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Oil prices rise past \$17 per barrel

NEW YORK (AP)—Oil futures prices have hit their highest levels in more than 14 weeks, driven upward, in part, by heavy demand for gasoline, short supplies for the kinds of crude used to make it and technical market factors, analysts say.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, contracts for June delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude, closed Monday at \$17.16 a 42-gallon barrel, up \$1 from Friday's settlement price.

June contracts for refined products also showed strong gains on Monday. Unleaded and regular gasoline both were up more than

1 cent over Friday's closing prices—unleaded at 55.75 cents a gallon, vs. 54.38 cents and regular at 55.76, up from Friday's 54.41 cents.

In less than three weeks, crude prices have soared by nearly \$4 a barrel. The rally marks a sharp reversal of the precipitous drops that took place a few months earlier, when oil was plunging from a late-November price near \$32 a barrel.

The near-month contract had not traded for more than \$17 since Feb. 7, while Friday's close was the first time since Feb. 14 that oil had sold for more than \$16.

After hovering mainly at levels

between \$11 and \$14 per barrel between March and April, the June contract, which closed at \$13.34 on April 30, broke through \$14 to \$14.73 on May 2, and passed the \$15 mark, at \$15.21, on May 7. Madison Galbraith, senior energy specialist at Merrill Lynch Energy Futures, said there was "a lot of refinery buying" in the crude market.

"What it comes down to is, they haven't bought it, they need it, and they're going to buy it," he said.

Over the last two months, gasoline demand has picked up, as dealers prepare for the Memorial Day opening of the summer driv-

ing season.

Refineries have increased their demand for crude by 1.45 million barrels daily since March 21. But there have also been short supplies of the lightweight grades used to make gasoline and other distillates, such as jet fuel and heating oil, said Peter Beutel, an analyst at Rudolf Wolff Futures Inc.

Two of those widely used light crude grades are West Texas Intermediate and Brent crude from the North Sea.

Many Norwegian and British rigs have been shut down for annual summer maintenance, while at the same time, refiners

are still feeling the impact of the strike which shut down Norway's rigs last month, taking 900,000 barrels a day out of production, he said.

Accordingly, "the refineries are running a lot of heavier grades to make up for the lights. But the heavier grades don't have as high a yield in product, resulting in higher demand for crude overall," Beutel said.

The fact that Tuesday is the last day of trading on the June contract also helped support prices, said Edward Dellamonte, an analyst at Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.

"Generally, the futures market

reflects the condition of the cash market more closely as we get toward the end of the monthly contract," he explained. "What has to happen is that the price in the cash market and the future contract must converge."

Since strong demand for both gasoline and crude is pushing up prices of crude for immediate delivery, this helped push the June contract higher, he said.

Dellamonte also said that computer-programmed buy orders are set off when the market rallies as it has in the last few weeks.

"This adds momentum to the market when it is going up," he said.

Volunteers will have their day



Pampa United Way board member Ron Wood, left, and Mayor Sherman Cowan, right, talk with Coronado Hospital Auxiliary volunteers about Volunteer Appreciation Day, which will be hosted by the United Way from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday. In center from left are Helen Murphy, gift shop, and Elaine Holman and Elanor Gill, information desk. (Staff photo by Terry Ford)

Volunteer Appreciation Day slated

Wednesday will be Pampa Volunteer Appreciation Day as the Pampa United Way honors volunteers and staffs of local health and human service agencies from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Citizens Bank and Trust Hospitality Room.

The appreciation party will be hosted by the United Way board of directors, but they stress the honor is for all volunteers, not just those of United Way supported agencies.

In honor of the occasion, Mayor Sherman Cowan has proclaimed Wednesday as Pampa Volunteer Appreciation Day, though he noted the service of volunteers should be honored all week and even all year.

Jan Lyle, United Way office coordinator, said invitations have been sent out to staffs and volunteers of the local UW-supported agencies and other volunteer groups and agencies.

She and others have been busy gathering the names and addresses of more than 1,000 volunteers for invitation to the party, given as a thank-you by the United Way board.

Though an effort has been made to obtain all the names, it's possible some may have been missed, she said. But if those who have done volunteer work for a health or human service agency or group did not get an invitation, "they're certainly welcome" to attend the party, Lyle stated.

This is the second year the

United Way has held the party to honor Pampa's volunteers who give hours of service to assist others in the various health and human services and charity programs offered in the city.

Among the staffs and volunteers being honored Wednesday are those at Coronado Community Hospital, Pampa Nursing Center, Coronado Nursing Center, Good Samaritan Christian Services and the Junior Service League.

United Way agencies invited to the party are American Red Cross, Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, Genesis Houses for Boys and Girls, High Plains Epilepsy Association, Latch-Key Program, Meals on Wheels, Pampa

Community Day Care Center, Pampa Family Services, Pampa Sheltered Workshop, Salvation Army, Senior Citizens Center, Southside Senior Citizens Center and Tralee Crisis Center.

Lyle said an elevator will be available for any handicapped individual wanting to attend the party, since the Hospitality Room is located on the second floor of the bank.

The United Way board is hosting the party to show its appreciation for the great number of staffs and volunteers who donate their time and service to the operations and functions of the various health and human service agencies and other charity programs in Pampa.

Economic growth in first quarter surprises experts

WASHINGTON (AP)—The economy grew at a surprisingly strong annual rate of 3.7 percent in the first three months of the year, a fivefold increase over the previous quarter, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department said the gross national product, the broadest measure of economic health, turned in its best performance since a similar 3.7 percent increase in the first three months of 1985.

The Reagan administration predicts a 4 percent growth rate for all of 1986.

The news on inflation was even better. A price index tied to the GNP rose at an annual rate of 2.5 percent from January through March, its best performance in almost two decades.

The 3.7 percent GNP growth represented a revision from an initial estimate of 3.2 percent for the first quarter made last month.

The upward revision caught analysts by surprise. Many had predicted that the GNP rate would be revised downward to 2.5 percent or lower.

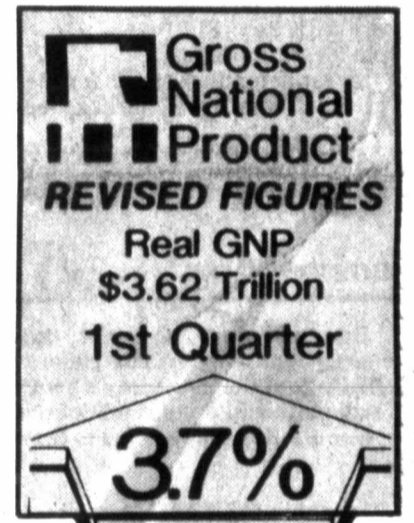
Still, the stronger-than-expected growth was not likely to impress many analysts who believe the economy will not show a sustainable rebound in activity until the second half of the year.

Analysts noted that the biggest factor pushing the GNP upward was a revision in the pace at which businesses were adding to their inventories.

The change added \$7 billion to GNP growth, but many economists expect this will subtract from growth in the current April-June quarter as businesses are forced to work down unwanted inventories, especially a record high level of unsold cars.

Many analysts believe the economy will limp along in the current quarter at a growth rate of around 2 percent, very similar to the 2.2 percent growth turned in for all of 1985.

They do not expect a sustain-



Source: Commerce Dept.

able rebound in growth will occur until the second half of the year, when they believe the favorable effects of the dramatic plunge in oil prices and lower interest rates will spark revived growth.

They contend that the 3.7 percent GNP figure hides various weaknesses in the economy.

A companion report today said that after-tax profits of U.S. corporations fell by 4.9 percent in the first quarter to an annual rate of \$139.5 billion. This was the biggest decline since a 23.8 percent drop in the first three months of 1982 in the midst of the last recession.

The first quarter increase in GNP growth represented a sharp rebound from growth at an annual rate of just 0.7 percent in the October-December quarter last year.

Much of this change came from a swing in the country's huge trade deficit, which analysts also believe is only a temporary improvement.

Imports, which were rising at an annual rate of \$26.7 billion in the final three months of 1985, fell at an annual rate of \$1.4 billion in the first three months of the year.

Dyslexia: The 'camouflaged handicap'

BY PAUL PINKHAM
Staff Writer

For Tommy, a fifth grader at Wilson Elementary School, the word nuclear is unclear. Literally.

