problems and I'd like the opportunity to see if I can help."

The Texaco employee also expressed concern that the increasing demands from the state, and the decrease in state funding, could force small schools to consolidate.

The third incumbent seeking re-election, Walter Jackson, could not be reached.

The four challengers want to see more activities and parental involvement.

"School anymore is a baby sitter," said Dick Sierman, an electrician for IRI. "I'd like to find some way to get parents involved more"

Sierman also feels that the TECAT teacher competency test is not necessary.

"The principals and superintendents know their teachers. They work with them every day. If the teachers weren't cutting it,

they would be aware of it," he said.

"We have a small town and it takes time from everyone," said Mick Shedeck, a pumper for Texaco. "I want to offer my time to the school system."

"We need to have a good school board," he added. "We're having a diminishing tax base and funding from the state and we need to keep the school alive."

Homemaker Jean Huckins feels that HB 72 has "taken out personal communication in the classroom, because it is so struc-

"My children are in this school and I wanted to be involved," she

Russell Bockman wants to see more activities for Lefors youth. Part of that activity can comfrom a 4-H Club and a vocational

program.

"There's nothing for Lefors kids to do," he said. "We need more people in the community to

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DAILY RECORD

services tomorrow

STORY, Chance Evan - 10:30 a.m., Fairview Cemetery COMSTOCK, Gladys D. - 2 p.m., Pentecostal Holiness Church, McLean.

obituaries

Baptist Church.

CONNIE HOSEA

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors for Connie Hosea, 71, who died Wednesday at St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo. Born March 12, 1915, he moved to Pampa in the 1920s from Memphis, Texas. He married Ruby Phillips in 1945 at Pampa. He worked for the City of Pampa Water Department for 22 years, retiring in 1975. He was a member of the New Hope

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a daughter, Edna Brown, Tulia; a sister, Willie Vinson, Pampa; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

GLADYS D. COMSTOCK

McLEAN - Services for Gladys D. Comstock, 77, will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Pentecostal Holiness Church at McLean. Officiating will be Rev. Glenn Lucas of Hammond, Okla., assisted by Rev. Archie Cooper, pastor.

Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Comstock died at 12:20 p.m. Wednesday at

Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. She was born April 9, 1908, in Maude, Okla. She moved to McLean in 1964 from Garfield, N.M. She married Rev. Walter L. Comstock in 1928 at El Reno, Okla. She was a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; five daughters, Ruth Sullaway, Lamar, Colo., Fran Manning, Fritch, Myrtle Lucas, Hammond, Okla., Thelma Destarac, Thornton, Colo., and Trish Gross, Pampa; two sons, Gorden Comstock, Hamilton, Ohio, and Rev. William Comstock, Hobbs, N.M.; 28 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

PAULINE HALEY MUNCIE

HEDLEY - Memorial services for Pauline Haley Muncie, 72, will be at the McLean Church of Christ at approximately 11:45 a.m. Sunday following the regular Sunday morning worship service with Gerald Beesley, minister, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Miss Muncie died Friday

Born in Hedley, she was a retired librarian. Survivors include a brother, J. A. Muncie, Jacksonville, Ore.

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CORONADO **COMMUNITY**

Admissions David Hinkle, Pampa Esther Culberson, Pampa

George Reames, June Thacker, Pampa

Mary Vanbuskirk, Pampa **Dismissals**

Choice Baggett, Pampa Tammy Bennett, Pampa Bertha Cox, Pampa

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police report

McLean

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

WEDNESDAY, April 2 Kaddy Schale, 1605 Fir, reported criminal mis-

chief at the address.

Bill Hammer, 1218 Charles, reported criminal mischief at the address; a rock was thrown through a window, causing less than \$20 damage. Cindy A. Fly, 516 E. Foster, reported disorderly

conduct at McDonald's, 2201 N. Hobart. William Carl Titus, 928 S. Faulkner, reported an assault at the address.

Daniel Oron McGregor, 1601 W. Somerville, reported attempted burglary of a motor vehicle at the address.

THURSDAY, April 3 A driving while intoxicated suspect was re-

ported at 900 E. Campbell. **Arrests-City Jail**

THURSDAY, April 3

Wesley Aaron Gunter, 26, 1001 E. Campbell, was arrested at 900 E. Campbell on a charge of public intoxication; Gunter was released on a court summons.

Timothy L. Cowan, 27, 1205 E. Darby, was arrested at 900 E. Campbell on charges of driving while intoxicated and defective equipment; Cowan was released on a personal recognizance

Arrests-County Jail Tommy G. Eldridge, Lefors, was arrested on a

charge of driving while intoxicated. Winston Paul Whitsett, Route 2, Box 108, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest.

minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fire runs in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Budget woes,

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He said the policy reflects the district's "zero-based budgeting philosophy" that has adminstrators building the budget proposal from scratch each year rather than simply adding a percentage to the previous year's budget. The only difference this year is that even closer attention will have to be paid to budget requests, he said.

"The justification has to be there and even then, we may not get the full amount," Cathey

Haralson said he does not expect tax collections to be greatly affected by the sluggish economy. Pampans have always paid their taxes, even in the worst of times, he said.

This year, tax collections are running about 2.5 percent behind last year at the same time. Haralson said the district had an 88.5 percent collection rate through February, compared to about 91 percent through February, 1985.

Traditionally, the district's tax collection rate runs about 95 percent for the full year, he said.

$oldsymbol{School}$ races

give them something to do. Voters in Lefors will go to the

school library MIAMI ISD

The three Miami candidates for two positions are also concerned with declining oil base Voters go to the city-county building

"I think it's going to be critical," said incumbent trustee Vernon Cook, a farmer-rancher who operates the Four C Oil Co. 'We're budget balanced, meaning we get no state foundation funds. We had an extensive budget increase last year and we're looking at an extensive budget increase this year, combined with an extensive property value decrease

"I am interested in the quality and the performance of our staff, and I'm concerned with the education of our young people,' he said.

Farmer-rancher Jimmy Bowers, another incumbent, said "I feel we have a good system and I want to keep it that way

"In the next two years, we're going to be faced with a financial crunch, and I feel I have the experience to help," he said. "I don't think (the drop in oil) will cut into the quality of education.

First Baptist Church pastor Jerry Howe feels the school can maintain its quality, even with declining oil and gas revenue.

"I think it's going to take proper planning. It's not going to be as easy as it used to be," he said. "We'll have to take a harder look at our budget. It will require

more dilligent planning. Howe says he feels a "civic responsibility" in maintaining the quality of the school

"Just because we have a small school, doesn't mean we can't have a top notch school.' WHEELER ISD

Nine candidates are seeking three positions on the Wheeler School Board. Voters go to the school business office.

Vying for the one year term for place 1 are retired teacher Ruth Wiley, funeral home director Jim Wright and deputy district clerk Patti McNeil. Candidates for place 6, three

year term, are nurse MiMi Boedeker, Chevrolet salesman Bobby Ware and oil field worker Jack Hatcher.

For the three year term on position 7: driller Anthony Francis, insurance salesman Ken McCasland and Gail Ledbetter of Arkla

KELTON ISD

Voters will go to the Kelton School to choose between the three incumbents, Garland Moore, Mac Honeycutt and Mike Bright and challenger Champ

CANADIAN ISD

Eleven candidates are seeking four positions on the sevenmember Canadian School board, they are Richard Northcott. Frank Carver, David Cook, John Wheeler, Tom Moore, Smiley Johnson, Robert Brown, Diane Praeger, Charles Moore and incumbents Lee Young and John

This election, the Canadian school board is expanding from five to seven members. Voters will go to the middle school.

MOBEETIE ISD

A brother and sister-in-law, Gary May and Sallie May, are seeking one of two open position on the Mobeetie School Board. Incumbent Archie Summers is seeking another term as is Kimberly Hathaway Johnston. Incumbent Gene White is stepping down.

Voters will go to the school McLEAN ISD

Voters for both the city and school elections will go to the Lovett Library, 302 N. Main.

Five people are seeking the three open school board positions: Linda Meador, Billie Thomas, Jim Barker and incumbents Darryel Herndon and John Holland. The third incumbent. Thacker Haynes, resigned in August when the board hired one of his relatives.

GROOM ISD

Ten candidates are seeking three board positions: Gary Britten, Hop Britten, Lynn Britten, Dennis Babcock, Bill England, Glynda Eschle, Joe Homer, Phyl lis Jackson and incumbents Roman Friemel and Adela Kotara. The third incumbent, Janice Koetting, is stepping down.

Voters in both the school and city elections will cast ballots at

Attends convention

COLLEGE STATION — Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter joined about 450 other officials for the 14th annual County and District Clerk's seminar March 18 to 20, the theme of which was "Informational — Not Political."

During the seminar, the clerks were addressed by Robert Aldemeyer of Kenton County, Ky., who is president of the National Association of Counties, as well as Texas Secretary of State Myra McDaniel. Major discussions included election codes. probate law, child support enforcement, records management, juvenile law and bankruptcv sales



CURRENT EVENTS CHAMP - Pampa High chool senior Paul Bowers, center, receives congratulations from journalism advisor Lynda Queen, left, and Principal Oran Chappell upon being declared a national winner in

Quill and Scroll's Current Events Quiz. Bowers, sports editor of The Little Harvester, was one of 61 out of 14,000 students taking the test nationwide to get the National Award Gold Key. (Staff photo by Terry Ford)

Pampa student wins national award from Quill and Scroll

Pampa High School senior Richard Bowers, Star Route 3 Paul Bowers has been named a national winner in Quill and Scroll's Current Events Quiz, according to an official announcement made Tuesday.

As a national winner, Bowers received a National Award Gold Key presented to 61 of approximately 14,000 students who took the test nationwide. He also is eligible for a \$500 Edward J. Nell Memorial Scholarship in journalism.

The national awards were given to students scoring 92 or higher. Bowers scored a 94, missing only six of 100 questions on current events, geography, people and vocabulary.

Approximately 250 PHS government and journalism students took the exam last month. Bowers' winning paper was then forwarded to the University of Iowa for the national competition.

City briefs

The son of Mr. and Mrs.

SARAH'S CORONADO Center,

1st of the season Spring Sale, re-

duced to one-third off, selected

groups thru Saturday. All sales

Brokerage 3 weekend course.

starts Saturday, April 5, 8 a.m.

CLARENDON COLLEGE

Pampa Center will be offering

First Aid (specifically designed

for children). Class will meet

Saturday, April 5, 8:30 a.m.-3:30

Sunday 10-? 1922 N. Faulkner.

4 FAMILY Sale: Saturday 8-6,

p.m. J.D. Ray instructor. Adv.

Instructor Pat Mitchell. Adv.

CLARENDON COLLEGE

south of the city, Bowers is sports editor of The Little Harvester school newspaper. This year he served as vice president of the Panhandle High School Press Association, where he recently won first place in sports columns.

He also took honorable mention in editorial writing at the Texas **High School Press Association in** Denton earlier this year.

Bowers will be one of nine journalism students competing in University Interscholastic League literary contests at West Texas State University in Canyon on Friday.

He plays on the Harvester varsity baseball team and served as manager for this year's basketball team. Also receiving top scores local-

ly were Eric Hallerberg and Brad Wolcott. Each school participating in the quiz sent its best entry for national competition.

ART SHOW and Sale by Lois

Green and students at 2nd Time

Around, 409 W. Brown (Highway

60), April 5, 1986, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

COMPUTER CLASS for begin-

RICK AND Diane Conner of Pampa are the proud parents of a

daughter, Samantha Danelle.

born Monday, March 31 in Amar-

illo. Grandparents are Mr. and

Mrs. Harold Conner of Pampa,

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Geortz, Bas-

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during the second period journalism class Tuesday morning. The quiz consists of five parts. The first part involves multiple choice questions covering such

PHS Principal Oran Chappell

and journalism adviser Lynda

Queen congratulated Bowers

topics as defense, national and international politics, the United Nations, science, sports, entertainment and news events. The second part asks students

to match individuals with titles or descriptions. The third section is true-false questions on a variety of topics, the fourth part is matching cities with countries, and the final section involves vocabulary definitions.

Quill and Scroll is a journalism and literary society for students, teachers and professionals. Membership is not required for participation in the quiz competi-

Oil prices continue to move erratically

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices are behaving erratically because of apparently conflicting comments by the Reagan administration over whether Vice President George Bush will pressure Saudi Arabia to reduce production.

Pampa Center Real Estate ners. April 10. Dennis computer In late-morning trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange today, contracts for May delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude, were rallying after an earlier low of \$10.90 per 42-gallon barrel to levels near Wednesday's \$11.52 close.

