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Middle America may get bitten in new tax plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Finance Committee is setting to work on a new tax-overhaul plan that threatens some special tax breaks widely used by middle-income Americans.

The new bill, drafted by Chairman Bob Packwood, R-Ore., would allow no further tax-deferred Individual Retirement Accounts for the millions of workers covered by a company pension plan. It would permit no medical-expense deduction until outlays for doctors and medicine exceed 10 percent of income. It would crimp the write-off for car and education loans. And the preferential tax treatment of capital gains would end.

In return for those special benefits, the plan offers a general reduction in individual tax rates — the maximum would drop to 27 percent from 50 percent; a \$2,000-per person exemption for all but the wealthiest people, and increases in the standard deductions. Most people would get a small tax cut from the plan; the biggest winners would be about six million working poor who would be swept off the income-tax rolls.

Packwood and others who endorsed the new

effort hailed it as the most-sweeping tax-overhaul plan seriously considered by Congress.

"This dramatic departure from our existing federal income tax system will spur capital formation and economic growth by directing that investment decisions be based on real economic considerations rather than artificial tax benefits," said Sen. John C. Danforth, R-Mo.

Packwood told a news conference Friday he thinks a majority of the 20-member committee supports the plan, including Republican Leader Bob Dole. But a few hours after Packwood spoke, Dole issued his own statement.

The new proposal meets Reagan's demands for a top individual tax rate no higher than 35 percent; a \$2,000 personal exemption for most, and sufficient incentives for business investment.

But one area that could cause problems for the bill is the section that would repeal preferential tax treatment of individual capital gains, which are profits from the sale of stock and other assets owned more than six months. Members of both parties have fought for years to preserve that preference on grounds it is necessary to woo investors to risky ventures.



SO LONG, FAREWELL — Workers prepare to cart off another load of junk removed from City Hall during the city's renovation project. Renovation began last week. (Staff photo by Paul Pinkham.)

Panel studies launch failure

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A NASA panel is looking into the failure 71 seconds after blastoff of a Delta rocket's main engine, while officials assess how the unmanned launcher's destruction will affect the space program.

Acting NASA Administrator William Graham spent Sunday at Kennedy Space Center conferring with center Director Richard G. Smith and managers of the Delta project to "discuss the options for the immediate future," according to a space agen-

cy source who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Neither Graham nor Smith would discuss what steps may result from the third major launch failure this year.

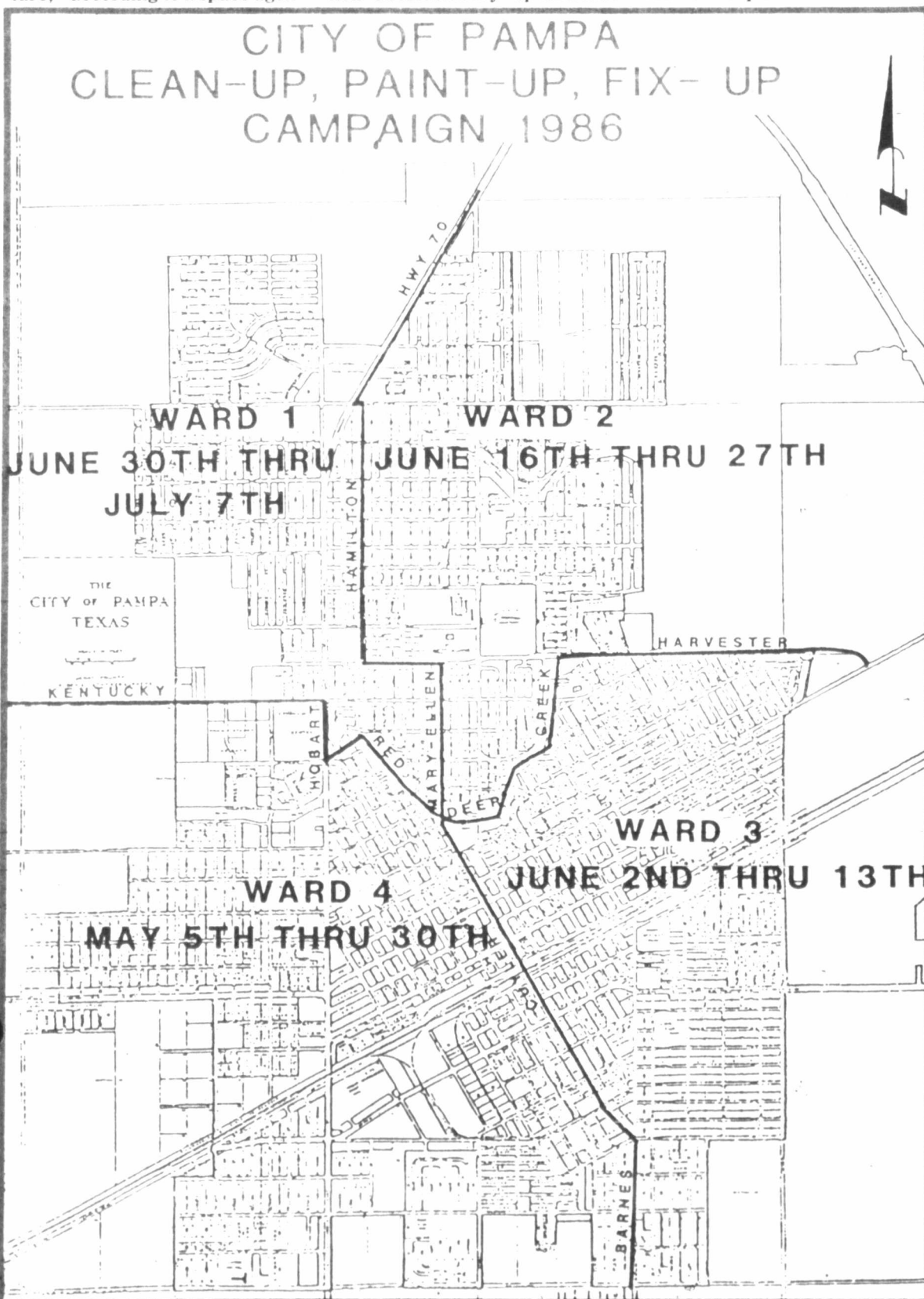
Distinctly different spacecraft were involved in the three disasters, which included the space shuttle Challenger in which seven astronauts died on Jan. 28 and an unmanned Air Force Titan 34D on April 18 in California.

A NASA statement said the Delta flight, carrying the \$57.5 million Geostationary Operational

Environmental Satellite (GOES-7), ended just over a minute after a normal liftoff at 6:18 p.m.

"At about 71 seconds into the flight, the mission was proceeding normally when ... the first-stage engine shut down abruptly. With loss of thrust and attitude control, the vehicle entered a tumble and approximately 20 seconds later, the range safety office sent a destruct signal to destroy the system," the statement said.

NASA officials refused to answer all queries.



Annual clean-up campaign beginning today in Ward 4

By LARRY HOLLIS
Staff Writer

The city will begin its annual Clean-Up Campaign today, with a number of changes in the program to extend the operations and to better concentrate on clean-up activities on a ward-by-ward basis.

The major change is an extension of the campaign from one month to just over two months, allowing more time for each ward, announced Larry Simpson, Sanitation Department superintendent.

The campaign will concentrate on Ward 4 for the entire month of May. Ward 3 will be involved for June 2 through June 13, with Ward 2 scheduled for June 16 through June 27 and Ward 1 for June 30 through July 7.

Simpson asked residents to please follow the schedule and not put out items in advance of the weeks set aside for their respective wards.

He also advised residents to become informed of the plans to avoid any confusion and to prevent any problems in taking advantage of the city's clean-up activities during the campaign.

In another change, residents of Pampa may take items to the city's landfill east of the Pampa Country Club throughout May without any charge, Simpson said. The no-charge program applies to residents only, not to commercial users, he noted.

Simpson said he hopes residents will take advantage of the no-charge to haul off trash, debris and other items to the landfill this month no matter what ward they live in. Charges will be reinstated in June as normally assessed.

The landfill will be open 12 hours a day, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., including weekends, during the campaign.

In an effort to better clean up the city, other departments also

will be concentrating on work and repair projects within the wards as scheduled for the Clean-Up Campaign, Simpson said.

For example, the Streets Department crews will sweep and grade streets, paint curbs, patch potholes and update signs in Ward 4 this month. The Water Department will repaint and test water hydrants. And the Parks and Recreation Department will mow grass, paint parks facilities and equipment, trim trees and "whatever else has to be done" in the parks in the ward, Simpson explained.

Also, residents having dilapidated buildings to be torn down or junked and abandoned vehicles to be towed off may contact David McKinney or Steve Vaughn at 665-8481 to make arrangements.

"Once we start on the campaign, we'll work in that ward as scheduled," he said. "We won't run into other wards except on an emergency basis."

Regular collections from the dumpsters will continue in all wards, however, he noted.

Sanitation Department employees' work schedules have been altered for the campaign to permit the department to work seven days a week, Simpson said. The major weekend work will involve loading up materials placed in the alleys by residents.

Simpson said he hopes to have "a lot of cooperation" from residents for the weekends in a kind of "barn raising" spirit, with neighbors working together with each other and with the city employees.

On Saturdays and Sundays during the campaign, residents can place their bagged items, used furniture, junked appliances, cut tree limbs and other materials in the alleys for collection, he explained.

Then they can help the city employees identify which materials are ready for disposal, prevent-

ing any items from being taken off by mistake, Simpson said.

Also, residents can help the employees to load the items onto the flatbed trucks, and the employees, if needed, can help to carry out large items that need to be cleared out of garages.

The department also will be using a tree chipper equipment for tree branches and small limbs, Simpson said. Tree limbs and trunks should be cut into 4-foot lengths to facilitate loading, he reminded residents.

Simpson said efforts are also being made with the assistance of Clean Pampa, Inc., to arrange for free drinks such as tea or soft drinks to be available for residents working together on the weekend activities in the campaign.

"This is a change for residents to get together and really help to clean up their neighborhoods," he said. "The city requests that each resident help in anyway he can by cleaning up yards, alleys and areas around premises."

He reminded residents of proper use of the joint-use refuse containers (dumpster) located mainly in the alleys:

- Due to the weight pick-up limit on the collection trucks, only materials such as household refuse and bagged grass clippings and hedge trimmings should be placed in the dumpsters.

- Heavy materials such as dirt, concrete, rocks or heavy metal items should not be placed in the dumpsters. Instead, residents or occupants should dispose of them in other proper manners such as hauling them off to the landfill or placing them in the alley for loading onto the flatbed trucks.

- Bulky items such as ice boxes, stoves and furniture or other bagged or boxed materials should be stacked in the alley behind the resident's house and away from the dumpsters.

See Clean-up on Page two

DAILY RECORD

service tomorrow

SMITH, Bynum E. — 4 p.m. First United Methodist Church, Wheeler.
BARNETT, Mattie — 2 p.m. First Assembly of God Church.
QUALLS, Leonard — 11 a.m. Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel.

obituaries

BYNUM SMITH

WHEELER — Services for former Wheeler School Superintendent Bynum Smith, 56, will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Ernie McGaughey, former pastor, and the Rev. Mike Struve, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery.

Mr. Smith died Sunday in Shamrock. Born in Telephone, he earned bachelors' and masters' degrees from East Texas State University. He was a basketball coach in Mobeetie, St. Jo and Dallas and principal and superintendent at St. Jo and Sanger Schools. He was Wheeler ISD superintendent from 1974 to 1985. He married Maurita Dunn in 1953 in Clovis, N.M. He was an army veteran and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Rick of Ruidoso, N.M., Greg of Wheeler and Jeff of Austin; one daughter, Shelley Hudgins of Dallas; his mother, Aline Jones of Wheeler; and six grandchildren.

The family request memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

WILLIAM ROBERT HOLT

PANHANDLE — Services for William Robert Holt, 78, are pending with Smith-Fox Funeral Home.

Mr. Holt died Saturday. Born in Minnesota, he married Monta Bell in 1984 at Goodwell and lived in Pampa since 1984. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Earlene Zimmerman of Irving; two sisters, Alice Montgomery of Milwaukee, and Elsie Wheelock of Rochester, Minn.; and a grandchild.

AUDIE A. INGRAM

Services for Audie A. Ingram, 78, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel with the Bishop Dave Ingram of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Ingram died Saturday. A resident of Pampa for 52 years, she married Culma "Heavy" Ingram April 5, 1935 in Cement, Okla. He died in 1971. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and Worthwhile Extension Club.

Survivors include a son, Robert D. Love of Houston; three sisters, Jane Vance of Marlow, Okla., Faye Thomas of Pampa and Fern Vosper of Amarillo; three brothers, Bill Walker of Lyons, Kans., Jim Walker of Ozark, Ark., and Jack Walker of Ft. Smith, Ark.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society.

LEONARD C. QUALLS

Services for Leonard C. Qualls, 83, will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel with the Rev. M.B. Smith, Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Qualls died Saturday at Dumas Nursing Center.