What he saw is what once was. And his pet dog may turn out to be a god.

Tommy has been diagnosed as dyslexic, a learning disorder experts say afflicts roughly 15 percent of the population, but one that consistently defies definition.

The stereotypical dyslexic writes letters backwards and mixes up words. But the real symptoms go far beyond such simplistic explanation and are, in most cases, much harder to identify.

A dyslexic may have trouble reading or be able to read perfectly. He may have difficulty writing or have perfect penmanship.

First of a two-part series

In the words of one high school dyslexic: "When I read the words, they don't go into my head."

Another says: "My hands don't write what my eyes can see."

The dyslexic also may have trouble understanding concepts such as over and under or before and after, learning left from right or east from west, or memorizing just about anything. Or he may show only one or two symptoms.

"It's hard to pinpoint one concrete description," Tommy's mother said. "Not everybody will have the same characteristics."

For this reason, she calls dyslexia a "camouflaged handicap."

Dr. Diane Simmons, a local eye specialist who tested Tommy and has worked with numerous other dyslexics, said Tommy's case points out

that no definition of a "typical" dyslexic exists.

"He's not typical but none of them are," she explained. "I've never seen two of them alike. They're not like a cookbook that you can just spoon-feed a program. If you run across an expert that has all the answers, you'd better steer clear because it's such a complex subject."

One common thread that characterizes almost all dyslexics is problems with language and its symbols. In Tommy's case, the biggest problem comes with writing or copying what he has read.

"By the time that he transferred the picture in his mind onto paper, it wouldn't look the same as it did in his mind," his mother explained. "That is what I think is so hard for people to understand."

He makes a visual picture of a word when he reads it but it looks different when he writes it



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Some dyslexics' world backward

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'Star Wars' wrong name, head of Strategic Defense Initiative tells Forum Club

HOUSTON (AP) — The recent Soviet arms reductions proposal in Geneva is a dividend paid from the United States' research into the so-called "Star Wars" defense program, the director of that program says.

"It's not the kind of reduction proposals that are even, but it is a reduction proposal," Air Force Lt. Gen. James A. Abrahamson said.

In an address Monday to The Forum Club of Houston, Abrahamson said the Soviets also are keeping up the debate about the Strategic Defense Initiative "to help talk ourselves out of it."

"When they talk about the dangers ... they are aiming at public reaction," he said.

Abrahamson took issue with the nickname "Star Wars," saying it is damaging American public perception of the project.

He said surveys show 60 to 70 percent of Americans support construction of a defense system to protect them from enemy missiles. However, as soon as the term "Star Wars" is introduced in the question, support dwindles to 40 to 50 percent, he said.

"There you can see the danger of the 'Star Wars' label on the program," he said.

Abrahamson's 45-minute address to 600 people was interrupted briefly by about a half-

dozen hecklers who burst into the hotel ballroom, chanted slogans and threw what appeared to be flour on several of the people in the audience.

"Prevent World War III no matter what it takes!" one of them shouted.

"That is what we're about," an unruffled Abrahamson said after the protesters fled. "What is the real area of concern here is what is the right means in order to achieve that end. I don't mind that."

He said the goal of the system is to shift the nation's priorities from offensive weapons to defensive weapons.

"We have a gun pointed at the forehead of the Soviet Union with our finger on the trigger and vice versa they have a gun getting bigger and more powerful and more potent and their finger is on that trigger aimed at us as well," he said. "We have been relying for several decades on this concept that this is stability, that this is the best way to preserve this society. That is what the president is starting to question."

Abrahamson said the program also is designed to destroy Soviet missiles on the way up and before they reach the United States.

"We would like to find the technical means and destroy them there," he said. Other facets of

the system would build a layer of protection and a "clean-up hitter" to remove any missiles which might get through, he said.

Lasers "equal to two or three sticks of dynamite" are being researched because they are able to speed thousands of miles very quickly, Abrahamson said. A Titan missile was destroyed within two seconds in tests at White Sands, N.M., but "we've got to do much better than that" because the Soviets already have six to 10 ground lasers equal to the White Sands one, he said.

Senators' finances different

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas freshman Republican Sen. Phil Gramm received two guns last year as gifts, one of them a handmade .45-caliber revolver worth \$1,000, according to his financial disclosure report.

The pistol came from Mexican-American Republicans of Texas. Gramm also reported receiving a 12-gauge shotgun valued at \$778 from the Alice-Jim Wells County Master Planners Association, and a \$200 barbecue grill from Tony Salinas of Hebronnville.

Senators are required to report gifts worth more than \$250. Democrat Lloyd Bentsen reported none.

Yearly Senate financial disclosure reports were released Monday. House reports are due out later this week.

Gramm reported his income went up during his first year in the Senate, though he still has nowhere near the wealth of millionaire Bentsen.

Bentsen appeared to have made a little less and owed a little more in 1985 compared to 1984, according to his reports. The bulk of his holdings and income was in investments and real estate, including capital gains on a blind trust worth at least \$100,000.

He reported his 1985 income in a range from \$491,666 to at least \$862,247, including his \$75,100 annual Senate salary. In 1984, he reported a range of income from \$719,810 to \$1,145,000.

Members of Congress are required only to report ranges of income, assets and liabilities, with an open-ended top-category of \$100,000 and up for income and \$250,000 and up for assets and liabilities.

Though their financial situations differ dramatically, Bentsen and Gramm were not at the extremes in the Senate.

John D. Rockefeller IV, D-W.Va., likely the richest Senator, is estimated by Forbes magazine to be worth about \$150 million, while James Abdnor, R-S.D., reported a \$144 loss from farming. Gramm improved his income in 1985 by between approximately \$20,000 and \$35,000, according to the reports.



LAKESIDE VIGIL — Family and friends watch from the shore as divers search for three people missing since a violent storm during a fishing tournament Saturday on Lake Livingston. The bodies of the two men and a woman were found about 3:45 p.m. Monday near the lake's dam. They had been sailing on the lake with another woman whose body was found Saturday. (AP Laser-photo)

Three more drowning victims pulled from Lake Livingston

LIVINGSTON, Texas (AP) — Life jackets were strapped on three bodies under a submerged boat in Lake Livingston when divers found them while searching for victims of a violent weekend storm, authorities said.

A boat carrying the three victims was discovered Monday afternoon at the bottom of the lake near the dam in San Jacinto County, said Justice of the Peace Mike Jeffrey.

"The divers found the boat. The boat had turned upside down and they were underneath. All of them had their life jackets on," Jeffrey said.

A woman also in the boat Saturday drowned, but her body was found that day, officials said.

Meanwhile, two people remain

missing after severe weather Saturday hit the lake where thousands had turned out for a bass tournament and a sailing race, Polk County sheriff's officials said.

"We found numbers for three of them (boaters) and we called them. They were okay," said Diana Davis, sheriff's dispatcher.

Another man drowned Saturday at the lake, about 70 miles north of Houston, and one man drowned at Lake Steinhagen, authorities said.

Search efforts at Lake Livingston were resuming today, Ms. Davis said.

Those pulled from the lake Monday were identified as Norman Brisbon of Houston, James Elmer Smith Jr. 54, and his wife,

Alvina Smith, 52, both of Huffman, Jeffrey said. He did not have Brisbon's age.

Brisbon's wife, Vera Mae, 57, was found Saturday.

The other person who drowned Saturday was identified as Thomas Wayne Baty, 38, of Apple Springs. Baty drowned after trying to rescue his son, said Polk County sheriff's Capt. Chuck Staton.

Staton said that not all of those missing were presumed dead. Three others listed as missing were found safe at home Monday, he said.

When the storm hit, winds and choppy waters swamped dozens of boats and sent people either swimming or running for cover.



Off beat By Cathy Spaulding

Learning all about health

I went to the Health Fair Saturday, good news, I'm still alive. My first stop was the glaucoma test. I don't know much about glaucoma, only that it is an eye disorder and that some guy was allowed to smoke pot under a doctor's prescription to treat it. The test consisted of looking through some peepers hooked up to a tall metal thing while the test-giver looks through another set of peepers to see whether the examined one has the dreaded disease.

Then the test giver said she'd have to give me some eye drops to make my eyes swell up. I knew then and there I should have run for the door, but I stayed put because I didn't want to discover later that I had glaucoma and that I would die from it.

