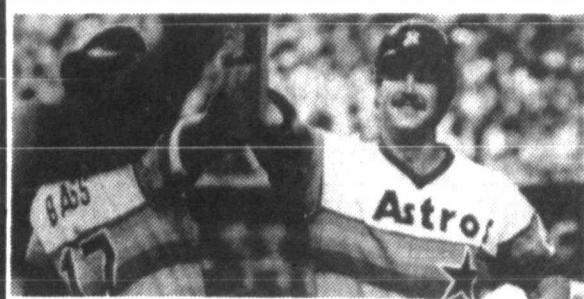


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Thursday

Scout councils ponder closing Pampa office

Boy Scout leaders will be gathering at 7:30 p.m. today at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Parish Hall to hear a plan for a proposed consolidation of the Adobe Walls Council with the Llano Estacado Council in Amarillo.

Both executive councils have already voted to consider the consolidation in an effort to better handle financial difficulties facing the scouting offices.

The consolidation of the two councils has been mentioned for several years, but talks began to get serious this summer as the councils found themselves facing budget problems.

The Adobe Walls Council executive board considered and passed a resolution Sept. 4 favoring the consolidation efforts with Llano Estacado. The vote, however, was split 18 to 6 in favor of the consolidation.

Kiowa District Executive Tary Clump said the executive board for Llano Estacado Council voted unanimously last week to accept a similar resolution.

Both executive boards, however, will be taking further action to ratify or reject the consolidation.

Clump explained that if the consolidation is approved by both councils, the headquarters office will be based in Amarillo. The Adobe Walls Council office in Pampa will close, though it will remain open until Dec. 31.

Executive board members, Adobe Walls members-at-large and scouting coordinators are invited to attend tonight's meeting to consider the move to combine the two councils.

A similar meeting will be held for the Llano Estacado members.

Local scouting leaders were informed of the spe-

cial called meeting in a letter dated Sept. 21. The letter indicated the meeting was being held "due to the number of responses... regarding the proposed merger" of the two councils.

Clump, however, said the proposal is not for a "merger" but for a consolidation of the two councils to form an entirely new council with a new name. Adobe Walls will not be "merging" into Llano Estacado or vice versa, he indicated.

He said both councils are presently in financial difficulties. The consolidation is an effort to provide more efficient services and to alleviate some of the budgetary problems the councils have faced from declining funds.

Board members from each council's executive board will be on the new council's board until the end of the year, then a new board will be chosen, he said.

Clump said he will remain in Pampa as a district executive and will work out of his home, as some district executives already do. The major difference is that the council office will not be available in Pampa, he noted.

The new council will continue to provide the same services to scouting programs. But the contact "will not be as personal" as it has been from the local office in the present Adobe Walls area, he said.

Clump said his duties will remain about the same. The major difference is that he will have to get supplies from the Amarillo office. Also, he will have to attend staff meetings in Amarillo, as will other district executives and executive board members.

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Texas may mean taxes

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans would face one of the nation's highest tax burdens if a plan making the rounds at the Capitol becomes law, says Comptroller Bob Bullock.

He reacted quickly Wednesday to Rep. Stan Schlueter's talk of a possible 5½ percent state sales tax and 15-cent per gallon gasoline tax.

"The size and scope of the bill will have a profound impact on all Texans," Bullock said in a letter to Schlueter.

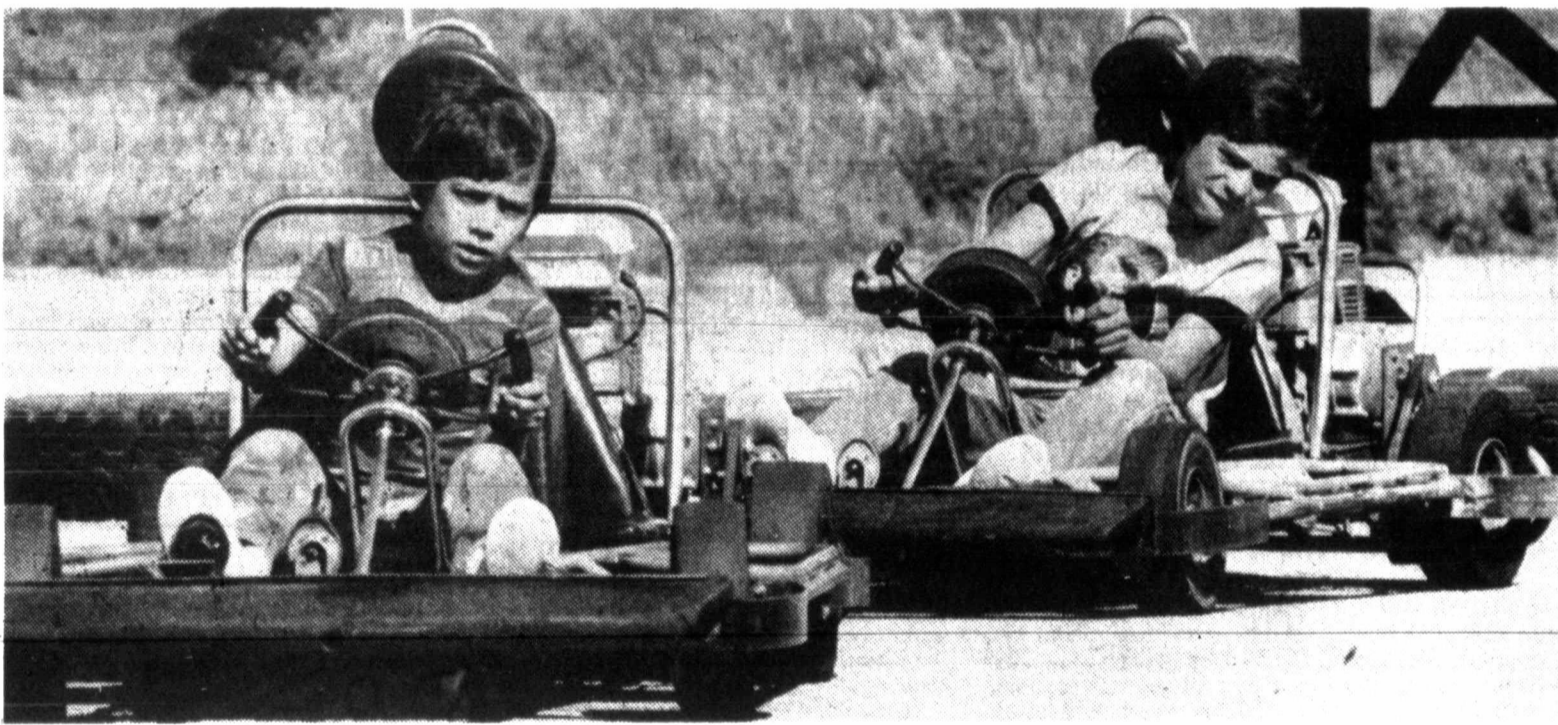
The state sales tax now is 4½ percent. The gasoline tax is 10 cents per gallon. Increases in those taxes are among the plans

being considered by lawmakers now working on a solution to the projected \$2.8 billion state deficit.

Schlueter, D-Killeen and chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, denied pushing any specific plan. But some House members said Schlueter laid out a plan during a Tuesday meeting in Speaker Gib Lewis' office.

Bullock called it the "Schlueter Tax Proposal," and said it includes the 5½ percent sales tax and 15-cent gasoline tax, with the taxes rolling back to current levels in three years.

Speed demons



Roy Gonzalez, 8, and his brother John Gonzalez, 11, sons of Arnold and Linda Gonzalez, 703 S. Ballard, practiced their driving skills

Wednesday afternoon at the Texas Go-Carts track, which is scheduled to operate at the Pampa Mall until Oct. 4.

(Staff Photo by Terry Ford)

Losing streaks on line

MATADOR — In recent seasons, the McLean Tigers and Motley County Matadors have had to find reasons for playing football other than winning. The last year either school won a game was 1983.

For 24 straight games, the Tigers have gone down to defeat. For the Matadors, the string of losses has hit 23.

Unless Fate is cruel and waits with a tie, one of the teams will end its losing streak when the two meet at 8 p.m. Friday in Matador.

McLean and Motley County, West Texas Class 1A schools sporting a pair of the longest losing streaks in the state, understand the prime opportunity for one to end a winless drought.

"This is definitely the one," McLean head coach Bill Phillips said. "I have a good feeling, and the kids have a good feeling. The kids are due. They're due to play good."

Said Motley County head coach Chip Hollenback: "I

really haven't heard a lot about the streak here. The superintendent told me the other day, 'The wolves are starting to howl,' but I think that's just one or two."

The similarities between the schools are many, and enrollment at both hovers just above 80.

On the football field, the teams have lost by large margins. Motley County has scored just six points this year and allowed 130. McLean also has scored a mere six points, while allowing 131. They're both in the bottom 10 of the Harris Poll, and Phillips and Hollenback are in their second years of trying to end the losing strings.

Phillips admits that a win Friday would be take a strain off of his coaching career and the Tigers' minds.

"I think that we might be a little stunned at first if we won, and it would take a few minutes for it to sink in," he said. "But I guarantee you there wouldn't be a dry eye in the place. I'd cry like a new father."

House expected to approve sweeping tax measure today

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supporters predicted approval by a comfortable margin today, but lobbying continued down to the wire, as the House began debate on the most sweeping tax code revision in four decades.

"We're plodding toward victory," said House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass.

Rep. Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., the assistant majority leader, said, "We're getting more and more votes all the time, a steady increase."

O'Neill added that Republican leaders had told him a majority of GOP members would vote to approve the package.

Earlier, Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill.,

chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and a chief architect of the plan, said, "I think we could comfortably win this by 30 to 40 to 50 votes."

The last major threat to passage of the measure evaporated Wednesday when House Republican Leader Robert H. Michel of Illinois told his GOP colleagues he would exercise his prerogative as leader to offer a motion to send the legislation back to the House-Senate negotiators who drafted the final package.

Only one such motion is allowed on the bill. Thus, Michel's action ended an effort led by Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, to make a more

detailed motion to force specific changes in the bill.

The bill, most of which would take effect next Jan. 1, would significantly reduce individual and corporate tax rates and repeal or reduce several deductions and exclusions. The average individual would get a 6.1 percent tax cut, although several million people would pay more. Corporate taxes would rise by \$120 billion over five years.

Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., in charge of counting votes on behalf of supporters of the bill, said late Wednesday there would be 150 to 170 Democratic votes for the measure. "And so it's up to the Republicans to produce enough votes" for a majority, Gephardt said.

They're off, maybe; racing makes the ballot

Issue scheduled for a vote next year

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas voters will decide next year whether the state should legalize gambling on horse and dog racing for the first time in half a century.

Gov. Mark White on Wednesday allowed the bill, which could OK pari-mutuel wagering, to become law without his signature. The measure puts the question on the November 1987 election ballot.

White said the issue has been too hotly debated for a single public official to decide it.

"I believe other Texans should have the right to make up their own minds just as I have, because we are all equally entitled to our own beliefs," White said.

"I will vote against pari-mutuel wagering, but each one of us will have one vote to cast — a very important vote — as equal citizens of Texas," he said.

Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, said

White's decision was a good one.

"I'd like to see a referendum and let the people decide on the issue once and for all," said Berlanga, who sponsored the gambling bill in the House.

Berlanga said an earlier announcement that White was thinking of vetoing the bill rallied supporters and helped persuade the governor to allow the referendum.

As approved by the Legislature, the bill calls for a statewide referendum next year on whether to legalize pari-mutuel wagering for the first time in half a century.

That referendum was one of three requirements White insisted on in any gambling bill.

The other two, which White noted were included in the bill, were local elections in areas where race tracks would be located and protections against

Revenues, crime mentioned by opposing sides

By PAUL PINKHAM
Staff Writer

Local opponents of pari-mutuel betting in Texas say race tracks in the state would be "fraught with difficulties" but at least two area horse breeders feel tracks can provide Texas with a much-needed economic boost.

Texas voters will have the opportunity to vote on horse and dog racing in November 1987 following a decision Wednesday by Gov. Mark White that allowed pari-mutuel wagering to be decided by referendum.

"Hip, hip, hooray," responded Jean Sims, who breeds horses east of Pampa.

"It's about 20 years overdue," Sims said today. Sims and Leonard Hudson of Pampa, a major horse breeder, said horse racing would give Texas an economic shot in the arm and provide thousands

of jobs at tracks, breeding farms and training farms. Sims said the absence of tracks in Texas has hurt breeders in the state, noting that she keeps her two best horses in New Mexico to qualify for that state's breeder incentive programs.

"If Texas had a similar thing, of course I would keep them at home," she said.

Hudson said horse racing could become a billion dollar industry in Texas.

"We're going to work awful hard to get it passed," he said.

Both breeders maintained that surrounding states are profiting from the absence of Texas tracks. Hudson said 75 percent of those attending races in Hot Springs, Ark., are from the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"You can drive through the track on racing day

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DAILY RECORD

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News*.