Born in Mills County, he lived in Dumas since 1984, moving there from Tyler. He was a Pampa resident from 1929 to 1964 and operated the Qualls Studio for 30 years. He was a Baptist and a member of Woodmen of the World. He was married to Nora King in 1976 at Tyler.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Howard of Dumas, Odus of Panhandle, Leon of Lubbock and Dwan of St. Louis; two daughters, Doris Jean Foster of Pampa and Bess Haiduk of Arlington; a brother, Roy of Goldthwaite; a sister, Leona Roberts of Goldthwaite; 10 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

MATTIE BARNETT

Services for Mattie Barnett, 89, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. J. Ruel Baxter, pastor of First Assembly of God Church of Shidler, Okla., and the Rev. Delbert Priest officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Barnett died Saturday. Survivors include three daughters, five sons, a sister, 32 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

stock market

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| The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa | | |
| Wheat | 3.42 | up 1/4 |
| Milo | 3.96 | up 1/4 |
| The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation | | |
| Danmon Oil | 1 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Ky. Cent. Life | 56 | up 1/4 |
| Serfco | 3 | up 1/4 |
| The following 30 N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa | | |
| Amoco | 61 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Cabot | 29 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Celanese | 200 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| DIA | 12 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Eaton | 37 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Halliburton | 22 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| HCA | 40 1/4 | dn 1/4 |
| Ingersoll Rand | 60 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Kerr-McGee | 29 | up 1/4 |
| Mobil | 30 | up 1/4 |
| Peasey's | 67 1/4 | dn 1/4 |
| Phillips | 9 1/4 | NC |
| PNA | 21 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| SJ | 30 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| SFS | 30 | up 1/4 |
| Tenneco | 37 | up 1/4 |
| Texaco | 22 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| Zales | 23 1/4 | up 1/4 |
| London Gold | 341.90 | |
| Silver | 5.12 | |

fire report

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

hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions
 Richard Barkley, Groom
 Nell Clark, Pampa
 Alice Darsey, Pampa
 Rayburn Doan, Pampa
 Edwin Doxy, Pampa
 Arthur Love, Pampa
 Catherine Meadows, Pampa
 Sandra Miller, Pampa
 Charlene Morris, Pampa
 Vivian Nickelberry, Pampa
 Dennis Osterson, Canadian
 Paul Turner, Pampa
 Colleen Wheeler, Higgins
 Andy Wilson, Pampa
 Brenda Amador, Pampa
 Suzanne Hampton, Wheeler
 Karen Killough, Pampa
 Virginia Taylor, McLean

Dismissals
 Mary Baggerman, Pampa
 Elizabeth Callaway, Wheeler
 Jeremy Carter, Pampa
 Eldon Clark, Pampa
 Kimberly Driscoll and infant, Pampa
 Stella Everett, Pampa
 Susan Fisher, Pampa
 Gracie Franklin, Pampa
 Mary Hook, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 Pearl Joslyn, Wheeler
 Clyde Moore, Shamrock
 Vashtie Carlton, Shamrock
 Lajune Alexander, Wheeler
 Bina Smith, Wheeler
 Delford Earl, Wheeler
 Edith Hawk, Shamrock
 Thelma Boren, Briscoe

Dismissals
 Jewell Dayberry, Shamrock
 Pat Bryant, Shamrock
 George Parker, Allison

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 Bina Smith, Wheeler
 Delford Earl, Wheeler
 Edith Hawk, Shamrock
 Thelma Boren, Briscoe

police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, May 3

Darrell Duane Angel, 1513 N. Christy, reported cruelty to animals at the address; a dog was injured, causing an estimated damage of \$40.

Officer Allan Louis Smith, Box 2499, reported assault with a firearm in the 300 block of Sunset. Danny Mac Bainum, 100 W. 26th, reported a burglary at the address.

SUNDAY, May 4

A driving while intoxicated suspect was reported at an undisclosed location. A driving while intoxicated suspect was reported at Francis and Gray.

Two Middle School students reported theft of golf clubs from the bushes at Aspen Park in the 2100 block of Aspen; losses were estimated at \$475 and \$50 to \$75.

Charlie Nelson, 605 N. Frost, reported theft of a bicycle from the address. A 16-year-old girl reported theft of a purse from Central Park; loss was estimated at \$75.

Arrests-City Jail

SATURDAY, May 3

David Lynn Gage, 26, 325 Sunset, was arrested at the address on a charge of aggravated assault on a police officer and public intoxication.

SUNDAY, May 4

Vicki Lynn Edwards, 27, 320 S. Houston, was arrested at 300 E. Browning on capias warrants. Edwards was released upon payment of a fine.

Alan James Dallas, 21, 225 W. Craven, was arrested at Francis and Gray on a charge of driving while intoxicated. Dallas was transferred to the county.

Paula Ruth Puckett, 26, 1107 S. Finley, was arrested at the intersection of Ford and Cuyler on charges of driving while intoxicated and traffic offenses. Puckett was released on a bondsman's bond.

Tracie Smith Ferris, 25, 1321 Coffee, was arrested on warrants alleging theft by check.

Arrests-County Jail

Donald Joe Williams, 2129 N. Zimmers, was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on charges of driving while intoxicated, running a stop sign and violating drivers license restriction code A (corrective lenses).

Alfredo Campos Jr., 309 Naida, was arrested by the DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated, failure to maintain a single lane and no drivers license.

minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accident for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SUNDAY, May 4

A 1983 Chevrolet, driven by Benjamin J. Schiffman, 1220 S. Farley, and a 1985 Oldsmobile, driven by Joann J. Taylor, 1117 Juniper, collided at the intersection of Hobart and Kingsmill. No injuries were reported. Schiffman was cited for following too closely.



PEDAL POWER — Leo Ramirez, 4, tries his hand at a spiral maze of orange warning cones during the Pampa Police Department's bicycle rodeo and safety program held Saturday at Wal-Mart. Another rodeo is scheduled for this Saturday. (Staff photo by Terry Ford.)

Court dashes hopes of death row inmates

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court, dashing one legal hope of hundreds of death row inmates and perhaps thousands

of other convicted murderers across the nation, said today that death penalty opponents can be barred from serving on capital

case juries. The court, by a 6-3 vote in an Arkansas case, said fair-trial rights are not violated when death penalty opponents are excluded, for that reason, from juries deciding guilt or innocence in cases in which death is a possible sentence.

Today's decision reversed a federal appeals court ruling that excluding all potential jurors who say they could never impose a death sentence creates a "conviction prone" jury and thus violates a defendant's right to a fair trial. The decision leaves just one sweeping death penalty challenge pending before the nation's highest court.

School trustees to hold work session Tuesday afternoon

A recommendation by the career ladder advisory committee will again be discussed by Pampa Independent School Board Trustees during a no-action work session scheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday.

The recommendation concerns qualifications for career ladder assignment and focuses on teachers coming into the district. The career ladder is an incentive program mandated by House Bill 72 to reward good teachers.

Of concern to the board is what to do about teachers transferring from other districts, who, according to the recommendation, must waive in writing their entitlement to previous career ladder assignments. Several board members have disagreed with

that part of the proposal.

In other business, the board will:

— receive a report on the cost per student for extracurricular activities.

— receive a report and proposal on Latchkey After School Day Care Program from Gray County Extension Agent Donna Brauchi.

— consider 1986 summer school tuition.

— review telephone equipment bids received from Avtel of Amarillo, Centell of Amarillo, Harris-Lanie of Amarillo and Hi-Plains NTS of Pampa. Asst. Supt. Tommy Cathey has recommended acceptance of one of two Hi-Plains NTS bids.

— consider 1985-86 class counts.

Free dumping at city landfill

By BOB HART
 Pampa City Manager

The annual Clean-Up Campaign begins today. During the month of May, all items may be disposed of at the city's landfill for no charge.

We will concentrate departmental crews in Ward 4 for the next four weeks. Our Sanitation Department employees' work schedules have been altered to permit the department to work seven days a week during the campaign.

If you have large items that need to be disposed of, please place them in the alley behind your fence or backyard. Please do not stack anything next to the dumpster.

If you live in Wards 1, 2 or 3, we will not be in your area except for regular dumpster collections until the end of May and will work through the month of June for the campaign operations. Please be patient until we are able to reach your area.

Meanwhile, if you live in Ward

4, we would appreciate your help in placing your items in the alley. Then, as our crews work over the weekends, we would appreciate your help in identifying items to be thrown away and in loading the trucks.

If you have any questions concerning any aspect of the Clean-Up Campaign program, please call Larry Simpson, Sanitation superintendent, at 665-1689.

On other notes, the City of Pampa and the Texas Health Department are co-sponsoring a class on Swimming Pool Operations, scheduled for Thursday, May 8. If you have a swimming pool at your home or apartment and are interested in receiving training in pool operations (at no charge), please call Jackie Harper at 665-0909.

Also, mark your schedule on May 10 for the "Ice Melt" in downtown Pampa. Everyone will have an opportunity to win a diamond by correctly guessing how long it takes a 150-pound block of ice to melt.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny and warm with the highs in the upper 80s. Lows in the 50s. Southwesterly winds at 10-15 mph. High Sunday, 88.

REGIONAL FORECASTS

By The Associated Press

North Texas—Considerable cloudiness central and west tonight with scattered evening thunderstorms. Partly cloudy east. Lows tonight mid to upper 60s. Considerable cloudiness Tuesday with widely scattered thunderstorms west and central. Highs Tuesday 84 to 90.

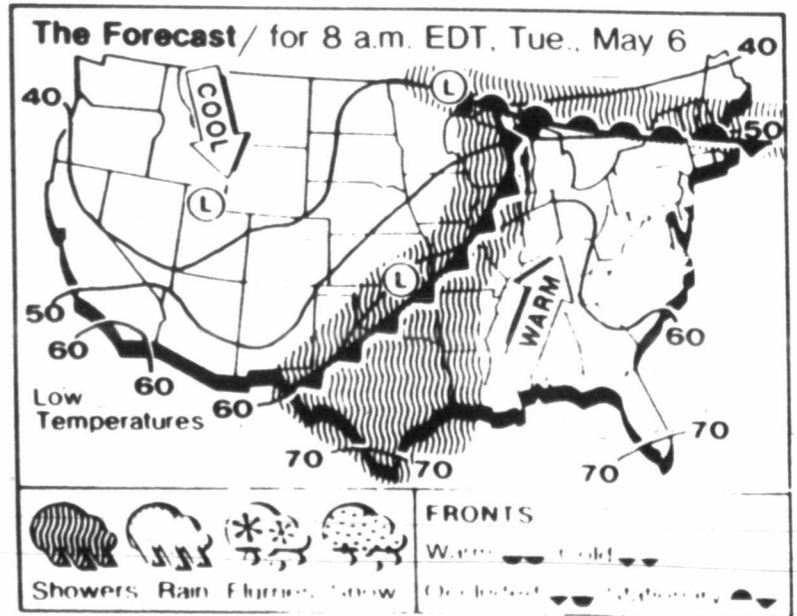
West Texas—Mostly sunny through Tuesday. Fair tonight with widely scattered evening thunderstorms Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin. Highs Tuesday mid 80s north to the mid 90s along the Rio Grande. Lows tonight mid 50s north to the mid 60s south.

South Texas—Mostly cloudy tonight with scattered thunderstorms northwest and central. Partly cloudy Tuesday with widely scattered thunderstorms most sections, more numerous southeast. Lows tonight in the mid 60s north-west to 70s elsewhere. Highs Tuesday in the 80s to low to mid 90s west.

EXTENDED FORECASTS

Wednesday through Friday

NORTH TEXAS—A chance of thunderstorms west and central portions Friday, otherwise warm, windy, and humid with partly cloudy skies.



Lowest temperatures in the 60s. Highest readings in the 80s.

SOUTH TEXAS—Little or no precipitation. Nighttime and morning cloudiness central portion otherwise partly cloudy with little change in temperatures. Daytime highs in the 80s except low 90s Southwest and lows in the 60s to the low 70s south and coastal plains.

WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy with little day to day temperature change throughout the period. Scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s, lows in the 50s and 60s.

BORDER STATES

FORECASTS

Oklahoma—Scattered thunderstorms most sections tonight and north Tuesday. A few thunderstorms may be severe tonight. High Tuesday 80s. Low tonight upper 40s Panhandle to low 60s south.

New Mexico—Mostly clear tonight. Increasing clouds northwest Tuesday and continued fair east and south. Breezy afternoons both days. Highs Tuesday 60s and 70s mountains and northwest to the mid 80s to near 90 southeast. Lows tonight 30s to low 40s mountains and northwest to the mid 40s and 50s lower elevations of the south and east.

U.S. proposes currency fluctuations plan

TOKYO (AP) — The Reagan administration is proposing to its summit partners a scheme for fine-tuning the world's exchange-rate system to prevent the wild fluctuations that have occurred in recent years, causing severe hardships for American farmers and manufacturers.

The system would use economic factors such as interest rates, unemployment and inflation levels to trigger possible action — or at least discussions — on ways to put the brakes on fluctuations like the dollar's up-then-down roller coast ride against the Japanese yen, U.S. officials said

today. Such a scheme would set in motion a multinational effort to reimpose some degree of government control over currencies.

Under the current "floating" system, in place for the past 14 years, currencies have risen or fallen based largely on market pressures.

Presidential spokesman Larry Speakes said Treasury Secretary James A. Baker III had been floating the new proposal in meetings with finance ministers from the other six summit nations, "discussing ways to coor-

dinate our dealing with the currency."

City briefs

HEY DAD! Need an idea for Mother's Day? Call ABC Learn at Play about gift certificates for Child Care. Nothing beats a day off! 665-9718. Adv.

PAMPA COLLEGE of Hair-dressing Perm Special every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday! 613 N. Hobart, 665-2319. Adv.
TELEPHONE PIONEERS of American meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6 in the Telephone Lounge.

TEXAS/REGIONAL

White, Clements in rematch; Hobby, Hightower win easily

DALLAS (AP) — The ballot for statewide offices in Texas will have a familiar look in November after primary elections in which Gov. Mark White and former Gov. Bill Clements won party nominations and only one incumbent was defeated.

White and Clements will replay their 1982 battle, in which White halted Clements' tenure as chief executive at one term, and Clements wasted no time going after his Democratic opponent Saturday.

"I think we've come out of it (the primary) in great shape ... I don't think it's so much what I've done. I think it's what Mark White has done," Clements said.

"An overwhelming number of Texans are supporting this administration," White countered, observing that nearly twice as many voters cast ballots for him as for Clements.

In other races, Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower won easy re-nominations. Fellow Democrats Attorney General Jim Mattox and Land Commissioner Garry Mauro had no party opposition.

But Sears McGee, a Supreme Court justice for 18 years, ran third in the Democratic primary. A June 7 runoff will match state Sen. Oscar Mauzy

against Shirley Butts, an appeals court judge seeking to become the first woman ever elected to the Supreme Court.

Eight other nominations for statewide office still must be decided in runoff elections.

Texans showed little enthusiasm for supporters of political extremist Lyndon LaRouche, with the lone LaRouche candidate for statewide office losing badly and 10 candidates for congressional nominations finishing last. Two LaRouche backers had no Democratic opposition for nominations to congressional seats, but the Houston-area districts are considered safe for Republicans.

White averted a runoff Saturday, getting nearly 54 percent of the vote, with 98.7 percent of the precincts reporting. The closest of his five challengers, Dallas businessman Andrew Briscoe III, drew 22.6 percent of the total.

With 96.4 percent of the GOP precincts reporting, Clements accumulated 58.1 percent of the Republican vote, far ahead of U.S. Rep. Tom Loeffler, who had 21.7 percent, and former Democratic congressman Kent Hance.

In other elections, former preacher David Davidson of Austin earned a runoff spot against Kingwood attorney Aaron Bullock for the Republi-

can nomination for lieutenant governor.