So I sat down in front of my peepers and tilted my head back for the eye drops.

The test giver held the dropper, filled with a yellow liquid, within dropping distance from my eye.

"Now this is going to sting a little bit," she said with a hint of sadistic assurance.

"Well, good-bye," I said as I popped out of my chair and high-tailed it to the Alzheimer's display. "I saw The 700 Club last night and I distinctly remember being healed of glaucoma."

At the lung testing terminal, I followed a middle-aged man with a pot-belly and a package of Old Golds poking out of his shirt pocket. He had zits. He slouched in front of the machine, got a pincher stuck on his nose and blew into a blue tube while the lung test giver shouted orders to him with the enthusiasm of a cheerleader on uppers.

"Alright, take a deep breath. Now blow. More. More. Harder." After they swept the man from the floor, it was my turn. I took my seat and blew into the tube. As usual, I was disappointed in my performance — I didn't blow as hard as I could have — so one can imagine my relief when the cursor zipped to the top of the graph. The attendant said that means I can run the marathon and sing an aria from *La Boheme* at the same time.

Then came the Extension Service diet monitor, at which I had to tell another computer what I ate the day before. Friday, which was the day before, was an unusual day because I actually ate a square meal at the band banquet. Still there were several things I was hesitant to admit to Donna Brauchi who was tapping my confessional into the computer. Breakfast: Two cups of decaffeinated coffee with Equal and a bottle of apple juice. Lunch: A barbecue sandwich and a can of Royal Crown Cola followed by two bottles of Coke (I forgot to say it was Diet). Snack: A bourbon and cola with several handfuls of popcorn. Dinner: a baked potato drenched in margarine and sour cream (I blew it), green beans, salad with French dressing and some kind of steak.

Normally, I manage to drink several glasses of milk and munch a whole one-pound bag of carrots and a couple of apples or bananas each day, but the computer didn't know that. Anyway, the read-out told me that I consumed 75 percent more sugar, 38 percent more calories and 146 percent more saturated fat than I should and that I'm severely lacking in calcium and vitamin A.

Can I take that test again?

The fun part was the body-fat test, which consisted of this well-built guy pinching my mid-section with a measuring device. The fun was a bit embarrassing because I had to raise my shirt, in public, to expose my midriff. And then he pinched me. But, because his wife was right there, I had to resist the temptation to say: "lower, please."

When he pinched my tummy with the measuring device, I remembered, in public, that I am very ticklish in that part of my body (and sadistic grins have just flashed across Paul and Danny's faces). After that ordeal, I discovered that I had 14 percent body fat. He showed me a chart that said that people with more than 23 percent body fat is too fat. I wasn't even on the chart. Which means, I guess, that I can use some of the fat that the diet monitor says I eat too much of.

So there.

In case you're as curious as my mother was about what a Pampa Harvesters bus was doing in front of Oklahoma Christian College weeks ago, the bus was full of Pampa elementary school gifted and talented kids visiting the Oklahoma City Zoo, the planetarium and Enterprise Square.

And don't complain that the kids can go to Amarillo to see the same thing. Compared with Oklahoma City, the Amarillo Zoo is a travesty.

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Advice To A Parent With Adult Children.

As our children become young adults, they face an enigma. On the one hand, they would rather not think about death — and that's as it should be at their age. On the other hand, they are reminded as they see parents' mortality as they see them getting older — and they become concerned: "How would I cope with a loss?" "What would I need to know?" "What arrangements would Mom or Dad want?"

These are some of the nagging thoughts they may have.

whether they say so or not. One of the most loving things parents can do for their children is to take care of their own final arrangements — in advance — writing down vital family information that will be needed, along with wishes and instructions, and providing the children with copies. Complete pre-arranged funeral plans are now available that can even be pre-paid, sparing your children that expense someday.

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VIEWPOINTS

Protectionism hurts us most

BY ALAN REYNOLDS

The U.S. economy has been experiencing the strongest, possibly longest expansion ever, with more than eight-million new jobs since President Reagan took office. The stock market has nearly doubled any previous record, and interest rates are the lowest in nine years. The Congressional Budget Office just lowered its budget deficit estimates for 1987 to 1990 by \$411 billion.

Why, then, the concern about the trade deficit? Because appearances deceive. Some powerful U.S. industries — electrical machinery, chemicals, printing — are not as visible as those that produce consumer goods. South Korea's emphasis on consumer goods, by contrast, makes its economy seem gigantic and threatening, though it is no larger than that of Los Angeles.

Those who worry about the trade deficit and advocate protectionist measures to reduce imports argue, in effect, for less trade. But a foreign exporter who trades goods to U.S. buyers in return for dollars has only two options for how to employ those dollars, both of which are beneficial to the United States. He can use them to buy either U.S. goods or assets (stocks, bonds, or real estate) — that is, to invest in the United States.

Historically, the real volume of imports always rises with economic growth and only falls during recessions. Thus, a trade deficit is often a sign of prosperity. U.S. exports likewise rise with foreign prosperity and decline when other

economies either cannot afford to buy or do not need U.S. machines and technology because they are not investing much in their own overtaxed economies.

For the United States to turn Protectionist against debt-burdened developing countries would therefore be suicidal. The dollars we spend on Mexican oil, Brazilian shoes, or Korean VCRs come back in purchases of U.S. goods, investments here, and in interest payments. Import quotas would deny the less-developed countries (LDCs) the means of repaying even the interest owed to the stockholders and depositors of U.S. banks.

For the U.S. to turn protectionist against solvent but weak economies such as Japan's would have the same effect, as a weaker Japanese economy cuts back on purchases from debtor countries, such as Mexico or the Philippines.

Unfortunately, when protectionist fever strikes, the victims tend to be precisely those relatively small trading partners that have little leverage on American policymakers and can be most easily damaged by a trade war. Yet such countries are frequently significant importers of American goods (particularly farm products).

The recent textile-protection bill vetoed by President Reagan was a clear example. Many of the textile exporters that would have been most seriously damaged were LDCs. Many, or most, are voracious importers, even of U.S. goods; many are NET importers, if services are counted. Ironically, most are significant importers of U.S. textiles and textile-related products,

such as machinery and raw fabrics. This bill would have done tremendous damage to our textile industry.

In 1984, real imports increased by 8 to 20 percent in South Korea, Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Mainland China, placing them among the world's fastest-growing importers. Hong Kong has run virtually continuous trade deficits for 140 years. South Korea had a long string of trade deficits with the U.S. until the last three years, and still has a trade deficit with the world. Japan imports as much in textiles (\$6 billion) as it exports.