Obituaries

FANNIE ELIZABETH STINSON
WHEELER - Services for Fannie Elizabeth Stinson, 91, will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Seeger Funeral Chapel at Laverne, Okla.
 Burial will be in the Laverne Cemetery, with local arrangements under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.
 Mrs. Stinson died Wednesday.
 She was born at Walters, La. She married Lewis Albert Stinson in 1927 in Louisiana; he died in 1964. She had lived at Laverne, Okla., for 50 years before moving to Wheeler four years ago. She was a Baptist.
 Survivors include a son, Marvin Stinson, Leedey, Okla.; a daughter, Evangeline Wills, Wheeler; 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

MILLIE GEORGIA SMITH
SHAMROCK - Services for Millie Georgia Smith, 81, were to be at 11 a.m. today in the Shamrock Assembly of God with Rev. Wynes Manning, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home.
 Mrs. Smith died Tuesday night.
 She was born in 1905 in Oklahoma and moved to Shamrock in 1921. She moved to Santa Rosa, N.M., in 1932 and returned to Shamrock in 1971. Her husband, O.L. Smith, died in 1976. She was a member of the Shamrock Assembly of God.
 Survivors include a son, Oscar L. Smith, Lancaster, Calif., and one grandson.

Minor accidents

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

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 24
 A 1979 Ford, driven by Francis Ray Christian, 932 E. Gordon, collided with a manhole cover in the 800 block of South Hobart. No injuries or citations were reported.
 A 1978 GMC, driven by Carmen Sanchez Hernandez, 514 S. Ballard, and a 1982 Chevrolet, driven by Jean Alice Hunt, 1044 S. Faulkner, collided at Hobart and Foster. No injuries were reported. Hernandez was cited for changing lanes when unsafe.
 An unknown vehicle collided with a legally parked 1977 Chevrolet, registered to Kenneth Mumford, 700 N. Sumner, at Lincoln and Sumner. No injuries or citations were reported.

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported one fire run in the 24 hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 24
 6:16 p.m. Investigate smoke from a hot ballast at Cheese Chalet, 729 Hobart.

Scout

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 He said Camp M.K. Brown, now owned by Adobe Walls, will not be "turned over" to Llano Estacado. Instead, it will become a facility of the new council. Similarly, Camp Don Harrington near Amarillo will also be a part of the new council, giving two camps instead of one for council activities.
 Adobe Walls presently is without a council scout executive. Jerry Outlaw, who had filled the position since 1980, was transferred to the Sioux City, Iowa, during the last week of August. No replacement has been named.
 The budget problems concerning Adobe Walls was expressed in mid-summer when scouting leaders and supporters received a letter from council president Bill Farris of Borger.
 In the letter, Farris wrote, "Today the Adobe Walls Council... is facing the most severe financial crisis since 1927, which may mean 'life or death' to scouting as we have known it for the past 59 years."
 Farris indicated the council needed to raise \$100,000 to continue to offer the proper scouting services to the youth of the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles in the council.
 In an area newspaper, Farris indicated the council budget is projected to be \$67,000 short by the end of the year. The entire budget is \$308,196.
 The council currently is approximately \$32,000 in debt, which may grow by another \$36,000 before year's end.
 Farris said even if the money is raised to meet

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 and look at the license plates in the parking lot, and half of them are from Texas," Sims added.
 But opponents say Texas would do well to keep horse racing outside its borders.
 "It does not generate the revenues anticipated and it's fraught with difficulties," said the Rev. Darrell Raines, pastor of First Baptist Church, which boasts Pampa's largest congregation.
 Raines moved to Pampa from New Mexico, where he said the pari-mutuel gambling industry is "laced with problems." He said there were indications of races being fixed and "a lot of people are spending money that could be used for family incomes."
 Raines added that White should have vetoed the bill to prevent enormous amounts of money being spent on an election. He noted that White had previously taken a stand against gambling.
 "Mark White did not stand on grounds that he has stated to be his beliefs," Raines said.
 The Rev. Ricky Pfeil, pastor of the Wheeler Christian Center, said voters, not government officials, should decide the issue but promised he would work hard to defeat it. He said he felt confident that a movement by Southern Baptists, United Methodists and small, independent churches,

Hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions
 Letha Corcoran, Mobeetie
 Lois Flowers, Canadian
 Maggie Hill, Pampa
 Georgia Hunt, Canadian
 Clara Narron, Pampa
 Coleen Valingo, Pampa
 Clyde White, Pampa
Dismissals
 Latonne Douglas and infant, Pampa
 Jewell Easton, McLean
 Danny Holman, Pampa
Harrell Jordan, Pampa
William Kretz, Pampa
Diana Snuggs, Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions
 Roy Beverly, McLean
 Sarah Smith, Shamrock
 Vesta McPherson, Shamrock
 Christopher Woods, Abilene
Dismissals
 Josephine Pike, Shamrock
 Wilma Stewart, McLean
 Abeino Delbosque, Samnorwood

Calendar of events

PAMPA OPTIMIST CLUB
 Pampa Optimist Club's annual installation and awards banquet is to be at 7 p.m., Saturday, at the Optimist Building, 601 E. Craven. All Optimists and their spouses are invited.

Police report

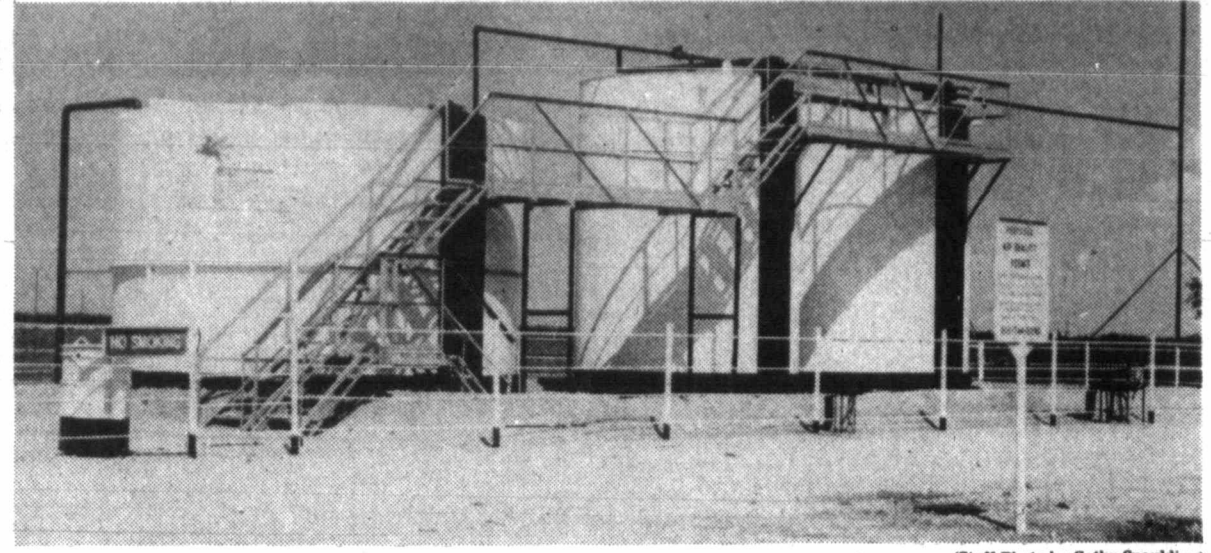
The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 24
 James Keith Romines, 400 N. Rider, reported a burglary at the address.
 A juvenile reportedly tried to run over another juvenile with a bicycle in the 400 block of North Faulkner.
 Offenses against family and children were alleged in the 1200 block of East Frederic.
 Shoplifting was reported at Chase Yamaha, 1308 Alcock; piston rings were taken.
 A domestic dispute was reported in the 700 block of Roberta.

Arrests-City Jail
WEDNESDAY, Sept. 24
 Jesse Sanchez Cruz, 23, Davis Hotel, 116 1/2 W. Foster, was arrested in the 400 block of Wynne on a charge of public intoxication.
 Tony Edward Hughes, 24, Canadian, was arrested in the 1200 block of Frederic on a charge of public intoxication.

Stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.
 Wheat 2.10
 Milo 2.75
 The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion.
 Darnson Oil 1 1/4
 Ky. Cent. Life 55
 Serco 2 1/2
 The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.
 Amoco 64 1/4 dn 1/8
 Cabot 29 dn 1/8
 Celanese 208 up 1/2
 DIA 10 1/4 dn 1/8
 Enron 46 1/2 dn 1/8
 Halliburton 21 1/2 dn 1/8
 HCA 38 1/2 up 1/2
 Ingersoll-Rand 55 dn 1/2
 KNE 19 1/2 dn 1/8
 Kerr-McGee 27 1/2 dn 1/8
 Mesa Ltd. 17 1/2 NC dn 1/8
 Mobil 30 1/2 dn 1/8
 Penney's 71 1/2 dn 1/8
 Phillips 10 1/2 NC dn 1/8
 SLB 32 1/2 dn 1/8
 SPS 32 1/2 up 1/8
 Tenneco 49 1/2 dn 1/8
 Texaco 33 1/2 dn 1/8
 Zales 34 1/2 NC dn 1/8
 London Gold 432.25
 Silver 5.92



Mobil's "proposed gas production facility"

Trio of oil tanks are gas production facility

By CATHY SPAULDING
 Staff Writer

When is a tank battery more than a tank battery? When it becomes a "gas production facility," as noted in an application to the Texas Air Control Board.
 The Pampa office of Mobil Producing is seeking a permit from the board "to construct a gas production unit facility" 2 1/2 miles southeast of Kingsmill. A legal notice concerning the application gives no explanation on what this gas production facility is; instead it warns that the facility could emit such air contaminants as nitrogen oxide, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, non-methane volatile organic compounds and particulate matter.
 The notice evokes images of a major plant hiring a good number of Pampa residents while spewing pollutants into the Panhandle air.
 The proposed gas production facility is a trio of tanks that have been setting placidly beside a country road two miles southeast of Kingsmill for nearly a year.
 Herman Law, a production technician for Mobil Producing, Texas & New Mexico, said there's no new facility, just a new state regulation.
 "It's a new Texas Air Control Board policy that went into effect this year," Law said, explaining the company now needs a permit for these tank batteries because there is a house within one-tenth of a mile.
 When a reporter went to the house twice to see if anyone objected to the tank batteries being there,

nobody was home.
 Gerald Fields, regional director of the Texas Air Control Board in Lubbock assured that the permit is nothing unusual.
 "We have tens of thousands of these units in the Panhandle and the South Plains, and we processed 10 applications in Gray County last year," he pointed out. "In this case, Mobil had a unit and they neglected to get a permit for it. They were the ones who reported it. They called us and said 'we didn't get a permit on this.'"
 As for the "air contaminants" that the facility emits, Fields said that with the exception of sulfur dioxide, they are the same chemicals that are emitted from a car muffler. He assured that the emissions will be in small, harmless amounts.
 Asked how a tank battery can grow into a gas production facility, Fields explained that that's how the wording of the application went. As part of its permit application, Mobil must see if any one protests the existence of the facility. A copy of the company's application and all materials in the application can be viewed at the Texas Air Control Board, Region 1 office in Lubbock or the main office in Austin.
 Interested persons may inspect these materials and submit written comments to the Executive Director of the Texas Air Control Board. Any persons who may be affected by the emissions of the contaminants may request a hearing from the board. The comments must be received in writing by Oct. 10.

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 infiltration by organized crime.
 Gambling on horse races hasn't been legal in Texas since a four-year period during the 1930s.
 White issued a one-page statement explaining why he chose to neither sign nor veto the bill. He said his was an action taken as a public official, not as an individual.
 "All of my personal and religious values are against it, there is no place for it among what I believe is good and right and best. My opposition stems from individual conscience, from my Baptist convictions and from my belief in the traditional values of Texas," White said.

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 However, he noted that Legislatures have been grappling with the question for years, and he acknowledged that there are arguments on both sides.
 "I am convinced that unless the will of the majority is allowed to be expressed, this divisive issue will come back again to tie up — and even plague — future sessions of the Legislature," White said.
 Under the bill, if voters next year approve the statewide question, local option elections would be held to determine if pari-mutuel wagering could take place within particular areas.

City Briefs

GARAGE SALE: 1834 Grape. Friday and Saturday. Adv.
NEED SHAKLEE Products? Please call 665-7738. Adv.
COME EAT beans and cornbread with us! Dixie Democrats. Music by Country Comfort. \$5. Monday, 29th, 6-7:30 p.m. McLean Lions Club, Main Street. Adv.
DANCE TO TJ and the Runaways. Saturday night, Moose Lodge. Members with guests. Adv.

Friday marks ACT deadline

High school students wishing to sign up for the first round of ACT Assessment tests Oct. 25 must register by Friday to avoid late registration penalties.
 The ACT Assessment, which consists of four academic tests that measure educational development and a detailed questionnaire that collects information relevant to educational and career planning, is recommended or required by numerous post-secondary institutions and scholarship programs.
 Basic registration fee is \$10.50. Late registration will be accepted until Oct. 14 for an additional \$10 late handling fee.
 Most students take the ACT Assessment during junior year or early in senior year, so results will be available in time for use in planning for life after high school.