A runoff for the Republican nomination for attorney general will take place between former Williamson County District Attorney Ed Walsh and State District Judge Roy Barrera, Jr. of San Antonio.

Appointed Supreme Court Justice Raul Gonzales and former state Rep. Jay Gibson of Odessa will be in a runoff for the Democratic nomination for Place 4, and Supreme Court Justice Robert Campbell and appeals court justice Jim Brady of Austin will meet in a runoff for the Democratic nomination in Place 2.

In other Supreme court races, Republican John L. Bates, a Waco attorney, won the Republican nomination in Place 4 and Appeals Court Judge Charles Ben Howell of Dallas got the nod in Place 1.

Agriculture Commissioner Hightower easily defeated Noel Cowling of Dublin, a LaRouche supporter. Bill Powers, executive vice president of the Texas Poultry Association in Austin, won the Republican nomination over Charles "Farmer" Trompler of Malone.

Kemp dance hall operator M.D. Anderson Jr. will face Tyler high school teacher Grady T. Yarbrough in a Republican runoff for land commis-

sioner.

Comptroller Bob Bullock and Treasurer Ann Richards, both Democrats, had no opposition from either party.

Democratic state Sen. John Sharp was assured the Democratic nomination for a seat on the Railroad Commission or a place in a runoff against either P.S. "Sam" Ervin or John C. Poulard. The Republican race, among four candidates, was too close to call.

Of 27 congressional races, incumbents faced opposition in only eight races and all won re-nomination.

Pete Snelson, who spent 20 years in the Texas Senate, won the Democratic nomination for the seat vacated by Loeffler. Former Bexar County commissioner Lamar Smith and former San Antonio City Councilman Van Archer will meet in a Republican runoff for the right to oppose Snelson in November.

In state legislative races — in which 150 House and 16 Senate seats were up — three Democrats and one Republican in the House failed to win their party's nomination.

Officials say

D-FW engineers lowered the requirements for runways

DALLAS (AP) — Engineers at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport improperly reduced strength requirements for runway pavement, according to Federal Aviation Administration and airport officials.

The change in concrete specifications was done in 1983 without the approval of the airport board and in violation of an FAA funding agreement, according to past and present airport staff members and the contractor who poured the concrete.

The specifications lowered the "flexural strength" requirements for two runways from 750 pounds per square inch to as little as 595 pounds per square inch,

said Bill Meyer, the \$40 million project's supervisor for California-based Kasler Corp.

George Bonna, who was appointed chief of the airport's planning and engineering section last fall, said the weaker concrete isn't unsafe, but it will wear faster and cost more for maintenance.

The FAA has calculated that the airport staff failed to impose \$3.3 million in penalties in sub-standard concrete penalties, said Tom Graves, director of the FAA's Southwest region standards office.

He said the FAA would be eligible for a \$2.47 million refund from the airport because the agency

paid 75 percent of the paving costs. He said the airport never sought a change in the concrete strength requirements from the FAA.

Airport officials overruled the contractor's original plans and ordered the company to use a weaker, less-expensive mixture, said Kasler officials and William H. Early Jr., a former project engineer involved in the early stages of the runway contract. They said the engineers believed the weaker concrete still would meet specifications.

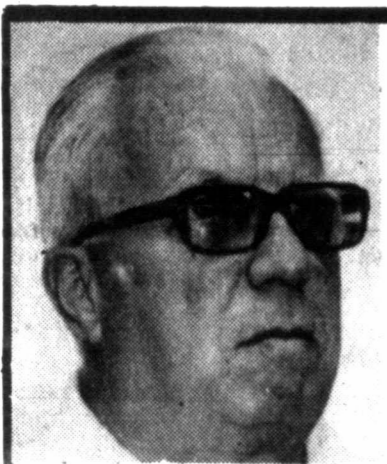
Kasler officials and several former airport engineers said engineers lowered the concrete strength requirements after they discovered that the weaker mixture they had ordered Kasler to pour did not meet specifications. After engineers tested the weaker mixture they had ordered Kasler to pour, Early said, they accepted the below-standard concrete to save themselves the embarrassment of telling the board they had ordered an inadequate concrete mixture.

Airport board members at the time say they knew nothing of the change in specifications. Minutes of their meetings show no mention of the alteration.



THE WINNER IS... — Jeremy Stone, son of June and Danny Stone, won the grand prize at the Pampa Police Department bicycle rodeo and safety program held Saturday at Wal-Mart. Left to right are, Diane Pinkston,

department manager at Wal-Mart; Gary Kelton, manager of McDonald's Restaurant; Stone and Pampa Police Officer Danny Lance. (Staff photo by Terry Ford.)



Off beat

By
**Fred
Parker**

Editors don't run newspaper

Some people must think editors run a newspaper. Well, that is far from being the fact.

Editors are only responsible for the news content of the paper. Other people are in charge of the advertising, business office, production and delivery (circulation) of the newspaper.

In the case of The Pampa News, the managing editor is in charge of only the newsroom. It is his responsibility to see that all of the space set aside for news copy and pictures in each day's paper is filled.

The managing editor supervises the other editors, the staff writers and the photographer. He also handles the editorial page, selecting the columns and either using an editorial from another Freedom Group newspaper or writing a local editorial.

In my case, as city editor, the job is actually one of assisting the managing editor along with determining the stories to be used in several pages of the paper each day. This entails editing the copy and writing the heads, along with determining the placement of the stories and pictures in these pages.

The sports editor is responsible for coverage of sports activities at local and area schools, other groups or organizations sponsoring sports events. He also selects the stories and their placement on the sports pages each day.

The lifestyles editor is responsible for news coverage of a wide range of topics of interest to women and their families. She also determines the stories and their placement in each day's lifestyles pages.

So, if you are interested in coverage of a particular event, contact one of us.

But, if you have questions or complaints about other operations of The Pampa News, please don't contact us. We can't help you!

If the question or problem concerns advertising, please contact either the display advertising department or classifieds. Display advertising, as a rule, is responsible for all of those small to large ads scattered throughout the paper while classified handles the classified ads and the display-type ads appearing on the classifieds pages.

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And, the production department — persons in this area of the building are responsible for assembly of the ads, news copy and pictures in the various pages and operation of the press which produces the newspapers. In assembling the pages they follow the directions of the advertising departments and the editors.

By the way, the various departments and operations of the newspaper are under the guidance of the publisher — similar to the general manager or plant manager of other types of businesses.

So, if you have questions or problems please contact the proper department. Unless it has something to do with the news content of the paper I won't be able to help you.

Parker is city editor of The Pampa News. Views expressed in the Off Beat columns are the individual's and not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Church sues over tax-exempt status

RICHARDSON, Texas (AP) — For the First Baptist Church of Richardson and the Dallas County Appraisal District, the difference between a construction site and a place of worship is \$100,000.

District officials say the new building is still a construction site and is not yet entitled to tax-exempt status. They say the congregation is liable for about \$100,000 in taxes.

Congregation members, who have sidestepped stacks of brick and lumber to attend worship services at the unfinished building, have filed suit in state district court against the district, challenging the property classification.

Because the building has been used for worship, church officials say, it should be exempt from paying 1985 taxes.

Scientists investigate use of genetically altered virus in pigs

DALLAS (AP) — A committee of eight scientists appointed by the National Institutes of Health will meet this month to decide whether Texas researchers violated federal regulations when they vaccinated pigs with a genetically altered virus.

The U.S. Agriculture Department last month halted sales of the vaccine for two weeks to assess its environmental impact. The department responded to concerns raised by Jeremy Rifkin, president of an organization seeking stricter government control of genetically engineered organisms.

Sales resumed after a review. Rifkin, of the Washington-based Foundation on Economic Trends, said he originally objected to licensing of the vaccine because it had not been reviewed by the Agriculture Department's Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee.

Rifkin said he then learned that animal tests of the vaccine had not been reviewed by the counterpart committee at the National Institutes of Health, an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services.

Roy Armstrong, a lawyer for the appraisal district, says the congregation was not using the building as a regular place of worship when the tax year began Jan. 1, 1985, and should not be exempt.

Armstrong said that until the church is completed and used for regular worship services, it cannot be exempt from paying taxes.

But Oswin Chrisman, a lawyer representing the church, said he has never heard of a church that has been taxed under similar circumstances.

Armstrong said the suit is unique in Dallas County and rare within the state.

"There really aren't any cases like this that have been decided under the property tax code," he said.

The new building is being used because the existing church is overcrowded. Construction began on the new church about two years ago.

The suit, filed last May, is scheduled to go to trial in July.

Ken Nolan, administrative assistant for the county appraisal district, said churches that have sought tax-exempt status on property under construction have been judged case by case.

"I guess it's going to have to come down to a (judicial) interpretation of what constitutes a place of worship, and when it becomes a place of worship," Nolan said.

Gary Nash, a member of the church's finance committee, said the Texas Supreme Court ruled in 1951 on a case involving a claim that a charity hospital in Houston did not qualify for a tax exemption because its new medical clinic was still under construction.

He said the court ruled that without the construction work, there would not be a clinic, and, therefore, the construction qualified as use of the property for charitable purposes.

DIET CORNER



Carolyn Rogers

POWERS OF THE WILL

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We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

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Louise Fletcher
Publisher

Wally Simmons
Managing Editor

Opinion

Government creates underground economy

Tut tut and all that. We read recently about three executives of a California company being charged with paying employees in cash to avoid all those meddlesome deductions like income tax, Social Security and disability insurance.

We're not about to advocate ignoring the laws. But step back from this situation for a moment. Assuming the charges to be true, which they may not be, what has transpired? A company has agreed to trade money for the labor of some workers, a transaction that has presumably left both parties to the transaction satisfied since neither has complained. Into the picture comes a third party, the government, to declare that since the transaction has not been carried out in accordance with the rules it has written, somebody must face fine or imprisonment.

Given such a situation, some arbitrary rules may have been transgressed, but has anything morally wrong occurred? Or is the aggressor in this case the third party, which wrote the rules solely in order to facilitate its own self-appointed job of extorting its own cut from the transaction.

Are rules requiring the extraction of deductions and extensive reporting written to protect the interests of employers or employees? Few people would so seriously contend. Instead, those rules are written to help the government get its cut.

Why is there such an extensive "underground economy" to keep bureaucrats and politicians puzzling over how to tap into it or stamp it out? Simply because taxation has become extortionist in character and various rules and regulations have made it extremely difficult to innovate or succeed if you go strictly "by the book."

If tax rates were reduced and regulations decreased, the bureaucrats would have few worries about the "underground economy," because very little of it would exist. When will our politicians get the message?

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Stephen Chapman

David Stockman's vision

David Stockman came to Washington to bury the welfare state but left praising it. His new memoir, *The Triumph of Politics*, tells how this fire-breathing zealot, who became director of Ronald Reagan's Office of Management and Budget in the hope of fomenting a "revolution," ended up searching for ways to pay for programs he opposed.

Despite six years as a congressional aide and four years as a congressman from Michigan, Stockman was in Washington but never of it. An ideological libertarian who profoundly distrusted government power wherever it reached, he was the antithesis of the mainstream politician.

Whatever their rhetoric, Democrats and Republicans in the capital are largely satisfied with the status quo. Stockman was not, scorning the federal government as "a lavish giveaway" that protected itself by buying off special interests with money taken from hard-working citizens.

What he proposed was "minimalist government — a spare and stingy creature which offered even-handed public justice, but no more. Its vision of the good society rested on the strength and productive potential of free men in free markets."

Stockman's efforts to achieve his vision were heroic. He assaulted a host of programs helping those who ought to help themselves — synthetic fuel subsidies, student loans, urban development grants, farm price supports, mass transit

aid. He lobbied to restrain the growth of Social Security spending. He pushed to dismantle poverty programs that had failed. He even tried to slow Reagan's military buildup.

In the end, he got only a small share of what he wanted, defeated by a president whose words were fiercer than his deeds, by Cabinet officers protecting their domains and by congressional Republicans opposed to any change that might anger voters.

But in most grand dramas, the hero has at least one grave flaw, and Stockman's was hubris. His single measure of the Reagan administration's performance became the bottom line on his budget: A surplus represented success, a deficit failure.

His central theme is that the administration is "holding the American economy hostage to a reckless, unstable fiscal policy based on the politics of high spending and the doctrine of low taxes," and that higher taxes are urgently needed.

But it was not the administration's tax cut that produced these deficits. It did little more than offset inflation and higher Social Security payroll taxes. Federal taxes, in fact, took a bigger share of national income in the last five years than in the previous five.

The real culprit was something Stockman carefully ignores — the recession of 1981-82. His own 1986 budget was more honest: It estimated the effect of that slump on this year's deficit at \$252.3 billion. This year's deficit, absent the cuts

required by Gramm-Rudman, is projected to be \$202.8 billion.

In other words, if not for a recession caused by the excessively tight monetary policy of Stockman's hero, Paul Volcker, the budget — defense buildup, domestic pork, tax cuts and all — would be in surplus. The deficit is shrinking now because of economic growth and lower interest rates that defy Stockman's warnings. They are accompanied not by inflation but by deflation.