That settlement was up 25 cents 50 PERCENT Off Rack at from Tuesday's close, but down significantly from the day's peak

Weather focus

Cloudy and cooler Friday with the highs in the 50s. Lows tonight in the 30s. South westerly winds gusting to 20-30

REGIONAL FORECAST

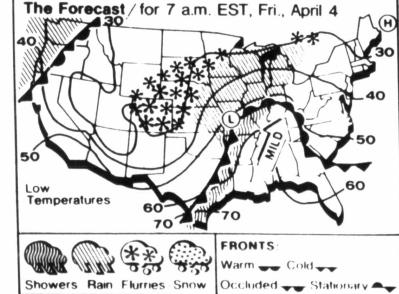
North Texas- Decreasing cloudiness and cooler west tonight, a continuing chance of thunderstorms central and east tonight. Partly cloudy west and central on Friday, a chance of thunderstorms east. Lows tonight 50 west to 63 east. Highs Friday 66 northwest to 78 southeast.

West Texas- Cloudy with scattered thunderstorms Panhandle and South Plains ending tonight, otherwise partly cloudy and cooler through Friday. Lows tonight lower 30s Panhandle to upper 40s Concho Valley and Big Bend. Highs Friday mid 50s Panhandle to lower 70s Concho Valley and mid 80s Big Bend vallevs.

South Texas- Partly cloudy west and south to mostly cloudy east tonight and Friday. Scattered thunderstorms central and east tonight with widely scattered thunderstorms east Friday. Highs Friday in the upper 70s southeast to low 80s north to low 90s southwest. Lows tonight mostly 60s except near 70 coast.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Saturday through Monday North Texas: Chance of thunderstorms mainly east Saturday, otherwise little or no precipitation expected. Low temperatures will be in the 50s. Highs will range from the upper 60s northwest to the upper 70s southeast Saturday



and in the mid to upper 70s Sunday and Monday

South Texas: Chance of thundershowers mainly west and north Saturday. Partly cloudy and warm. Daytime highs upper 70s and lower 80s north..low and mid 80s south and southwest. Overnight lows upper 50s northwest to the low and mid 60s south and east.

West Texas: Partly cloudy with a warming trend Saturday through Monday. Lows Panhandle Saturday mid 30s warming to low 40s Monday. Highs mid 60s Saturday, warming to low 70s Monday. Lows south plains in the 40s Highs Saturday upper 60s warming to mid 70s Monday. Lows Permian Basin and far west in the 40s and highs in the 70s. Lows Concho Valley Saturday upper 40s warming to mid 50s Saturday. Highs mid 70s Saturday warming to around 80 Monday.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma- Cooler tonight and Friday with thunderstorms ending from the west. Lows tonight from the lower 30s Panhandle to near 60 southeast. Highs Friday from the 50s northwest to 60s southeast.

New Mexico- Few snow showers lingering north central mountains and northeast tonight and northeast Friday morning. Otherwise partly cloudy north and fair south tonight and Friday. Cooler east and south tonight. Warmer west and north Friday. Lows tonight teens and 20s mountains and north with 30s to lower 40s south. Highs Friday 40s and 50s mountains and north with 60s to mid 70s at lower elevations in the south.

TEXAS/REGIONAL

Economist says

Benefits of oil price drops could outweigh negative impact

WACO, Texas (AP) — If oil prices continue to drop, the benefits to the state economy will outweigh the negative impact after a certain point, a Baylor University economist said.

"This is a curious thing I've stumbled on," said Dr. M. Ray Perryman, director of Baylor's Forecasting Service and creator of the Texas Econometric Model.

'When you get below \$15 per barrel, the negative impact of each dollar drop starts diminishing a lot. And you start seeing a lot of things happen at \$10."

The drop from \$11 to \$10 is the critical contract price for West Texas intermediate crude. More than 90 percent of Texas oil is traded in contract markets and is not as volatile as the spot market. As of Wednesday, the price was averaging about

The oil industry already "has taken such a hit" that the ensuing drops do not have as negative an impact on the economy, Perryman said. For example, the drop from \$25 to \$20 per barrel had a much greater impact than the drop from \$15 to \$10. 'Every \$5 drop is not the same,' Perryman said.

"What we've found is the negative impact gets less and less for each dollar drop from \$15.

"Actually, the state's economy does a little bit better when the price is at \$10 than at \$11," Perry-While he has not calculated prices lower than

\$10. Perryman assumed the net beneficial effect would continue. He emphasized the effect considered the state's

economy as a whole, but that some individual cities still would be affected negatively. 'Every dollar drop hurts Houston and

Beaumont," he said. Although the net effect on the state's economy will be beneficial, "the state's budget is still worse off with each dollar per barrel drop," Perryman

Perryman estimated the drop to \$10 also creates an additional annual demand for 1.5 million barrels of Texas oil, which would help strapped refineries in the Galveston and Texas City areas.

"At \$10 per barrel, consumers are already starting to consume a bit more, and a lot of production processes can convert from coal to oil," Perryman

While some Texas cities have been reeling from the economic impact from the plunge in oil prices, others such as Dallas, Waco, Austin and San Antonio are benefiting through lower fuel costs, Perry-

The impact from dropping oil prices has come in waves, Perryman said. The first wave affected the immediate drilling areas, such as the MidlandOdessa area, some sections of the Texas Panhandle, the Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange area and the Longview and Kilgore areas.

The next wave hit industries related to drilling such as refineries, corporate headquarters, law and accounting firms. That's where you pick up Houston," Perryman

said. "To some extent, Midland and Beaumont are affected, but Houston is the big hit." The next wave affected the state's financial institutions. First the West Texas area was affected, then the larger banks in Dallas and Houston. The

problems stem both from domestic energy loans and international energy loans to Latin America, Perryman said. The border is the next wave affected, Perryman said. "Mexico obviously has needed oil revenues to

sevice its debt," he said.

Cattlemen say dairy buyout program flooding beef market

ABILENE, Texas (AP) -Already besieged by droughts, high feed costs, high interest rates and low market prices, cattlemen say they now face another big battle.

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A dairy buyout program the federal government began Tuesday is flooding the beef cattle market with more than a million dairy cattle, officials said Wednesday

The program, implemented under the new farm bill, proposed to buy out 14,000 dairy operations and give dairymen "a graceful exit." But it has also caused the beef cattle market to plunge.

Some cattle futures markets dropped their maximum price of \$1.50 per 100 pounds both Monday and Tuesday. Moreover, livecattle markets around the nation declined because of the uncertain conditions, the Abilene Reporter-News reported Wednesday.

'The cattle market was just about ready to get out of the woods when this came along," said Clifton Reed of Ballinger, a cattle buyer and partner in Ballinger Livestock Auction. "It is going to hurt the overall economy, with oil cheap and people

The government says it will

take 633,176 cows, 215,970 heifers and 165,900 calves out of the dairy business in the first period. It will purchase a total of 400 million pounds of dressed red meat over the three buying periods.

Jim Gill, director of marketing of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association in Amarillo, accused the U.S. Department of Agriculture of not properly addressing the

'There have been two great ered, he said.

Geologists are drilling test

holes on state land 11 miles north-

east of Fort Hancock at what is

currently considered the most

likely site in Texas for a low-level

County, about 75 miles southeast

were tested late last year but

County sites remain under con-

sideration until the geological

data have been collected and

"The site near Fort Hancock

appears to be the most favorable

from the geological point of

view," said Rick Jacobi, general

manager of the state Low-level

Radioactive Waste Disposal Au-

thority in Austin.

Two other proposed sites in

radioactive waste dump.

of El Paso.

misjustices," he said. "The USDA should have done a better job of addressing the problem, and giving a better clarification of the numbers.'

When it was announced 1.5 million cows would be slaughtered in the three buyouts over an 18month period, commodity market analysts and brokers did not consider the number of dairy cattle normally culled or slaught-

"The increase (from the federal buyout program) this first quarter (April, May, June) will be 3 to 4 percent above that normal cull." Gill said.

With the negative psychology in the market now, cattlemen won't be able to rebound in a few days, Gill said.

Cattle feeders are questioning whether to hold on to cattle and wait for a better price or take the present prices and avoid overfeeding cattle and increasing the tonnage of dressed beef, Gill said.

'A good rule of thumb is to sell cattle when they are ready," Gill said. "If they (cattle feeders) think the market conditions are going to get better, they should sell the cattle and buy on the

"What's bad is the dairy program was aimed at reducing milk production," he said, predicting it will fail within 18 months.

Geologists drilling test holes at likely Texas radioactive waste dump location



Off beat

ByLarry Hollis

Still R.O.C.K. in the USA

Yes, I went to see TUXX last Friday night.

It's not the first rock concert I've been to, though I admit the last one was in January of last year when I caught Chicago — the group, not the play or the city — in Amarillo.

Over the years — probably it seems like many, many years to some - I have also caught Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels, the Righteous Brothers, Humble Pie, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Bread, Dr. Hook, Earth Wind and Fire, Velvet Underground (minus Lou Reed, unfortunately), Kenny Loggins, the Fifth Dimension, the Doobie Brothers (the year Michael McDonald joined the tour) and even Alice

Cooper, among many others. Since I've been writing this column, I have mentioned my love for and familiarity with rock and roll at least four times as a main column

topic, with fleeting references and allusions in others. So why did I have to endure such remarks Friday night as, "I'm surprised to see you here" or "Aren't you a bit old for this?" or "I didn't think you were the rock 'n' roll type,'' all coming from younger

To which I made the rejoinder, "Hey, I was rocking before you were even born.

I ignored the lifted eyebrows and remarks about "I didn't know rock 'n' roll was that old!

Well, I have you know I was not the oldest person in attendance that night, though I did resist a relayed invitation to join "the over-30 crowd" in the back. But I also avoided sitting with the younger crowd down front, not wanting to cramp their style by having "the old man" in the next seat; I just took my usual place between the kids and the "older" generations.

The incident led me to two conclusions: One, "you can't judge a book by looking at the cover," to quote an old Bo Diddley hit. And two, rock music is no longer just music performed by youngsters for other

For the first conclusion, I point to myself. For some reason, I guess my face, my reserved character, my dress, whatever else, just does not indicate I'm a rocker. But beneath that deceptively mildmannered, perhaps even blase and dull exterior, the heart of rock and roll is still beating.

The muscles are not as supple, the bones may be more brittle, the lungs may tire out a little more quickly, but this body can still shake it down on the floor — as two local DJ's can testify from having watched me out on the dance floor at a church-sponsored youth dance back in And I'm not the only one from my generation that can claim to be a

rocker at heart. I can remember chatting with a certain school board member at the Pampa High School honor's banquet last spring as we stood in the buffet line, singing snatches of Rolling Stones songs to each other. And during my graduating class' 20th reunion last summer, there were more of us on the floor for the rock numbers than for the ballads and western songs.

And I've had others my age and even older actually admit to being among the 40 million who purchased Michael Jackson's Thriller album. And one Saturday afternoon I was playing Z. Z. Top's Eliminator on my tape player at the office when I called a funeral home to get an obituary, only to have the man on the other end of the phone tell me he was a Z. Z. fan.

So, youngsters, don't be surprised if you find your Bruce Springsteen tape is missing and then locate it in your dad's stereo tape player in the station wagon.

As to the second conclusion: I hate to break it to you kids, but much --of the rock music you're buying or listening to is being written and performed by many people old enough to be your parents.

All of the following artists are in their mid-30s to mid-40s, or even older: Bruce Springsteen, Tina Turner, Aretha Franklin, Bob Seger, Paul McCartney, Phil Collins, James Brown, John Fogerty, Glenn Frey, Don Henley, Mick Jagger and the Rolling Stones, most of Chicago's members, Grace Slick of Starship, Ozzy Osbourne, Bob Dylan, Elton John and John Cougar Mellencamp, whose "R.O.C.K. in the U.S.A." is a tribute to the 1950s and 1960s rock that he — and I — grew up listening to.

So don't be surprised to see me, and others my age or older, at the next rock concert. I was 9 when Bill Haley's "Rock Around the Clock" ushered in the rock era, and 30 years later I'm still rocking.

Hollis is a staff writer for The Pampa News. Views expressed in the Off Beat columns are the individual's and not necessarily those of this newspaper.

FORT HANCOCK, Texas (AP)

If chosen, the location would be the permanent dumping ground for all low-level radioactive waste generated in Texas. (Deaf Smith County in the Panhandle has been proposed as a possible The site is in rural Hudspeth site for high-level nuclear wastes.)

"I suspect it will be toward the end of the year before we have all of our work done," Jacobi said.

neighboring Culberson County A six-member board of scienwere not as suitable because of tists and engineers then will deshallow bedrock. The Culberson cide on a location for the dump, probably early in 1987.

A sociological study also is being conducted by Texas A&M University to determine what impact a dump would have on the people of the area. Moreover, the West Texas Council of Govern-

ments is analyzing public policy. Justin Ormsby, executive director of the council of governments, said the organization He said field exploration in the plans to launch an educational area will continue for about two campaign to inform the residents of the area about the proposed dump

Within the next 30 days or so, we'll be gearing up for that,' Ormsby said. "It's important for people to recognize that we haven't formed an opinion one way or another.

But Scott Wilkey has formed an opinion. His Hudspeth County cattle ranch is not far from the proposed dump. "It's right west of us about a mile," he said.