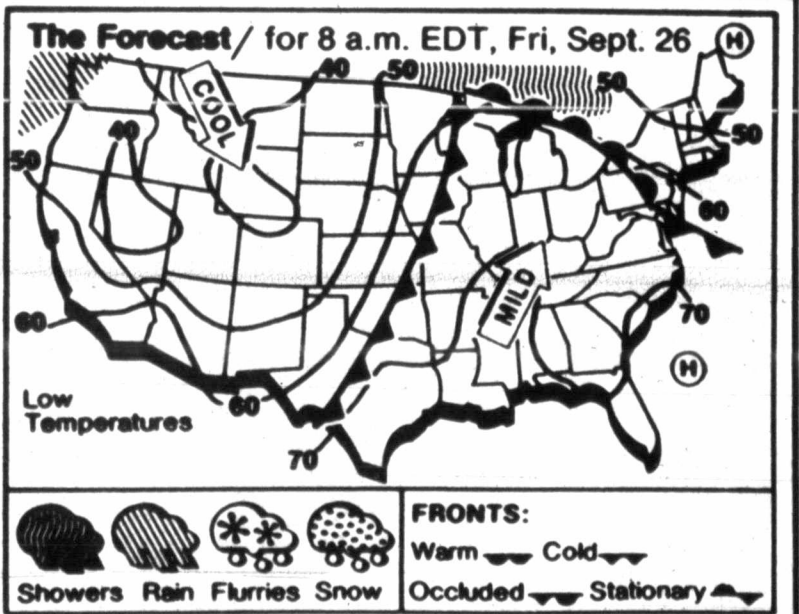
Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Cloudy and cool with the highs in the 90s. Lows in the 50s. Southwesterly winds at 10-20 mph. High Wednesday, 80; low today, 54.

REGIONAL FORECASTS
By The Associated Press
 North Texas- Partly cloudy and windy through Friday with scattered to isolated thunderstorms east and west. Warm and humid during the days with highs in the 90s. Lows tonight will be in the 70s.
 West Texas- Fair through Friday except widely scattered late afternoon and evening thunderstorms possible near Concho Valley. Breezy afternoons Panhandle. Highs Friday lower to mid 80s, except to lower 90s Concho and Big Bend valleys. Lows tonight mid to upper 50s, except mid to upper 60s southern valleys.

South Texas- Partly cloudy through Friday. Widely scattered mainly afternoon and evening thundershowers most sections through Friday, more numerous upper coast and west. Highs Friday 90s, except upper 80s coast. Lows 70s, except near 80 coast.

EXTENDED FORECASTS
Saturday through Monday
NORTH TEXAS: Chance of thunderstorms central and west Saturday spreading into the east Sunday. Thunderstorms ending from the west Monday. Morning lows in the upper 60s to mid 70s cooling west by Monday to the upper 50s to the mid 60s. Afternoon



highs in the mid 80s to lower 90s cooling west by Monday to the mid 70s to lower 80s.
WEST TEXAS: Fair north and partly cloudy southeast. Turning cooler Monday. Lows in the 50s and 60s, highs in the 80s on Saturday, cooling by Monday to the middle 70s.
SOUTH TEXAS: Partly cloudy to occasionally cloudy with scattered mainly afternoon and evening showers or thundershowers. Not quite so warm. Daytime highs in the 80s and 90s. Overnight lows in the 60s and 70s.

BORDER STATES FORECASTS
New Mexico- Widely scattered showers and thundershowers over northwestern

and north-central sections tonight with a few snow showers over the higher elevations. Fair skies across the east and south through tonight. A few showers again developing over the north-central and northwest Friday with generally fair skies elsewhere. A gradual warming trend in daytime temperatures. Highs Friday will be in the 50s and 60s in the mountains and northwest with 70s and 80s at lower elevations east and south. Lows tonight will be in the 20s to near 40 mountains with 40s and 50s at lower elevations.
Oklahoma- Widely scattered thunderstorms mainly northwest tonight and Friday. Highs Friday 88 to 96. Lows tonight 54 Panhandle to 76 east.

TEXAS/REGIONAL

Hearing could decide Farm Credit System future

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — A hearing to decide whether the Farm Credit System can use money from healthy Production Credit Associations to bolster weaker ones could alter the future of the entire system, an attorney says.

U.S. District Judge Halbert Woodward was to begin a hearing today on whether to grant a temporary injunction against the Farm Credit System Capital Corp.'s assessments on some PCAs, said Jerry Smith, who is representing 22 Texas PCAs.

Smith said the hearing "is extremely important. It's not the last step in the process, but the future of the whole Farm Credit System depends on it."

More than 1,600 Texas Panhandle Production Credit Association stockholders, in addition to many others in 19 other Texas PCAs, awaited Woodward's decision.

"If these assessments go through, we have no doubt that all other associations will be assessed," he said.

If they don't go through, it will lay the groundwork for a number of lawsuits that are filed or are expected to be filed against the Farm Credit System, Smith said.

The assessments were set up as part of the Farm Credit Act of 1985 to combat the Farm Credit System's financial woes. Under the Capital Corp., prosperous PCAs would be assessed a fee that would be transferred to weak organizations.

A lawsuit filed on behalf of the 22 Texas PCAs charges the Farm Credit Act is unconstitutional and the regulations are invalid.

The lawsuit was filed in May, but the parties agreed the case would not go to court until assess-

ments were made, and that Capital Corp. would give 14 days notice before the due date of the assessments to allow the courts to decide on the case, Smith said.

"This will only be asking for a temporary injunction," he said. "We must show the court that there is a substantial likelihood that when the real trial is held, we will likely win."

Fred Medero, chief counsel for the Farm Credit Administration, said he doesn't believe the PCAs can win their case and that "we believe the (farm credit act amendments) statute is constitutional."

Area PCAs' assessments are due Sept. 29. Associations which received notices and their amounts are Canadian PCA, \$42,000; Plainview, \$3.2 million; Rolling Plains, \$700,000; Lubbock, \$2.8 million; Sweetwater, \$2.1 million and Marfa,

\$900,000.

Larry Albin, president of Canadian PCA, said the \$42,000 assessment "would be a straight drain on our surplus and earnings. Financially we're in good shape, but we're experiencing farm problems like everyone else."

The Canadian PCA has a little more than 400 members and an approximate \$31 million loan volume, Albin said. The members come from Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Roberts, Hemphill, Gray and Wheeler counties.

Bill Black, Plainview PCA president, said he received an assessment notice for \$3,212,414.

"We are fortunate we have a strong capital base and liquid position, but it will automatically mean higher interest rates to cover earnings lost on the \$3.2 million assessment," Black said.

Senate OKs fund transfers to state-supported colleges

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate has approved a bill that would help make up a \$40 million shortfall in projected college tuition.

Some state-supported colleges lost money when enrollments dropped after the 1985 Legislature raised tuition.

The Senate voted Wednesday to transfer more than \$42.5 million from the state highway fund. Nearly \$18 million is earmarked for a special college tuition fund, if lawmakers enact a gasoline tax increase.

The Senate took a House-approved bill that would transfer \$24.6 million in savings from the highway fund to general revenue and added an amendment by Sen. Bob Glasgow to transfer an additional \$17.96 million from highways to a special "tuition shortfall fund."

Glasgow, D-Stephenville, said he understood a House-Senate conference committee had appropriated \$18 million for tuition losses, and an extra \$3.21 million also is available.

"When you put all that together, that would recoup all of the tuition shortfall" for 1986, Glasgow told reporters.

He said his amendment was contingent upon the special legislative session raising the state's gasoline tax.

The bill transferring a total of nearly \$42.5 million in highway funds was sent back to the House on a 24-0 vote for consideration of the amendment.

The Senate adopted on voice vote and sent to the House a resolution directing the State Board of Education to report on the spending of community education funds appropriated by the Legislature.

Resolution sponsor Carl Parker said legislators had no intention of paying to teach people "how to mix party punches or do Christmas wrappings."

Sen. Parker, D-Port Arthur, said a clear line needs to be drawn between community — or recreational — education and adult education. "The state is not going to bear the burden of recreational courses," he said.

In other action Wednesday, the Senate: — Approved a bill reinstating a three-year limit on driving information released by the Department of Public Safety to someone other than the driver. The bill also prohibits release of information about the completion of driving safety courses to third parties.

Complete driving information, including any beyond the three-year limit and driver safety training, could be released to a driver requesting his own records.

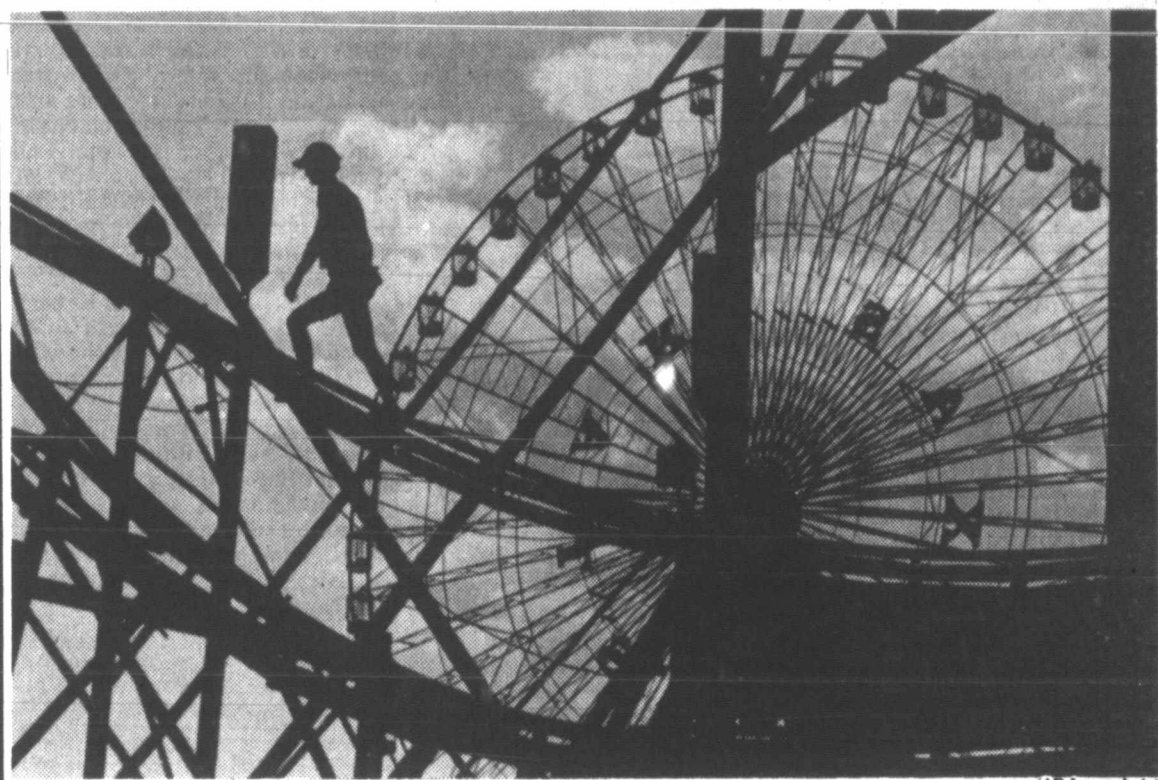
Fees for various DPS driving reports were raised, and Sen. Oscar Mauzy, D-Dallas, estimated the higher fees would bring in an additional \$11.7 million over the next two years.

Mauzy's bill was sent to the House on voice vote.

— Adopted a resolution directing the State Purchasing and General Services Commission to begin negotiating with telephone companies by Oct. 1 for a new state telecommunications system. The resolution was sent to the House on voice vote.

— Approved and sent to the House, 24-0, a bill that would place the Texas Conservation Corps under the Interagency Cooperation Act, which allows any state agency to cooperate with another agency for services, materials or equipment.

Getting ready



A workman walks up the Super Zyklone roller coaster track during an inspection of the Friday and will continued for 31 days. State Fair of Texas fairgrounds in Dallas (AP Laserphoto)

Insurance problems closes State Fair roller coaster

DALLAS (AP) — The Comet roller coaster, once the pride of the State Fair of Texas midway, has rumbled to a halt because of problems with obtaining liability insurance.

"It's a kind of a sad day for me," says Bob Allen, 65, who began working as a ride operator in 1953.

Allen, who during fair time lives with his wife in a house beneath the old-fashioned wooden roller coaster, says it won't be quite the same when the fair opens Friday.

"I just love it," he said. "I've seen probably three generations come through here."

Allen said the ride was popular with high school seniors and he has seen teen-age riders return to the ride with children of their own.

"I've even seen them come back with grandkids," he said. "I'm going to miss that."

Fair spokeswoman Nancy Wiley said the ride was closed this year because of difficulty in getting liability insurance.

The fair's overall package requires that each individual ride have its own liability insurance and since the state fair owns the roller coaster, it was impossible

to get the extra coverage.

"Premiums have shot up, but they've also changed the requirements. There's no way that we, the State Fair, can get the insurance to be that front-line carrier," said Ms. Wiley, the author of The Great State Fair of Texas, a history of the park.

She said state fair officials would reopen the ride if insurance became available.

Allen said he was working at a corny dog concession stand when the 59-foot-high roller coaster opened in 1947 with the flourish of a smashed bottle of champagne. "It was like a homecoming," he said.

A ride on the Comet meant plunging down breath-taking drops and then rocketing around curves on a wild and bumpy course, Allen said.

"I guess it's because it's made out of wood. It just has a thrill about it. It's kind of hard to describe," he said.

Allen said he was fascinated by steam engines as he grew up in Nacogdoches, but by the time he was old enough to go to work, the steam engine had faded. Instead, he turned to the intricacies of the amusement park rides.

Allen began working on the

Comet in 1953, under Paul Grissom, the original ride operator.

Grissom built a house underneath the roller coaster and lived there until his death in 1975. Allen said he lives in the house only while the fair is in operation.

He said the sound of the ride rattling above his head isn't a problem.

"It sounds like sweet music to me. It's just something I love," he said.

Another unusual feature of the Comet is the sheep that graze on the grass growing beneath the ride.