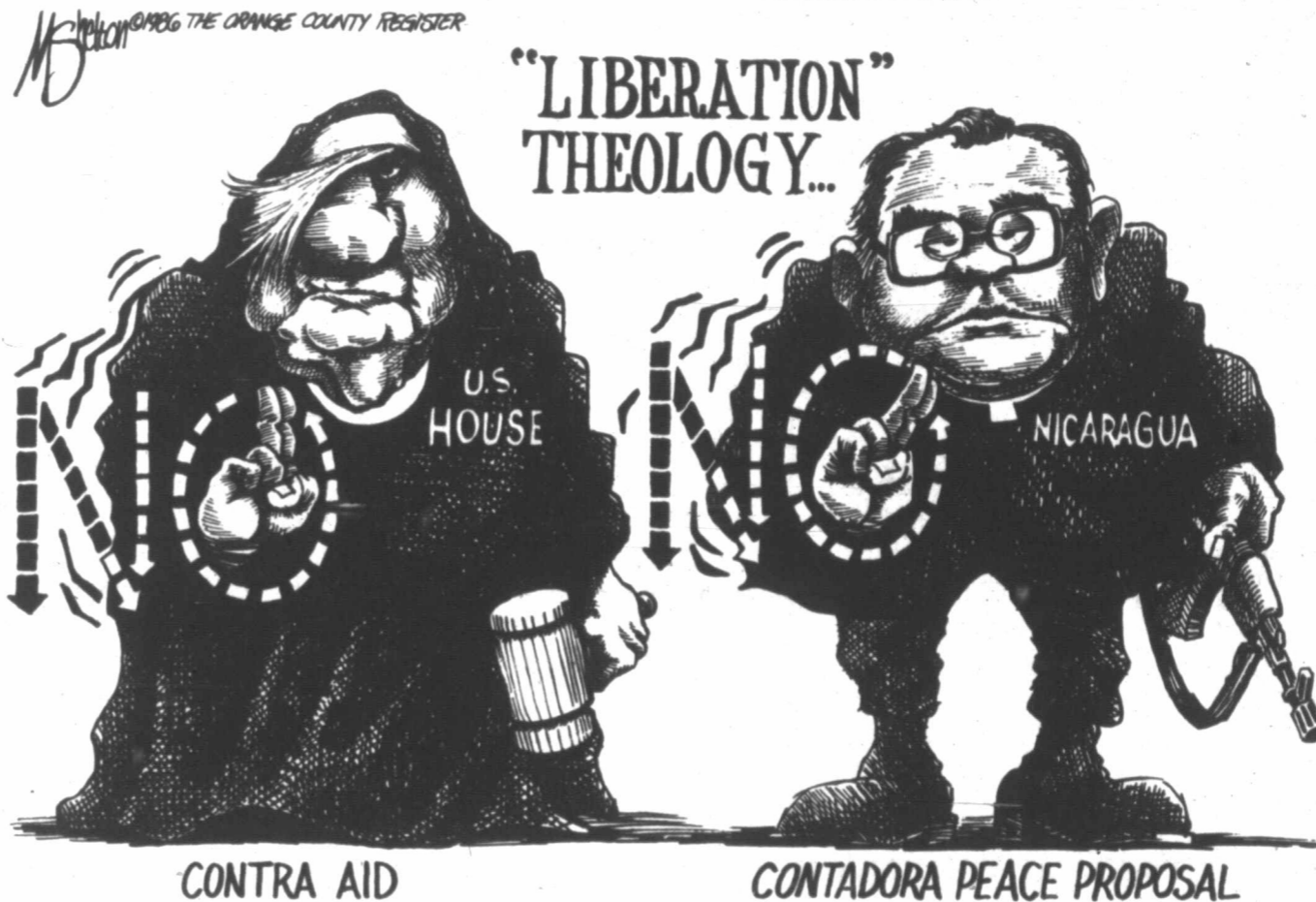
Worse than Stockman's deception is his surrender in the war on Leviathan. "We have had a tumultuous national referendum on everything in our half-trillion-dollar welfare state budget," he says, and Big Government won. What exists is what the people want.

Maybe so. But that is no reason to give up trying to change their minds. Revolutions, even peaceful ones, are rarely made overnight. Stockman's conceit is that if he alone couldn't repeal the Great Society and the New Deal in a single stint at OMB, no one can do it, ever. So he has taken a job on Wall Street, abandoning public life with "no intention of going back."

That is a shame. Stockman had no business trying to remake Reagan's economic policy, but no one ever did more to reverse the malignant expansion of the federal government. Those who share Stockman's old vision can only keep working for it, however long it takes. Come back, Dave. We need you.

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Paul Harvey

Our shield not in place

But suppose it happened this way... Suppose the red phone on the President's desk rang and a Soviet leader said, "Mister President, something we've both dreaded has happened. One of our nuclear missiles has been fired in your direction by accident. We do not yet know how it happened. I assure you it was entirely accidental..."

At the same time a hotline call from Norad confirms, our country's computers are tracking an inbound missile apparently headed for Washington, D.C. The city has 14 minutes to live.

What would our President do? At the moment, there is nothing he could do. Nothing.

We have been very lucky, you know. For all the precautions built into our nuclear power facilities, there have been some "accidents."

For all the backup systems employed by

NASA, we have had two of our manned space vehicles explode.

But for all the Soviet and American nuclear missiles on their marks, set and ready — there has been no "accident."

At this moment, two armadas of ICBMs stand poised to lift off in two minutes. The Soviet Union has 6,000 nuclear warheads. The United States has 2,000.

Neither country wants ever to launch a mutually destructive nuclear war. Such an event could occur only if collective insanity should afflict the leadership — or by accident.

Martin Anderson is a member of our President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board. He says the increased number of missiles and the need for thousands of highly trained young men and women to operate and control them lead inexorably to a greater chance of human error. The mechanism of an ICBM is awesomely complex, and many of them are getting fairly old.

The effects of age increases the chance of an accident.

If only because the Soviets have more such weapons than we — and because their past and recent record of "accidents" is unsettling — the likelihood is greatest that one of their missiles might be fired accidentally at us.

And beyond the U.S.S.R. there is the increasing ability of fanatics anywhere to steal or duplicate the technology necessary to launch an "outlaw" missile.

All of which leads to this: What those opposed insist on calling "Star Wars weapons" our President proposes as a "star shield."

We have the technology right now to intercept enemy missiles whether they are launched in anger or by accident. But the money for such a star shield has not yet been approved by Congress.

The Soviets, on the other hand, already have their shield in place.

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What do we expect from our allies?

By Don Graff

This time the Arab troublemaker had gone too far.

He had to be taught a lesson. And was, with a military assault by air, sea and land that sent him reeling.

Sounds like recent headlines doesn't it? Actually, however, it's not Libya in 1986 that I have in mind but a somewhat earlier run-in: Egypt in 1956, when the mad dog of the day was not Moammar Khadafy but Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Nasser was every bit as much of an irritant then as Khadafy is today. More so, in fact. He was the revolutionary Pied Piper of the Arab world, a threat to Western interests everywhere.

In July 1956, he nationalized the Suez Canal, then joint property of the British and French.

Enraged, they struck back. A bom-

bardment was followed by landings coordinated with an Israeli invasion of the Sinai. Allied forces quickly secured the canal's Mediterranean end and were moving south when they ran into opposition from an unexpected quarter.

The United States was furious. Hungary was in bloody revolt and Washington found itself in the contradictory position of leading the charges in the United Nations against both its chief enemy and its closest allies.

It had more luck with the latter than the former. The British and French said "uncle" and withdrew.

So why bring up this history now? The Suez Canal is not a crisis point these days. Nasser is long gone. Egypt is for the moment our best buddy among the Arabs.

Because there is something to be learned from Suez that is relevant to what's been happening in the wake of

the attack on Libya — especially the badmouthing in this country of the European allies.

The virtually universal reaction seems to be that we have been treated to shocking ingratitude. Those we liberated have refused to come to the assistance of the liberator. We didn't hear the French objecting to overflights when GIs landed on the beaches of Normandy, did we? That sort of thing.

There's a point there, of course, but it seems to me that much more important issues are being overlooked.

Such as what in the way of gratitude we should realistically expect from a Europe that was not liberated so the Nazi yoke could be replaced with an American one. The intent was to restore the freedom of the conquered nations — as many, at least, as we were able to reach. And we accomplished that.

Those nations subsequently became American allies. But they did so voluntarily, of their own free choice as sovereign, self-governing democracies. They are in no sense American satellites, compelled to march in lockstep with American policy at all times.

Would we want it any other way? This is, after all, the essence of what makes our side different from the opposition. NATO is no mirror image of the Warsaw Pact, where overflight need never concern the Soviets.

An alliance of sovereign nations is in some ways like a marriage of inconveniences, an agreement on basic interests that, if it is to endure, must be flexible enough to accommodate the differences that inevitably arise in the pursuit of those interests.

NATO has always managed to meet the test. And it has endured.

Finalists say journey to space ultimate assignment

DALLAS (AP) — Texas finalists in the journalist-in-space program view the trip as the 'ultimate news assignment' and say they are eager to try and put the experience of space travel into words.

"I really think an experience like this would go on all your life. It would shape you not only as a person, but as a writer. It's the ultimate news assignment," said Katie Sherrod, a columnist with the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Ms. Sherrod, Jim Asker of the Houston Post and Dallas-based Storer Rowley of the Chicago Tribune will be among 40 finalists nationwide. They were among 16 additional journalists named Saturday as regional nominees in the reporter in space competition.

Paul Recer, Houston Space Center correspondent for The Associated Press, is a finalist in another region that will be narrowed down later this month.

Journalists said they were not daunted by the recent failures of U.S. spacecraft, because they believe NASA will make sure the shuttle is safe before sending more people into space.

On Saturday, an unmanned rocket launched from Cape Canaveral carrying a weather satellite went out of control and was blown up by command personnel from the ground.

"It doesn't inspire tremendous confidence when several hours after you advance to the next stage of the selection process you watch NASA launch another fai-

lure, but it's an unmanned rocket," said Rowley, who covered Saturday's ill-fated launch from Washington, D.C.

"Sure it scares you, but there's going to be a long way to go before NASA launches anything else with people on it," said Rowley, a national correspondent for the Tribune covering the Southwest.

He has lived in Dallas for the past 15 months but is presently based in Washington to cover the shuttle.

Saturday's launching of the Delta rocket, the space agency's most used and most dependable booster, took on added significance because of the Jan. 28 space shuttle explosion that killed its seven crew members and the explosion of an Air Force Titan 34D rocket in California on April 18.

Ms. Sherrod, 39, said she decided at age 10 on two goals for her future: to write and to travel in space. The shuttle disaster in late January did not alter the goal that she has yet to realize.

On Saturday, she said she noticed a news story about the Delta rocket being prepared for launch and had a premonition.

"It was just as clear to me as everything that it was going to blow up," she said.

Such disasters have put NASA back almost to beginning stages in terms of testing and other precautions, she said.

"That's good if it does. If they kill any more, I think it will be the end of the space program," she said.

Asker, 33, said he thought "Oh

no, not another one," when he heard that the launch had misfired Saturday, but it did not make him reconsider his application.

"I don't want to sound like I think flying in space is like hopping a jetliner and going coast to coast. It's never going to be that way. I knew there was an element of risk when I applied," Asker said.

Rowley, 32, said although others have traveled to space and talked about their adventures, a journalist can be more of an "everyman."

"Astronauts, first of all, because of their training really have to be stoic and tight-lipped and everything's A-OK," he said.

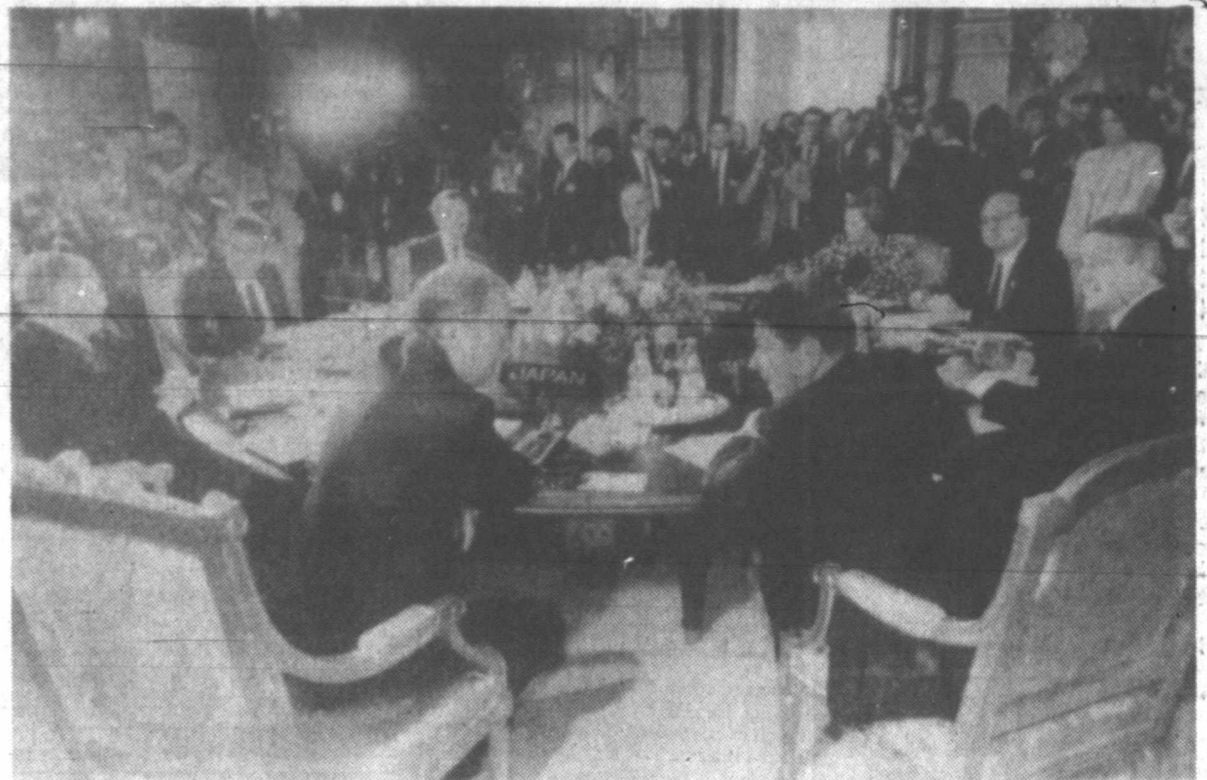
"What is it like to lie on your back in a rocket for six hours listening to your heart beat waiting to launch," he said. "There are a million and one things that haven't been told."

Asker said, "I think it's just the outstanding journalistic assignment of our time to go into space. It's a cliché to say it, but it is the final frontier."

Sixteen candidates from the north central and western regions will be announced in mid-May. The other eight — from the Southeast — were announced last month.

More than 1,700 journalists applied for the space shuttle program. This fall, the 40 will be pared to five and eventually to two, a primary and a backup journalist.

No date has been set for the mission that will carry a journalist into space.



FIRST MEETING — Heads of state sit down to their first session in the annual summit of industrialized nations Monday at the Akasaka Palace in Tokyo. Clockwise from left foreground, Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, Japan; President Francois Mitterrand, France; Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers,

Netherlands; President of the European Communities Jacques Delors; Chancellor Helmut Kohl, West Germany; Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, England; Prime Minister Bettino Craxi, Italy; Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, Canada; and President Ronald Reagan, U.S.

Summit leaders agree on steps to combat terrorism

TOKYO (AP) — Leaders of the seven industrial democracies today branded Libya a terrorist state and agreed to take steps to make it more difficult for terrorists to travel or operate in their countries.