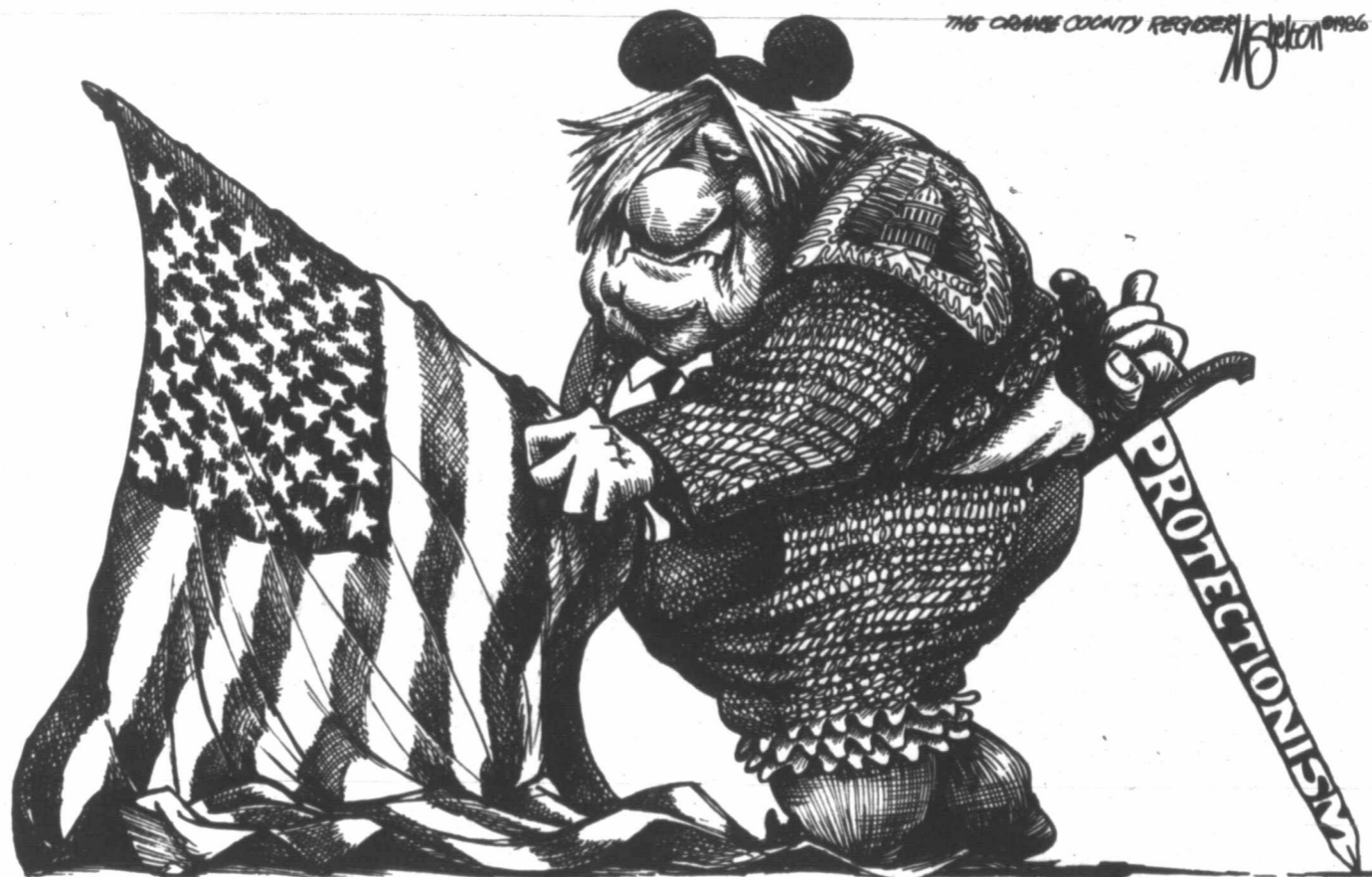
With the threat of increased U.S. protectionism, businessmen in Asian countries naturally began to cut back on their productive capacity — cutting back on imports of machines, cotton, and synthetic fibers, much of which had previously been bought from the U.S.

It is sadly ironic that the U.S. worries so much about competing with countries whose economies are stagnant or sinking. Aside from Japan and Taiwan, most Asian countries have a trade deficit, if interest payments and other services are included, so they must reduce imports if U.S. protectionism restricts their exports.

Economies weakened by actual and expected protectionism do not need to import as much as before, and could not afford to do so in any case. It is not a matter of "retaliation," but of the raw necessity to sell before buying.

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Opinion

Stockman's 'havoc' would be welcome

So much attention has been devoted of late to David Stockman's comments on the nature of policy-making in the Reagan White House that too little has been devoted to his even more interesting comments on the Gramm-Rudman budget balancing law.

Given the virtual certainty that Congress will fail to agree on sufficient spending cuts to meet the law's targets, and assuming that the law is not judged unconstitutional, Gramm-Rudman will trigger automatic cuts in the 50 percent or so of the federal budget not exempted from the process. "After one or two years" of such cuts, says Stockman, the result would be "havoc."

He gives examples of what he means in his new book, *The Triumph of Politics*. "The defense cuts," he writes, "would be so draconian as to amount to unilateral disarmament; a large portion of the IRS staff would be fired and we would collect no revenue at all; life-saving new drug applications would pile up at the Food and Drug Administration unreviewed; our airports would become a parking lot for cars, people and planes because the FAA would be too short-handed to take even a fraction of the normal traffic."

But does this scenario — even assuming it is not vastly overblown — deserve to be called "havoc" or even "chaos," which Stockman also calls it? Suppose the FAA really were so short-handed that it could no longer manage even a fraction of what we now regard as normal air traffic. Why not look on that development as an opportunity to get rid of the agency and turn air traffic management over to the private sector, where it has always belonged in the first place?

Suppose life-saving new drug applications really were piling up at the FDA. If the agency was no longer able to do its job, why not just abolish it, and let the marketplace decide which drugs win acceptance and which do not?

Suppose the IRS really were eviscerated to the point that it could collect no revenue. Would that be undesirable? Perhaps Uncle Sam would be forced to fall back on the chair of his citizens, and we'd find out just how much voluntary support our federal government could count on from the American people, and to what extent its power is based, not on voluntary consent, but on force, and the threat of force.

Finally, since about 60 percent of our so-called "defense budget" is spent on the defense of other countries, at least 60 percent of it could be cut without having a significant effect on our national security. And it is difficult to imagine how even a 99 percent cut in the military budget could bring us to the brink of unilateral disarmament, when we already have in our arsenal enough nuclear weapons, long since bought and paid for, to destroy every living thing on the planet several times over.

If Gramm-Rudman were actually to work as David Stockman fears it might, we would likely find the aftermath much more to our satisfaction than Stockman, the supposed enemy of big government, would have us believe.

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We can ask it for them

As I have read the news reports and various speculations concerning the Soviet Union nuclear disaster, I couldn't help but remember the August evening I spent in Moscow last year watching the circus in Gorky Park.

There were clowns, a dog act, juggling, tumbling, high-wire trapeze, music from an orchestra and an equestrian act that said to me, if we ever do get into a war with these people, we must make certain we don't try to fight them on horseback.

There were children at the circus, of course. And their eyes brightened at the magic they were seeing in front of them, the same thing that happens to American children when they go to see a circus.

The clown was a riot. I looked around me and saw all the people laughing together — Russians and American tourists alike.

We were laughing at the same things. We Americans gave the same hearty hand to the equestrians that the Russians gave.

It dawned on me we're all in this thing called the world together.

Every government official I met in Russia was an expert at talking through his or her hat. Some American government officials have the same talent, too.

I asked a writer for *Pravda*, "Can you criticize your government in your newspaper?"

He said, "Of course."

I said, "Then, why don't you?"

He said, "Because the government has done nothing to criticize."

But I found the Russian people to exhibit an almost childlike naivete. I had always wondered, if things are so bad in the Soviet Union, why don't the people revolt?

The answer is, when you've never seen anything else to compare your lot to, you likely will be satisfied with what you have.

I went to a Russian nightclub. The big act was a girl in a bikini who could twirl six hula-hoops around her waist at one time. She got a standing ovation.

I went into a Russian department store. The quality of most of the merchandise — what there was of it — was very inferior.

I went into a Russian apartment. These peo-

ple must live stacked together.

I left the Soviet Union feeling sorry for the Soviet citizens. There's a bright, big world out there, and they don't know it.

Now, there has been that awful nuclear accident, and we may never know how many Russians have already been killed and how many more will die from the radiation.

And the Soviet government stonewalls against an inquiring, caring rest of the world.

The people who died, the people who will die as a result of the accident, are not without hearts and minds and souls like a great many Americans probably believe.

They are just like us in most every way with one exception: We are free enough to demand every safety measure available to keep a nuclear accident from happening in our country, and if it did happen, we would be free enough to make sure it never happened again.

God help the citizens of the Soviet Union in this tragic time. Many of them don't know to ask for such a thing, but, thankfully, we can ask for them.

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Jobs of future won't be the same

By Don Graff

The American labor force will continue to grow until the end of the century and so will the supply of jobs.

But forget about "re-industrialization" of the economy. Virtually all of the growth will be in services, which already employ nearly three-quarters of all working Americans.

The word comes from the Conference Board, the New York-based economic research organization that has released a study of long-term employment trends.

It finds that while the number of workers employed in manufacturing will hold roughly steady at 28 million, this will represent only 15 percent of the expanded work force in the year 2000, as opposed to 18 percent today.

Services, or "the production of intangible goods," is a category that covers a lot of job territory, from fi-

nancial consultants collecting fees in six and seven figures to street sweepers. And growth is not uniform.

One of the most robust sub-categories is business services, which currently account for some 4.5 million jobs, more than double the number 10 years ago.

Another is what the study terms "people-caring," covering people employed in health and social services ranging from medical specialists to day-care workers.