The Comet was built by Sammy Bert Sr., who came to the fairgrounds in 1919. Bert also invented a motor-driven snow cone machine and popularized the crushed ices at the fair. He sold the ride to fair officials in 1976, Ms. Wiley said.

Ms. Wiley said although the roller coaster won't make much difference to the Midway, which bustles with other rides and attractions, it will leave a gap for people used to riding the Comet.

"Certainly to those who are aficionados it's going to be strange," she said.

"It's kind of a landmark," Allen said.

Army depot renovation to continue

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — The U.S. Army has awarded a \$5.6 million contract to pay for the third and fourth phases of a renovation and repair project at Red River Army Depot, officials say.

Silverton Construction Co. of Austin will be performing the

work, U.S. Rep. Jim Chapman, D-Texas, told the Texarkana Gazette Wednesday.

Work on the proposed project will include replacing about 20 acres of concrete used as "hard stands," or large, parking-lot-like spaces where vehicles and material in transit are stored,

RRAD spokeswoman Dee Reece said.

The storage of the vehicles and materials is in support of RRAD's mission, Ms. Reece said. Awarding the contract shows a commitment from the Army for RRAD's future, Chapman said.

Soviets up in launches, not quality

HOUSTON (AP) — Even though the Soviet Union has launched more space satellites than the United States, but a U.S. Space Commande officials says America's are better.

Since Sputnik I almost 29 years ago, the U.S.S.R. has had about 1,800 space launches, said Vice Admiral William E. Ramsey, deputy commander in chief of the United States Space Command. That's an average of about three launches each week since 1957.

"I hate to say it, but that is impressive," Ramsey said before a group gathered for a Houston Forum Club luncheon.

Since 1980, the Soviets' operational spacecraft has increased from 95 continuously in orbit to 150, with 90 percent working for their military. In comparison, the United States had 105 satellites in space in 1980 and now has 110.

"While the Soviets have taken an out-of-balance approach strongly favoring military space activity, we have taken a broader approach — with NASA, the department of defense and civilian commercial interests," Ramsey said.

He said the Soviets have eight boosters they can launch into space, while the United States has opted to concentrate on shuttles.

The Soviet satellites generally last four years. Meanwhile, out of 39 satellite defense operations, 24 have outlived their expectancy, he said. One has been in orbit 17 years, he said.

"We're behind in booster capabilities, but we're catching up," he added.

Four named in Feazell indictment proffer no knowledge of bribes

WACO, Texas (AP) — Four people who allegedly had their cases favorably reviewed or dismissed in exchange for paying McLennan County District Attorney Vic Feazell say no mention of bribes was made when they paid their attorneys.

The four were named in the indictment that was returned Sept. 16 and accuses Feazell of taking 14 separate bribes totaling \$19,360 between May 1984 and April 1985.

The indictment charges that Feazell was paid \$4,500 on April 10, 1985, to have cases pending against Virginia Shookman, James Kolachek and James Fauver dismissed.

Kolachek, of Waco, said he was not asked to pay a bribe and that he paid Waco attorney Don Hall \$3,000 to represent him on a driving while intoxicated charge, the Waco Tribune-Herald reported today.

Kolachek said Hall, who was McLennan County district attorney from 1962 to 1966, gave him no explanation of how the case was disposed of, and never mentioned Feazell.

"I don't know what a reasonable (attorney's) fee is. I just paid (Hall) what he asked," Kolachek said.

Kolachek said he has not talked with the FBI or been asked to testify before an Austin grand jury investigating Feazell.

Ms. Shookman, of China Spring, declined to answer questions other than to say she had been arrested for DWI and that there was no mention of bribery. She declined to say what attorney represented her.

The indictment also alleges Feazell was paid \$1,500 to dismiss a case against Jesse Moon of Waco.

Moon said he was charged with DWI in September 1984 after he was stopped on Interstate 35, and that the case was dismissed after he paid Hall \$2,500.

"(Hall) said, 'Go ahead and give me \$2,500 and I'll take care of all the matters.' ... He said I wasn't legally intoxicated and everything was taken care of," Moon said.

Hall, who was subpoenaed to testify before the Austin grand jury in August and was jailed for

four days on contempt charges for failing to produce subpoenaed records, declined to discuss the cases listed in the indictment.

"I couldn't discuss my relations with (Feazell) or any of my clients because of the attorney-client relationship," Hall said.

Another of Hall's clients listed on the indictment, Richard Bowers, said he was arrested in March 1984 for allegedly delivering and possessing hydromorphone. He said he paid Hall and Hall's law partner, Dick Kettler, \$12,000 in legal fees and was placed on 10 years' probation.

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Louise Fletcher
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Opinion

FCC should leave broadcaster alone

The 21-year struggle by RKO to hold onto its 14 radio and TV stations seems destined to be resolved within the next few months. It should be resolved in favor of RKO, for any other resolution would be inconsistent with the American tradition of respect for private property.

RKO's troubles began in 1965, when a company called Fidelity Television challenged the license renewal application for its Los Angeles television station, KHJ-TV (Channel 9). Fidelity promised that if it were given Channel 9's license, it would offer better programming than RKO was offering — as though Fidelity, the Federal Communications Commission or anyone else were qualified to dictate what constitutes "good" programming.

Fidelity also challenged RKO's "fitness" to operate a broadcast station "in the public interest." RKO is a branch of GenCorp, which was at that time known as General Tire and Rubber Company. And General Tire was accused of a number of supposedly unsavory business practices, including making payments to foreign officials for the privilege of doing business in their countries, and of favoring its own tire advertising over the ads of competitors like Good-year and Firestone.

Why either of these practices should be regarded as illegal is something of a mystery. U.S. businessmen have to make payments to officials to do business in this country too. The only difference is that here we call the payments "licensing fees" and "permit fees" instead of what they really are — bribes. Why is it the mark of an upstanding citizen to bribe City Hall for a piece of paper called a "business license," which guarantees that the municipality won't make trouble for him and disrupt the operation of his business, but it is immoral and illegal to bribe a Third World potentate for the same privilege?

As for giving yourself preferential treatment in the use of your own air time for advertising, this would seem to be common sense. If a man owns both a newspaper and a dry goods store, why shouldn't he give himself a better deal on ad space than he gives competing dry goods stores, if in fact he chooses to run their advertising at all?

But the FCC decided not to renew KHJ-TV's license, and the station has been broadcasting with out a regular license for two decades, while its case has proceeded through a series of appeals and other delays. Meanwhile, RKO's 13 other licenses, for major radio and TV stations in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, San Francisco, Washington, Memphis and Fort Lauderdale, have been placed in jeopardy. It seems GenCorp failed to tell the FCC 10 years ago about a then-current Securities and Exchange Commission investigation about charges that it was exercising its property rights and running its business as it saw fit instead of as the government saw fit. At that point, the FCC decided that RKO was unfit to operate any broadcast stations at all.

Now the FCC is said to have decided to appoint a federal arbitrator in the case and require that arbitrator to report his findings in 75 days. Since this sorry record of federal harassment of RKO began, the composition of the FCC has changed. And given the explicit enthusiasm for the free market of the current FCC chairman, Mark Fowler, it is perhaps not utopian to hope that justice will at last be done and RKO be allowed to go on about its business unmolested.

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James J. Kilpatrick

He's really not a monster

WASHINGTON — So the monster Rehnquist at last has been confirmed, and if you would believe Sen. Howard Obnoxious, D-Ohio, my grandchildren thus are doomed forever. They will live in a world in which an iniquitous chief justice will wipe out their civil liberties. Every civil liberty! Poor kids! Rehnquist alone will do them in.

The vote for confirmation was 65-33. On CBS, disappointed commentators viewed the count with disparaging eyes. They let us know that more votes had been cast against Rehnquist than had been cast against any previous chief justice nominee in history. What a statistic! Of Rehnquist's 15 predecessors, only six were confirmed by roll-call votes. Ellesworth (21-1), Waite (63-0) and Burger (74-3) were shoe-ins.

What of the others? Taney won confirmation 29-15, with 66 percent of the vote. Fuller won 41-20 with 67 percent. Hughes won 52-26 with 66 percent. If you will run Rehnquist's 65-33 through your pocket calculator, you will understand why some of us believe that CBS is, well, biased.

The campaign waged against Rehnquist was disgraceful. No other word will suffice. One looks back on the past three months with a sense of disbelief. What would his enemies have us believe?

The monster was a drug addict. Suffering from a painful back ailment, Rehnquist had taken pharmaceutical drugs prescribed by his physician, and he had recited badly to them. That was all there was to this story.

The monster was unethical. At the Depart-

ment of Justice, 15 years ago, he had provided legal advice on a short-lived program of Army surveillance of civilians. When a case that challenged the program reached the Supreme Court, Rehnquist declined to disqualify himself. This upset a gaggle of law professors, but the professors had not done their homework. Rehnquist's decision was firmly in line with Supreme Court precedents from John Marshall to Hugo Black. So much for that charge.

The monster was a racist. As a young Republican activist in Phoenix a quarter of a century ago, Rehnquist had dared to question the eligibility of a black voter. The evidence on this point was so shaky that Rehnquist's accusers could not even remember the year in which the dreadful incident had occurred. The nominee denied that he had harassed anyone.

The monster had purchased property encumbered by ethnic covenants. Senators Edward Kennedy and Joseph Biden found this outrageous. Then it transpired that Biden's family had also been so attainted. So's your old man, said the monster's friends, and the horror story was shelved pianissimo.

The monster was insensitive to women. That is to say, as a private citizen Rehnquist opposed the Equal Rights Amendment. What a beast! What a scoundrel!

The monster was an evil deceiver. While in private practice in Arizona, 30 years ago, he had drawn up a trust agreement for his father-in-law. At the specific direction of his client, he had kept the details to himself. Was this not scanda-

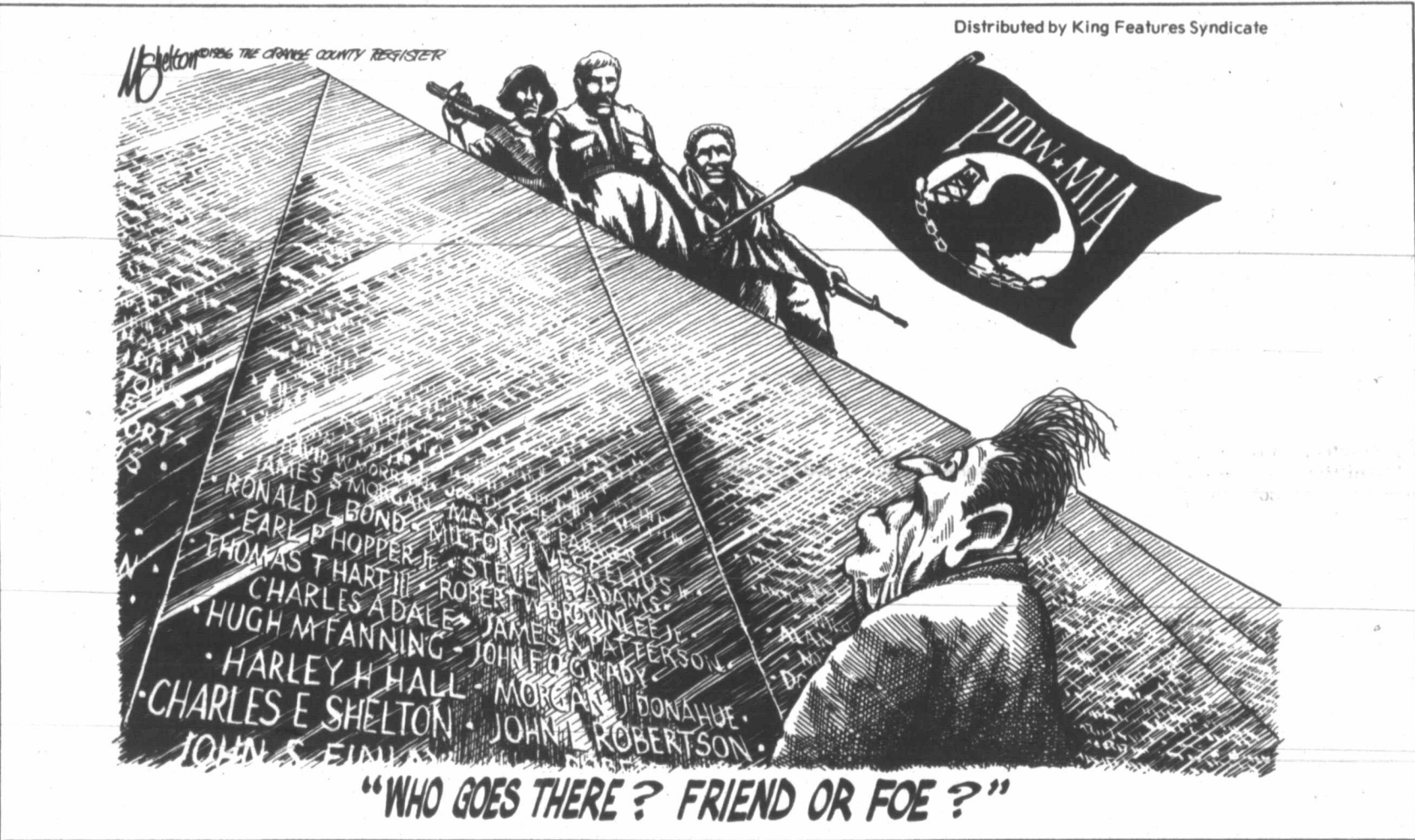
lous behavior?