"They're talking about digging holes in the ground 45 feet deep and burying these casks of radioactive material. As I understand it, nobody knows what will happen to this over a long period

He said El Pasoans also should be concerned about the proposed dump because much of El Paso's water

water comes from the Hueco Bol son, a vast underground aquifer.

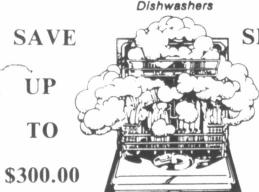
We're right on the edge of the Hueco Bolson out here," he said. Wilkey fears the waste containers will deteriorate over time and contaminate the ground water.

'Another objection I have is that it would lower the value of my property. Nobody seems too concerned about that. But I am because someday I maight want to sell my property and that would be hard to do with a nuclear dump in the front yard.'

Last year, after concerns were expressed about a proposal to put the dump in McMullen County northeast of Corpus Christi, the Legislature passed a law requiring that the dump be built on state-owned land at least 20 miles from any source of drinking



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Opinion

Illegitimacy rises because of subsidy

As poverty sociologist Charles Murray observes in the March 28 issue of *National Review*, it has become not only acceptable, but even fashionable in intellectual circles to acknowledge the reality of illegitimacy as a complicating factor in the cycle of poverty. As Murray puts it, "when large number of males in a community stop functioning as providers for wives and children, the community collapses no matter what kind of help is given from outside.

The problem, according to Murray, is that this belated recognition by the "experts" of what ordinary people have known all along is being treated as though it were uniquely related to the black community, the black family, the black poverty cycle. Nothing could be further from the truth.

The nationwide illigitimacy rate for whites is around 11 percent. The nationwide illegitimacy rate for blacks is a little over 50 percent. But when these figures are corrected to take socioeconomic characteristics like income level and educational attainment into account, the difference in the two rates is narrowed dramati-

Among poor white people these days, according to Murray, you find "a higher illegitimacy rate than the illegitimacy rate among blacks in the early 1960s that prompted Pat Moynihan to write his famous report on the disintegration of the Negro family.

Does this mean that poverty and poor education themselves are the causes of illegitimacy, which in turn creates more poverty and helps perpetuate ignorance? Apparently not. For, as Murray writes, "if poverty (meaning lack of money) and low education (meaning lack of exposure to formal education) always caused illegitimacy, then illigitimacy should have been going down during the last two hundred years of American history as poverty declined and the number of Americans with formal education rose. The decline in illegitimacy should have been most precipitous in the last half of the 1960s, when, instead, the rise was most precipitous.

What this means, says Murray, is that if poverty and poor education have not in themselves always caused illegitimacy, as they are alleged to do now, then some-

thing else must be the culprit.

What then is leading so many Americans, both black and white, to desert their children or to abdicate their responsibility to provide for them while remaining physically present in their lives? The conclusion seems inescapable that they are behaving this way because we pay them to do so.

If you subsidize something, the only thing you can be sure of is that you'll be seeing a lot more of it. A newly released study by the National Center for Policy Analysis concludes that "at least 5.7 million people about one-sixth of the poverty population — are living in poverty by choice as a result of the generosity of

When you add to that figure the millions of children who have no choice in the matter, but live in poverty because their parents are among that 5.7 million who would rather collect welfare than work, then you can see that, as Charles Murray writes, "the growth in the underclass is largely the direct, not so mysterious result of bad social policy.

The welfare system has created enough problems aready to last us several lifetimes. The sooner we get ride of it altogether, the sooner everyone, including the poor, will be better off.

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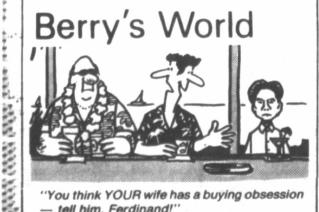
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"You think YOUR wife has a buying obsession tell him, Ferdinand!"

Charles Van Eaton

New twist to old argument

During the 1970's one of the most frequent complaints leveled against the U.S. economy by the radical Left was that it failed to provide 'meaningful work at decent wages." Of course none of the left-wing critics of capitalism bothered to define the term "meaningful work" for the simple reason that the term "meaningful" is inherently subjective and, therefore, incapable of being objectively defined by an outside observer. Moreover, as Thomas Jefferson noted, man is not valued by the work he does but, rather, work is valued by the man who does it. Thus all work can be "meaningful" if the person who performs it brings merit and commitment to it. Therefore to criticize an economic system for somehow failing to provide some abstraction called "meaningful work" is nonsense. Only individuals, not economic systems, can bring "meaning" to work.

Neither did the critics define what constituted 'decent wages." However, given the direct and indirect connection which many of the 1970's critics of the U.S. economy had with organized labor, one may assume that their idea of "decent wages" closely approximated the wages received by members of the more powerful un-

As the U.S. economy continues to restructure in the face of powerful competitive market forces, these same critical voices can be heard. This time they have put a new twist on the 1970's argument. Instead of criticizing the market system for failing to provide "meaningful work." they are alarmed at its failure to provide what one of them calls, "the ladder" - the well paid, unionized jobs that move blue collar workers to something called the "middle class."

As was true in the 1970's, today's critics of American capitalism are advocates of federal central economic planning under the name of "The New Industrial Policy." One of their favorite current examples of the economic system's

alleged failure to provide "the ladder" is La Porte, Indiana.

La Porte was a steel-mill town. Close to Gary and Michigan City, it thrived when U.S. Steel, the regions' major employer, thrived. The market has changed and U.S. Steel has been forced to change. With its restructuring and move toward more out-sourcing, thousands of highwage, blue collar jobs have been lost. In their place have emerged lower-wage service jobs and jobs with outside contractors which pay less than U.S. Steel has paid.

At its worst during the 1981-82 recession, unemployment in La Porte and surrounding cities was as high as 20 percent. That is not the case today. Yet there seems to be a general air of dissatisfaction. "People are working, but things feel different," says Clem Otolski, editor of the La Porte Herald Argus.

What is different is that the extraordinarily high wages which unionized labor enjoyed at U.S. Steel are not being paid by the area's new employers. As the Wall Street Journal's Bill Richards reported in his recent story on La Porte, "So prevalent has the displacement become here and in similar blue collar areas that some planners, economists and others are beginning to reassess the presumed benefits of merely putting the unemployed back to work."

Harvard's Robert B. Reich, one of the leading advocates of "The New Industrial Policy, commented that "If you get a job but lose 'the ladder', I'm not sure you've gained much.' Longtime critic of American capitalism Barry Bluestone of Boston College argues that, given the reduction in wages and benefits which many displaced and reemployed union members have experienced, "What this suggests is that our concern with recovery and full employment isn't the right target...we need to look at whether the economy is providing jobs to sustain a 'standard of living'

There we have it once again! Recovery and

employment are not the issue. The economy is to be faulted because it doesn't provide the right kind of jobs. It doesn't provide "the ladder," it only provides displaced union workers with 'dead-end jobs." It's the "meaningful jobs" complaint in new garb.

Depending on which study one reads, workers in La Porte have been reemployed at wages 20 percent to 30 percent lower than what they had received at U.S. Steel. Does this suggest that they are being paid less than the market value of their marginal product now, or that they were being paid more than the value of their marginal product at U.S. Steel before the company was forced to restructure?

The answer, regardless of whether or not it fits the critics' abstract notion of what constitutes "meaningful work at decent wages," is obvious: union wages at U.S. Steel (95 percent higher than the average manufacturing wage) were higher than warranted by the market's economic valuation of labor's marginal product. That, in a nutshell, is why U.S. Steel was forced to contract operations in La Porte and the surrounding area of northwest Indiana.

The wages now being earned in La Porte and the jobs which are being created to absorb displaced steel workers are a more accurate measure of the market's economic valuation of labor's product than what existed before. Does this mean that "the ladder" to economic security has been removed? Does this mean that the economy is failing to provide jobs which can sustain living standards? The answer to both

questions is no. For the first time in several generations the economy of La Porte, Indiana, is on a track which can be sustained by market forces over the long run. The "ladder" is in place to stay. Whether or not La Porte's workers are prepared to climb it is up to them. The economic system is doing all that any economic system can do. The rest is a matter of individual initiative.

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Lewis Grizzard

Enjoying the great ones

I don't know how closely you have been keeping up with the news lately, so allow me to go back over a story that broke out of Nashville recently

According to a survey by a New York research firm, country music fans aren't a bunch of bumpkins with turnip greens stuck between their teeth, after

Consider the following facts unveiled by the survey

One-sixth of the American public listens to country music each

Country music attracts more college graduates than all-news radio, more city dwellers than album-oriented rock and more owners of \$100,000 homes than

classical music. Country music fans rank third in terms of college graduates and second in the number employed full-time.

Country fans are the third largest group with household incomes over \$50,000 and second in the \$30,000-to-\$49,999 range.

The New York firm of Landsman-Webster did the research. Put that in your hat and do-si-do

Such information is not news to me, of course. I knew full well the image of country music fans was terribly off base.

Take my friend, Van Landingham III of the Back Bay Van

Landinghams. We were sipping brandy after dinner at the club last week and he said, "My, but do you mind if we ask Hives to put on a bit of Boxcar Willie while we

finish our brandy? "Not in the least, old chum," I said. "Perhaps later we could share a bit of George Jones.'

"You mean, 'the Opposum?' But, of course. I find his sonorous tones to be quite delightful, reminiscent somehow of the mating

call of the bull elephant." "You have hunted the elephant?" I asked Van Landingham III.

"Of course, old boy," he answered. "Last year on safari,

we were taking a brief respite from the hunt and our native guides entertained us with various tribal musical selections. "Oddly, I found one of these de-

lightful chants reminded me greatly of Charles Pride's immortal Kiss An Angel Good Morning.'

Hives brought us another round of brandy and each of us took cigars. They have wonderful cigars at the club.

"Will there be anything else, gentlemen?" Hives asked. "I think," Van Landingham III

answered, "we should enjoy a bit more music.

"I'm always up for a go with

Willie Nelson," I said. "Quickly, Hives," Van Landingham III said. "Fetch The Red

Headed Stranger album, and be snappy about it. We continued to enjoy our bran-

dy and cigars. Before retiring, Van Landingham III remarked, "I find Nelson to be of such a genuine, earthy nature. Much like the soil itself, do you not?" "Indeed, I do," I said.

I asked Hives to call for my

'Truck!'' he called.

I do find an evening at the club listening to musical works of the great masters to be so stimu-



Southeastern fires rage, little relief before weekend

Firefighters battling blazes that have charred more than a half million acres in the Southeast were hanging on "by the skin of our teeth" today and stepping up a crackdown on arsonists as forecasts said rain was still days

The dry weather has fueled 42,204 fires covering 583,056 acres of land this year in parts of the U.S. Forest Service region encompassing 13 Southeastern states, said Bruce Jewell, USFS spokesman in Atlanta.

At least four people have died fighting fires, three in Tennessee and one in Ohio.

"We're trying to shuttle crews around to give some relief to the hardest-worked crews," said **Dwight Barnett of the Tennessee** Division of Forestry. "We're

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hanging by the skin of our teeth. You really have no choice but to go on."

In Tennessee, at least five fires raged out of control, including a 400-acre blaze in Cocke County. Major fires also raged near Chattanooga and in Overton County, Barnett said.

Officials say arsonists are believed responsible for at least half the 3,850 fires that have blackened 44,300 Tennessee acres this year.

A weather front expected to move in from the west may hurt rather than help, Barnett said. Before the front, you get winds. And traditionally, in the spring, many of those forecasted rains don't materialize."

Forecasters said thundershowers could begin hitting much of the region by Saturday and the beginning of next week.

West Virginia officials said a drop in wind, an increase in humidity and a ban on outdoor burning meant they might get a

Twelve fires were reported out of control early today, but "It looks a lot, lot better," said district forestor Gerald Wimer in

Gov. Arch Moore, who banned outdoor burning because of extraordinary dry weather, said fires have burned more than 25,000 acres and caused \$7.5 million in damage during the past 10 days. The rash of fires has been the worst in West Virginia in a decade.

A dry spell continued in Georgia as six fires burned about 700



AMPHETAMINE LAB BUSTED - Hempstead, Ark., County Sheriff Don Worthey adds to the mounting stack of drug lab equipment recovered from an amphetamine lab raided near the rural community of DeAnn, Ark. State and county authorities arrested one man in connection with the raid and are

anticipating more arrests later. Identity of the arrested man has not been discovered and he has not be charged formally. He faces charges of manufacturing a controlled substance. One pound of amphetamine, valued at \$15,000 to \$20,000 was confiscated. (AP Laserphoto)

Astronauts voice safety fears

nauts, the biggest risk takers in space flight, are taking complaints to the presidential Challenger commission about the shuttle's brakes, survival procedures and the dangers of landing on a three-mile-long concrete runway in Florida.