Yet another is "protectors of people and property," which includes such traditional services as police and fire but now extends far beyond them. For example, private security guard services now employ more than 400,000, which probably says something about the state of the society that is enjoying this job boom. Thousands more are in such "soft security" positions as receptionists, building su-

perintendents and just plain door-watchers.

And then there are the "cleaner-uppers" — the refuse collectors, cleaning crews and window washers. Their numbers are increasing because — here comes another social statement — "a more complex and litter-prone society requires plenty of manpower to handle its mess."

One service area that is not showing growth is government, which includes state, local and federal, as well as some 8.5 million jobs in education. The share of total employment has held steady at 15 to 16 percent since the 1970s, suggesting that something other than the Reagan "revolution" is at work here.

The not-so-good news in all of this is that many of the jobs being created are at the low end of the pay scale.

The better news may be that this

country is not alone in the trend. Similar changes are underway, the study notes, in other major industrial nations — most especially Japan, from where the great threat to American industry is perceived to be coming. Services are already up to 57 percent of all jobs available to Japanese workers, and the share is increasing at least as rapidly as in the United States.

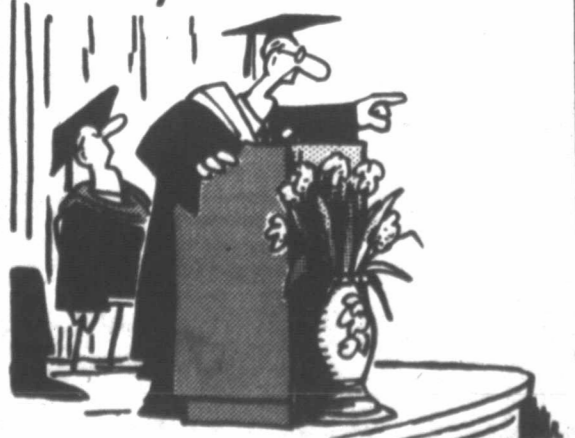
Bits of history

In 1818, the political philosopher Karl Marx was born in Prussia.

In 1942, sugar rationing began in the United States.

In 1980, a five-day siege at Iran's embassy in London ended as British commandos and police stormed the building.

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Size of nation's cattle herd affecting feed consumption

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The lower feed prices generated by a shift in federal crop support policy may make cattle producers think about expanding their herds, but a new Agriculture Department report says the trail back is long and arduous.

Last year's farm bill, the Food Security Act of 1985, was based in part on an expectation that lower farm prices would lead to the increased use of feed grains, soybeans and other feedstuffs by making those more attractive for export and domestic consumption.

The report, included in the May issue of the department's Agricultural Outlook magazine, said lower feed prices historically have led to expansion in the livestock sector and the increased use of feed.

But this time the cycle is different, and there are factors bearing on livestock producers other than feed costs.

For 1986-87, the government's loan rate for corn — effectively a floor price — will be \$1.92 per bushel, down from \$2.55 per bushel in 1985-86. Corn is the mainstay of U.S. livestock feeding, and the price cuts will make a difference.

Based on the most recent calculations, cattle account for about 22 percent of the concentrate feedstuffs, mostly grain, that are fed to livestock and poultry. Hogs consume about 27 percent; poultry, 25 percent; and dairy cows, 17 percent.

In the cow-calf end of the cattle business, however, shifting production gears requires more time than for hogs and poultry, which have a much shorter reproductive and growth cycles. Also, grain prices have a lesser impact on the cow-calf operation than on feedlots, which turn out the finished product.

A full cattle cycle includes an expansion of herds as producers hold more animals for breeding, usually after a period of strong beef prices; a period of large meat supplies and then declining prices; and liquidation, as producers send more animals to slaughter, rather than holding them for breeding.

Overall, cattle cycles average about 10 years from beginning to end, with the expansion or build-up phase taking five to seven years.

The report said the current cycle began in 1979 with nearly 111 million cattle on U.S. farms and ranches. The herd rose to 115.6 million in 1982 before declining to 105.5 million head at the beginning of 1986, the smallest inventory in 23 years.

Historically, the report said, the three-year expansion in cattle numbers at the beginning of the current cycle was very short, partly held in check by large competing supplies of pork in 1980-81. As cattle prices faltered, so did expansion.

"Herd liquidation began in 1982 and was abetted by drought-reduced forage supplies in 1983 through 1985," the report said. "Liquidation began as a result of continued record meat supplies, poor financial conditions resulting from low cattle prices, and negative net returns."

The report, which was written by economists Terry Crawford and Russell Howe, said the reduced beef cattle inventory "will influence production for the next couple of years, regardless of feed price changes."

On Jan. 1, 1982, the total cow inventory, beef and dairy, was reported at 50.3 million head. By last Jan. 1, it was down to 44.8 million head, the smallest cow herd since 1961.

"With the Dairy Termination Program removing almost 1 million cows (plus 600,000 heifers and calves) and net returns to beef cow-calf operators continuing low, the cow herd will likely go on shrinking through 1987," the report said.

"The smaller herd will produce fewer calves. Thus, cattle slaughter will probably decline through 1989 or possibly even longer."

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department says its forecast for a smaller wheat crop this year won't do much to ease the huge surplus that bears heavily on U.S. grain prices.

On May 9, the department estimated winter wheat production at a seven-year low of 1.8 billion bushels, down 12 percent from the 1985 harvest. When spring

wheat is counted, the total 1986 wheat crop could yield about 2.18 billion bushels, according to tentative projections.

The department's Economic Research Service said Monday that the total wheat harvest for 1986 is shaping up as the smallest

in six years, largely because of the government's acreage program and poor weather in some production areas.

"Even so, adding the new-crop supply to the record carryover propels 1986-87 wheat supplies to a record 4.06 billion bushels," the

agency said. "This provides little relief to an industry burdened with oversupply for the last six years."

WASHINGTON (AP) — Corn planting is trailing last year's rapid pace but is well ahead of the

average for this time, according to the Agriculture Department.

Planting in the major corn states in the week that ended May 18 was completed on an estimated 77 percent of the intended acreage, compared with 88 percent a year ago and the average

progress for this time of season of 69 percent, the department's Agricultural Statistics Board said Monday.

Soybean planting was reported to be 26 percent completed, compared with 33 percent a year ago and the average of 21 percent.

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Radioactivity in the U.S. may have been higher than reported

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Environmental Protection Agency conceded that the air many Americans have been breathing since the Chernobyl nuclear accident may have had three times the radiation the agency reported.

But even at the higher readings, the radiation is still not hazardous to human health, EPA said Monday.

The discrepancy occurred because most EPA equipment was only measuring airborne particles of radioactive iodine-131. Not being trapped and measured were gaseous compounds containing the substance which almost certainly were present, the agency said.

EPA radiobiologist Neal Nelson said readings at the EPA's Montgomery, Ala., lab detected

radioactive iodine compounds at concentrations 1.5 to 3.5 times greater than the tiny particles of iodine-131 itself detected on fiber filters.

"This ratio probably holds anywhere," he said.

According to EPA spokesman Chris Rice, "Even given this fact, airborne radioactivity has been extraordinarily low and far below levels requiring protective

action."