The United States immediately hailed the landmark agreement as a victory for President Reagan, who came to Tokyo with his campaign against international terrorism at the top of his summit agenda.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz said the document sent a strong message to Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy: "You've had it, pal. You're isolated. You are recognized as a terrorist and as far as terrorists are concerned, more and more the message is — no place to hide."

The formal statement on terrorism, as well as one criticizing the Soviet Union and calling for international sharing of information about nuclear catastrophes such as the Chernobyl accident, were delayed several hours as the leaders toughened anti-terrorist language worked out by their aides overnight.

The final version of the document pledged the summit partners to clamp strict limits on diplomatic and consular offices of nations that support terrorism, restrict travel by diplomats assigned to those missions and deny entry to anyone expelled from a member country on conviction for or suspicion of terrorist acts.

Japanese Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe, meanwhile, said stringent security measures already in place to protect the

leaders were being tightened still further following the firing of five makeshift missiles, at least two of which overshot the summit's opening ceremonies Sunday and exploded harmlessly near the Canadian embassy.

Police blamed the attack on Japan's most notorious radical leftist group, the Chukaku-ha, or "Middle Core Faction," and distributed 100,000 leaflets asking citizens' cooperation in identifying "suspicious persons."

The summit statement singled out Libya for "sponsoring or supporting international terrorism." It said the allies would refuse to export arms to states which sponsor or support terrorism, and called for tougher extradition procedures.

A senior aide to President Francois Mitterrand of France, which has been outspoken in criticizing the U.S. raid against Libya, said, "France was not apart from the others despite the problems over Libya. We are completely integrated. There is absolutely no tension between France over Libya. All that is over."

U.S. sources said British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher led the move to toughen the drafts drawn up overnight. When she was handed her copy of the overnight draft, a reporter could see a cover note on it from one of her advisers calling the document "pretty weak."

Other leaders participating in the annual conference, ostensibly to discuss economic matters, are Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany and Prime Ministers Yasuhiro Nakasone of Japan and

Brian Mulroney of Canada, and Premier Bettino Craxi of Italy. The European Community sends its representatives as well.

Putting off their scheduled discussion of various economic issues, including a call for a new round of worldwide trade negotiations, the leaders worked first on the terrorism statement.

In another development, the prospects for a U.S.-Soviet summit this year appeared to improve when Mrs. Thatcher relayed a message to Reagan from Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev asking her if Reagan still seemed interested in their meeting.

"I invited him," Reagan told reporters at a reception later. "The invitation is still good."

Government finds obstacles in seeking Marcos' wealth

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A government panel is running into obstacles in its efforts to uncover "hidden wealth" left in the Philippines by Ferdinand E. Marcos.

The Commission on Good Government has confronted evasion, deception, and even gunmen hired by companies that Marcos and his associates controlled before they fled Feb. 26, according to Mary Concepcion Bautista, one of five commission members.

Marcos followers have complicated efforts of the new government to regain funds in the face of a \$26 billion foreign debt, a shrinking economy, and a first quarter budget deficit of \$9.6 billion, nearly four times larger than the 1985 estimate.

They have also slowed a more far-reaching aim to dismantle Marcos' political and economic system of rewards and punishments rooted in the Philippine economy for 20 years.

The managers of properties

owned by Marcos and his associates have "evaded us, stalled our requests, or hired armed guards to try and block us," Ms. Bautista said.

She added that since the reformist government of President Corazon Aquino took power, the panel has had to deploy police to handle armed men guarding three Marcos-related firms. She declined to identify the companies.

But the commission, which operates with a presidential mandate, has faced only evasion and threats of legal action from most managers representing the more than 30 sequestered firms, she added. So far it has found just 6 billion pesos (\$300 million) in what the commission calls Marcos' "crony assets."

"We expect to uncover much, much more," Ms. Bautista said.

The broad profile of companies netted so far reveals the powerful hold of Marcos and his associates

over the Philippine economy and the dramatic sweep of Mrs. Aquino's intended reforms.

The panel has bagged companies involved in sugar, coconuts, meat, shipbuilding, construction, travel, car dealing, mining, shipping, radio, television, newspapers; oil, import-export, and prawn farming, among others.

Commission members say, however, they will concentrate on uprooting corrupt ownership in key government agencies and agriculture, which supports the livelihood of most Filipinos.

"If the government can tear down the Marcos legacy of control and bureaucratic taxes that have strangled industry, trade, and agriculture, the Philippines could see tremendous growth," said a U.S. Embassy official, speaking on condition of anonymity because of his diplomatic status.

Lawyer says

Misdiagnosis was 'greatest thing'

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A man who was misdiagnosed as having Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome says losing his job with a prestigious law firm may have been the best thing that ever happened to him.

"Fort Worth is a small town. I was living a lie, keeping my guard up, walking a tightrope," Luis Maura Jr., 36, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in an interview from his Los Angeles office where he is deputy director of the AIDS Project Los Angeles.

"I'm grateful. In a way, it's the greatest thing that could have happened," Maura said. "I'm out of the closet, living an openly gay life. My life is not a lie."

"I'm living as a whole person, not playing games. They really did me a favor," he added.

Maura said he lost his job 14 months ago after he was incorrectly diagnosed as having AIDS. "No one except Maura admits that the diagnosis was the reason for his firing."

Maura said his firing resulted from a "witch hunt" that ended with his being told he was no longer needed the day he returned after missing work for two weeks because he was sick.

"I was really not up to fighting at the time," he said. "I had no strength. They had some valid concerns. I was ill and could not fulfill my obligations to my clients or to them."

Maura said he had been sick off and on for more than a year with chronic diarrhea, infected lymph nodes, night sweats, weight loss and thrush throat, all typical symptoms of AIDS. He was misdiagnosed as having AIDS in March, 1985 by a doctor he declined to identify.

In Los Angeles, he was rediagnosed as having toxoplasmosis, a nerve disease, and AIDS-related complex, he said. That diagnosis was made after he left Fort Worth in June.

Maura still owns a home in Bedford, a Fort Worth suburb, but says he would never consider moving back to Texas.

"There's no way I would go back to Texas," he said. "There is not the compassion or the empathy that there is here, not even in Houston and Dallas, which have the largest gay communities."

"Life in LA is different," Maura said. "There is a community aspect to it that is impossible in Texas. I have some good friends there (in Texas) and some great memories from there, but I didn't really live there."

He said most of his friends and associates changed after they discovered he had been diagnosed as having AIDS.

"I don't think I changed. I was still the same person," he said. "I lived my life same, but I was treated totally differently."

Maura declined to identify the law firm he worked for in Fort Worth. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Sunday that the Texas Legal Directory still lists him as being with the McDo-

nald, Sanders, Ginsburg, Maddox, Newkirk and Day firm.

Rick Sorenson, an attorney with the firm, confirmed that Maura had worked there, but was no longer with them.

"We don't like to comment about the termination of any employee," Sorenson said. "There are usually multiple factors involved."

Since going to Los Angeles, Maura has worked with the AIDS Project LA, first as a volunteer worker and now as a paid executive.

AIDS Project Los Angeles is a non-profit organization with 47 employees and more than 700 volunteers who work with people who have AIDS, their families, lovers and friends.

"I mostly do legal screening and refer people to a panel of about 25 (volunteer) attorneys who work with us at the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center," Maura said.

"Issues primarily involve discrimination in housing and employment with real fine lines, the same situation as mine," Maura said. "Most cases are settled."

U.S. companies ordered to end Libyan operations

TOKYO (AP) — U.S. oil companies still in Libya are being told to shut down their operations and leave the country by the end of June, the Reagan administration said today.

"They've had their transition period," Robert Oakley, who heads the State Department's anti-terrorism office, said.

Five U.S. companies still operate in Libya despite President Reagan's February edict ordering all Americans out that country.

The administration gave the oil companies, and another six oil-related service firms, special licenses to remain in business so that they could phase out operations and sell off their assets. Those licenses, which expire

June 30, will not be renewed, Oakley and other administration officials said.

Noting concerns that requiring the companies to walk away from their holdings abruptly could have given Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy a windfall of up to \$1 billion in assets, Secretary of State George Shultz told a news conference:

"The only reason they are there is that we wanted to do everything we could without handing Khadafy a windfall. But they will be out one way or another."

The five U.S. oil companies with operations in Libya are Conoco, W.R. Grace, Amerada Hess, Marathon and Occidental.

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- 1 Gun type
- 5 Today
- 8 Warrant
- 12 French river
- 13 Silkworm
- 14 Cry of pain
- 15 Chooses
- 16 Conquered
- 17 Biblical prophet
- 18 Boil
- 20 Made of coarse fabric
- 22 Celtic sea deity
- 23 Play by _____
- 24 More slippery
- 27 Bob
- 28 Egg drink
- 31 Negatives
- 32 Sorrows
- 33 Company (Fr. abbr.)
- 34 Negative prefix
- 35 Travel
- 36 Insect
- 37 Swift aircraft (abbr.)
- 38 Snaky letter
- 39 Permeates with liquid
- 41 Allow
- 42 Month (abbr.)
- 43 Writer
- 46 Spain and Portugal
- 50 Infirm
- 51 Engine speed (abbr.)
- 53 Bulb
- 54 Egg on
- 55 Tail tales
- 56 Ancient musical instrument
- 57 Bewail
- 58 Indeed
- 59 Affirmations

DOWN

- 1 Scornful sounds
- 2 Mature

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 39 Sign of sorrow
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WE HAVE TO PUT A TIGHTER CAP ON DEFENSE SPENDING.

MEANING NO OFFENSE, MR SECRETARY

By Howie Schneider

B.C.

WHAT'S TODAY, JOHN?

A.....
...UM...

TUNE IN TOMORROW FOR JOHN'S ANSWER.

MAY DAY!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

...YOU MAKE ME HYPER...

By Johnny Hart

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

Your possibilities for personal accumulation will be better in the year ahead than they have been for quite some time. Although you will increase in material worth, you are also apt to be more extravagant.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You might be the recipient of a surprise gift today. An impulsive, generous pal may give you something you've always wanted but never hoped to receive. Is there romance in your future? To find out what's in store for you, get your Astro-Graph for the year following your birthday. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Doing things on your own has its merits, but today you'll have more fun being part of a group. Stir up something with companions you truly enjoy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not be hesitant to experiment with new tactics today if you feel they can help further your ambitions. You can be quite ingenious if you put your mind to it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Quick thinking on your behalf will extricate you from a tight spot today. But don't make a habit of waiting until the chips are down before you act.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Victory comes through persistence today, so don't be too eager to toss in the towel. When things look their darkest, favorable changes will occur.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An associate who is seldom in accord with your suggestions may surprise you today when he throws his full support behind a cause you're espousing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Funds will suddenly become available for something you've been wanting to do but thought was too expensive. Watch for a windfall.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today's most enjoyable events will be impromptu ones. Keep your schedule flexible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today you may be unduly concerned about the outcome of an event. You're likely to see yourself as the underdog when, in reality, the opposite is true.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll get a hopeful piece of news shortly about an enterprise you've recently become involved in.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This should be a rather fortunate day for you materialistically. You'll not be overlooked if anything is to be split up or given away.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're likely to do better than usual in competition today, whether it be sports, commerce or romance. In fact, you could win in all three.

MARVIN

...WON'T YOU BE...♪

...PLEASE, WON'T YOU BE...♪

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MARMADUKE

"I wish we could set up a big double bed in his doghouse."

KIT N' CARLYLE

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By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

IF I REALLY AM THE GRAND WIZARD, ABOUT TO APPOINT A NEW KING, IT WON'T HURT TO DOUBLE CHECK!

HELLO, THERE! MIND IF I ASK YOU FELLAS A QUESTION?

I'LL BET YOU WANTA KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING, DON'TCHA WIZER?

...WELL, HE'S REPLACING GULZ'S NAME WITH KOOGIES!

I FIGURED I MIGHT AS WELL DO IT NOW, SINCE HE'LL BE OUR NEW KING PRETTY SOON!

ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTA KNOW? YOU'VE COVERED EVERYTHING!

NO...I THINK YOU'VE COVERED EVERYTHING!

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IT CAME TO HIM IN A FLASH!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"Somebody let me know when PJ spills his milk."

By Bill Keane

WINTHROP

I BET YOU CAN'T GUESS WHO'S BACK HERE.

MARY LOU? JENNIFER? SUZANNE?

CINDY? DIANA? CASSIE? LISA? DEBBIE? HEATHER? ANNEMARIE? VICTORIA?

I WISH I DIDN'T HAVE SUCH A HIGH VOICE.

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TUMBLEWEEDS

GO EPIC! TAKE OFF! BURN THE WIND!

LOOK, I KNOW YOU'RE UNHAPPY ABOUT NOT RUNNING IN THE KENTUCKY DERBY AGAIN THIS YEAR, BUT LIFE MUST GO ON!

YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS.

BLUBBER-SNIFF-SOB-CHOKE

By T.K. Ryan

THE BORN LOSER

...AND THIS IS A SHOT I TOOK THAT I'M PARTICULARLY PROUD OF!

WHAT A SHAME... A SHAME?

THAT THE WEATHER HAD TO BE SO UNPLEASANT.

By Art Sansom

FRANK AND ERNEST

MY CAR HORN STUCK WHILE I WAS FOLLOWING A GROUP OF HELL'S ANGELS ON THE EXPRESSWAY.

By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS

25 WHEN CHILDREN ARE PRESENT

I NEVER REALIZED WE HAD SO MUCH INFLUENCE..

By Charles M. Schultz

GARFIELD

OH-NO! MY BEST CHINA!

CRASH!

LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE, JON

YOUR 64-PIECE SET IS NOW A 3000-PIECE SET

By Jim Davis

LIFESTYLES

Woman crafts glass Sesquicentennial quilt

BRAZORIA, Texas (AP) — Carolyn Hubenak laces her fingers around a piece of stained glass, listening to the discussion around the quilting table.

"Is this green a tree?" asks another woman at the table, Karen West.

No, the response comes. "Good, because I don't like it," Ms. West says with a chuckle.

The mood in the quilting room this sultry evening is relaxed. The five women here have met twice a month since October on an unusual quilt to commemorate the Texas Sesquicentennial.

Assisted by Brazoria stained glass craftswoman Linda Smith, Ms. Hubenak, Ms. West, Patsy Martin, Patricia Matthews and Jaunelle Collier are spending their same countless hours their grandmothers and great-grandmothers did on the quilt.