The best-known of the witnesses called to the panel's public hearing today was John Young, whose six space flights make him the most experienced American astronaut. He charged recently, in two highly publicized memos, that NASA put "launch schedule

pressure" above safety. Before that, according to a source close to the commission, Young had voiced concerns about flight safety to Vice President George Bush, who relayed them to the investigating panel. Young and Bush had a space-to-ground conversation during the first times at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

The source said the astronauts had complained that brakes on the shuttle had been damaged on nearly all 24 landings and that there were no provisions for aborting a flight in the early minutes while the shuttle is climbing toward orbit.

Only the first four shuttle missions were equipped with an ejection mechanism for the astronauts to be used in case of an emergency

Young also had complained that the runway at the Kennedy Space Center was subject to extensive crosswinds and therefore not as safe as the lakehed at Edwards Air Force Base on the Mojave Desert in California.

The Kennedy runway is 300 feet wide and flanked by alligatorinfested swamps, while the desert lakebed allows great room for error in landing.

The commission, charged with making its report to President Reagan by June 3, already has started writing it. The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the report will be in two volumes - one stating the commission's conclusions and recommendations, the other supplying technical data

Before today's hearing opened, one commissioner said the panel believes even its own independent tests will never show how the Jan. 28 explosion that killed all seven crew members began. But, said the commissioner, Richard P. Feynman, they should point the way to a safe redesign of the booster rocket.

"You'll never find out exactly what happened, not to the molecule," said Feynman, a physicist from California Institute of Technology who has led the panel's investigation into the accident's technical causes

TWA explosion shows that bomb detection tools have weaknesses

WASHINGTON (AP) - The bomb that tore a hole in the side of a TWA Boeing 727, sending four passengers plummeting to their deaths, demonstrates the weakness of tools used to detect explosives at even the most securityconscious airports, experts say.

'TWA in that part of the world is complying and fully implementing rather extraordinary security measures,'' said Richard Lally, the top security expert for the Air Transport Association, on Wednesday.

Even so, an explosive device found its way into either the cargo hold or passenger compartment without detection on the Rome-to-Athens flight. It exploded when the plane was flying at 15,000 feet over southern Greece, but the plane landed safely at Athens 10 minutes later.

Lally and other aviation security specialists characterized the Rome airport as among the most security conscious in the world, with officials using special precautions on flights by U.S. airlines. Security was stepped up after last December's terrorist attack at the airports there and in

"The fact of the matter is you cannot make a security system foolproof; you can't even get close to it," said Capt. Thomas M. Ashwood, a security expert for

the Air Line Pilots Association. Before TWA Flight 840 departed the Rome airport Wednesday, checked bags were examined with X-rays or were transported directly from

another TWA aircraft which had arrived from the United States. according to various experts, who spoke under the condition that they not be identified.

Passengers were screened before boarding and their carry-on luggage examined by X-ray.

For the bomb to have been hidden in carry-on luggage "would require a major breakdown in what has been an intensified security net" at the airport, said Ashwood. He speculated that the explosives, if in the cabin, likely were planted there before the passengers boarded.

Nevertheless, on the flight from Rome to Athens, an explosion ripped open the side of the aircraft just forward from the wing, sucking a man, two women and a baby out of the aircraft. Three of the bodies, one still strapped to its seat, were found on an abandoned Greek airstrip 120 miles south of Athens, and the fourth was discovered in the sea

shuttle flight and met several Extra security in place for Bush trip to Persian Gulf

By TERENCE HUNT **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President George Bush sets out today on a trip to the Persian Gulf region, where officials say "prudent" security precautions are in place because of heightened concern for his safety.

Marlin Fitzwater, the vice president's press secretary, said there had been no change in Bush's schedule because of the bombing Wednesday of a TWA jetliner bound for Athens.

Administration officials say the trip poses greater-than-usual security risks for Bush because of recent threats by Libya's Moammar Khadafy to strike at Americans in retaliation for U.S. military action against Libya in the Gulf of Sidra.

After an overnight stop in Frankfurt, West Germany, the vice president will arrive in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on Saturday, the first stop on a 10-day tour that also will take him to Bahrain, Oman and North Yemen.

He is scheduled to return to Washington April 13.

Four people were killed in the explosion on the TWA jetliner. An anonymous telephone caller in

Beirut, claiming to speak for Arab Revolutionary Cells, said the underground Palestinian group was responsible for the

The group is believed linked to Libya, and the caller told a Western news agency that the bomb was planted on the plane in retaliation for the U.S. action against Libya

Even before the plane bombing, increased security steps were adopted for the vice president, and officials, speaking on condition they not be identified, said Secret Service agents would be more visible than usual.

"I think all prudent measures were being taken before this, that we're certainly aware of what Khadafy is saying and that there are other (terrorist) groups out there that are active," said Donald Gregg, the national security adviser to Bush.

'This incident would confirm that such measures are prudent," he added.

In an extraordinary display of security last week, Secretary of State George Shultz received escorts of NATO fighter jets when he flew from Turkey to Greece and Rome

On the eve of Bush's departure,

ure the Saudis to implement production curbs to halt the steep fall In another development, the in oil prices. State Department said normal White House spokesman Larry ties with Libya are not possible Speakes said in Santa Barbara, until it stops sponsoring interna-Calif., that Bush instead "will tional terrorism.

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THIS IS HOW YOU TREAT ASSAILANTS— Japanese policewoman catches and twists the arm of an "assailant" during a security drill held in preparation for the May 4-6

house Thursday evening. The Japan National Police Agency plans to have the tightest security precaution to protect the leaders of seven industrialized nations participating Tokyo Summit conference at the state guest ini the conference. (AP Laserphoto)

Permafrost yields riches at mine near the Arctic Circle

By CHARLES CAMPBELL **Associated Press Writer**

LUPIN MINE, Northwest Territories (AP) — Boom. A rumble from deep beneath the arctic permafrost shakes the hanging plants in the cafeteria of Canada's northernmost gold mine.

"Rub your hands together." advises Gary Garner, who has just finished his 12-hour shift in the mine. "That's money. Underground blasts, I like that sound." Garner and his friends went

back to watching a hockey game on television, one of an assortment of offerings available by satellite in the comfortable recreation center at the Lupin mine, named for a flower that blooms nearby in the brief arctic

In the tunnels below, the scene is grittier - dirty, cold, wet and

Just 20 to 25 miners work on each shift, drilling holes, setting off explosives, carrying the broken rock in giant scoops to a crusher and hoisting it to the surface for processing in the mill and refinery.

Bentsen in Mexico to discuss trade

MEXICO CITY (AP) - U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, is in Mexico for a visit concentrating on trade issues.

The senator, who was staying at the residence of U.S. Ambassador John Gavin, was scheduled to meet Thursday with President Miguel de la Madrid and Foreign Minister Bernardo Sepulveda.

On Wednesday, his first full day in Mexico, Bentsen scheduled meetings with Treasury Secretary Jesus Silva Herzog and Commerce Secretary Hector Hernandez Cervantes.

Bentsen planned to speak Friday to the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce in the northern industrial city of Monterrey.

Gavin, who hosted Texas' Republican senator Phil Gramm earlier this year, said commerce and Mexico's decision to join the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade were among the items for discussion on Bentsen's agenda.

Mexico is one of the United States' largest trading partners, and that trade is heavily skewed toward Texas and California.

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"There goes another \$500," says John West, the mine captain, as a load of crushed ore crashes down a chute after its 1,000-foot ride to the surface.

The whisper of riches is everywhere at Lupin, a collection of connected buildings painted bright orange against the blinding white of the snow and ice outdoors, 1,500 miles due north of Great Falls, Mont., and more than 100 miles from the nearest community, an Eskimo village.

"The money's good," said miner Ray Lavoie, when asked about his job. "It's dirty work, wet, but you get paid for it.

Lavoie worked 11 years in mines in his native Sudbury, Ontario, where he returns for his two-week vacation every month. Most of Lupin's employees work in rotation, 12-hour shifts for 14 straight days, followed by two weeks off.

Last year, counting hourly wage, steady overtime and production bonuses, miners could count on an annual wage of as

much as 90,000 Canadian dollars (about \$65,000), mine officials said

But because of stricter enforcement of government standards on worktime underground, the miners said they expected earn less this year, but still considerably more than they could make back home.

The ore at Lupin is richer than average - slightly more than a third of an ounce of gold per ton of rock. On international markets, gold sells for around \$350 an

"You won't see any gold here," jokes geologist Ted Goettel, sitting in the lunchroom where hot meals are lowered 550 feet below the surface for each shift of miners. "Except in the bullion room. It's a nice sight, that 70-pound

But still, the miners find a certain romance in the line of work. "When I tell people what I do,

they think of panning for gold, says Bob Gilroy, the mine manager.

TWA incident hurts tourism in the Mediterranean region

By The Associated Press

Some vacationers canceled trips to the Mediterranean but travel agents said they were more concerned with the calls they won't get, from people who are too afraid of terrorism to plan foreign journeys this year.

Four Americans were killed Wednesday when an explosion tore a hole in a Trans World Airways Boeing 727 flying 15,000 feet over Greece, the latest in a string of terrorist incidents that travel officials said has increased fears of traveling abroad for many Americans.

The TWA plane, flight 840 from Rome, landed safely at the Athens airport 10 minutes after the blast and Greek tourism officials insisted that their islands were a safe destination and that security was now tight in the Athens airport.

Since last summer, a TWA jet has been hijacked to Beirut, 60 people died in the hijacking and attempted rescue of an Egyptair jet to Malta in November and 20

people were killed by gunfire at he Rome and Vienna airports in December.

"I just canceled two today because of what happened to TWA," said Roger Stratford of Murdock Travel in Salt Lake

"My problem is not necessarily canceling as not getting new bookings," he added. "We don't have near as much of that as business not coming in. And that (terrorism) is what we're attributing

Greece, Italy, Egypt and Israel were reported to be especially affected by American concerns about tourism. Some agents reported a drop in bookings to all of Europe. Others reported a preference this year for Britain, Scandinavia and other northern points.

'Greece is dead. That's completely out," said Catherine Ruttka, co-owner of Robin Travel Agency in Edison, N.J., who said the only bookings she is getting

are from Greek-Americans. 'After what happened in

Greece today, I'm afraid all the money the Greek government spent trying to rebuild its tourism industry will be wasted," said Charles Bressler, owner of Foreign Travel Inc. of Chevy Chase,

But the Greek National Tourist Organization said it would continue with its advertising campaign urging Americans to visit.

"Americans' perception of the dangers of foreign travel are not based on the reality of actual terrorist activity, but are formed by what we see on television and in print in the immediate aftermath of a dramatic incident, such as today's, in which Greece was the safe haven for the stricken aircraft and not involved," Peter Martin, a public relations cor sultant hired by the Greek tourist office, told a news conference in New York.

He distributed a statement that said 5 percent of the 3,012 terrorist incidents reported in 1985 occurred in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, while 64 percent occurred in Latin America.

Hearing to determine fate of snake

BALLINGER, Texas (AP) - A West Texas showdown is scheduled tonight in a hearing to determine the fate of the Concho River Snake

Opponents say it's just a "damn snake."

But, supporters counter, it's a snake that calls the site of the proposed Stacy Dam Reservoir its only home in the world.

The Concho River snake, nerodia harteria paucimaculata to its friends, is the subject of a public hearing at the Runnels County Courthouse that will draw representatives of federal, state and local governments and agencies.

Those scheduled to attend the hearing include state Sens. John T. Montford of Lubbock, Bill Sims of San Angelo, Ray Farabee of Wichita Falls and Grant Jones of Temple; and state Reps. Larry Don Shaw of Big Spring and Dick Burnett of San Angelo.

Called by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the hearing is intended to allow officials to sound off on the federal agency's proposal to grant the snake status as a threatened species.

If the status is granted, the snake and its environment would

be protected under the federal **Endangered Species Act of 1973.** The Concho Water Snake has been listed as a Texas endangered species since 1977.

Because its habitat is within areas targeted for the reservoir and dam, the snake could postpone or halt construction of the Stacy project.

The reservoir will be in Coleman, Concho and Runnels coun-

Supporters of the dam, including many cities and counties that will rely on Stacy Dam for a major water source, say the need for the water snake doesn't come close to the need for water in West Texas.

But some maintain the snake's habitat, critical for the snake's survival, would be endangered by construction of the dam.

"There is a rapid rate of extinction as a result of human impact," said John Peslak, a chemistry and physics professor at Hardin-Simmons University and conservationist of the Big Country Audubon Society.

Pezlak laughingly concedes his statements at the hearing won't be popular, and he undoubtedly

will be outnumbered.

'We hear all these claims about an endangered snake, but the West Texas water situation is in danger, too," said Chino Chapa. an aide to U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Stamford.

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Owen Ivie, general manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, said Abilene, San Angelo, Odessa, Midland, Ballinger, Coleman and Paint Creek are among cities objecting to granting the snake threatened species status.

Concho County Judge Charles Dankworth said he will make a statement on behalf of his county objecting to listing the snake as threatened.

Peslak, who will make a presentation on behalf of the Big Country Audubon Society, said most people are misinformed about the snake, which numbers between 300-600.