There was more, much more, but at bottom was one charge more grievous than all the rest: Rehnquist was — he really was — he was a conservative! Boo! Hiss! The Washington Post summed up this heinous offense in a telling sentence: "Justice Rehnquist is a forthright proponent of legislative over judicial decision-making."

Did you ever hear of such a thing? It boggles the mind. Rehnquist's opinions, said the Post, consistently adhere to this wicked notion. Rehnquist actually believes that Congress should make decisions. He will not bestir himself to rewrite federal statutes to the Post's desires. He "will not take advantage of the considerable discretion that the Constitution affords Supreme Court justices for precisely such occasions." Who could vote for so vile a creature?

Let us weep for The Washington Post, and let us grieve Kennedy, Obnoxious and Biden. They did their best to smear the reputation of a decent, honorable man who happens also to possess a keen intellect and a fine sense of jurisprudence. Those of us who cover the Supreme Court closely have known Bill Rehnquist over the past 15 years as a workhorse, a fine writer, a charming human being who is genuinely liked even by fellow justices who dissent from his opinions.

Rehnquist probably will not take the keen interest in judicial administration that was evidenced by Taft and Burger. He may not prove a consensus builder in the fashion of Earl Warren, but he will do a superlative job.



Lewis Grizzard

American Dream on wheels

Charles Hardy, who sells Chevrolets, Pontiacs, Buicks and Chevy trucks, is my favorite automobile person.

You want Iacocca, you got him. I'll take Charles Hardy, a giant in South-eastern car sales, if for no other reason because of his radio commercials.

Charles Hardy, whose Southern accent is somewhere between the late Slim Pickens and everybody named Billy Bob and Roy Earl, sounds like he wants to sell you a car so badly he could spit.

Drawls Charles: "We luv you and we need you, and if you're gonna do it, for goodness' sakes, let's do it with the Hardy boys." I firmly believe there is a country song there somewhere.

I called Charles to ask him what the current interest war among the nation's major automakers was doing for his business.

First, automakers went down to 2.9 percent

financing, and now American Motors is down to zip financing until mid-October. The '86s have to go.

"It's amazing," Charles said. "You're busy, then?"

"Busy? We've been working 18 hours a day. We've sold 300 cars since this thing got started, and I've only got 150 left. I'm sending people to other dealers everywhere so I can get more."

Just listening to Charles, I could feel my checkbook beginning to pulsate. I gained control, however, and remembered the deal about the myth of the free lunch.

"Charles," I asked, "what's the gimmick here?"

"There's not one," he said. "The manufacturer is absorbing the cost. The only catch is being able to beat somebody else to the car you want."

"We don't have enough salesmen to go around, so when people find a car they want, the

whole family stands around it and waits to be helped.

"If somebody else comes up and looks at the car, they say, 'This one's ours,' and they won't budge."

You know what I was thinking as I heard Charles Hardy go on about his landslide business? I was thinking, isn't all this a nice little portrait of the American Dream coming true once again?

We've been talking high prices, forever, it seems. And inflation. And high interest rates. And recessions and rumors of recessions.

But isn't this more like it? Want a new car? Fine, good buddy, you got one. This is America.

"Folks who weren't even thinking of buying a new car are buying them," said Charles Hardy. No brag, just fact.

Happy days are here again. U.S. automakers are once again the walking man's friend. They luv us, and they need us.

At least until the new models come out in October.

Battle for the Senate won't end in 1986

By Robert Walters

BISMARCK, N.D. (NEA) — If you liked the 1982 and 1984 versions of "The Battle for Control of the Senate," you'll love the 1986 variation — and certainly won't want to miss the 1988 rendition.

Throughout most of this decade, the politicians and the press have promoted a biennial renewal of essentially the same drama — the struggle between the two parties for a Senate majority.

The result is certainly crucial in determining the outcome of countless public policy debates. But the hoopla surrounding the confrontation in recent even-numbered years suggests a degree of finality that does not exist.

This year, for example, the public is being repeatedly told that the Republicans dominate the Senate by a

53-47 margin, but the Democrats could win enough fiercely contested races to recapture control of the chamber.

Not mentioned is the very real possibility that, regardless of which party wins this year, the 1986 results could be reversed in 1988 and switched again in 1990.

Nowhere is the evanescence of the situation more apparent than in North Dakota, where almost as much attention is focused on the 1988 Senate contest as on the 1986 race.

This year, Republican Sen. Mark Andrews is being challenged by Democrat Kent Conrad, the state's tax commissioner.

Although Andrews remains the favorite, Conrad probably is within striking distance and has a chance to stage an upset.

"It's closer than I expected it to

be," admits Andrews' campaign manager. Indeed, Andrews has been on the defensive in recent weeks and one credible analysis says Conrad is "the best long-shot bet in the country."

Although a crucial month of campaigning remains before Election Day, political aficionados already are looking beyond this year's race to the 1988 North Dakota Senate race.

Veteran Democratic Sen. Quentin N. Burdick, 78, insists he will seek re-election in two years. But Democratic Rep. Byron L. Dorgan, 44, has, in effect, served notice that if the senator does not retire he will face a primary with the energetic, ambitious Dorgan.

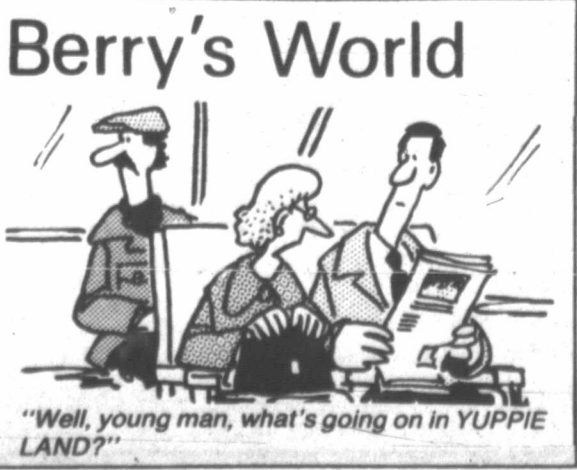
Republicans naturally are enthusiastic about the prospect of a bloody Democratic primary. Among the GOP politicians already being talked about as potential nominees in 1988 are the party's two leaders in the

state legislature and a member of the state's Public Service Commission.

North Dakota is hardly the only state where politicians are thinking about 1988. In California, Democratic Sen. Alan Cranston faces a spirited contest to retain his seat this year, but some politicians are looking ahead two years to when Republican Sen. Pete Wilson's term expires. At least three Democratic members of the House are being discussed as potential Wilson challengers.

Similarly, in the state of Washington, Democratic and Republican members of the House are positioning themselves in case Republican Sen. Dan Evans does not seek re-election when his term expires in 1988.

Such developments always have been of interest at the state level but they had little national significance during the 1960s and 1970s.



Casey: news media helps Soviets by publishing leaked documents

WASHINGTON (AP) — Central Intelligence Agency Director William J. Casey says the U.S. news media is handing vital information to the Soviets "on a silver platter" when it publishes leaked secrets, and he wants tougher laws to punish the press for such disclosures.

But Sen. Dave Durenberger, the chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, said the Reagan administration is itself to blame for news leaks that have damaged U.S. spying efforts.

Both Casey and Durenberger, who traded barbs over the issue of leaks last fall, were part of an unusual colloquium Wednesday night that included two prominent investigative reporters, including James Polk of NBC-TV.

Casey asked the Justice Department last May 21 to consider prosecuting NBC for broadcasting a brief Polk report on the background of the Ronald Pelton spy case.

Before the evening was out, Casey told Polk he wasn't really a candidate for prosecution, and the spy chief assured the other reporter, Bob Woodward of The Washington Post, that he wasn't tapping any journalists' phones — including Woodward's.

"My daughter will feel much better," said Woodward, an assistant managing editor of the Post, who is completing a book on the CIA.

"Ask him about senators' (phones)," Durenberger said.

Casey told the 140 people at a meeting of the Washington chapter of Sigma Delta Chi that he will press for tougher laws to punish both government employees who leak secrets and the news media for willfully publishing sensitive information.

"The KGB and other hostile intelligence services every year spend billions of dollars trying to acquire this information. But the unauthorized publication of restricted information hands to them on a silver platter information that their spies, their researchers, their satellites are working 24 hours a day to uncover and use against us," Casey said.

But Durenberger, a Minnesota Republican, said the administration itself let sensitive information slip on several occasions earlier this year to bolster support for the bombing of Libya and aid to the Nicaraguan rebels.

He cited the leak of a message from Libyan officials that was intercepted before the

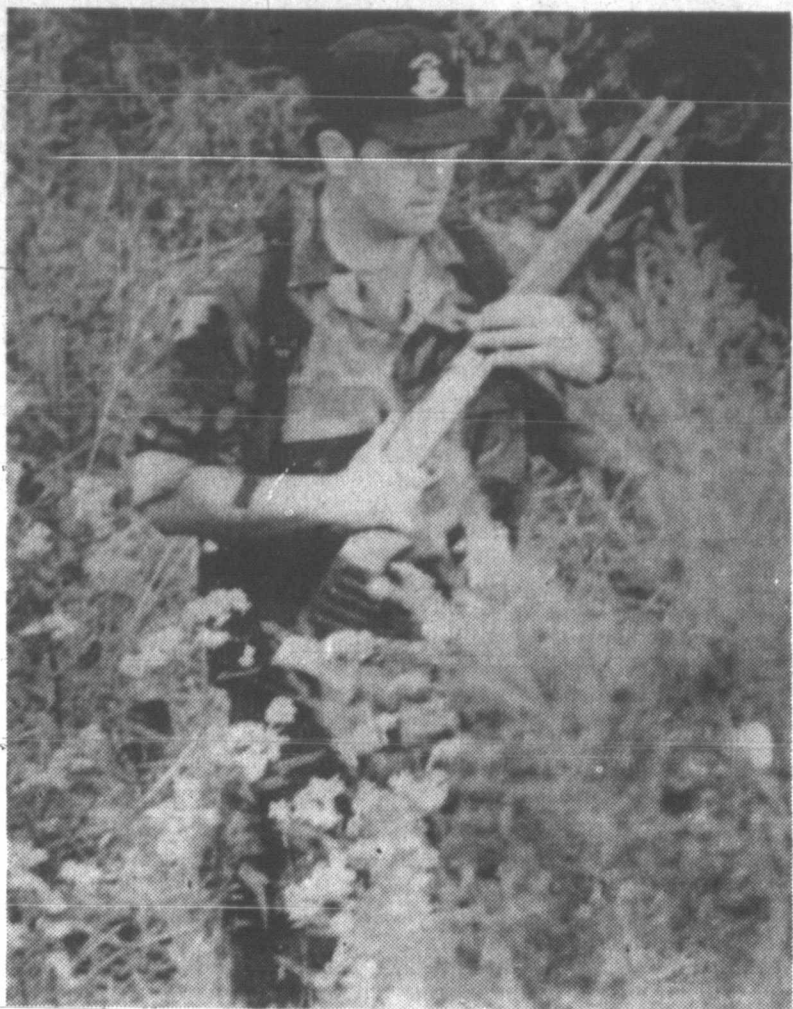
bombing of a Berlin discotheque last April 5, and a leak about U.S. spies within the Sandinista government that resulted in the arrest of three Nicaraguan officials.

Durenberger said Casey himself emerged from a White House briefing a few months ago and revealed that Soviet pilots were flying reconnaissance aircraft in Nicaragua. "Though the damage in some of these cases is considerable... I really don't know of any effort to restrain or to punish the officials that were responsible in each of these cases," Durenberger said.

Last November, after Durenberger criticized Casey's management of the CIA, Casey issued a public rejoinder calling the senator's criticisms "tragically wrong" and charging that congressional oversight was to blame for "repeated compromise of sensitive intelligence sources."

Durenberger said it was ironic that the congressional intelligence committees often were "cut out of the information loop" because of leaks they had nothing to do with.

"Generally, journalists are all too willing to be used in return for information. ... It is deplorable stories which harm our interest, and potentially our citizens, are published for the sake of a scoop," the senator said.



(AP Laserphoto)

A Missouri law enforcement official works his way through a wooded area near Wright City.

Suspect's mother issues plea for his surrender

WRIGHT CITY, Mo. (AP) — The mother of a former mental patient suspected of killing three people during a three-state crime spree pleaded for him to surrender, and police say they hope they are closing in on him.

The FBI, meanwhile, has issued a nationwide alert for Michael W. Jackson, who has not been seen since a Monday night shootout with a police officer that may have left him wounded.

"He's on the run. He has no money and no transportation," state Highway Patrol Lt. Walter Palmer said late Wednesday. "I feel encouraged that we might see something in the next day or so."

About 100 law officers have scoured the area for three nights and two days, as residents of this farming community about 45 miles west of St. Louis locked their doors, kept their children home and bought ammunition for their guns.

Jackson's 75-year-old mother appeared Wednesday night in an interview broadcast on WCBI-TV in Columbus, Miss.

"Mike, please give up before anyone else gets hurt. I love you," said Modine Embry, of Oxford, Miss.

Jackson, 41, is suspected of killing two people in Indianapolis and a man from O'Fallon, Mo. He also is suspected of wounding a Wright City police officer and abducting at least five people during a 13-hour rampage Monday across Indiana, Illinois and Missouri.

"We've been through these things before," Highway Patrol Capt. John Ford said of the tedious manhunt. "If you don't get him in the first 30 minutes, sometimes it takes a while."

Ford said the search would not be called off unless police found evidence that Jackson had left the area.