The admission came following statements by New York City advocacy groups led by Accord Research and Educational Associates Inc.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle

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- 1 Compass point
- 4 U-boats
- 8 Long garment
- 12 Actress Balin
- 13 No more than
- 14 Shed tears
- 15 Sty resident
- 16 Mournful sound
- 17 Hipbones
- 18 English Derby town
- 20 Party giver
- 22 New Zealand parrot
- 24 French duke
- 25 King
- 29 River in Europe
- 33 Mind
- 34 River in Norway
- 36 Force (Lat.)
- 37 Misfortune
- 38 Oriental beverage
- 39 Animal skin
- 40 Valley in Argolis
- 42 Coastal area of Ethiopia
- 44 Doctrine
- 46 Wood sorrel
- 47 Mint camphor
- 51 In front
- 55 Large fish
- 56 Evening (Fr.)
- 58 Combine
- 59 Trigonometry term
- 60 Natural color
- 61 Period of historical time
- 62 Mark
- 63 Hissing sound
- 64 Chinese sauce

DOWN

- 1 Dry dishes
- 2 Small piece
- 3 Moves back and forth
- 4 Elke
- 5 One (Sp.)
- 6 Dull
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



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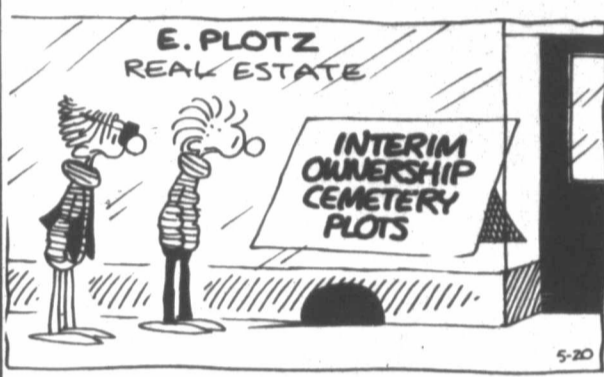
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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol
May 21, 1986
Your instincts and hunches pertaining to sound investments will be astute in the year ahead. When you get good feelings about a specific deal, check it out thoroughly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day to launch that pet project you've been contemplating. Big strides will be made if you're working on something you enjoy. Major changes are ahead for Gemini in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The results will be gratifying if you're involved in something today where getting along with others is the primary ingredient. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Today you'll be able to iron out the wrinkles that created friction on the home front recently. Now, once again, harmony can permeate your household.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your wit, poise and sense of humor are three big pluses you have going for you today. You'll use them smartly to make new friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're in a good financial trend at this time. Make the most of your opportunities so that you can clear up old debts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Happy developments are in the offing through a connection you have with a small but friendly group. They're the type of pals who really look out for each other.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A situation may develop today where you won't be free to act openly. But a dependable associate will cover for you and protect your position.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You have the marvelous ability today to use someone else's idea in a more productive manner than the person who first conceived it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The results you've been hoping for could come to you now in matters that offer not only recognition, but financial compensation as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your behavior today will be motivated by the idealistic aspects of your nature. These will prove to be the best urges to draw from.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your financial picture is changing for the better today. You might even reap profits from two situations that appeared to be without promise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A valued personal relationship will be drawn closer today through strong, new mutual interests. Collectively, you may do something grand.

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By Tom Armstrong



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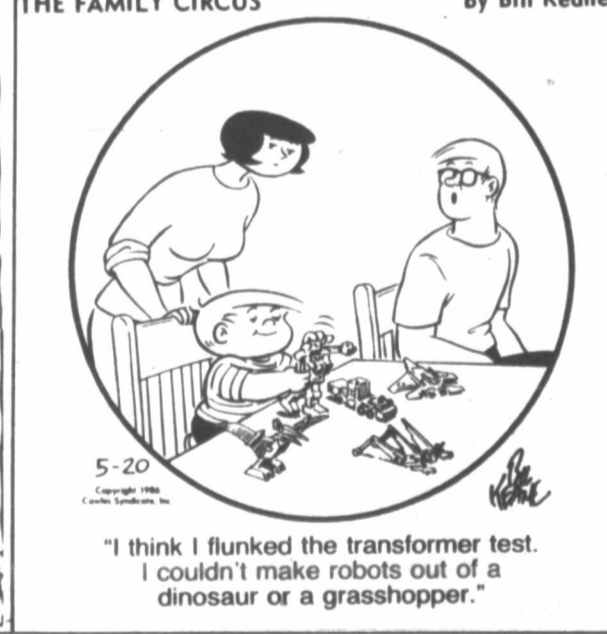
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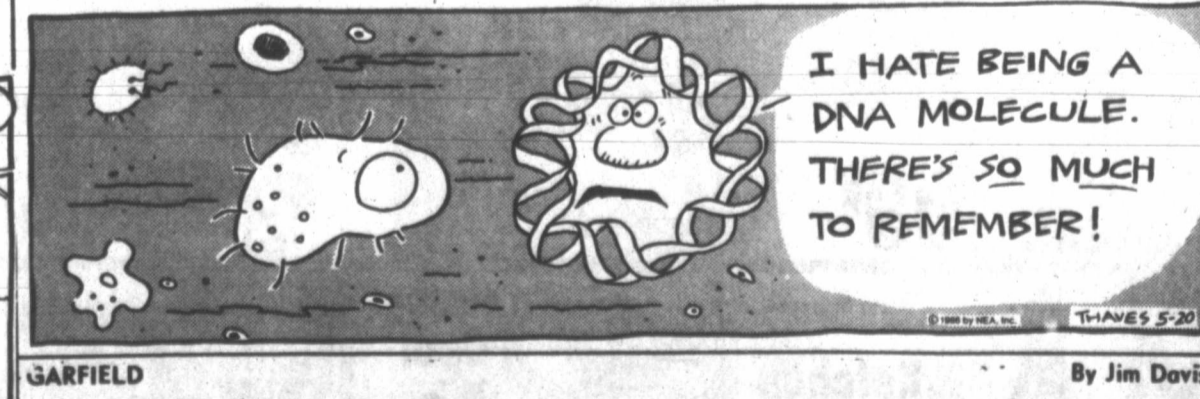
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Making furniture buying fun



PROVIDER OF THE MONTH—Wanda Roland of Pampa, center, receives a certificate for being chosen Provider of the Month for Panhandle Community Services. Presenting the award are Juanita Gonzalez, family care supervisor with the agency, left, and

Nevado O'Pry, project director. Roland was selected from 275 people in a 25-county area for her outstanding work with elderly clients in the program. (Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

American furniture makers took a survey and found to their chagrin that consumers are nervous about buying furniture.

"They say they don't know how to recognize quality, don't know how to judge between two pieces which look the same but have different prices and don't feel furniture floor salesmen are doing a good job," according to Doug Brackett, executive vice president of the American Furniture Manufacturers Association.

Brackett says the results of three focus group panels conducted in California, Texas and the Baltimore-Washington area indicate the industry needs to make friends and influence people in order to regain what it regards as its lost market share.

"Ten to 15 years ago, the industry took from 1.1 to 1.2 percent of disposable income; today we take .92 percent. If we could get back to 1 percent it would represent a gain of \$2 billion," he added.

Nowadays, people are doing what they want to do and spending money on things that give them personal pleasure. And that includes buying sailboats, videocassette players, vacations and even health club memberships instead of furniture.

The AFMA is planning to spend \$1 million over the next three

years to convince people that buying furniture is fun. But it remains to be seen if that money will do any good. The plans for booklets and advertising campaigns seem to miss the point which an executive put in a few words that didn't cost anything.

"People don't like to be abused," says Patrick Norton, a longtime industry executive. "Just treat people decently and service the furniture and you can get virtually any price." In other words, it's not what you say that counts, but what you do.

His and Hers:

Take an easy-chair frame and cover it in the same fabric but make one to fit a big person, with a seat that is 17½ inches off the floor and make another 15½ inches off the floor. Give the larger chair about three inches more back. The result is "his and hers chairs," which look like a pair but offer greater seating comfort to a wider variety of people.

Drexel-Heritage introduced the chairs at the High Point, N.C., Furniture market, but the idea for the product came from the field when a furniture retailer requested it, said a company spokesman.

What really appeals to people? O. B. Solie, a veteran furniture designer, says it's natural materials, especially those which are

known to be long-lasting, hard-wearing and heavy.

Perhaps that's why some people are still suspicious of veneers and prefer solid wood. A veneer is a "face," but solid wood is the real thing. This idea seems as good as any to help explain a phenomenon noticed at the market: the widespread use of stone and faux stone in furniture.

Solie himself designed a glass buffet and then pierced it with a piece of travertine marble for decoration. A small company capitalizing on the interest in stone has taken the name AKA Stone. Lana Schervone, owner of the Los Angeles-based firm serving mainly decorators, says that faux stone has been doing well for at least 10 years in her area and is currently spreading out beyond California's borders.

At the opposite end of the spectrum from stone is the tricky cabinetry conceived by Paul Evans for DIA. Mirror-fronted cabinet door fronts lift open through the magic of a hand-held remote control device. The interiors can be organized in many configurations to accommodate a home computer, audio and video equipment, record storage, clothes.

Figure an all-inclusive \$20,000 to pay for the floor-to-ceiling installation and that includes installation.