The snake's habitat "is absolutely critical to maintain the snake," he said. "The snake is going to be listed." Peslak said there is room for

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would mean a delay in the construction of Stacy Dam.



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NEW YORK (AP) - Falling inthe news is good. Some of it is mixed, and for some, the decline is close to devastation.

The mixed blessing has been obscured of late by the emphatic and widespread impact occurring in just one sector, housing, which involves millions of homeowners, would-be homeowners, and those attempting to

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to lenders who barely escaped extinction during the 1970s, when they were caught with portfolios of low-rate, long-term loans while their own borrowing costs soared

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EL PASO, Texas (AP) - The security system at El Paso International Airport is under scrutiny after the break-up of an alien smuggling ring exposed a gaping hole, authorities said.

"People were boarding airplanes without ever going through the security check," said James Selbe, associate chief of the U.S. Border Patrol in El Paso. 'Our main concern in breaking up the ring was not the volume of aliens being smuggled, because there weren't that many, but the security leak.

"This time it was aliens boarding planes. Next time it might be someone else."

George Perry, the airport's manager, said Wednesday "security as it is set up by the (Federal Aviation Adminstration) and the airlines is fallible."

"We're looking to see what we can do to prevent it," he said. Selbe said the investigation into the alleged smuggling ring started about a month ago and culminated Tuesday with the indictments and arrests of three

airport janitors. Those indicted by a federal grand jury in El Paso were identified as Pablo Gallegos, 61,; Felix Botello, 55; and Jose Jaime

Uribe, 30. All three - charged with conspiring to transport, conceal, harbor and shield illegal aliens -

are free on \$10,000 bond each. Perry declined to say if the janitors had been fired or suspended

"People can be assured that we are responding appropriately,'

El Paso Airport security Selbe said that because of the airport.' security risks to passengers on American Airlines and United Airlines, Border Patrol agents and airport security officers decided to break up the smuggling

Border Patrol scrutinizes

operation prematurely. "We only arrested the hired help," he said. "We do not have the ringleaders and organizers in custody. We will get those people later. We wanted to make the airlines safe first."

Selbe said the three men were the key to getting people around security and on the airplanes to extend their travels inside the United States.

"These three men were paid very little," he said. "Since they are airport janitors they had keys and access to all the rooms at the

Selbe said aliens were charged about \$500. According to the border patrol, the ring worked like

Someone in Mexico recruited people who wanted to come to the United States and got them into the country.

One of the ringleaders would then contact one of the airport

The janitors then would meet the aliens somewhere in El Paso, put them in their car and take them to the airport employee parking on the west side of the airport terminal.

The aliens would be escorted into a locked American Airlines operations room, which is connected to the airport's west wing

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ectromagnetic pulse effect studied at Albuquerque

By MATT MYGATT **Associated Press Writer**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) Microchips — sensitive computer age workhorses for everything from communications to defense in the United States were in their infancy the night Starfish Prime lit the sky.

A rocket carried the nuclear device 450 kilometers into the atmosphere over tiny Johnston Atoll in the Pacific Ocean about 1,500 kilometers southwest of Hawaii

The July 9, 1962, nuclear detonation — 1.4 megatons — was one of the last of its kind before the United States agreed to ban above-ground nuclear tests.

And it was one of the last times scientists had a chance to study a full-scale electromagnetic pulse triggered by a high-altitude atomic blast.

The EMP surge drove detection meters off their scales in Hawaii, where strings of street lights flicked out

Ever since that time, people have been studying the effects of high-altitude EMPs," said Conrad Longmire, who has been investigating the pulses since about

"It affects telephone lines, the U.S. power grid, U.S. military equipment in general," he said. This problem seems worse than it was in 1962 because electronics these days are more sensitive.'

The military is keenly interested in EMP effects and key studies are being conducted at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque where scientists are trying to come up with methods of shielding — or hardening — electronics from the mighty pulses.

An EMP could be a keystone in a wartime scenario. An enemy nuclear device could be triggered over the U.S. heartland, generating an EMP of perhaps 50,000 volts per meter, which could hit sensitive electronics within line of sight.

A blast at 400 kilometers "can be seen as far away as 2,200 kilometers," said Longmire, a former Los Alamos National Laboratory researcher who now is chairman of the board of Mission Research Corp. in Santa Barbara, Calif.

"The total amount of energy in an EMP itself is not very great,' Longmire said. "Quite often, however, equipment fails because the EMP puts that equipment into the state in which its own internal power produces the Army Lt. Col. Richard M. Smith, chief of the EMP effects division at the Defense Nuclear Agency in Washington, D.C., said the need for shielding is much more critical today because the increased use of integrated electronics makes sensitive equipment more susceptible to EMPs.

Longmire said old electronic circuits based on vacuum tubes were much harder to damage than these little transistor components that people have these

Scientists have a pretty good handle on the makings of an

Albert Griffin, chief of the test operations branch at the Air Force Weapons Laboratory at Kirtland, said the main constituents of a high-altitude nuclear detonation are X-rays and gamma rays.

The high-energy radiation interacts with air molecules in the upper atmosphere and knocks off electrons from the molecules, he

Longmire said the electrons that get knocked forward like billiard balls are called Compton recoil electrons.

The Compton electrons are trapped by the Earth's magnetic "They tend to spiral in unison

in a given direction," Griffin said. "It's that flow of electrons, which basically is a current, which is the EMP.

Longmire said the Compton electrons radiate out just like a

wave from a radio transmitting antenna.

"That wave travels outward from the burst point, and that is the EMP," he said.

All this happens in a fraction of a microsecond. Very short, very intense. And anything metal can pick up an EMP

"When the pulse falls on wires, such as a telephone line, it can induce currents in the wires in the order of thousands of amperes," Longmire said.

"Unless the electrical systems have been designed to keep out such currents, they can be damaged by it," Longmire said. Very large-scale integrated circuits are exceedingly sensitive." Immunizing electronics

against EMP is not impossible, but "it can cost a fair amount of money and time," he said. Smith said the skin of an aircraft offers good protection against EMP, but openings such

hatches must be sealed. "A small opening becomes a very large opening electronically," he said.

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But it's tough to seal and maintain those openings, he said.

"One thing we know quite well is how to protect things," Smith said. "The difficulty is when the system needs protection over

The nation's underground command centers are "completely sealed," he said. "It's very complicated. We do a good job when ve install them.

Scientists are looking into hardening the nation's communications systems and its power grid against EMP, Smith said. Satellite points are not considered an EMP problem, he said.

Griffin said fiber optics, which do not respond to EMP, could be coupled between subsystems. doing away with solid wire connectors. "Various shielding techniques

can be used to protect circuitry," he said. "There are certain manufacturing techniques at the component level. Other items can be used that are as simple as surge protectors.

The Air Force Weapons Laboratory operates five EMP simulators at Kirtland. One, aptly named Trestle, looks like

someone with a giant wooden Erector set went wild.

Trestle is 12 stories of Douglas fir and larch girders bound together by 250,000 wooden and

fiberglass bolts. The structure, which cost about \$58 million, enables scientists and engineers to simulate inflight EMP effects on aircraft

electrical equipment Trestle mimics an EMP by using two 5 million-volt pulsers that discharge into a wire antenna mesh surrounding an aircraft, which squats on a 200-foot-square laminated wood deck 118 feet above ground.

Aircraft can fly in to nearby Albuquerque International Airport and taxi directly to the deck via a 400-foot-long, 50-foot-wide wide ramp.

Trestle, which the Air Force says is the largest gluedlaminated wooden structure in the world, can handle an aircraft the size of a C-5 Galaxy, which weighs at least 550,000 pounds.

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Special electrical sensors measure aircraft EMP response signals, and fiber optic cables transmit them to computers inside a shielded enclosure for recording and analysis.

The first tests involved a B-52 on the deck in March 1980.

Rich Garcia, director of the office of public affairs at the Air Force Weapons Laboratory, said the pulse generated at Trestle is 50,000 to 60,000 volts per meter.

Smith said pulse levels can be mathematically extrapolated to higher voltage levels and researchers "can come up with approximations of performance.

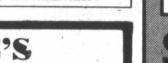
Measuring devices in the early 1960s were much less sophisticated, but "now we can measure better," he said. "Much of the work is done by calculations or by simulators.

Griffin said, "We do not have all the answers yet.'

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But, he said, "We've gone quite a ways in overcoming that susceptibility to EMP."



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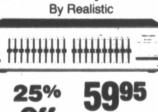
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EDITOR'S NOTE - Faced with reduced beef consumption and declining cattle prices, the beef industry is committing big bucks to a turnaround scheme. Could it be that a skinny cow could help lead the way?

By MIKE COCHRAN **Associated Press Writer**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP)-Now they've gone too far.

We could take lite bread and lite butter and lite this and lite that. Even lite beer, which, if not un-American, should be.

But lite beef? Horrors! Maybe in the effete East or the West Coast lotus-land, but never in Texas, the nation's leading producer of fat cattle.

Sad but true. Fat's out. Lean's in. Those marbled, juicy, tender T-bones and ribeyes are suspect. Too much fat, too many calories, some say.

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But the news is not all that bad. 'For those consumers who are health conscious or diet conscious lite beef should be highly attractive ... and could result in a higher tonnage of beef consumed," says Dr. Gordon Davis,

a Texas Tech research scientist. Still, there will always be the champions of zesty, full-bodied beef like Bill Roach of Fort Worth's Vann-Roach Cattle Co.

'I think this 'lite' deal is nothing more than a gimmick to sell low grade beef," he said. "It looks to me like you can put a 'lite' stamp on anything and sell

"I think you've just got people capitalizing on the health craze. 'Cattle is a pretty big deal in Texas and with the oil situation like it is, it may become bigger."

Warming to the topic, Roach, whose company is one of the largest order-buying cattle operations in the country, also challenged the health concerns surrounding beef.

'Since we started eating grainfed beef in the 1950s, we've raised our life expectancy more than 10 years...Besides, you can cut the fat off. But if it's not on there to begin with, the animal will not be tender and tasty."

According to a beef industry study, there are consumers who not only would sacrifice taste and tenderness for leanness but some who actually prefer the taste of leaner beef.

What's more, they are willing to pay a little more for it.

That's got to come as a shock to Texans who've grown up secure in the knowledge that real men don't eat quiche or skinny cows. "Designer beef," Newsweek

called it the other day, noting that conventional beef has been "on the grill" for some time:

"Vegetarians never touch the stuff, medical researchers have raised questions about the chemicals used to process it and many health-conscious Americans have cut their consumption in favor of fish and chicken.'

Steve Munday of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association said per capita beef consumption has been on the decline roughly 10 years while poultry and fish have become increasingly popular with nutrition-minded Americans.

At the same time, the number

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of cattlemen also is shrinking, and for a multitude of reasons.

Munday said some simply sold off their herds and abandoned the business while others fell victim to depressed prices, drought, government regulations, diethealth concerns or an inability to acquire loans to cover heavy losses.

"Then, too," he said, "some are just getting older and retiring.

Meanwhile, a growing number of cattlemen are endorsing a new beef research and promotion program that would be financed by a mandatory \$1 per head checkoff each time an animal is sold

Importers will pay an equivalent amount on imported beef.

Jo Ann Smith, president of the National Cattlemen's Association, told the recent NCA convention in San Antonio that the program could be vital to increasing the demand for beef.

"We have an opportunity to develop promotion and research programs that will work — that will enable us to survive and make some money in the years to come," she said.

How will "lite" beef figure into the new scheme of things? No one knows yet. In fact, no one knows xactly what lite beef is.

Oversimplifying a bit, grainfed cattle produce feedlotfattened heavy beef; grass-fed

"all natural" cattle are leaner and less caloric. The agriculture department specifies that beef must be 25 percent leaner than typical cuts to be advertised as

Among the first to seize on the new lite label is Chi Lite Beef Inc. of Hereford, which claims its new Key Lite brand will have 36 percent fewer calories while retaining the taste of choice grades.

Monica Hightower of Chi Lite says the new brand probably will be out this summer, and is expected to be slightly more expensive than regular beef.

The key to Key Lite is a breed of cattle called Chianina.

Dr. Davis, the Texas Tech animal scientist, headed a scientific study that found the breed produced significantly less fat and calories than typical beef cattle

He said his study showed that at the carcass level of production the Chianina crossbred has 25 percent less total fat and as much as 36 percent fewer calories than typical cattle breeds.

'Besides that advantage," he said, "tests show that the steaks meet consumer demands for juiciness, flavor and tenderness.

The unrelated beef industry study established that consumers prefer different kinds of beef, that the removal of trimmable fat enhances sales and that the industry must adjust to the consumers' perception of quality.

'There clearly is room for more than one quality grade in the marketplace, but there is not room for excess fat on any beef

cuts," the study concluded. It said that marbling, the intramuscular fat so prevalent in choice beef, is an important factor in consumer satisfaction, but not the only factor.

"Many consumers will trade the satisfaction of palatability for the satisfaction of leanness," it said. "The market for beef is segmented, and demands different products for each segment."