Their quilting room is Ms. Smith's garage in Old Town Brazoria, and they are using stained glass instead of cloth. These women want a lasting artwork to honor their foremothers.

"The quilt was functional and it was art," Ms. Hubenak says of the group's choice of medium. "We thought of stained glass as being a contemporary quilt."

Right now, the quilt lies in its 50-by-30-inch frame on a work table. Once finished, it will rest in a freestanding frame, much like a standing mirror.

The women, who know each

other through their jobs with the Columbia-Brazoria Independent School District, hope to show the work all over Brazoria County and possibly as far away as Austin.

Each of the 15 square panels on the quilt symbolizes different aspects of women's roles in Texas history.

In an effort to avoid such standards as yellow roses and oak trees in the quilt's panels, the group is using symbolic imagery.

A light blue bonnet, the variety one wears, is one of only a few Texas stereotypes used, but some in the group say its place on the quilt still may change.

"The quilt is a symbol of Texas culture, a mixture that makes a pattern," West says. The tips of green stars border the multicolored patchwork, a single courtesy to the indelible image of the Lone Star.

"We're coming from the standpoint that many women who may not be named in history books have had a part in history," Ms. Martin explains. A pair of gloves given to Ms. Martin as an heirloom will occupy one panel on the quilt, but that's as close to specifying a historical person as it gets.

The idea for the group came from Ms. Hubenak, who wanted to create some kind of art about women.

"So much of Texas history is about battles and male leaders,"

Ms. Hubenak says. "You never see stories about women."

So they set out to create a portrait of Texas women, from its earliest settlers to today's astronauts.

The group knew of Ms. Smith's stained glass work, and agreed to pay her \$1,300 for her participation, a giveaway when one considers the innumerable hours Ms. Smith will have spent on the quilt before its completion.

But work with this group is hardly laborious. The quilters are frank with each other, but very cooperative and open to suggestions, Ms. Smith says.

The green glass Ms. West asked about earlier is from a panel of a magnolia tree. The women see it as a symbol of Texas' varied culture. Inscribed on the trunk of the tree are the initials "G.T.T.," for Gone To Texas.

As the quilters tell it, pioneers from Georgia, Tennessee and other southern states left the acronyms on the front doors of their native homes upon their departure for the West.

Another panel shows bread and roses in what some in the group call a labor theme. The bread suggests women have always worked to feed their families. The roses express the desire to retain feminine qualities in the midst of the workday world.

At their initial semimonthly meetings last fall, the group brainstormed to come up with the qualities they believed caused women and their families to sur-



GLASS QUILT — Contemplating the color of a stained glass panel are, left to right, Carolyn Hubenak, Karen West, artist Linda Smith, Patricia Matthews and Patsy Mar-

tin. The women work twice a month on the glass quilt commemorating women's role in Texas history. (AP Laserphoto)

and ultimately succeed. Hard work, adaptability and caring were among the characteristics they chose.

The project has required many hours of deliberating the color and character of each piece of glass in the quilt.

And just as their foremothers found quilting an opportunity to exchange ideas, these quilters

discuss artist Judy Chicago's influence on them. Her work, "The Dinner Party," which was exhibited in Clear Lake in 1980, depicts 39 women in Texas history sitting around a table.

"It reminded me of this," Ms. Hubenak says.

The work has a June 1 completion deadline, but members of the group refuse to rush themselves.

They will continue to meet in Ms. Smith's garage until each quilter is happy with the project.

Once on display, a narrative written by West will help the public to understand the significance of the panels. But the narrative is only a starting point.

"Every panel ... will help people look to see their own symbolism," Ms. West said.



Dear Abby

Operation Dear Abby now covers both land and sea

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: First I received this letter on Jan. 10, 1986:

DEAR ABBY: My name is Clark Stephens. I'm 20, from Woodstock, Ga., and am now serving in the U.S. Navy aboard a guided missile cruiser.

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Abby, my shipmates and I would appreciate it if you would ask the folks back home to write to us. We get a lot of satisfaction from doing our jobs well, but mail from your readers would be the icing on the cake. Thank you. Sincerely, RM3 CLARK STEPHENS

My reply, Feb. 12, 1986:

DEAR CLARK: I would like to help you and your shipmates, but I have been informed (unofficially) that your mail is delivered by helicopter, and the U.S. Navy may frown on handling the large volume of mail you'd probably get were I to ask my readers to cheer up a lot of lonely U.S. Navy men.

However, if you can get clearance from your commanding officer, I'll include you in Operation Dear Abby.

Finally, on March 3, 1986:

From: Commanding Officer, USS BIDDLE (CG34)
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Subj: "DEAR ABBY" LETTER, dated Feb. 12, 1986
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Encl: (1) Photocopy of your letter, dated Feb. 12, 1986
(2) "Dear Abby" letter from RM3 Clark Stephens
1. In accordance with Reference (a), Enclosure (2) is authorized for publication. Very respectfully,
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By direction

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Smart Money

DEAR BRUCE — Twelve years ago, I purchased some vacant land in New York State as an investment. I purchased it from a corporation for cash and a note, and the note was assigned to a bank, to which I sent my payments. I held the land under contract of sale, which means that title to the land was to remain in the seller's name until the payments were completed.

Upon completion of my payments, I requested a release of the lien placed by the corporation on my land. It now seems that the corporation never recorded the satisfaction, and I need the land under contract of sale....

The corporation is now dissolved, and the whereabouts of its officers are unknown. How can I get this lien removed? — T.B., SHARON, PA.

DEAR T.B. — My regular readers know that I believe in using experts in all land transactions, and that means an attorney. If you were represented by an attorney when the property was purchased, I would contact this attorney, assuming the attorney is still alive and practicing, and ask for his or her assistance.

If you were not represented by an attorney (or if the one you were represented by is not available), it will be necessary to engage an attorney to help you clear the title.

When it comes to procedures for removing a lien such as you've described, state laws vary considerably, but this is never a job for a layman. And since it can be a time-consuming procedure, I suggest that you pursue it with all possible speed.

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SPORTS SCENE

Determined Dallas turns the heat on Lakers

Aguirre's 39 helps Mavericks tie series at 2-2

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks say they believe they'll be the team to keep the Los Angeles Lakers from successfully defending their NBA championship.

"We should be ahead three games to one," Dallas Coach Dick Motta said Sunday after the Mavs rode Mark Aguirre's 39 points to a 120-118 victory.

"We're into this series up to our necks now, and it would be a big disappointment if we don't win," added Rolando Blackman, who had 28 points for Dallas.

With the best-of-seven NBA Western Conference semifinal series even at two games apiece, the Mavericks travel back to the Forum in Los Angeles for Game 5 on Tuesday night. The Mavs have never beaten the Lakers in a playoff game at Los Angeles.

"We've played well enough to win three games," Motta said. "Now it's a three-game series, and they still have the homecourt advantage. We can puff out our chests all we want to, but we still have to prove ourselves on our court."

In other NBA playoffs action Sunday, the Denver Nuggets won their second straight home game 114-111 in overtime to even their series with the Houston Rockets at 2-2, while the Atlanta Hawks beat Boston 106-94 to keep their series alive at 3-1.

Milwaukee travels to Philadelphia tonight, trailing 2-1, while Tuesday it's Atlanta at Boston, Denver at Houston and Dallas at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles Coach Pat Riley didn't appear worried that the Lakers will join a long list of teams who have failed to defend their title. A team hasn't done it since the 1968-69 Boston Celtics.

"I thought we played well, but they played better," Riley said. "Mark is a great streak shooter. We trapped him three different ways to stop him, but couldn't. That's one of the great performances by him I've seen."

"We're OK. We've been here before. We've been in front, behind. We won't have any problems getting ready for Tuesday."

Aguirre, who scored 21 points in the first quarter, hit what proved to be the game-winning shot with 38 seconds to play. It gave Dallas a four-point lead.

Byron Scott made two free throws, and the Mavs let the 24-second clock expire without a shot.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, playing a record 173rd NBA playoff game, then missed his patented skyhook from the baseline at the buzzer.

"Kareem will hit that shot seven of eight times," Earvin "Magic" Johnson said. "I never thought we'd go back to LA with the series tied."

Motta said, "If you look at the films, you will see that Kareem's final shot was way out of his range."

Dallas center James Donaldson said, "Everyone in the building knew the ball was going to come to Kareem. I just bumped him off his range."

Abdul-Jabbar, who had 33 points, said "Mark Aguirre was Dallas' missing link. He was simply great. I don't know if Dallas can play any better. I sort of fumbled the ball before the last shot and didn't have it in my hands right."

Aguirre said, "I just kept telling myself to be aggressive. I don't think anyone can stop me one-on-one."

"I expect us to go to LA and play even better," said Dallas guard Derek Harper. "I think LA realizes now we can play with them. But we've done worlds for our confidence."

Dallas shot 59 per cent from the field to 53 per cent for the Lakers, who outrebounded them 38-28.

"It was one of the best perimeter shooting games I've ever seen," said Riley. "We're going to have to make some adjustments out on the perimeter. However, it spreads your defense out when they're dropping baskets from 22 to 23 feet."

Riley lamented the Lakers' lack of killer instinct.

"We're a veteran club and should be putting teams away," he said.

Scott said, "We didn't expect to sweep them, but we are disappointed we didn't get a split here."

Motta had predicted on Saturday that the Lakers might not repeat as world champions.

"The Lakers probably aren't going to win the world championship," Motta said. "Somebody is going to beat them along the way ... so it might as well be us as anybody else who beats 'em."

The Dallas victory assured at least a sixth game in the series at raucous Reunion Arena on Thursday night.

Hawks 106, Celtics 94

Dominique Wilkins scored 37 points and 5-foot-7 Spud Webb added 21 points and 12 assists as Atlanta beat Boston for the first time in 10 meetings this season.

Wilkins scored 10 straight points during one stretch of the third quarter, giving the Hawks a 70-62 lead they never lost. The Celtics got within 90-87 with 4½ minutes left in the game, but a three-point play by Glenn Rivers started a 12-2 streak that sent the Hawks out of reach.

To win the series the Hawks must win twice at Boston Garden. The Celtics have won 35 straight at home since December.

Boston stayed close for most of the game despite hitting only 34 percent from the field, including 5-for-19 for Larry Bird, who finished with 20 points. Kevin McHale led the Celtics with 26.

Nuggets 114, Rockets 111

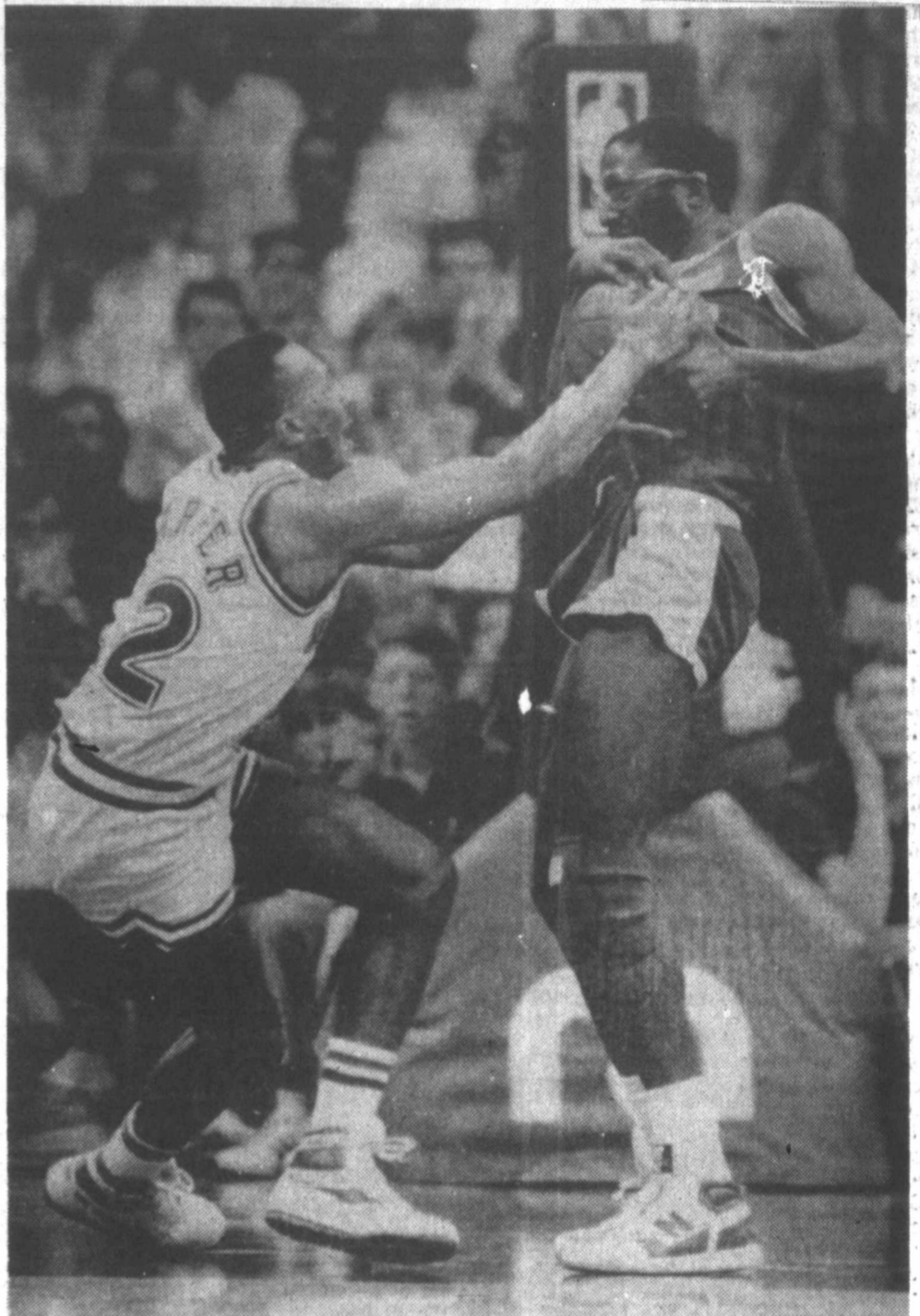
Alex English scored six of his 28 points in overtime, and Lafayette Lever and T.R. Dunn hit key free throws down the stretch for Denver against Houston.

"I think sometimes people don't realize how good this team can be," English said, "but today we showed everyone. When a team plays that hard for that long like we did today, you just know you're going to be in it at the end."