Also Wednesday, the FBI notified its agents nationwide to be on the lookout for Jackson, said Indianapolis special agent Garry O. Schoon.

Highway Patrol Lt. Paul H. Jones said authorities believe Jackson was wounded in a shootout with two Wright City police officers Monday night because bloodstains were found on the steering wheel of the stolen car he was in.

Family of six found dead

HOUSTON (AP) — A couple and their four small children apparently were dead for two days before authorities found their bodies in a home still filled with traces of carbon monoxide, police said.

"There has been no note found to indicate to us that this was a suicide," police spokesman Danny Turner said. "But there is no visible sign of force to say it was a murder either."

The family appeared to have died from carbon monoxide poisoning, homicide detective Chris Andersen said. An autopsy was pending.

Police found the bodies Wednesday afternoon after co-workers of Joann Robbins went to the house and smelled foul odors,

authorities said. Mrs. Robbins, 37, was found sitting on the passenger's side of a car with the ignition on in the attached garage, police said.

Her husband, Thomas L. Robbins, 39, was found in nightclothes in front of a television still on in the den of the brick-and-wood home, police said.

The children were also dressed in nightwear and were found on mattresses or on the floor of one room, investigators said. Police identified them as Astrid, 7; Drake, 5; Emma, 4; and Elizabeth, who was to turn 2 next Tuesday.

Investigators believe fumes from the car may have filled the entire house, police said.

Third of nuclear weapons flawed, Pentagon says

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Pentagon official, defending nuclear tests against a House effort to sharply limit them, says underground blasts were needed to help correct flaws in a third of the U.S. atomic weapons developed since 1958.

"This is not a problem that has gone away thanks to the innovations of advanced computing skills and modeling," said Frank Gaffney, deputy assistant defense secretary for nuclear forces and arms control policy.

Among the weapons that required "post-developmental" modifications were the Polaris and Poseidon submarine-launched missiles; the Minuteman 1 intercontinental ballistic

missile, and the air-launched and ground-launched cruise missiles that are still being deployed today.

Gaffney spoke at a Pentagon news briefing called by the administration to attack legislation that would sharply limit nuclear testing.

The House, responding to a self-imposed test moratorium by the Soviet Union, has added an amendment to the Pentagon's budget for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 that would ban all but the smallest underground tests. Reagan has vowed to veto any bill such a provision.

The administration, according to a report in today's Washington Post, as decided after consider-

able internal dispute to approve a visit by five Soviet scientists to survey potential seismic monitoring sites for U.S. weapons tests.

Approval was said to be conditioned on willingness of the Soviets to observe and measure the explosive yield of an underground explosion in Nevada, and it was not certain the Soviets would agree. Non-government U.S. scientists have installed measuring equipment at three Soviet sites.

"In our experience, over one-third of all nuclear designs put into the U.S. stockpile since 1958, after what was considered to be adequate testing, required what's called post-

developmental testing to fix unexpected problems and restore confidence in the reliability of those weapons," Gaffney said.

Citing concerns about secrecy, the Pentagon official offered few specific tails. But he did release a picture of an unidentified type of U.S. nuclear warhead that suffered catastrophic damage when subjected to the effects of radiation from a nuclear blast.

Gaffney also noted that the problems with the Polaris, which have been previously disclosed, could be traced directly to a point in history when the United States accepted a Soviet call for a moratorium on testing in 1958. That moratorium lasted about three years,

Quake recorded off west coast of central Mexico

GOLDEN, Colo. (AP) — An earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale was recorded early today off the west coast of central Mexico, seismologists for the U.S. Geological Survey said.

The epicenter was 130 miles southwest of Mazatlan in the north Pacific Ocean, said John Minsch of the National Earthquake Information Center, a branch of USGS.

There were no immediate reports of the quake being felt, Minsch said.

The Richter scale is a measure of ground motion as recorded on seismographs. Every increase of one number means a tenfold increase in magnitude. Thus a reading of 7.5 reflects an earthquake 10 times stronger than one of 6.5.

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SWBT supports program that addresses school dropout problem

Texas' most precious resource is not oil or gas, but rather the young men and women of the state. Unfortunately, a large proportion of these youths will never reach their fullest potential because of their decision to drop out of school. They end up cheating themselves, and society, out of the contributions that only they and their unique talents can make.

Recently published statistics reinforce the severity of this problem: The dropout rate in Texas hovers around 30 percent. Last spring alone, one out of every three potential high school seniors in the state — about 80,000 — failed to graduate.

This problem affects all of us, since young people with little education often turn to crime when they are unable to find a job. In 1985, more than 100,000 people under the age of 17 were arrested in Texas. And, this is not a new phenomenon — 85 percent of the 30,000 inmates in Texas prisons are high school dropouts.

Although these numbers paint a grim picture, a group of concerned citizens have approached this age-old problem with a new and promising solution — it's called Communities in Schools (CIS). We, at Southwestern Bell Telephone, feel that CIS will pay future dividends to the people of Texas because it addresses the individual needs of our state's troubled youths.

A highly focused program, CIS coordinates efforts of many social service organizations into a centralized, efficient, yet humanized, unit. It works closely with public education personnel to encourage students — who run a risk of dropping out — to complete their education.

CIS treats students as individuals

CIS counselors work one-on-one with these students to solve problems that often cause them to drop out. It takes a "whole child" approach, recognizing that many factors — including family, financial and psychological concerns — affect a youngster's decision to leave school.

Southwestern Bell Telephone has been an enthusiastic supporter of CIS since it began as a pilot program in 1979. Through the past seven years, we have provided direction, money, equipment and manpower to give floundering students in Texas another chance at a good education.

SWBT believes in the program because it works: Since its inception, CIS has helped more than 5,000 students. Even more impressive, over the last two years, 87 percent of the youngsters in the CIS summer program are still in public school, or have gone on to college, additional training or unsubsidized jobs.

We are happy to report that under the leadership of SWBT's Texas Division President Jim Adams, the program is spreading into additional school districts across the state.

Although CIS is not available in all Texas communities, SWBT is committed to building a better state, through its participation in organizations like CIS. We feel it's our obligation — and privilege — to enhance the quality of life for all Texans, through state-of-the-art telephone service, as well as worthwhile community programs.

Be sure to check your local television schedule for the airing of "Hispanic Dropouts: America's Time Bomb," a documentary that explores why so many Hispanics are leaving school and what can be done to prevent it. Written and produced by Southwestern Bell Telephone, it features Miami Vice's Edward James Olmos.

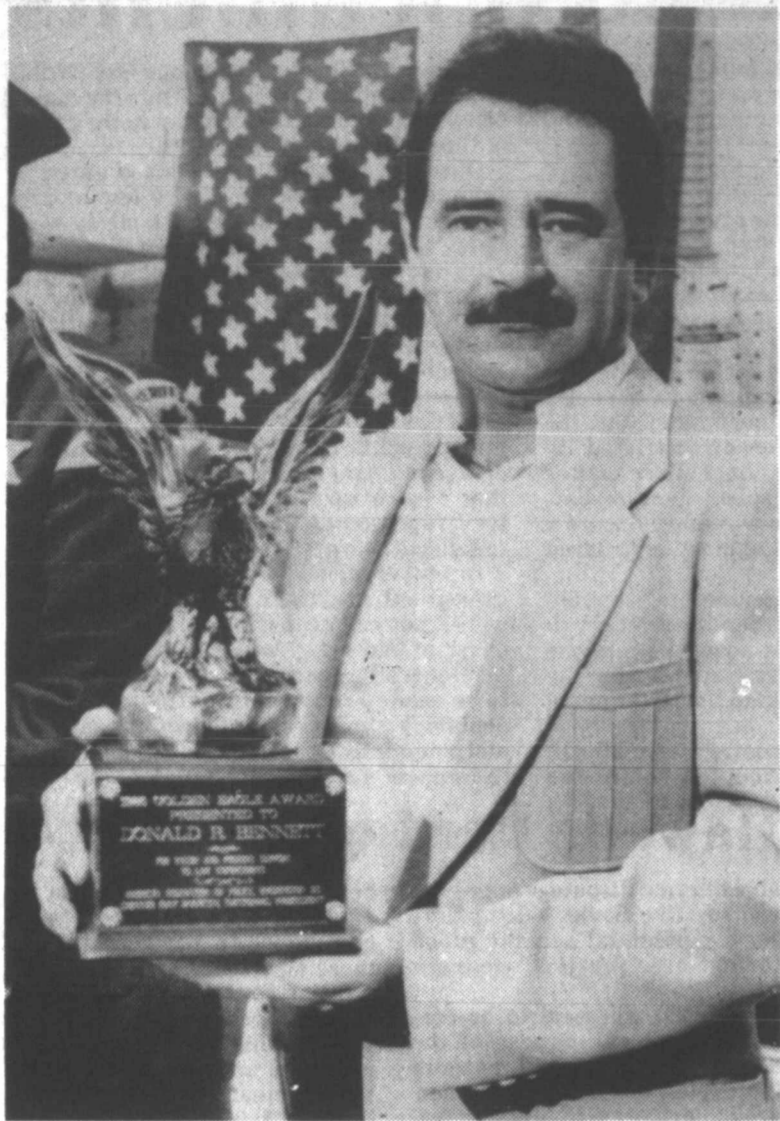
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Dispute flares over dollar's value



(AP Laserphoto)

Gas station owner Don Bennett holds award presented by the American Federation of Police.

Man wins award, but faces handgun charge

OAK PARK, Ill. (AP) — A gas station owner charged with violating the town's handgun ban after he pursued and shot at two armed robbers has been honored with a bravery award by a police organization.

Don Bennett was robbed of \$1,200 in cash and jewelry in March when two armed robbers came to his Oak Park station and put a gun to his head.

Bennett followed them through a dark alley and fired at their car with a .45-caliber handgun, but they escaped.

Two days after Bennett reported the crime, he was arrested for breaking the village handgun ordinance that prohibits private citizens from owning or carrying handguns.

If convicted, he could be imprisoned six months and fined \$2,000.

Oak Park's handgun ban was approved by trustees in April 1984 and took effect six months later. Voters defeated a November referendum to repeal the ordinance.

"This is incredible, a tremendous award," said Bennett, 46, who lives in nearby Hanover Park and faces a court hearing Monday. "It means a lot knowing the law-enforcement community is behind me."

The American Federation of Police on Wednesday presented Bennett with its highest civilian honor.

"We stand behind this man today and issue this award in recognition of his bravery and ... his fortitude, in defending not only his right to bear arms, but of every law-abiding citizen in this state and in the nation," said De-

nnis L. Martin, president of the 68,000-member organization.

Since 1980, the federation's Golden Eagle award has been awarded to 14 people, including President Reagan. Vice President George Bush received the trophy last week, said Martin, a deputy sheriff in Saginaw, Mich.

A gun-control advocate said he was outraged about the award. "For a police group to give an award to a man who broke the law is ludicrous," said Henry Hulseberg, a spokesman for the Citizens Committee For Handgun Control.

"No one's for crime in any form," he said.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government economic policy makers are at it again, wrangling over the dollar in a dispute that pits the Reagan administration against Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker.

The administration, led by Treasury Secretary James Baker, says it may be forced to push the value of the dollar lower unless America's major trading partners do more to pump up their economies and provide markets for U.S. exports.

But on Wednesday, Volcker said he felt that the dollar, which has lost about one-third of its value against some key currencies in the past 18 months, has declined far enough.

The central bank chief said any further drop could trigger serious economic problems such as renewed inflation in the United States and weaker, not stronger, growth

overseas. The dispute is popping into the open as Volcker and Baker prepare to meet their counterparts from Japan, West Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada for critical meetings aimed at keeping the current worldwide economic recovery alive.

Baker's comments were aimed directly at officials in West Germany and Japan, who, the administration believes, have not done enough to promote growth in their countries.

The administration would like both countries to cut interest rates further as a way of stimulating their economies, in the belief that faster growth would provide more markets for American products and thus help to alleviate the huge U.S. trade deficit.

But Volcker, in congressional testimony Wednesday, warned that the United States

must put its own economic house in order and should not rely on further declines in the value of the dollar to alleviate the trade deficit, which is expected to top \$175 billion this year.

After Baker's comments last week, the dollar staged a two-day decline, falling to a five-year low against the West German mark. However, over the weekend, countries of the European Community said they would fight back, intervening to prop up the dollar in order to preserve their U.S. markets.

Asked Wednesday to assess the situation, Volcker said, "I don't want an overly depressed dollar either. If we rely solely on changes in the dollar to try to correct the (trade) situation, we are going to run into a lot of other problems."

Compromise on federal budget predicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Capitol Hill budget writers expect a quick House-Senate compromise on deficit reduction, but Congress still has less than a week to resolve a host of urgent money matters for the new fiscal year.

By a vote of 309-106, the House on Wednesday followed the Senate and approved plans to trim the fiscal 87 deficit below the \$4

billion limit in the Gramm-Rudman balanced budget law.

In separate measures, both the House and Senate avoided deep spending cuts or significant tax increases. They both opted instead to:

- Sell off government assets, such as the Conrail freight railroad and loan portfolios.
- Raise fees for government

services. —Raise penalties for tax evasion and hire more IRS agents.

—Shift around government revenues and expenditures to give the balance sheet a one-time fix.

"Everyone acknowledges that in this package we are not solving the structural problem of the deficit," said Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif., as the House passed its

\$15.1 billion measure.