Texas A&M meat scientist Jeff Savell, a researcher in the beef study, said many cattlemen 'laughed'' at the lite beef concept but the laughter may have a hollow ring to it.

"They're losing consumers who don't believe there's a need for beef in their diet," he said, while touching on the different kinds of beef eaters.

"One segment wants the good, full, rich taste of beef," he said, "but the other doesn't want fat in or on it. To them, they are not sacrificing anything. Lean beef tastes better.

Dr. Savell said cattlemen historically have been commodity oriented instead of consumer oriented and it's time to scuttle that "arrogance" and "produce what the consumers want.'

Indeed, some segments of the cattle industry are going along with the concept of lean beef, not because they endorse the healthdiet aspect so much but because

they want to stay in business. Nationally, the cattle inventory as of Jan. 1 had dropped to a 23year low, and Texas figures re-

flect a similar trend. State officials counted 13.6 mil-

lion head of cattle and calves on hand at the beginning of the year, a 4 percent decline from last year and the lowest Jan. 1 inventory since 1980.

It is cruelly ironic that the traditional Texas economic power base of oil, cattle and farming are suffering all at the same time. And that a skinny cow could

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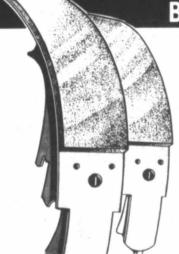
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West Texas school aims to be 'best in the state'

The Odessa American

SUNDOWN, Texas (AP) - The northwest Texas town of Sundown doesn't seem the least exceptional at first glance.

After passing cotton fields and cows grazing amidst oil pumps, all roads into the town of 1,800 converge at the one flashing red

There's one convenience store, Everybody's Bank and a small post office on the main street.

But nestled in the northeast corner of the town located about 35 miles west of Lubbock is a 7.3acre building built of multishaded beige bricks, which turns this small town into an unusual giant

The building is the home of Sundown School

School superintendent G.D. Lasater greets visitors to the school with a warm smile and an offer of, "Come in this house," as he leads them into his office. Lasater grew up in Andrews and was a high school principal in Hobbs, N.M., before moving to

The school looks new, although it was built in 1978.

The old schools, on the same plot of land, "had some buildings that were in really bad shape, said E.W. Roe, 52, school board member in the 1970s

"We needed something done to our facilities," Roe continued.

'Most of the people here are just working people. There are no people here who own a royalty. They live at Lubbock or somewhere else," Roe added.

William Clements, 54, has been on the Sundown School Board for the past nine years, serving now as president of the South Plains Area School Board Association.

'As a citizen in the community I felt it was a much needed thing," Clements said. "Our facilities were at a low state.'

After determining a bond election could produce the funds needed to finance a super-school for the small town, Roe said, voters passed the issue about four to

We were really surprised at what we could do," Roe explained.

The community was able to finance the school because of "the

sed, "there was some opposition from the oil companies. Mainly because of the kind of building we were building," Roe continued.

The oil company pays about 98 percent of the taxes in the district. So they paid for about 98 percent of the school. Two percent came from citizens and farmers. The oil companies were upset with us for getting this large of a bond passed." Today, he added, the oil companies are proud of the

The cost of the school complex

was \$5.3 million. The community of Sundown accepted the idea of building the school. "They were thrilled to death they were going to get this kind of facility," Roe com-

A complete tour of Sundown School takes about two hours. Included in the complex are facilities for kindergarten through high school. Each classroom has a television with closed circuit capabilities and there are computer labs for each grade level.

An auditorium with 800 rocking seats has expansion capacity to 1,100. The stage area has a professional-quality light and sound system.

There is a junior olympic-size swimming pool for the 350 students, with required swimming lessons for all youngsters in the school. There's also a canoe so

paddling skills can be learned. Two gymnasiums are included in the complex.

Biology and chemistry labs are complete. Senior science students are taken on a spring break trip to Port Aransas or to the Davis Mountains. A home economics cottage is used by the community for 50th wedding celebrations and seminars by the county extension agent, as well as home economics students.

Students produce and film a newscast each day.

There are facilities for auto mechanics, wood shop, welding, arts and crafts and drafting, to name just a few. The library is a two-story circular complex within the existing building.

The school district was not content with outstanding facilities. With the building of the school they began to make plans "to hire the best teachers that were avail-

More money was offered to teachers. Because housing was a problem in the tiny community the school built apartments and houses for new staff, Clements said. As time progressed other incentive programs were offered. including health insurance and a

retirement plan. "Once they (the teachers) are here and see what we have, we have very little turnover," Lasater said. "In the past eight years, there have been maybe three that have moved on for reasons of their spouses' jobs. The others

Department heads coordinate programs in science, math, history-social studies and language arts from kindergarten through high school. "We feel that has

have just been through retire-

tremendously helped us in our programs, to coordinate it all the way through," Lasater said. "We are proud of our staff.'

"When we got into the full facility, there was an overall increase in the test scores (of students)." Lasater said. "You could see a dramatic change in the outlook of the students, the teachers and the community.

Lasater said there is very little vandalism in the school. "Our students are proud of it. We feel they are trying to take care of it.'

Dropout statistics for Sundown are minimal. The state formula for a school the size of Sundown would be 10 to 12 students over a four-year period. "We know that we actually have one or two dropout students," Lasater said.

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to the next.

This is the first year, Lasater said, there has been a problem with "a student passing drugs around. Even now we don't have a problem in the school. This year there has been more attention drawn to it than in the past. However, it has come up such

that even our students will police themselves. Our student council members work hard on drinking even. They have programs that point up the evils of drinking alcohol and just plain old smoking cigarettes.'

The current oil crunch may begin to affect Sundown School in another year or so, Roe commented. "It's a big budget. I am sure they may have to look at

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places of cutting the budget." "It's our staff's goal to have the finest school system in the state of Texas," Lasater asserted.

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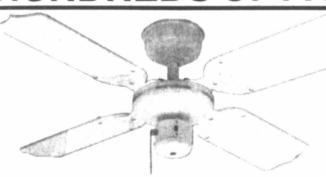
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PAMPA NEWS-Thursday, April 3, 1986 11 Rancher donates cemetery, cowboy mon

By DAVID WOLBRUECK **Bay City Tribune**

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MARKHAM, Texas (AP) -Ramrod straight, the grizzled cowman sits tall in the saddle, hands gripping the reins, his hat cocked to one side to shield the sun from a face etched with the markings of long hours on the hot and dusty trail.

His mount, a white mule, peers across the flat ranchland, ears perked attentively. Behind the mounted cowboy crouch two dogs, eagerly awaiting their rider's next sharp command.

The cowman is Matagorda County native Thomas B. LeTulle - lifelong cowman, rascal and legend. But this is not the real LeTulle, but rather a lifesize bronze likeness erected on LeTulle's ranch.

This is the monument that will mark the final resting place of LeTulle and his wife, Alta, when they are called to that last big roundup

Situated on LeTulle's ranch northeast of Markham, where it overlooks a 175-acre lake, it is the centerpiece of land he is donating for a 500-grave public cemetery. He's also contributing \$50,000 to

the county so the interest can be used to maintain the cemetery.

"I've always liked history, and I thought I'd like to do something for the history of Matagorda County," the 75-year-old LeTulle explains in a typically Texan

LeTulle takes credit for thinking up the idea, but the handiwork is that of local sculptor Danny Stephens and a Santa Fe, N.M. foundry. Work on the monument began about two years ago.

Stephens, who lives between Midfield and Blessing, says he first made a small clay model of the monument, working from pictures and measurements of his subjects. Though LeTulle has a reputation as somewhat of a "character," Stephens says he had no problem working with the rancher.

After the miniature met with LeTulle's approval, a larger model was made from clay from which the New Mexico foundry made the lifesized bronzed cast. The completed statue is complete to the smallest detail, including saddle strings, LeTulle's unusual low-horned saddle and the lines in LeTulle's trail-battered counte-

"They said they've done all kinds of statues, from dinosaurs on down, but this was the first mule they've ever done,

Stephens says. Before the finished product was sent to Texas, it had to meet with LeTulle's approval. So, relates LeTulle, a picture was sent

to him. "I took it to a lawyer in Bay City (LeTulle won't say who) and he didn't know who it was," he

So he went to a man in Markham, a junk dealer, and "asked him if he recognized the fellow in the picture.

"He looked at it and said, 'That's you," LeTulle said, adding after a pause, "That convinced me.'

The finished product, not including the mausoleum underneath, cost \$105,000, he says.

Isn't that a lot of money? "You can't take it with you," LeTulle says.

Though LeTulle usually uses about five dogs, there are only two on the monument. "Those dogs cost \$8,000 apiece,

that's why," explains the rancher.

LeTulle is not a man prone to

wordiness, a characteristic reflected in the inscription on the mausoleum. It reads:

"Dedicated to my wife Alta Ree Smith LeTulle"

Where each will some day lie are engraved the names and dates of birth of Alta and Thomas

While LeTulle says he's doing it to be a part of history, the one-ofa-kind cattleman has already made history with a cattle operation whose success is based on a most unusual method of ranching.

"I'm about the only man able to handle cattle with dogs," LeTulle says matter-of-factly. LeTulle and his wife and their unlikely cowhands have "handled" cattle sucessfully for more than four decades, becoming an institution in Matagorda County.

"I started using a mule in 1941. The advantage of a mule is its sturdiness and low altitude,' LeTulle says.

Horses are too tall to get through the rattan vines -LeTulle pronounces the word "rat tan" - found in the bottomlands where he has herded his cross-bred cattle.

"A horse is too tall to get

through. When the dogs bay, you want to be there. I tried little horses, but that didn't work either.

The mule whose likeness is preserved in the bronze monument is

the one he uses now, named Kate. Kate's a pretty popular name on the LeTulle range. His first and only other mule was named Kate. One of his dogs was named Kate, too, LeTulle says with a chuckle.

He likes short names because a short, shrill name is the kind most easily understood by his 'cowhands," trained dogs.

Unlike their human counterparts, these cowhands don't drink, cuss, chew tobacco or

smoke. When they do as they're told they're rewarded with bacon chips; when they don't, they're "chastised."

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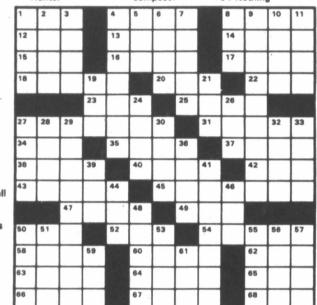
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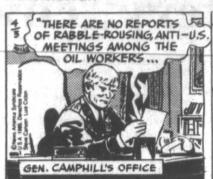


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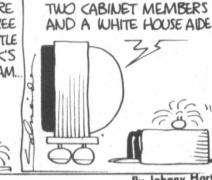
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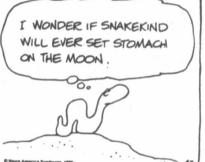
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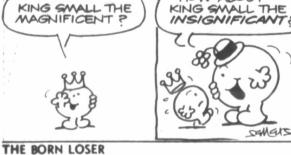


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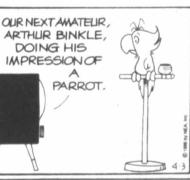
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"Put YOUR hair in a ponytail, Mommy, so we can be twins."

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TUMBLEWEEDS







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LIPESTYLES

National fiddlers' contest set in Canyon Saturday

CANYON — On Saturday, April 5, the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum is to host a national fiddlers' contest in honor of the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial. The event, beginning at noon, is co-sponsored by the Texas Old Time Fiddlers' Association, said Suzanne Hewitt-Knorpp, who represents the museum on the committee of area citizens who organized the

"If you can fiddle and aren't afraid of some good competition, you can join the Old Time Fiddlers' Association and enter the contest on the spot," said Hewitt-

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"If you can't fiddle, then come and listen to Jonna Fitzgerald, Miss Texas 1985, who will open the festivities by playing a medley of her favorite fiddle tunes at noon," she added.

Fitzgerald is a violinist of national renown, Hewitt-Knorpp

noted. She has been a musician since age nine, was concert mistress of the Tyler Youth Orchestra and performed three seasons with the East Texas Symphony Orchestra. Graduated from Robert Lee High School in Tyler, she is a junior at the University of Texas - Arlington. Her violin rendition of "The Orange Blossom Special" was seen coast to coast on the national telecast of the 1985 Miss America Pageant, where she was named second runner-up to Miss America 1986. She is a regular performer with the Johnnie High Country Music Revue, the nation's secondlargest country music show.

While Miss Texas performs, the fiddlers who have entered the contest will be warming up for the first round of competition, which begins at 12:30 p.m. There are three age categories: 0-21, 22-60, and 61-and-up. Several have already entered the youngest category, Hewitt-Knorpp noted.

Prize money has been provided by a number of local sponsors. First place garners \$100, second wins \$75, third receives \$50, and fourth takes home \$25.