A free throw by Robert Reid with 1:31 left put the Rockets ahead 111-108, but Houston didn't score again while Denver got its final six points on free throws. English hit two with 1:19 remaining and Lever added two more with 1:02 left, giving Denver its first lead since early in the third quarter.

Dunn, fouled after Reid missed a jumper, made both free throws with six seconds remaining to complete the scoring.

Ralph Sampson, whose 15 third-quarter points had put Houston ahead, had 28 points and 13 rebounds.



Dallas guard Derek Harper (12) struggles for the ball with the Lakers' James Worthy during the Mavericks' 120-118 win Sunday.

Norman pockets \$207,000 for Las Vegas tourney win

By BOB GREEN
AP Golf Writer

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Greg Norman became almost testy when someone suggested that his

\$207,000 check and a record-matching victory may atone for his loss in the Masters.

"Nothing will ever make up for it," the Australian said, leaning forward in his chair.

"Even if I win the next 20 tournaments, that won't make up for it. When you've lost, you've lost. It's gone. It's history," he said.

"I'd dearly love to have the

green jacket (which goes to the winner of the Masters).

"But it's nice to be able to come back in the next few weeks and win again. It takes away a little of the bitterness," said Norman, who lost to Jack Nicklaus by a single stroke in the Masters, and by one to Fuzzy Zoeller in the Heritage in his last two starts.

Those losses, he said were on his mind when he teed off Sunday in the final round of the 5-day, 90-hole Panasonic Las Vegas Invitational, with \$1,150,000 in prize money the richest tournament on the PGA Tour.

"You don't want to think like that (about the losses), but it's

there in the back of your mind," Norman said.

But he quickly erased any thoughts of victory from the minds of would-be challengers. The Australian known as "the Great White Shark" birdied two of the first four holes, increased his lead to four shots and then took it out of doubt with a burst of four consecutive birdies beginning on the eighth hole.

"That's it, boys. You'll have to go hard to catch me," Norman said.

No one even came close. From the lead, Norman shot a 7-under-par 65 over the last 18 holes at the Las Vegas Country

Club and won by seven strokes, matching the largest margin on the Tour this year.

His 333 total for the week — which included two eagles, 34 birdies and 11 bogeys — tied the Tour record for 90 holes and, at 27 under par, equaled the most strokes below par ever shot.

Dan Pohl finished a distant second at 69-340. He won \$124,200.

Former U.S. Open and PGA champion Larry Nelson, with a closing 69, and Steve Pate, with a 67 in the gusty winds, were another shot back at 341. Each earned \$66,700. Don Pooley, 67, and Andy Bean, 68, were next at 342. Each won \$43,700.

Virgina Slims of Houston underway

HOUSTON (AP) — Chris Evert Lloyd will put her record of winning consecutive titles on clay tennis courts on the line when she competes in the \$150,000 Virginia Slims of Houston tournament this week.

Lloyd lost her last outing on clay to Steffi Graf, the West German teen-ager, in the finals of the Hilton Head 1986 Family Circle Cup last month.

Lloyd, 31, ranked No. 2 in the world, is the top seed of the 32-player field in the tournament which starts today. She won the tournament in 1974 and 1975.

"Chris lost to Martina (Navratilova) here in 1976," said tournament chairwoman Jeannie Kocian. "And that was the last time she played here until this year." Navratilova, ranked No. 1 in the world, is skipping this year's event.

The tournament at the Westside Tennis Club begins Monday. Finals are set for Sunday afternoon. Lloyd and Anne Smith, 26, are expected to play in first-

round action Tuesday evening.

Smith, a former All-America player at Trinity University in San Antonio, is one of the tour's top doubles players, having won seven Grand Slam doubles titles.

Seeded second in the tournament is 19-year-old Kathy Rinaldi. The third seed is Zina Garrison, 22, of Houston.

The fourth seed is 26-year-old Kathy Jordan, while the fifth seed is Wendy Turnbull, 33, of Australia. The other seeds are White, 24, Kate Gompert, 23, and Elise Burgin, 24.

Rinaldi will face veteran Candy Reynolds in her first-round match and Garrison is scheduled to meet Australia's Elizabeth Smylie. Gompert, a former All-American at Stanford, will play current Southern Cal All-American Caroline Kuhlman in the first round.

Burgin, last year's runner-up to Navratilova, will play Houston's Lori McNeil in the opening round.

Other first-round matches will

pit Jordan against Beth Herr, Turnbull against Molly Van Nostrand, and Anne White against Wendy White.

Pampa banquet

Pampa High athletes will be honored with an athletic banquet at 6:30 p.m. tonight in M.K. Brown Auditorium. Athletes will receive awards in football, basketball, baseball, track, tennis, golf, volleyball and swimming.

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Canyon Rodeo Results

CANYON — Canadian's Shawn Wright won barebacks and finished second in steer wrestling as he captured best all-around cowboy honors during Tri-State high school action here Sunday.

Wheeler's Drew Thomas won ribbon roping and took fourth in steer wrestling. Darren York of Wheeler County took third in calf roping, while Pampa's Shawn Johnson placed fifth.

Chance Laney of Pampa took third in steer wrestling, while Canadian's Denny McLanahan and Elbie Wilson placed second and third in barebacks. Canadian's Kelly Wright placed fifth in bulls.

Brandy Lynch of Canadian took second in barrels, ahead of Wheeler's third place Lisa Maddox and Pampa's fifth place Leslie Leggett, who also took fourth in poles and third in goat tying.

Pampa's Amie Green placed fourth in that event, and Wheeler's Jackie Barnard placed fifth. Barnard took second in poles and third in breakaway roping.

Beau Baer, Umas, 24; Elbie Wilson, Canadian, 33.

Calf roping: 1. Randy Tivis, Clovis, 18.83; 2. Paul Rush, Southland, 12.23; 3. Darren York, Wheeler County, 12.71; 4. Kyle Dudley, Perryton, 13.40; 5. Shawn Johnson, Pampa, 13.78; 6. Blane Chapman, Lubbock, 14.66.

Ribbon roping: 1. Drew Thomas, Wheeler County, 7.01; 2. Clint Cornell, Canyon, 7.40; 3. Randy Tivis, Clovis, 10.85; 4. Paul Rush, Southland, 10.97; 5. Kory Konz, Amherst, 10.99; 6. Sour Gray, Guymon, 11.19.

Steer wrestling: 1. Carl Cluck, Stratford, 4.79; 2. Shawn Wright, 5.49; 3. Chance Laney, Pampa, 6.47; 4. Drew Thomas, Wheeler County, 8.75; 5. Darren Coffman, Canyon, 9.74; 6. Sour Gray, Guymon, 9.92.

Team roping: 1. Roy Torango, Hereford-Pat Gomez, McLean, 8.51; 2. Dentry Coulter-Lee, McCasland, Wheeler County, 12.41; 3. Sour Gray-Joni Lindsey, Guymon, 12.46; 4. Randy Martin-Larry Trimble, Wheeler County, 12.49; 5. Clint Cornell-Jeff Adams, Canyon, 17.50; 6. Shawn Franklin, Clovis-Jimmy Uptergrove, Clarendon, 17.83.

Bulls: 1. (tie) Shannon Buckner, River Road, 59; Jeff Mills, Clarendon, 59; 3. Johnnie Moffitt, Canyon, 57; 4. Brad Shadle, Clarendon, 52; 5. Kelly Wright, Canadian, 52.

Breakaway roping: 1. Shelley Franklin, Clovis, 4.81; 2. Melanie Hubbard, Claude, 6.54; 3. Jackie Barnard, Wheeler County, 6.67; 4. Renee Johnson, Tascosa, 6.68; 5. Julie Thompson, Channing, 6.93; 6. Jamie Stephens, River Road, 6.29.

Barrels: 1. Jana Johnson, Hereford, 18.34; 2. Brandy Lynch, Canadian, 18.92; 3. Lisa Maddox, Wheeler County, 18.90; 4. Callie Smith, Umas, 19.20; 5. Leslie Leggett, Pampa, 19.24; 6. Shelley Franklin, Clovis, 19.28.

Poles: 1. Jane Templar, Tascosa, 20.99; 2. Jackie Barnard, Wheeler County, 20.95; 3. Stacy Funk, Canyon, 21.07; 4. Leslie Leggett, Pampa, 21.40; 5. Callie Smith, Umas, 21.51; 6. Julie Thompson, Channing, 21.64.

Goat tying: 1. Jane Templar, Tascosa, 10.19; 2. Jana Johnson, Hereford, 10.52; 3. Leslie Leggett, Pampa, 10.91; 4. Amie Green, Pampa, 11.07; 5. Jackie Barnard, Wheeler County, 11.97; 6. Jacinda Stockett, Happy, 11.98.

All-around boy: 1. Shawn Wright, Canadian, 11.

High Point Boy's Team: Canadian, 215. All-around girl: Jane Templar, Tascosa, 12. High Point Girl's Team: Wheeler County & Tascosa, 15.

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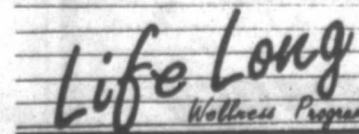


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Cleveland on uprising as Reds sink deeper

Beat the drums; surprising Indians ambush first place

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

Chief Wahoo, start beating those war drums. The Tribe is in first place.

The Cleveland Indians, led by Brook Jacoby's hot bat, zoomed into the top spot in the American League East Sunday with their seventh straight victory, a 6-4 triumph in 10 innings over the Chicago White Sox.

"To be realistic, no, I didn't think we'd be in first place," Cleveland Manager Pat Corrales admitted. "But we have a long way to go and a lot of games to play."

Cleveland is not leading by much, only 11 percentage points over the second-place New York Yankees. But for now, that's enough for the Indians, who went 60-102 last year and have not been in first place this late in the season since May 17, 1981.

Tonight, the 14-8 Indians play Kansas City in the opener of an eight-game homestand. That

ball over seven shutout innings, and Angel Salazar sparked a 17-hit attack by driving home five runs that led Kansas City over Baltimore.

Leonard, 3-2, lowered his earned run average to 0.73, and has allowed only three earned runs in five starts. Leonard was facing the Orioles for the first time since hurting his knee against them in May 1983, an injury that almost finished his career.

Blue Jays 3, Mariners 2
Willie Upshaw barely beat out an infield single with the bases loaded and two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning, lifting Toronto over visiting Seattle.

Rangers 4, Yankees 3
Larry Parrish singled home the tiebreaking run in the eighth inning, and Texas hung on to beat Ron Guidry and New York.

Don Mattingly, who had an RBI single in the first inning, hit a two-run homer in the seventh that had pulled the Yankees even at 3-3.

Tigers 4, Twins 1
Frank Tanana kept pitching well for Detroit, going 8 2-3 in innings before Willie Hernandez finished up for his sixth save.

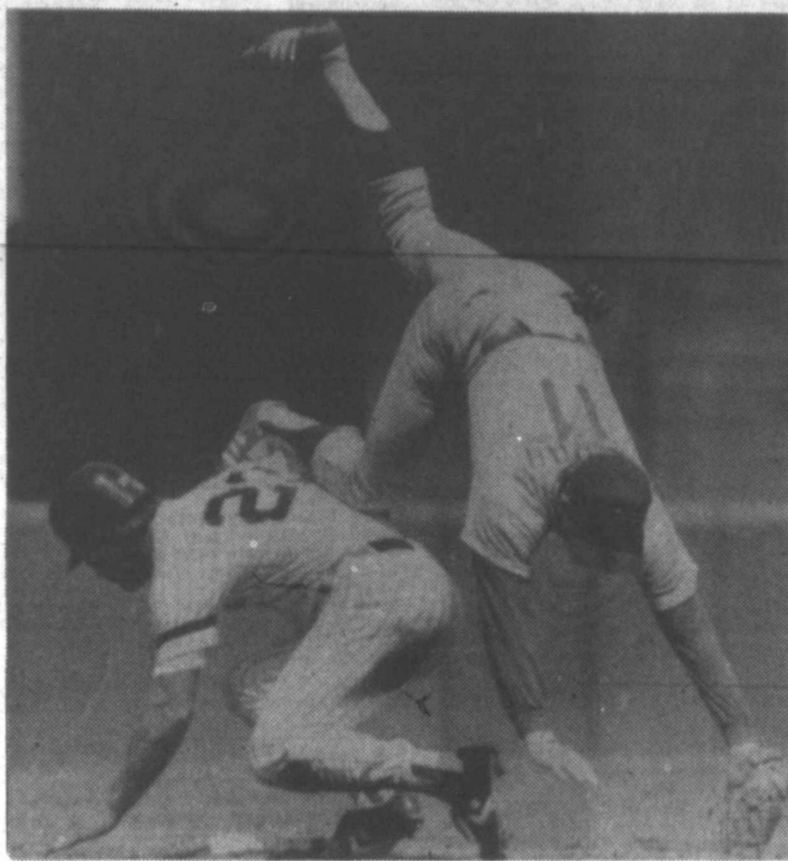
Tanana, 4-1, held visiting Minnesota hitless until Tim Lauer singled leading off the fifth. Tanana wound up allowing six hits, none of them to Kirby Puckett, who went 0-for-4 and had his 16-game hitting streak ended.

Brewers 5, Angels 3
Billy Jo Robidoux's RBI single broke a 2-2 tie in the sixth inning, and Rob Deer then hit a two-run homer that carried Milwaukee past California.

Winner Ted Higuera, 4-1, yielded a fourth-inning home run to George Hendrick — his 100th homer in the AL and 250th overall — and a home run to rookie Wally Joyner leading off the eighth.

AL Leaders

BATTING (50 at bats)—O'Brien, Texas, .410; Yount, Milwaukee, .381; Puckett, Minnesota, .376; Allison, Cleveland, .375; Reardon, California, .373.
RUNS—Puckett, Minnesota, 27; Hernandez, New York, 22; Downing, California, 20; Joyner, California, 20; O'Brien, Texas, 20.
RBI—Mattingly, New York, 25; Canseco, Oakland, 23; Downing, California, 22; Puckett, Minnesota, 22; 5 are tied with 18.
HITS—Puckett, Minnesota, 41; Joyner, California, 35; Jacoby, Cleveland, 32; Moseby, Toronto, 32; O'Brien, Texas, 32; Yount, Milwaukee, 32.



HEADS UP? — Texas second baseman Toby Harrah tumbles over the Yankees Don Mattingly Sunday during the Rangers' 4-3 win. (AP Laserphoto)

Mets go to 16-4 at expense of badly slumping Cincinnati

By KEN RAPPOPORT
AP Sports Writer

Those losses continue to pile up for the Cincinnati Reds... and the New York Mets aren't helping any.