Reagan administration officials lodged a protest Wednesday, warning in a message to Congress they would recommend a presidential veto of the House version. But Gray expressed confidence that the compromise would be acceptable to the president.

Marijuana ingredient causes aging in brain cells of rats

WASHINGTON (AP) — The active ingredient in marijuana causes a loss of brain cells in rats similar to that attributed to aging, raising a new concern about the popular illegal drug, a researcher says.

Dr. Philip W. Landfield of Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., said Wednesday that animal research indicates the marijuana compound, a chemical called THC, may affect the structure of the brain in the same way as aging.

While the researcher said it is too soon to say that THC causes brains to age prematurely, he said the animal studies raise a concern that should be explored more fully.

At a briefing sponsored by the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration, other researchers testing cocaine in animals said the anesthetic effect of the illicit drug can make the brain more sensitive to later,

potentially fatal, seizures from small amounts of the chemical.

Researchers at the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Md., said studies with rats show that cocaine can have a "kindling" effect that makes the brain more sensitive to the drug over time.

The researchers, Drs. Robert Post and Susan Weiss, said their work indicates the brain may be more susceptible to developing lethal convulsions from repeated cocaine use than from a single large dose, which also can cause fatal seizures.

Cocaine is unusual in that it is both a stimulant like amphetamine and an anesthetic similar to the drug lidocaine, they said.

Because of the kindling effect, the anesthetic aspect of cocaine increases sensitivity to the drug to such an extent that what was once a normal dose for a user can become a fatal one, Post said.

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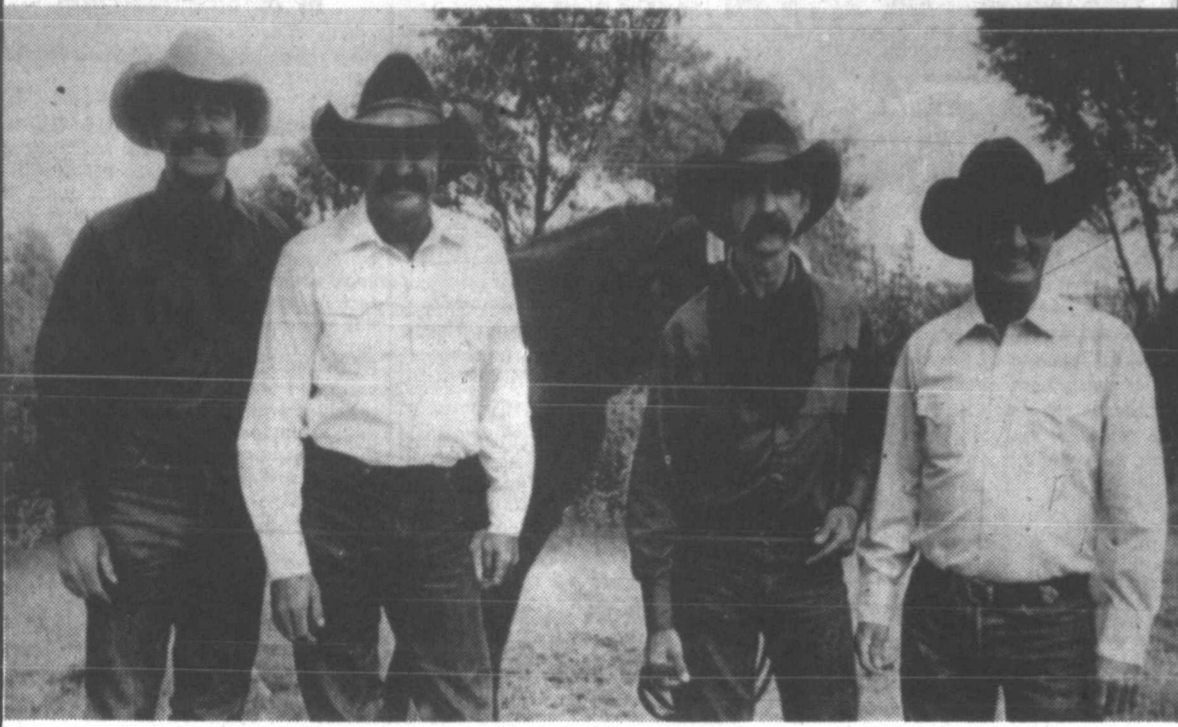
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Demos launch new farm plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Democrats have opened a policy debate that they hope will at least nourish the seeds of political discontent in farm states, even if it falls short of plowing under Reagan administration agriculture policy.

Using campaign-style rhetoric, a dozen House and Senate Democrats Tuesday unveiled their solution to America's slumping farm economy: a sudden and sharp curtailment of agricultural production designed to wipe out surpluses and force commodity prices upward.

The effect would be to shift the costs of supporting U.S. farmers from the government, which will spend \$30 billion on subsidies this year, to consumers, who would see their grocery bills rise by 3 percent to 5 percent, said Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

"It's become clear, one year after its misguided conception, that the 1985 farm bill is not working," Harkin said at a news conference.

Actually, the new law has been in effect for less than nine months, and economists warned that it would take several years to restore the health of U.S. farm exports through its strategy of lowering prices to make American-grown commodities more competitive.

But Democrats are betting that the patience of farmers has

already been exhausted. They cited a litany of what they said were the law's failures: the continued slump in U.S. farm exports, the law's expected \$30 billion cost this year and a continued farm economic depression.

"Reaganomics and the Reagan farm program have been a disaster for farmers and a disaster for America," said Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., a possible presidential contender for 1988 who made his public debut in farm policy at the news conference.

"Today, Democrats are launching a counterattack against Ronald Reagan's policies of neglect."

The lawmakers argued that farmers are united as never before in favor of such a supply-control approach, citing a list of farm organizations that have backed the bill. The list includes, for the most part, traditionally liberal organizations like the American Agriculture Movement and the National Farmers Union.

Other groups, like the American Farm Bureau Federation, oppose the idea, which was defeated several times last year during congressional consideration of the new farm law. There is little chance that Congress, with its crowded and election-shortened schedule, will have time to address any massive rewrite of farm law this year.

But Democrats are hoping that problems with the farm economy, and the unevenness of the nation's economic recovery during the Reagan era, will turn into a potent issue between now and the Nov. 4 elections, enhancing anticipated Democratic gains.

"It is important that we get this out before the elections, so voters can ask their candidates where they stand," said Rep. David Obey, D-Wis.

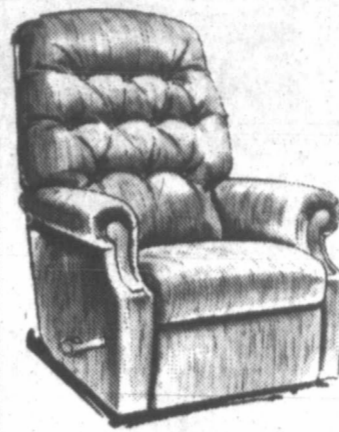
Senate Republicans, meanwhile, are taking a different tack in pursuit of rural votes. Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., has proposed boosting subsidies to wheat, corn and soybean farmers to enable them to sell their commodities overseas at lower prices.

The proposal would cost some \$5.5 billion on top of already record farm-program spending this year, however, and Dole has said he is looking for other places to save that amount before going ahead with the idea.

The Democratic proposal calls for grain farmers and dairy producers, beginning in 1988, to vote on whether to institute national limits on how much of a crop each farmer may market. If approved by a majority, price-support levels would be raised dramatically and farmers would have to cut their planted acreage by up to 35 percent.

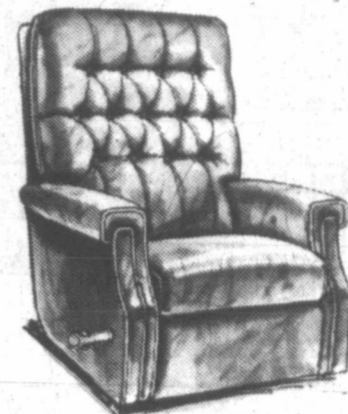
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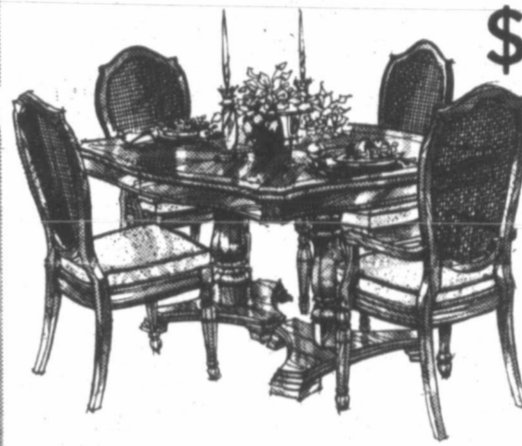
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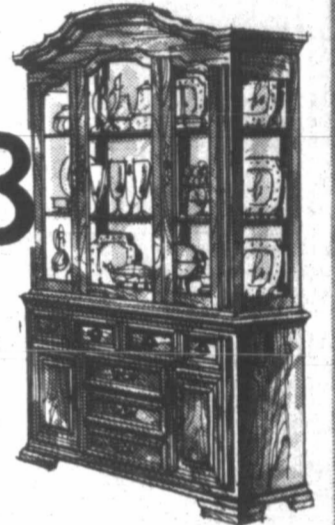
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- 13 Married woman's title
- 14 "Auld Lang"
- 15 Preposition
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- 21 Anglo-Saxon letter
- 22 Go to court
- 23 French river
- 26 Supple
- 30 Soak
- 31 Small quantity
- 32 Habitual drunkard
- 33 Madame (abbr.)
- 34 Possess
- 35 Old French coin
- 36 Leakage
- 38 Teheran native
- 40 Same (comb. form)
- 41 Plant seed
- 42 People of County Cork
- 45 Insane person
- 49 Slight hollow
- 50 Urgent wireless signal
- 51 contendere plea
- 52 Inner (comb. form)
- 53 Mrs., in Madrid (abbr.)
- 54 Pickling spice
- 55 jacket
- 56 Skin problem
- 57 Plus

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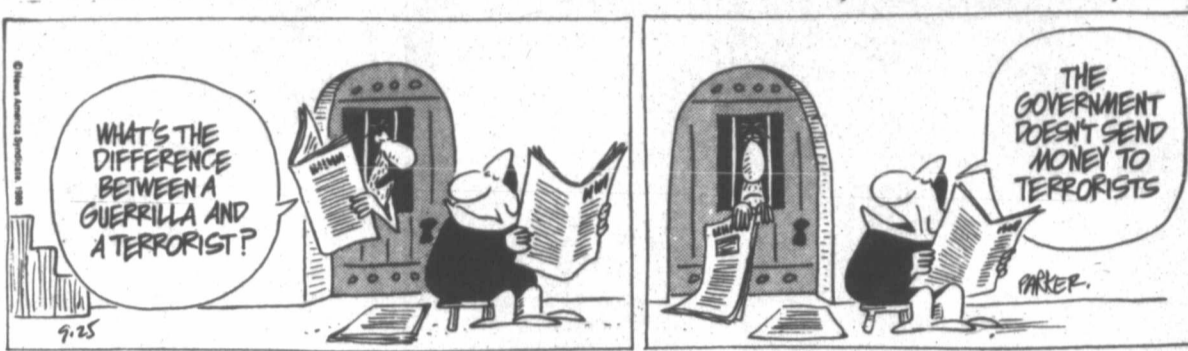
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Favorable results should ensue today if you let events run their natural courses. Forcing issues could create complications or delays.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your initial impulses could be a bit on the negative side today. However, if you take a hard second look, you'll see many promising things for which to be grateful.

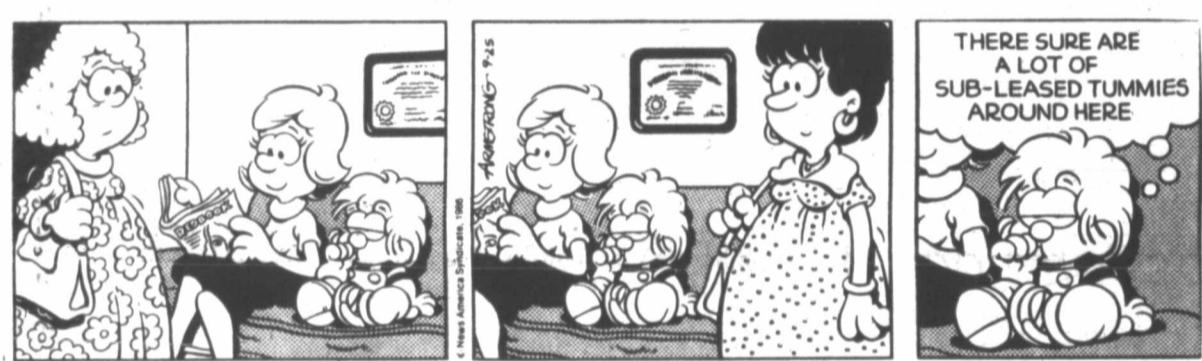
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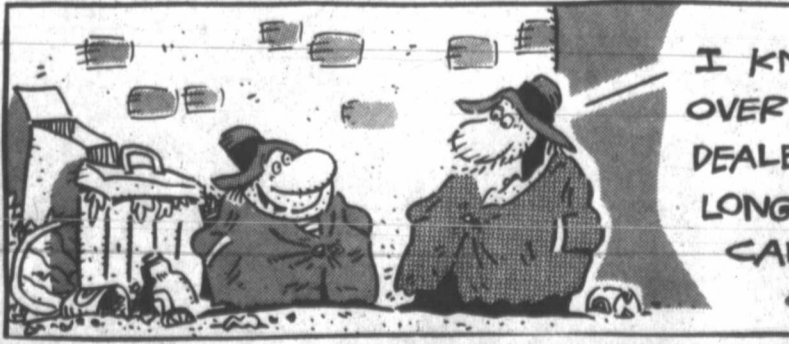
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LIFESTYLES

Fall hairstyles move from tough to tender

CHICAGO (AP) — For fall '86, hair and fashion are all about style — and lifestyle. Just as fall fashion derives from the feminine form, hairstyles take their cue from curves, says a team of salon owners and educators from across the country.