"But when the music stops, there's more to come," Hewitt-Knorpp said. "At 7:30 p.m., there's a Championship Fiddle-Off and Square Dance-Country Western Dance to be held in the WTSU Activity Center. The Grand March passes through at 7:30 p.m., and the various winners will mount the stage for a final round at 8 a.m. Then the prizes will be awarded, and the special Grand Champion Cup winner will be announced. A small admission to the evening proceedings includes the dance, she said.

A brunch honoring Mitt Texas is set for 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Saturday, at the WTSU cafeteria. she added. Brunch tickets may be bought at the door. Miss Texas will be featured speaker.

seminar on creativity from 2:30

Ellen Angell, regional ASID

vice presient, and Mary Beletka,

ASID national student chapter

president, will also participate in

In addition, more than 30

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April 7 is available at a higher

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ple are to attend each day's

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p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on April 18.

the seminar.



ROCKING ALONG — Coronado Nursing Center resident Betty Pannell rocks along while volunteer Kathy Campbell watches. Pannell, along with other CNC residents participated in a rock-a-thon recently to benefit the Arthritis Foundation. The residents also

planned a donation give-away and a pie supper is set for April 8 at 7 p.m., with a countrywestern band as entertainment. All proceeds go to the Arthritis Foundation. (Staff photo by Terry Ford)

or skirts.

Seminar on interior design planned

AMARILLO - Interior designers, students and the general public may learn about "Design Creating Change," April 17-18 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

Texas State Technical Institute's interior design technology department and the student and area chapters of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) are to host the annual seminar.

Speakers include Ellen Holt, creator of handwoven, customdesigned fabrics using computeraided looms. Also, James Wells is to demonstrate the use of faux finishes and Jane Juett, fashion coordinator is to present a fashion show. Bill Day, a florist, is to demonstrate flower arranging. Lenna Kast of Los Angeles is to present a demonstration on restoration work.

Other presentations include Carole Horowitz of Pittsburgh, Pa.. who will discuss the use of plants and plantscaping in corporations, malls, offices and resi-

Erroll Strider is to present a

Sister adds angry chapter to story of father's abuse

> By Abigail Van Buren 6 1986 by Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: My sister recently informed me that eight years ago she was sexually abused by our father. She said he didn't go "all the way," but he sexually abused her nevertheless. Our mother found out (how, I don't know), and all three went for therapy.

At the time, I knew something was wrong, but I didn't know what. I am all mixed up about my feelings now. Why did my sister tell me about it? I have always loved my father. Am I supposed to hate him

Actually, I think I am madder at my sister for telling me. She seems to want to hurt our father-which I can understand—but she didn't care who else she hurt in the process.

When I asked her why she told me now about something that happened eight years ago, she said she thought I should know what our father did to her, and it shouldn't be kept a secret.

What I want to know is, Why do you think she told me, and who should I be mad at?

ALL MIXED UP

DEAR MIXED UP: I don't think you should be mad at anybody. Perhaps your sister wanted to open the door for a discussion, in case your father had abused you, too. (It is not uncommon for a father who sexually molests

one child to molest the siblings.) Your sister is obviously still very bitter and angry; she needs more therapy to resolve these painful feelings. She also needs your patience and understand-

DFAR ABBY: "Big in Flagstaff" ask if a person who is 5 feet 10 ighs 370 pounds can fit into an amplane seat going overseas. You said, "If you go first class, you should have no problem."

Obviously neither you, "Big" nor his travel agent has ever been in the coach section of a modern airliner. If any of you had, you would know that all one needs to do is lift the arm rest between any two seats, and you will have enough space to ac-

commodate a baby hippo.
Your advice to consider first class is both ludicrous and expensive. Coach fare from Flagstaff to London is \$613 round trip. First class is \$3,606. If "Big" were to buy two coach seats, it would cost him \$1,226, and he would fly comfortably, as opposed to flying first class for \$3,606.

You blew it on this one, Abby C.J. PADFIELD, LA MESA, CALIF.

DEAR C.J.: What's fare is fare. You'll get no argument from me.

DEAR ABBY: I dated a super man for a year. He boards with a family who loves him like a son. He gave me a ring and we planned a February wedding. This other family found out about me and threw him out, so he moved in with me. On the fourth day he cried and wanted to return to the family he was living with. He said he missed the children. So that's where he is living now.

I told him I needed six months to think things over, but now he's pressuring me to marry him.

My friends and family keep asking me when I'm going to get married. It's kind of embarrassing because we bought our wedding clothes but never went through with the wedding. (I kept the ring.)

What should I do? He is a very fine person, but he can't seem to bring himself to cut the ties with the people he's living with. I need help! ON THE FENCE IN AURORA, ILL.

DEAR ON: Better to sit on the fence than jump off on the wrong side. A man who can't seem to cut the ties with the people he's living with is not mature enough to marry. Take your sweet time and don't resume the relationship until you're absolutely, positively sure he's able to leave the nest.

DEAR ABBY: Please leave King Henry VIII at rest. The English learned their "strange eating habits" centuries before America was even born. So who is "wrong"?

The American tourists who thought the English need eating lessons should visit China and "teach" the Chinese to use a knife and fork, and throw away those funny little sticks they've been eating with for 5,000

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Spring tops mirror the season

By Florence De Santis

In separates, the top is the focus of an outfit. In skirts and pants, there are limits to what one can do and keep things practical for general wear. But tops allow for much more freedom of

design imagination. when Marc Bohan, who designs the couture collections at Christian Dior, made the polo shirt his favorite spring top. With sleek daytime suits, it comes in white crepe. Extended in black wool crepe it is a dress and paved with jeweling in a cut-back shoulder style, it goes with bouffant taffeta skirts for evening.

Among American designers the favorite classic is the camp shirt, now appearing for another season in new versions. Regina Porter does it in a crisp red linen blend with gold buttons and epaulets. It has a collarless cardigan-style front. The current look of the fruit print in vividly colored melons, cherries, grapes and pineapples is used for a standard camp shirt, with newly rounded shoulders and belled sleeves, and is matched to an unpressed pleat skirt. There's something of a '50s look to this combination.

Stuart Lang concentrates on tops and the camp shirt forms a running theme throughout the collection. In its original basic form, it comes in a choice of a dozen colors, as do a double-pocketed version, a tunic-length camp shirt and one with an embroidered pocket. Widen the body and drape a kimono sleeve and you have a variation, especially fresh in turquoise and white stripes.

No rules limit the styling in Stuart Lang spring tops. A woven polyester

BROAD SHOULDERS featured in oversized body and kimono sleeves turn this Stuart Lang blouse into a late '80s classic. Striped in turquoise and white on textured polyester. About \$54.

tunic in white takes black ribknit trim banding the wide-flaring V-neck and hipline hem. The cutback-shoulder top gets a ribknit turtleneck and hem. with a keyhole back. This look also ap-

Beauty Briefs

Tan without sun

For all those who shouldn't tan and those who don't have hours to waste in the sun, makeup can create the look of a tan, safely and quickly

Purchase both a dark-tone and a ight-tone foundation so you can mix the two for the amount of tan look you want. You can also mix just the dark tone with some moisturizer lotion to thin out the color so it becomes translucent.

Experiment with mixing and start tanning" with a tone slightly deeper than your natural complexion and gradually deepen your tan until you reach the tone you want.

Diet exercises

Exercise firms your body during a diet for weight loss.

Actual measurement reduction occurs because of tighter muscles. Controlling calorie intake leads to weight

So-called "spot reducing" is merely measurement loss resulting from flab turning into toned-up muscle.

Humans don't lose weight only in certain areas. Weight control combines lifetime eating habits with regular but comfortable exercise. No need for sweat and strain - regular exercise (and calorie control) is the thing. Against the hair

You may want to flaunt a long-hair style but if nature has not endowed you with a Brooke Shields mane, improvise. With extra care, you can give more glamour to an average head of

Start with a "body" perm, which produces no visible curl but swells the hair shafts so they will look thicker and accept whatever curl you want to

If the hair is oily, perming will also help keep oil down. Use a protein-formula shampoo and rinse-conditioner which will both penetrate the uplifted outer scales of permed hair for better body and add sheen to the surface.

Makeup

A person with a long, thin nose often has a pointed chin. Makeup can

help change the facial effect. For example, make the two features separate with the help of bright lipstick colors, which bring the mouth forward. Blend in a bit of dark foundation across the tip of both nose and chin, then apply it down the nose bridge. Use lighter foundation on each side of the nose.

cotton knit to wear with black and denim jeans. At Expo, a cutback turtleneck in black nylon knit is worn

with a banana-print sarong-like skirt. Prints liven every form of top, from the roses spread across so many cotton knits to fruit themes, jungle florals and abstracts from modern art. Newest prints often play theme upon theme, such as flowers over plaid, or Inwear's box check with a little raindrop shape in each box, for their collarless cotton blend shirt over a sleeveless T in plain checks.

Big themes, big colors: Modern Era doesn't mind doing a print of big arcs and other geometrics in purple and green for a tunic shirt and skirt. Norma Fink spaces gray Egyptian good luck symbols over a pink linen shirt jacket and its T-shirt. Susan McCaba's cotton twill skirt and top are scrawled all over with bold, black and white primitive abstract patterning, with a black midriff. Multicolor fish swim across Marika Contompasis' cotton blend knit top.

Stuart Lang accents unusual blouse

detailing with prints, A suit blouse with low-sweeping collar and asymmetric closing is made in brightly printed jacquard satin, while another style with a high cowl neck (it opens to become lapels) comes in yellow, black-and-white print, a favorite spring combination. Useful as a jacket over a shell, a low-fastening wrap blouse can also be worn on its own, its Miro-inspired abstract print in bright orange, red, turquoise, magenta and

white, giving cues for choosing pants

Such color mixing also appears in the Stuart Lang "postcard" prints, whether of massed city-people figures or of a scenic repeat on an oversized camp shirt and its sleeveless cutback turtleneck.

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"It just makes good sense and yes, my own funeral prearrangements. **FUNERAL DIRECTORS**

SPORTS SCENE

Celtics establish record for homecourt victories

To K.C. Jones, records are no big deal, even when they are 36 years old.

'It is rest and preparation for the playoffs that are important," the Boston coach said Wednesday night after the Celtics established a singleseason record with their 28th straight home victory. "A team in 1934 broke a record. Who cares? Twenty years from now nobody will care about this record.

The Celtics beat the Detroit Pistons 122-106 with an overpowering performance by their front line of Larry Bird, Robert Parish and Kevin McHale, who combined for 83 points and 37 rebounds.

"It's something that happens to be here on the way to the playoffs," Jones said of the record that broke the NBA mark for consecutive home victories established by the Minneapolis Lakers in 1949-50. "I really can't get into the record. I can get into what we need to win the ballgame."

But Detroit Coach Chuck Daly said the Boston players wanted the record.

'I'm sure the winning streak was in the back of their minds because they all played very hard tonight," Daly said. "I would rather have come in here on another night.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Philadelphia 93, New York 87: Phoenix 110, Golden State 101; Los Angeles Clippers 97, Utah 94; and Portland 121. Seattle 109

Parish had a season-high 30 points and 18 rebounds, Bird had 29 points, 11 rebounds and 13 assists and McHale added 24 points and eight rebounds.

The Pistons played without guard Isiah Thomas, who missed his third consecutive game with a pulled left hamstring.

The Celtics now are 37-1 at Boston, equalling the mark for most home victories in a season achieved twice each by Philadelphia and the Los Angeles Lakers. If Boston wins its remaining six games, it will tie the NBA mark for best single-season record, 69-13, set by the Lakers in 1971-72. 76ers 93, Knicks 87

Philadelphia, playing without center Moses Malone, still had plenty of healthy players to beat New York, which lost its sixth consecutive game.

Charles Barkley had 18 points and 19 rebounds and scored the first five points of the final period to extend a two-point lead to 73-66, and the Knicks, who have lost seven players for the season because of injuries, never caught up.

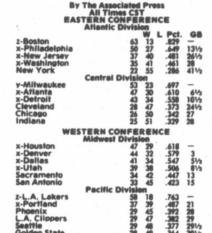
Julius Erving added 23 points and rookie Terry Catledge 19, while Maurice Cheeks collected 14 points, nine assists and seven steals for the 76ers, who have lost Malone for the rest of the regular season because of a fractured eye socket. Darrell Walker led New York with 18

Suns 110, Warriors 101

Phoenix improved its playoff chances with a strong fourth quarter against Golden

Alvan Adams and Larry Nance, who had 31 points, 15 rebounds and seven blocked shots, scored eight points each.