"We've played good, hard baseball," said second baseman Wally Backman, who had a two singles and a pair of doubles in Sunday's 7-2 rout of the Reds that swept their three-game series. "I think the other ballclubs knew we were a good club, but we've turned some heads."

While the Mets have turned some heads with their 16-4 start, best in the club's history, the Reds have raised some eyebrows by losing 12 of their last 13 for a

walked three. The only Atlanta run came on Terry Harper's seventh-inning homer. Joe Johnson, 3-2, took the loss.

Expos 7, Astros 6
Houston first baseman Glenn Davis bobbled Al Newman's grounder in the ninth, allowing Andres Galarraga to score Montreal's winning run from third base.

Galarraga led off the ninth with a double off Dave Smith, 0-1, and took third on Tim Wallach's infield single. Newman then chopped a 2-2 pitch which Davis couldn't handle.

The Astros wasted a grand slam by Terry Puhl in the third inning.

Cardinals 3, Dodgers 1
Bob Forsch and three relievers combined on a three-hitter and Mike LaValliere and Orzle Smith singled in third-inning runs to lead St. Louis over Los Angeles, snapping the Dodgers' seven-game winning streak.

Forsch, 2-1, struck out three and did not allow a hit after Mike Scioscia's two-out single in the fourth inning. But the veteran right-hander left the game with one out in the seventh after issuing three consecutive walks.

Pirates 5, Padres 2
Jim Morrison's two-out homer started a three-run ninth-inning rally that led the Pirates over the Padres and extended their winning streak to four games.

The loss was the third straight for the Padres, who have now had 18 one-run decisions in 25 games, winning 10.

Giants 2-2, Cubs 1-1
Chris Brown's sacrifice fly with one out in the bottom of the 10th inning lifted San Francisco over Chicago in the first game of a doubleheader.

Mike LaCoss, 2-0, got the victory with a five-hitter and loser Rick Sutcliffe, 1-4, also allowed just four hits in his first complete game since last June.

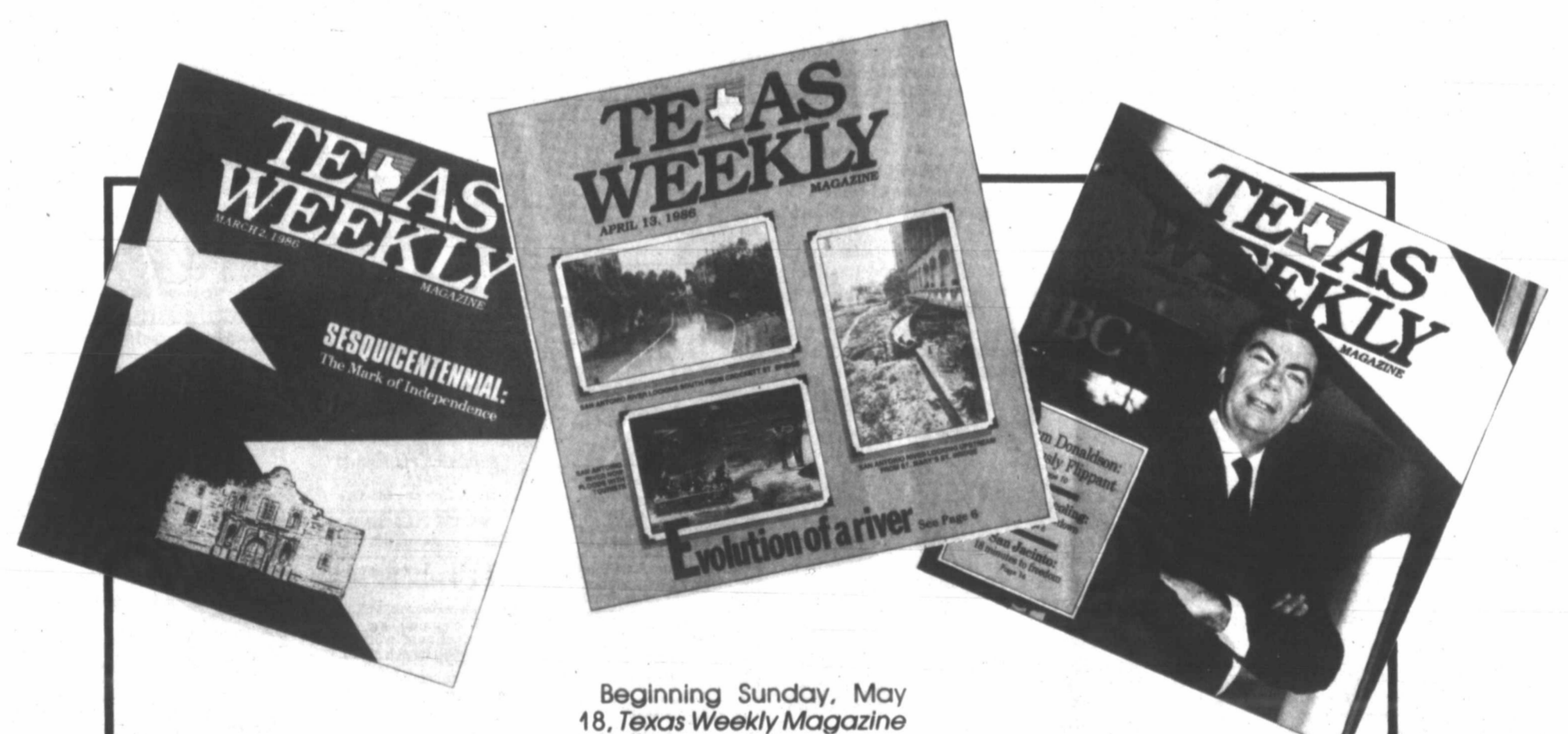
NL Leaders

BATTING (50 at bats)—Ray, Pittsburgh, .391; Beckman, New York, .386; Knight, New York, .385; Gwynn, San Diego, .340; Dawson, Montreal, .338.
RUNS—Gladden, San Francisco, 19; Leonard, San Francisco, 18; Hernandez, New York, 17; WClark, San Francisco, 17; Carter, New York, 16; Orvalak, Pittsburgh, 16.
RBI—Marshall, Los Angeles, 22; Ray, Pittsburgh, 21; Schmidt, Philadelphia, 20; Brooks, Montreal, 19; Carter, New York, 18; Leonard, San Francisco, 18.

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| Cleveland | 14 | 8 | .636 | Seattle at Milwaukee | | | |
| New York | 15 | 9 | .625 | Kansas City at Cleveland, (n) | | | |
| Boston | 14 | 9 | .609 | New York at Chicago, (n) | | | |
| Detroit | 12 | 10 | .545 | Detroit at Texas, (n) | | | |
| Milwaukee | 12 | 10 | .545 | Baltimore at Minnesota, (n) | | | |
| Baltimore | 11 | 12 | .478 | | | | |
| Toronto | 10 | 14 | .417 | | | | |
| West Division | | | | West Division | | | |
| California | 14 | 11 | .560 | New York | 18 | 4 | .818 |
| Oakland | 13 | 12 | .520 | Montreal | 11 | 10 | .524 |
| Kansas City | 11 | 11 | .500 | Pittsburgh | 10 | 10 | .500 |
| Texas | 10 | 15 | .400 | Philadelphia | 9 | 11 | .450 |
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JANNI SMITH — Janni Smith, who once was Barbra Piotrowski, demonstrates how she uses electrical impulses triggered by her thumbs to help her walk. Smith changed her name six years ago when she was shot four times in a Houston donut shop parking lot. She has spent the last four years with a different name at Wright State University at Dayton, Ohio, working with a program to teach paraplegics to walk with help of electronics. (AP Laserphoto)

Paraplegic protege reveals true identity

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Janni Smith, a paraplegic who gained national attention by walking in a marathon, says her life as a model and a member of the wealthy Houston jet set is behind her — and so is her former name.

Before she was Janni Smith, she was Barbara Piotrowski, who was rendered a paraplegic after four shots were pumped through her in 1980 by a man she alleges was hired by her multi-millionaire husband. She made her past public for the first time in an interview published Sunday in the Dayton Daily News.

She came to Dayton four years ago as a volunteer research subject.

"I want to walk. I want to run. I want to help others walk, run, feel good about themselves again after having spinal injuries," she said.

Ms. Smith, 32, is participating in the rehabilitation program of Dr. Jerrold Petrofsky at Wright State University here. The program has gained international recognition for helping paraplegics walk with computer-linked electrical stimulation.

"Great things are happening in this laboratory," she said. "I am helping a lot of lives here. I feel good about it."

She said she changed her name to Janni Smith because she feared for her life after she was gunned down. She said she has been living on Social Security payments and money from running-product endorsements.

A few months ago, she walked in the Honolulu Marathon and was featured CBS's "60 Mi-

nutes." Ms. Smith has sued her common-law husband for divorce in Harris County Court in Houston and also is charging him with orchestrating the attempt on her life. She is asking for \$220 million in damages.

Before the shooting, Barbra Piotrowski was a model, aerobics instructor and a physical fitness enthusiast who ran 10 miles a day. A Los Angeles native, she enrolled as a medical student at UCLA.

In January 1977, she met Richard Minns on a ski trip at an Aspen resort. Minns, then 49, was a multi-millionaire who made a fortune with a health spa chain that started in Houston.

Ms. Smith said the two were married in Mexico, but Minns denies it. He was married to another woman when he met her.

On Oct. 20, 1980, she was on her way to run in a park when she stopped at a doughnut shop. A stranger approached her.

"I turned and saw this man with a paper bag. I ducked and didn't see anything else that happened. Then there was gunfire. I remember being aware during the whole thing. He seemed to be shaking and missed me the first time. Then he got me four times."

Nathaniel Ivery, 26, admitted he was the gunman, and Patrick Tony Steen, 21, confessed to his role in the crime. They are serving 35-year sentences in Texas.

They told Houston homicide detectives they didn't know who paid for the job. The case remains open.

Comptroller, treasurer without opponents

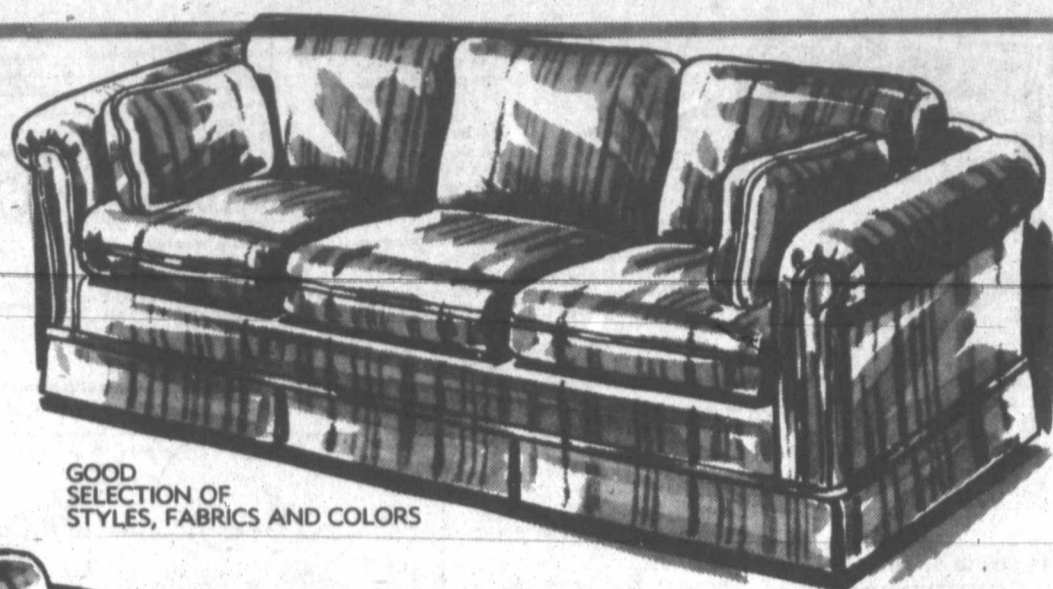
AUSTIN (AP) — Comptroller Bob Bullock and State Treasurer Ann Richards had no competition in Saturday's Democratic primary and neither has an opponent in the November general election.

Bullock, 57, first was elected comptroller in 1974. He is a for-

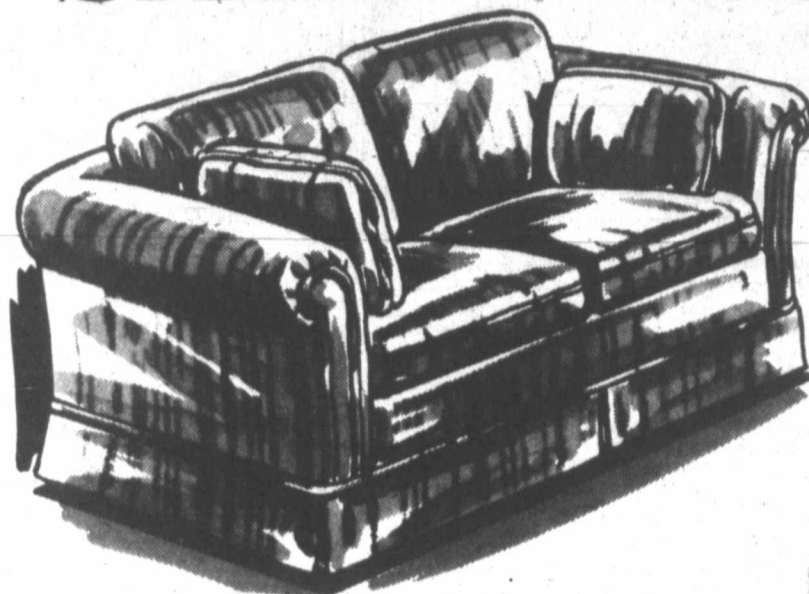
mer House member and secretary of state.

Ms. Richards, 52, won the treasurer's job in 1982. A former Travis County commissioner, she is the first woman to serve in a statewide office since Miriam "Ma" Ferguson retired as governor in 1935.

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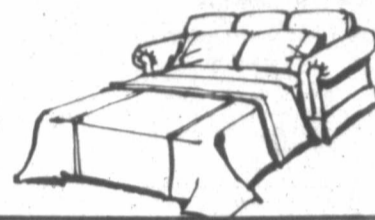


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