Master Trainers, has developed a collection of fall hairstyles based on fashion's silhouette and style, and have named it the Tough and Tender Collection.

Tough style reflects a woman's self-confidence, they point out. For the woman who favors a bold fashion statement, there are slim skirts and slim jackets in gutsy leathers and form-fitting knits.

Tender looks in hair might mean deep, dramatic waves sweeping off the face or a combination of precisely defined waves and free-form curl. On longer hair, finger-styling achieves a rough finish that has all the impact of spiky looks with a more modern feeling.

Tender looks turn up in soft suedes, laces and cashmere. Skirts are longer and flirty while tops and jackets curve to the body, emphasizing the waist and hips.

Tender hairstyles take wave and finish it with polish and softness. Perms are used to create a diffused, delicate texture or glamorous, '40s-style curl. Short cuts are styled smoothly up and back, while longer looks may be based on bold wave that fades into soft curl.

"Finally, designers have given women the option of dressing to suit their mood, whether it's in a 'tough' black leather suit or 'tender' sweater set and suede skirt," says master trainer Douglas Marvaldi of Winter Park, Fla. "Any hairstyle has to be able to easily make the transition from one look to the other. A cut based on form allows the versatility that fall fashion demands."

The form the master trainers see as most influential for fall is a geometric one that can be adapted to any length of hair, in "tough," avant-garde interpretations or a "tender" look of subtle sophistication. The hair moves in waves off the face — a departure from the forward-moving styles of seasons past. There is extension and volume at the front and back, while the sides and crown remain close to the head.

"It is the detailing which makes the difference between a tough and tender look, both in fashion and hairstyle," says master trainer Richard Calcasola of Long Island, N.Y. "Working from a basic form, a woman can style her hair according to her mood. For a night out, she might use gel to mold a dramatic wave into the front, then pull the rest back into a ponytail. By day, the same cut can be styled with mousse to create smooth waves at the front and add volume to the nape area."

Perms are essential for fall, says Calcasola, for the textural interest they add and the style support they offer.

"Fall fashions are so sleek and simple that they really demand a hairstyle with 'presence.' That usually means a lot of hair," he explains. "Not all women have the hair they want and need, so we can get the feeling of a lot of hair with the right cut and perm."

Adds master trainer Paul Morey, "Perms are not just for women with straight hair. This season, we will be using perms to make the hair move in exactly the right direction with exactly the right size and amount of curl."

Morey notes that fashion's emphasis on refinement demands a more "finished" look from hairstyles. "Hair for fall is more 'done' than it has been recently, but it still must be easy," he says, noting that glazes and gels give greater control than mousses, and add shine that emphasizes fall's wavy styles.

"Mousses are important in styling high-volume looks and will still be necessary, but they will be used only in those areas of the style where a woman wants to create the look of more hair," he adds. "Where a style calls for control and direction, glazes and gels are needed."

Though the perm is becoming increasingly important, hair color will remain a strong influence, according to master trainer Brooxie Summers of Memphis.



(Staff photo by Larry Hollis)

IN RECOGNITION — Joe Reed, center, Pampa mayor pro tem and city commissioner, signs Emergency Medical Services Week into being prior to a city commission meeting earlier this week. Witnessing the proclamation are Pampa Medical Services paramedics D'Anna Caudy, left, and Jana Turpen, right.

DEAR READERS: From a Florida reader came the enclosed item, originally published in my column in 1972. Please read it and pay special attention to the last paragraphs.

DEAR ABBY: Recently a 17-year-old Florida boy pleaded guilty to possessing hallucinogenic drugs. He had also been charged with violence toward a Miami Beach police officer.

Judge Alfonso Sepe sentenced the youth to one year in the county stockade and four years' probation. The comments of the judge so impressed me that I ordered the transcript from the court reporter so that I may read it to my own children.

Your column is so widely read I am sending you the "lecture" Judge Sepe gave that boy in the presence of the grieving parents. I hope you will publish it and give it the national forum I think it deserves.

MRS. A.A. CATES, MIAMI

DEAR MRS. CATES: Rarely

do I devote an entire column to one letter, but I agree, this is worth it. Here it is:

Judge Sepe spoke directly to the youth and said: "Do you know who is going to serve that year? Not you; your mother and father will serve that year. That is what's wrong. They get sentenced. They get sentenced for a lifetime. You serve a year. Your body is in the stockade for a year, but their souls are tormented for a lifetime. Why? Because you are a selfish, spoiled boy, that's why."

"There is no punishment in the world that I could inflict upon you that could in any way compensate for what you are doing to your mother and father. I have not spent

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And your engineers who build the bridges that you drive across and the tunnels that you drive through are not on drugs, and those who build the planes that you fly in and the cars that you drive are not. Neither are those who build the bathrooms that you stink up with your lousy, rotten drugs. None of them have been on drugs, and this is because of people like your mother and father.

"But in the world of the future the same may not be true. Teachers, doctors, lawyers, legislators — products of the new drug-oriented generation — may well be high as kites. You won't know whom to send your child to, or whom to trust your life to."

Sepe sighed and closed the case file. "Let's see what kind of world you leave to your children before you talk about the world that we left to ours."

Well, readers, did Judge Sepe have a crystal ball? Because recreational drugs are illegal, there are not accurate statistics. But it would appear that this country is facing a major drug problem of unprecedented proportions and that the judge's worst prophecies have been fulfilled.

The solution: If everyone swept his own doorstep, the whole world would be clean.

Community college enrollment increases

Clarendon College - Pampa Center experienced a 21 percent increase in enrollment this fall when compared to enrollment figures from Fall 1985.

"We had a super enrollment this year," said Larry Gilbert, director of the local community college. "We increased to 300 from 237 last fall." Adding that the enrollment figures pertain only to the academic courses, Gilbert said vocational and continuing education enrollment is not included.

"We had every day class except one make this semester," he said. "There's more day classes going on than ever before."

Forty-five different academic classes, both day and night, are being taught at the Pampa Center this fall, Gilbert said. He was particularly pleased to see that for the first time since he has been director of the college, four different biologies are being taught — anatomy, physiology, chemistry and botany.

Art classes are also strong this fall, he said. For the first time in some time, he said, both water color and oil painting classes are being taught. Four different kinds of real estate classes are also in progress, he said.

Most of the students this semester are centering their studies around nursing, business and

education, Gilbert said, with some in real estate.

He attributes the increase in enrollment to:

1. Increased awareness of local educational facilities. "People are realizing that they can get two years of fully transferable courses at the Pampa Center."

2. Economic factors. "Community college tuitions are generally lower than those of universities. Universities are \$16 per semester hour and are due to change to \$24 per semester hour next fall. We're \$8 per semester hour." Gilbert added that Frank Phillips College in Borger and Amarillo College both raised their tuition rates by \$2 per hour while Pampa Center's tuition has remained the same.

3. Desire for self-improvement. "People are trying to look at different fields. They're trying to improve themselves."

Pampa Center's faculty members are composed of 33 members of the community, Gilbert said, adding that this number does not include the many area residents who teach vocational or continuing education courses.

"We have a lot of special interest courses going strong, too," Gilbert said. More information about these classes offered by the college will be available at a later date, he said.

Girl Scout troops forming

Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette and Senior Girl Scout troops are now being formed here. Girls between the ages of five and 17 are eligible for one of the troops.

Daisy troop is for girls in kindergarten. Girls in first through third grade are eligible for Brownies and Junior Girl Scouts are for girls in the fourth through sixth grade. Cadette troop is for girls in the seventh through the ninth grade and Senior Girl Scouts

are formed of girls in the 10th through 12 grades.

Survey forms have been distributed in Pampa schools. Parents of any girl, ages five through 17, who did not bring home a form and who is interested in joining the Girl Scouts, may call Cindy Cooper at 665-5477 or the Girl Scout office at 669-6862.

Openings are also available for adult volunteers for troop leader and assistant troop leader positions.

Fall trail ride scheduled

Red Deer Creek Fall Trail Ride is planned Oct. 11-12 with the campsite and ride to be at C.W. Long's, six miles south of Miami.

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WORLD

U.S., Soviet Union considering two-stage plan to free Daniloff

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Secretary of State George P. Shultz has left the door open to another high-level meeting as U.S. and Soviet officials consider a two-stage U.S. proposal for the return of American reporter Nicholas Daniloff, officials said.

The U.S. proposal advanced to Moscow shortly after Daniloff was arrested by the Soviets Aug. 30 calls for the newsman's immediate release and for the trial of Gennadiy Zakharov, a Soviet U.N. employee arrested Aug. 23 in New York and charged with spying.

If Zakharov is convicted, he would be exchanged for an unspecified number of Soviet dissidents, according to the proposal.

"We're working on it," Shultz said Wednesday of the Daniloff case. Other U.S. officials described the negotiations as active and said they might require another session between Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze, who met twice on Tuesday.

The talks, which Shultz is conducting with the assistance of a few State Department specialists in Soviet affairs, apparently are now concentrated on how many dissidents would be freed along with Daniloff.

Administration officials publicly refuse to equate the Daniloff and

Zakharov cases, saying the U.S. News & World Report magazine correspondent is innocent. They also rule out any trade.

But privately, they acknowledge the proposal has been put to the Soviets for consideration.

An administration official in Washington, who demanded anonymity, said on Wednesday that the Soviets were still demanding that Daniloff be tried. But U.S. officials stressed this would be unacceptable because he is innocent.

However, The Washington Post today reported that the Soviet Union had offered to release Daniloff — apparently without putting him on trial — if the United States modified the expulsion order for 25 members of the Soviet U.N. mission, some of whom already have left.

The Post, quoting unidentified non-Soviet East-bloc sources, said the Soviets were also reported to be willing to release several dissidents, including some Jews, as part of a package deal for Daniloff's release.

It was not clear, the paper said, whether they were offering to release the dissidents before or after Zakharov's trial.

Unexplained dismissal shakes VOA staff

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — The unexplained firing of a part-time correspondent in politically sensitive Honduras has shaken the news staff of the Voice of America, the overseas broadcasting arm of the U.S. government.

The decision to dismiss the relatively obscure reporter was made at the highest levels of the VOA without prior consultation with the correspondent's newsroom or field supervisors and without subsequent explanation.

Ed DeFontaine, director of news and English programming for the VOA in Washington, said in a telephone interview that neither he, News Director Don Henry nor Joseph Chapman, chief assignments editor, were consulted about the decision to

fire Laura Brooks, 27. "It came from higher up," DeFontaine said. "I don't support it."

The reason for her dismissal was not disclosed to Ms. Brooks, a native of Alfred, N.Y., who had worked for the VOA in Tegucigalpa for six months. She also reports part-time for several other news organizations, including the British Broadcasting Corp., National Public Radio and Mutual Radio.

"I don't feel I have a satisfactory answer to what happened," Ms. Brooks said. "Nobody will tell me, and it really bothers me because I feel that in some way my reputation has been damaged."

Ms. Brooks speculated that either of two acts on her part may have offended the Honduran government, the VOA, or both.

She, two other reporters and their Honduran guide were detained without charge by the Honduran army for 30 hours last June after they were stopped by a civil defense patrol while trying to enter a camp of the anti-Sandinista Nicaraguan rebels, known as Contras.

The Contras maintain several large camps in southern Honduras near the Nicaraguan border, but government officials prefer not to acknowledge their presence and the Honduran army

has declared the area off limits to reporters. Although many have attempted, only a few reporters have managed to visit the camps the past six months.

The Reagan administration is awaiting final congressional approval of a request for \$100 million in military and humanitarian aid to the Honduras-based guerrillas, who seek to overthrow the leftist Sandinista government of Nicaragua.

The request has been approved by both the House and Senate, but minor differences remain to be resolved by a joint conference committee.

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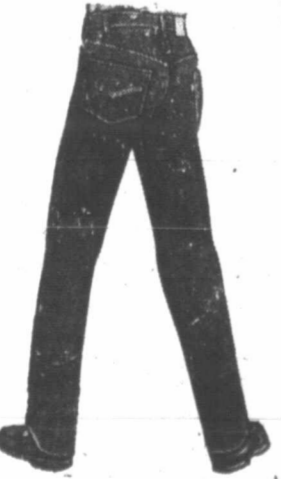
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Israeli warplanes bomb Fatah camp outside Sidon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Six Israeli fighter-bombers blasted suspected Palestinian guerrilla targets this morning at a refugee camp outside the southern port of Sidon, police said.

"There is extensive damage but no immediate report on casualties," state-run Radio Beirut reported.

In Tel Aviv, the Israeli military command said the raid was on a base belonging to the Fatah faction headed by Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The communique said the base consisted of several tents in a forest south of Sidon.

The pilots reported accurate hits and all planes returned safely to base, according to the Israeli announcement.

The attack was the second Israeli air raid on Lebanon in three days and the 11th so far this year.

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