NBA standings



The University Interscholastic

League holds state baseball

championships in all five classi-

fications, so like the Pampas and

Borgers, Kelton is playing for a

state title. Two teams from the

Kelton-Lefors-Briscoe district

will make the playoffs, and with a

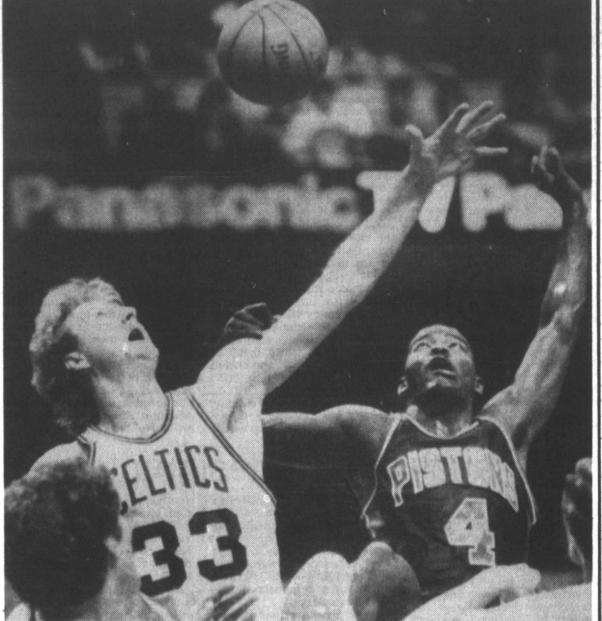
little luck and skill the Lions

could well find themselves in Au-

stin this June. There are but 20

teams in Kelton's region, and one

of them will go to the state tourna-



UP FOR GRABS - Larry Bird, left, of the Boston Celtics battles Joe Dumars of the De-

troit Pistons for the ball. (AP Laserphoto)

Kelton High fields baseball squad

By DAN MURRAY **Sports Writer**

KELTON - We call it America's Favorite Pastime, but in recent years high school baseball in the Panhandle has gone the way of the Texas League's old Amarillo Gold Sox — into past times.

Baseball as a varsity sport is almost unheard of in schools smaller than Class 4A, yet here, in one of the most unlikely of places, the Class 1A Kelton Lions

Kelton has just 10 boys enrolled in high school, but the Lions with a nine-player roster that includes five freshmen — are playing baseball this spring. It's no simple thing, for Kelton has more to worry about than just finding someone to play.

The Lions have no bench or bullpen. They have David Green. Robert Stuart, Perry Alves, Bobby Valencia, David Valencia, Chad Caddel, Brett Buckingham,

Chris MacMillan, Scott Bodine and that's it. Any disabling injury or any player bumped by no-pass no-play would mean the end of the Kelton's season. But it's spring, and the Lions want to play ball.

'We just kinda decided to do it," Kelton coach Dave Johnson said. "We have 10 boys in high school. One doesn't do any athletics, but the other nine said, 'We want to play.

That taken care of, the Lions next had to figure out who they'd play, Nearby Wheeler, a Class 1A school with quadruple the enrollment of Kelton, doesn't play baseball. Not many small town high schools do.

"We're still not sure of our schedule," Johnson said. "Follett plays, so we'll play them a couple of times, and Briscoe and Lefors are in our district. I think they're playing, so we'll play them of course. We'll probably only get to play eight or ten

"It'd be nice, but most of our kids haven't played since little league," Johnson said. "We'll be

real young." Kelton's first of few games is at home against Follett at 4:15 p.m. next Tuesday. The Lions will be doing what millions of boys across America, but not across the Panhandle, do on spring days. They'll be playing baseball.

Wheeler sponsors softball tournament April 18-20

The Wheeler High School seniors and their parents are sponsoring a slowpitch softball tournament April 18-20.

Entry deadline is April 14 and tournament proceeds will be used to help pay for the senior trip. The tournament will be played in Wheeler City Park. The threeday tourney is open to all classes.

Trophies will be awarded to top three teams. Individual trophies will be awarded to the top two

Interested persons call 826-3288 or 826-3013 after 7p.m.

Optimist baseball leagues schedule signup April 12

Signups for the Pampa Optimist T-Ball League and the 9-year old Intermediate League will be held Saturday April 12 at Optimist Park. Signups will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will continue until 12 noon.

Boys and girls between the ages of seven and nine interested in playing T-Ball or intermediate

Optimist Club building. The signup fee is \$18 per

youngster. To be eligible, each youngster must be seven years old on or before July 1, 1986. Teams will be organized the week following signup. Practice starts the week of

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April 28 and the first games are tentatively scheduled to begin May 16.

Pampa boys favored to win own meet

Coach Gary Cornelsen believes his Pampa boys' track team is equal to the task of knocking off Perryton and Borger in the Pampa Invitational Saturday

"We beat them by two points in an earlier meet even though they probably have better depth than we do," Cornelsen said. "It should come down to between Perryton and us.

The Harvesters opened the track season by winning the Amarillo Invitational, then finished second at Panhandle and Dalhart, and third at Ca-

"The boys' team has improved over what we've had in past years," said Cornelsen. "Hopefully, we'll be able to get some of them into regionals.' Saturday's meet starts at



Derrick Smith throws the shot at a recent meet.

9:30 a.m. with the finals set for 2 p.m. Only three teams are entered in the boys' division while eleven teams are entered in the girls' division.

The Harvesters had two individuals listed on the Amarillo Daily News Track Honor Roll this week. Also listed are the 400 and 1600-meter relay teams.

Gary Jernigan is tied for third in the 100 (10.8) and is tied for sixth in the 200 (22.5). Mark Williams is third in the 300meter hurdles. Cornelsen said Jernigan,

Williams, discus thrower Shawn Greene, pole vaulter Scott Vanderburg and both relay teams improved their performances at the last meet March 22 in Canyon. The 1600-meter relay team

of Mark Williams, Brandon Bard, Dennis Dailey and Robbie Ellison is listed sixth. The 400-meter relay team of Williams, Dailey, Ellison and Jernigan is tied for fourth. Perryton is strongest in the

field events. Oscar Valdez is listed fifth in the shot put and Craig Campbell is tied with Borger's Wayne Dickson for fourth in the long jump. Perryton's 1600-meter relay team is

Borger is weak this year, finishing fifth out of six teams in the Canyon Relays last weekend. Besides Dickson, only Charles Miller, (tenth, shot), is listed on the honor roll.

Girls' teams entered are Caprock, Palo Duro, Tulia, Friona, Dalhart, Perryton, Canyon, Dumas, Hereford, River Road and Pampa.

Pampa and Dalhart are ex-

pected to battle it out for the

meet title, but Palo Duro could pull off some surprises.

'Dalhart may have the best all-around athlete in Sharon Hudson and some good distance runners. Palo Duro is going to be right in there with their relay teams," Cornelsen

Hudson was third in both the triple jump and the 200 in last year's Class 2A state meet. She will be pitted against Pampa standout Tanya Lidy in the 200. Both are unbeaten in that event after three meets this season.

Another outstanding athlete at Saturday's meet will be Perryton's Danette Raper, who is the defending Class 3A state champion in the shot put. Pampa's Andrea Hopkins and Sandra Farrah will challenge Raper in that event.

"Both Friona and Tulia have some good girls in the field events," Cornelsen said.

Palo Duro's 800-meter relay team has the best time in the area at 1:44.3 while Pampa is second at 1:44.6

Cornelsen looks for tough competition in almost every event.

"We've scored points at some of our meets because there hasn't been any competition, but in every event there's going to be good competition," Cornelsen said.

"There's not going to be any cheap wins.'

Team trophies and relay trophies will be awarded in both the boys' and girls' varsity division.

A Special Olympics 100-yard dash is also planned, Cor-nelsen said. "We'll be giving some awards in that also.'

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The experiments involved injections of nicotine, and people with intractable pain could be able to trigger relief by taking nicotine, even in chewing gum, or some other substance that acts like nicotine, said George Pappas, professor and head of the anatomy department at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in

Chicago. Possible candidates for the therapy include cancer and arthritis patients, amputees who still sense pain in the missing limb and others who suffer from chronic pain, said Jacqueline Sagen, a research associate in the anatomy

department. Pappas also said experiments showed that painkiller-producing cells from cows did the job in rats, suggesting the possibility of using animal cells for human patients. That would be a handier supply than

human cells, he said. Another expert called the work interesting but unlikely to produce a good alternative to traditional pain management in the near future.

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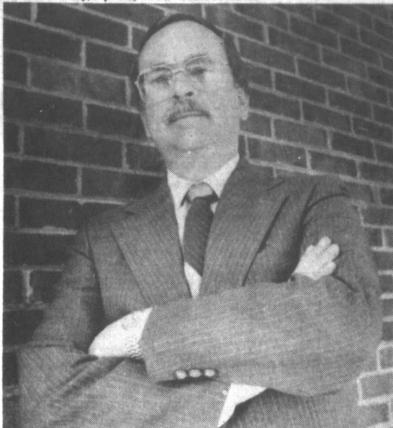
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REFLECTS ON CAREER — Carl Thomas, a security guard company owner, poses recently outside his office in DeSoto, a suburban community south of Dallas. In the late 70s. Thomas came out of nowhere to become the first Republican-elected sheriff in Dallas County since Reconstruction. Four years later he became the first inclumbent Republican in county history to be defeated in his party's own party primary. (AP Laserphoto)

Former controversial **Dallas County sheriff** has career in security

By GARY SHULTZ Dallas Times Herald

DESOTO, Texas (AP) — It's a long way from the carpeted offices of the Dallas County Sheriff in downtown Dallas to Carl Thomas' austere

confines behind the Dairy Queen on Hampton Road.
By car, it's just 13 miles. But in terms of the things that feed the ego publicity, prestige and the perquisites of public office — it's light

"I don't miss it," says the former Dallas County sheriff who now runs his own security guard company. "It was a great experience. I'm glad I did it. But I wouldn't want to do it again.

His office is smaller than the one he had as sheriff, but there is much that is familiar. The new, like the old, is done in earth tones — tan walls, brown carpeting, a walnut-colored desk. The items on the desk are neatly arranged; the furnishings are minimal — a chair, a couch and a small television set in the corner.

The wall decorations are just as neat and sparse. There is a silhouette of a revolver with his name and the word "sheriff" on it and a metal replica of an old-fashioned touring car with the sheriff's star stamped into the door

"Is this going to be good story or another one of those bad ones?" he asked at the beginning of the conversation. Curious. Here in this quiet shopping center office miles from the rush of Dallas, everything is just like it was nearly a decade ago when

Thomas was writing the book on how not to be sheriff In the late 1970s, Thomas came out of nowhere to become the first Republican-elected sheriff in Dallas County since Reconstruction.

Four years later, he became the first incumbent Republican in county history to be defeated in his own party primary. In between, he made almost every mistake a politician can make.

He fired or demoted deputies who had supported his political oppo nents. He had five stars sewn on his uniform and used profanity in public. He went to the horse races with a convicted felon and got into a spat with an airport toll booth operator over whether he had to pay the toll like everyone else.

If it took a toll on members of his party and county voters, the controversies took a toll on him as well. Not long before his last day in office at the end of 1980, he said: "Being in office has been kind of like being sentenced to jail

"The fishbowl atmosphere here has been oppressive," he said. "There are boundary lines for politicians that don't apply to anyone else. Hypocrisy is rampant in this business.

The '80s have not been all that kind to Thomas. He tried acting and selling real estate after he left office, but had no success. He discounts "as another one of them stories" the rumors that he was running a nightclub in the Mid-Cities.

After making another, unsuccessful run at the sheriff's office in 1984, Thomas says he is settled into running his security business and being involved in his community.

Thomas Security Services contracts with banks, hotels and private companies for guards. And, although his 50-man staff is a far cry from the more than 500 deputies he used to command, Thomas seems con-

Today he cultivates a different public image. He coaches a pony league baseball team and volunteers time to a variety of other organizations that help children.

Rebuilding Fort Campbell with touch of compassion

- After grieving for the loss of 248 soldiers in the December crash of a military transport in Newfoundland, the Army has rebuilt the lost unit under a new commander who talks of infantry grit but also of compassion.

Lt. Col. Harry Rothman succeeded Lt. Col. Marvin A. Jeffcoat, who was killed in the crash as Fort Campbell soldiers were returning from Mideast peacekeeping duties in the Sinai

Often wearing camouflage fatigues and green face paint, Rothman mixes with his troops, as GIs in training slog through mud and duck simulated enemy fire. This is what soldiering is all about," he says. "This is the highlight of an infantryman's career."

Another job has been rebuilding. Of the three rifle companies in the 3rd battalion of the 502nd Infantry Regiment, one was annihilated in the Dec. 12 crash at

'My problem was how to reconstruct that company in particular," he said.

Rothman shifted some units that weren't affected by the crash into the company that was hardest hit. Then he took new re-

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) cruits and spread them throughout the three rifle companies.

The headquarters and artillery companies did not lose as many men in the crash, but they also needed new blood. Fifty percent of the new men came from within Fort Campbell, Rothman said, while the rest were from other

'When we first came back, of course we had several problems to deal with immediately - burials, assisting families with escort services," he said. "That was our first priority."

One amportant addition to the reorganized unit was a mental health officer to assist the medical platoon.

"Part of our program of reconstituting the unit was to make sure counseling services were available not only for the families but also for the soldiers who lost good friends," Rothman said, adding that at least 20 soldiers have sought counseling.

A training program "for the chain of command also made them aware of signs of stress, the shock of the aftermath and grief," he said. "You've got to have compassion for what they've gone through."

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