Dear Abby

Marriage bridging cultures needs a strong foundation

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This concerns the American woman signed "Moonstruck," who was in love with an Iranian man and wanted to marry him. I married a man from a Middle Eastern country so perhaps I can give her some advice.

We have been married for 15 years and I couldn't want a better husband, but not all American women have been as lucky with men from foreign countries. Here are some things to consider:

1. What kind of visa does he have? If he already has a green card, he's probably a good bet. Some men marry American women just to get permanent resident status in this country. An American woman should be cautious about marrying someone who is on a tourist or student visa. She should also be aware that if she does marry a foreigner with a criminal record or who is considered to be an undesirable alien, he could be deported even if he is already married to an American.

2. How long have you known each other? Marrying someone from a different country, especially if there are language barriers and vast cultural differences, can create serious problems. Don't rush into marriage. Get to know each other very, very well. If it's love, the waiting won't hurt.

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Letters will be judged for originality and sincerity by a panel of four judges. Deadline for the letters is June 9. Send your letters to Dee Dee Laramore, Lifestyles Editor, *The Pampa News*, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, 79066-2198.

Here's the Answer

By ANDY LANG
AP Newsfeatures

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Time running out on Rangers' O'Brien

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)— This could be the last season Jimmy O'Brien — father of Texas Rangers' first baseman Pete O'Brien — watches his son play from the stands of baseball stadiums. Last summer, Jimmy learned he was suffering from Lou Gehrig's disease — an illness named for the famous New York Yankees first baseman that destroys the central nervous system and causes muscles to atrophy. There is

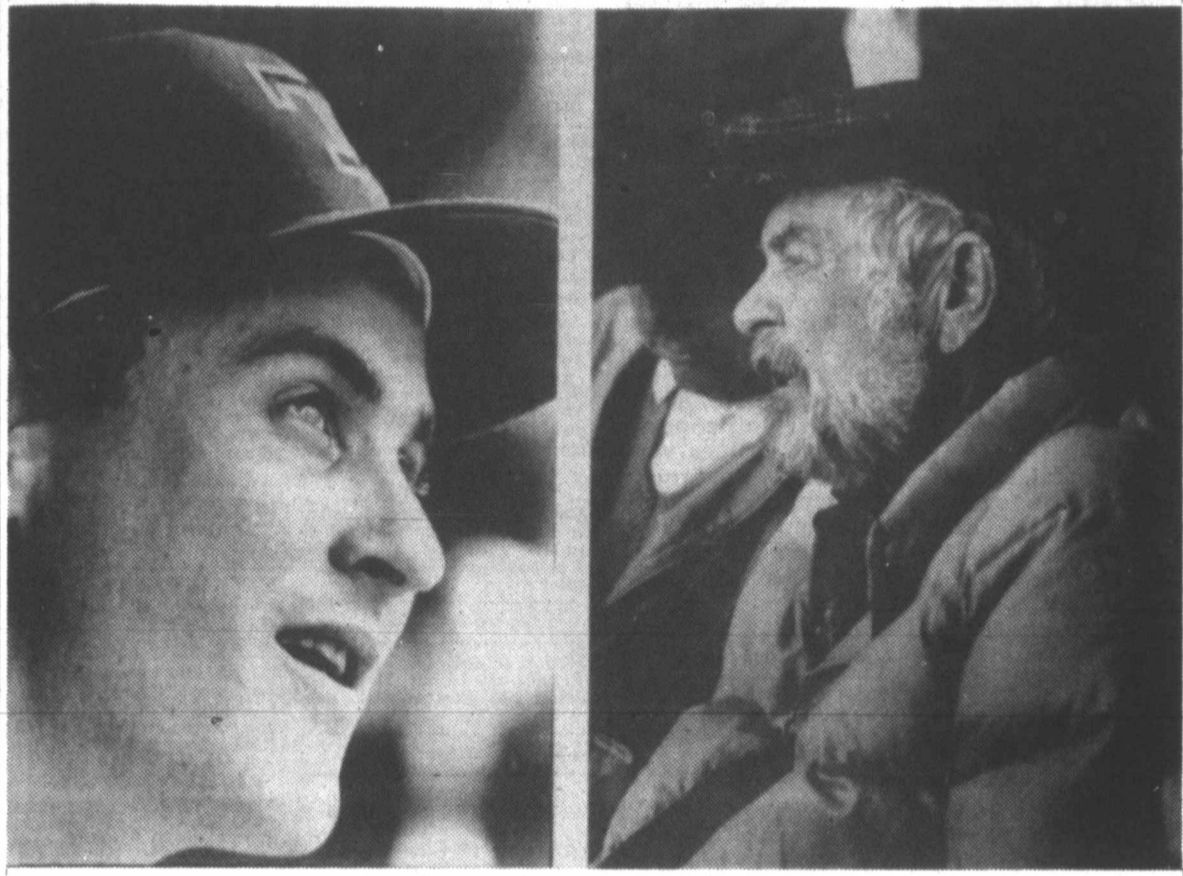
no cure. Victims usually die within two to five years. "It's not so bad, really," Jimmy said. "Who more than a first baseman's father deserves to have Lou Gehrig's disease? I think I have seen enough baseball games to have earned it." So son Pete is showing his father the stadiums of the American League East and paying for his parents' expenses to watch him play. "We thought this might be

his last chance to see some of the old stadiums he's spent so much time hearing about, but never seeing," said Pete. "He has given me so much. He has given me everything. Now it's my turn to give what I can. It's payback time." Part of the payback is a winning performance that is part of an overall improved Texas Rangers team. Pete is leading the American League in hitting and in his 28th year says he finally

has found the secret to what he believes is the perfect swing for a 6-1, 200-pound left-handed hitter. During a visit to New York stadium, which Jimmy watched from a seat alongside the visitor's third-base dugout, Peteline a single to right field in the top of the sixth. The hit brought Sammy Ellis, Yankee pitching coach, to the mound, while the stadium scoreboard flashed, "Pete leads the American League with a .467 on-base percentage."

"It's fun to see things like that," said Jimmy. "The feeling is indescribable." Such honors are ones Pete, the youngest of seven children, struggled many years to earn. Pete was a pretty fair left-handed junk-ball pitcher at Carmel High School in California until he damaged the ulnar nerve in his pitching elbow before his senior year. Pete, who never batted in varsity high school baseball because of a designated hitter rule, became a first base coach instead of undergoing surgery. But the job lost its glitter and Pete headed to the batting cages to teach himself to hit. By season's end he was the starting first baseman at Carmel High.

who gets up after being beat down and battles back." Pete hit .287 his second season in the major leagues after flirting with .300 for most of the season. He hit .295 in April and .283 in May, and by June 25 he was at .326, fourth in the American League. Last year, Pete struggled early and was batting just .204 and had only five home runs after 167 at-bats. Then, almost by chance, standing in front of a hotel room mirror practicing his swing, Pete noticed he wasn't putting enough weight on his back foot during his stance. "I took what I saw in the mirror to the park the next day and there can't be a better feeling in the world than how I felt that day," he said. Pete finished the season batting .267 with career highs in home runs, 22, and RBI, 92.



HELPING OUT DAD—Rangers' first baseman Pete O'Brien, left, is showing his father, Jimmy, the stadiums of the American League East and paying his parents' expenses to watch him play. (AP Laser-photo)

"Whatever I am today, I will be tomorrow because that is the way I was brought up," Pete told The Dallas Morning News. "Everything comes from the folks." When Carmel coach Monte Feekis moved to Monterey Peninsula Junior College, Pete went with him. After two seasons at Monterey and a summer of semi-pro baseball in Los Angeles, Pete was ready to play major college

baseball. But he wasn't ready to play in California against what he considered the best competition in the country. So he accepted a baseball scholarship offered by the University of Nebraska. Pete batted a modest .325 in 1978 and led the Huskers. That summer he says, he made the most important decision of his life. "I decided that I really wanted to get signed. I decided that I wasn't getting anywhere very quickly," he said. "I quit the partying. I quit the b.s.-ing. I decided I would go after it."

Pete hit .340 that season. He hit nine homeruns and drove in a school record 65 runs in 64 games. In June 1979, the Rangers drafted Pete in the 15th round of the free-agent draft. Pete steadily moved through the Rangers' minor league system until he was hit with an obstacle in Denver early in the 1982 season. The Rangers acquired Dave Hostetler, a Southern Cal product, to play first base for the Rangers Denver farm team. But Hostetler's power wilted with the summer heat, and Pete arrived in Arlington the following season. In his first season, Pete hit .237 with eight home runs and 53 RBI; yet the Rangers stuck with him.

"Sure he struggled," said Doug Rader, Pete's first major league manager, "but there was something about him that told you he was going to hit. All he needed was a little success to start really believing in himself." Pete began lifting weights in the off-season, three hours every other day. "My father once told me that life is full of failures," O'Brien said. "The man who succeeds is the one

"Pete is one of the few guys I have seen who is concerned with having a good-looking swing," said current Rangers manager Bobby Valentine. "It's almost as if he is in search of a perfect swing. The great thing about guys like him is that when they find it — or at least believe they have found it — they make the huge step from being an ordinary player to being an out-standing player," Valentine said. Pete is hitting .333 with five home runs and 20 RBI this season. He believes he's found an even more perfect swing this season because he's moved his hands about 4 inches farther from his body.

"I spent three years looking for the key that would make everything fall into place and I found it fooling around one day in the batting cage," Pete said. Pete hit .287 his second season in the major leagues after flirting with .300 for most of the season. He hit .295 in April and .283 in May, and by June 25 he was at .326, fourth in the American League. Last year, Pete struggled early and was batting just .204 and had only five home runs after 167 at-bats. Then, almost by chance, standing in front of a hotel room mirror practicing his swing, Pete noticed he wasn't putting enough weight on his back foot during his stance. "I took what I saw in the mirror to the park the next day and there can't be a better feeling in the world than how I felt that day," he said. Pete finished the season batting .267 with career highs in home runs, 22, and RBI, 92.

Aggies win SWC baseball tournament

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The Texas A&M Aggies, who won their first Southwest Conference baseball tournament Monday afternoon, have turned their attention towards meeting South Florida in an NCAA regional tournament hosted in Tallahassee, Fla.

It took a come-from-behind 7-6 win over Baylor with a five-run seventh inning to give the Aggies their title and a spot in the NCAA playoffs. Two other Southwest Conference teams, Texas and Arkansas, also will be in regional tournament action Thursday. Texas will

play Southern Illinois at Austin and Arkansas will meet Oregon State in Stillwater, Okla. Baylor is the only Southwest Conference tournament team that has to pack away its gear. Bear coach Mickey Sullivan said, "In the two games against A&M, we made a few mistakes and they quickly took advantage of them."

Niekro knows Stieb's anguish

By The Associated Press Career victory No. 300 proved an elusive milestone for Phil Niekro, so he can understand the anguish Dave Stieb is feeling as the Toronto pitcher goes after triumph No. 96.

of the ninth inning, forcing home the tying run, and Mark Sullivan was then hit by a pitch, giving Boston its victory over Minnesota.

Kansas City's Rudy Law and Texas third baseman Steve Buechele got into a fight in the eighth inning after Law slid into third. Buechele shoved Law, and Law swung back. Both benches emptied, but the two players were quickly separated.

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George Brett hit a pair of RBI singles and Frank White homered as Kansas City downed Texas in a fight-interrupted game.

Holmes blasts promoters

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Former heavyweight champion Larry Holmes says promoters sometimes arrange the outcome of fights with the judges who sit at ringside.

fighters are qualified and fair. "When a fighter works hard and gets in there and wins, he should get the decision," Holmes said.

Niekro, who evened his record at 3-3 with career victory No. 303, struck out four and walked three in his first appearance at Exhibition Stadium since beating Toronto on the final day of the 1985 season for his 300th career triumph. But because that victory came four starts after his 299th victory, Niekro understands Stieb's frustration.

Holmes, who lost a disputed split decision to Michael Spinks in an April 19 International Boxing Federation title bout, lashed out at promoters and judges, saying regulations should focus on ensuring that those who judge the

The game was called in the bottom of the second inning with the visiting Angels leading 1-0 on Ruppert Jones' home run. The game will be made up Thursday afternoon in Baltimore.

Major League Standings

Table showing Major League Standings for American League East and West Divisions, listing teams, wins, losses, and percentages.

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Students nervous over return to scene of hostage crisis

COKEVILLE, Wyo. (AP) — Pupils who spent three hours as hostages before a bomb blast that burned scores of children and adults still dream of the attacks and say "it's gonna be scary going back" when school reopens this week.

"When the school building, the teachers and the students are ready, that's when we'll open the school," Cokeville Elementary School principal Max Excell said Monday night. Teachers were to

begin planning today for classes. Three hundred to 400 family members of the former hostages attended the meeting as local psychologist Dr. Nohl Sandall and nine specialists discussed the trauma of the incident that left David and Doris Young, who held 150 pupils and teachers for \$300 million ransom, dead.

"What we're expecting is changes in patterns of sleeping, unusual dreams, or a preoccupation or fear associated with the

school building," Sandall told the families, who applauded the courage of the teachers involved. "Thanks for risking your own lives for the kids' sake," read a large card signed by many members of this tiny town near the Idaho border.

Children who had the day off from school Monday rode their bicycles and played in the streets, but they hadn't forgotten the blast Friday that killed Doris Young and burned 78 people, or

the suicide of David Young. "I have problems getting to sleep at night now," said 10-year-old Matthew Buckley. "I just keep thinking he can come into the class and do it again. I know he's dead, but it's just scary."

Matthew, who said he remembered Young as a man with two guns in a holster he wore on his hips and a third gun shoved into his belt, wasn't the only pupil to admit to some hesitancy over returning to school.

"It's gonna be scary going back," said 10-year-old Jason Thornock, adding, jokingly, that he wouldn't go back unless he could take his BB gun.

Some of pupils and teachers returned on Monday to the smoke-blackened classroom on their own to cope with the crisis. "That's where she died," high school teacher Glen Birch told his 10-year-old son, Rusty, during a walk through the classroom Sunday. "See that pool of blood over

there? C'mon, go over there and I'll take your picture." Rusty, who escaped the explosion unscathed, surveyed the damage, stepping over broken glass. On the walls, fingerpaintings were covered with dark soot from the blast.

"Oh my gosh," he said. "It didn't hurt the VCR or the TV." Rocky Moore, one of the teachers who was held hostage, said it's best that the Youngs died in the siege.

Labor secretary asks Teamsters if it's 'time to clean house'

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Labor Secretary William Brock drew cheers when he said he was addressing the Teamsters convention even though its president faces racketeering charges, but delegates listened in stony silence as he asked if it isn't "just plain time to clean house."

The 2,000 delegates gave their embattled president, Jackie Presser, a thunderous standing ovation on Monday when he accused investigators in Brock's department, a Senate subcommittee and "certain elements of the media" of waging a five-year vendetta against him.

Presser, 59, called the labor racketeering and embezzlement indictment handed up Friday against him and two other union officials a desperate attempt "to embarrass the working men and women of our great international union."

His election Wednesday to another five-year term is considered foregone, despite accusations he took part in a "ghost workers" payroll padding scheme to embezzle \$700,000 from his Cleveland local.

Brock, who often speaks off the cuff when addressing unions and congressional committees, stuck word-by-word to a carefully prepared text in telling the Teamsters they have lost the public's trust and are perceived as "bound to stay in trouble."

"As secretary of labor, it isn't easy to hear about mobbed-up locals or pension fund abuse — misuse of members' blood and sweat," Brock said. "It's impossible for me to ignore that; it's

necessary for you to address it." The delegates listened in dead silence just minutes after giving the labor secretary a rousing ovation when he said he had rejected advice to cancel his appearance because of the Teamsters chief's indictment.

"To have accepted such advice would have implied a contempt for one fundamental principle ... that every person is and must be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law," he said. "Having said that does not make my talk any easier. These are dif-

ficult things to say but these are difficult times for the Teamsters."

Brock recalled that the Republican Party, of which he was chairman in the late 1970s, lost public trust after Watergate and said, "The relatively few of us

who were left ... had to ask some hard questions, the hardest one 'Why?'"

"The truth was that a few people had made mistakes, some big mistakes. But the perception was that the whole party was rotten, and that simple was not so.

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He said the union should address its institutional processes, such as the way it elects officers, "which make it easy for some who want to exploit members to do so."

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